

TEUTONIA

NEWSLETTER



Founded 1935

Spring, 2018

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Join the Teutonia Seniors!



The TEUTONIA SENIORS are just one of the several Sub-Groups that form part of the Club. Join them for card-playing every Wednesday at 12:30 PM. (PHOTO BY CRIS KOHL)

New Membership Cards!



The new, colourful TEUTONIA MEMBERSHIP CARDS have arrived! Renewals or additions to our 2018 membership roster will receive these cards, while those members who have already renewed their 2018 memberships can exchange their old cards for new ones at any club event.

2018 Events --

Mark Your Calendars and Join Us!

March 31, 2018 (Easter Saturday) -- Children's **EASTER EGG HUNT**, 12:00 noon, Fogolar Furlan Club.

April 7, 2018 (Saturday) -- **TRACHTENFEST** in Toronto. Details to follow. (In 2019, this annual TRACHTENFEST will be held in Windsor!)

May 5, 2018 (Saturday) -- The return of the Teutonia **STRAUSS BALL**. Call Anne Marie at 519-999-9600 for details. This Strauss Ball will be replacing our usual Maifest this year.

May 27, 2018 (Sun.) Teutonia Choir Spring **CONCERT**, 3 PM.

June 23 & 24, 2018 (Sat. & Sun.) -- The Annual **CARROUSEL**. This will be a two-day event in 2018! (It was only one day in 2017.) This will be a BIG weekend! Join the fun! Either volunteer to help the Teutonia Club, or be an active attendee!

August 19, 2018 (Sun.) -- Teutonia Members **FREE PICNIC**.

October 27 & 28, 2018 (Sat. & Sun.) -- Teutonia **OKTOBERFEST**. This will be a two-day event in 2018! (It was only one day in 2017.) Join the fun at this traditional event!

November 24, 2018 (Saturday) -- (tentative) **KIRCHWEIH**.

December 9, 2018 (Sunday) -- Teutonia Choir **CHRISTMAS PARTY** with the Ladies Group, German-Canadian Business Association, and Teutonia Board of Directors. 1 PM.

December 16, 2018 (Sunday) -- Teutonia Choir **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**, 3 PM.

TEUTONIA UNTERGRUPPEN (SUB-GROUPS)

The **YOUTH GROUP** meets on Mondays at 7 PM.

The **CHOIR** rehearses on Tuesday evenings at 6 PM.

The **SENIORS** play cards every Wednesday at 12:30 PM.

The **FRAUENGRUPPE (LADIES GROUP)** plays bingo every Thursday from 1 to 4 PM.

The **GERMAN-CANADIAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION** meets at 10 AM on the first Sunday of each month.

ALL of the above Teutonia Club sub-groups invite MEMBERS to join them at the Fogolar Furlan Club in these weekly activities. Take advantage of these opportunities to meet new people, to make new friends, and to HAVE FUN!

The next TEUTONIA NEWSLETTER will be coming out in late June, right after Carrousel. To place a \$25 ad, telephone 519-915-9016, or email criskohl@aol.com.

Make sure you renewed your membership for 2018!

2018 Teutonia Board of Directors

President/Newsletter: *Cris Kohl*
Vice President: *Sharon Mueller*
Secretary: *Tami Stecher*
Treasurer: *Nick Tonita*
Membership: *Lori Abt*
Entertainment: *Gord Erdmann*
Media: *Ann Boies*

To contact the Teutonia Club or any of the Teutonia Club Directors, please use any of the following methods:

- Telephone: 519-969-3815
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Unless otherwise stated, all of the Teutonia Club's members' events and other functions are held at the
**Fogolar Furlan Club, 1800 North Service Road,
 Windsor, ON N8W 1Y3 Canada**
 We thank the Fogolar Furlan Club wholeheartedly for their assistance and support of the Teutonia Club.

CORRECTION

In the previous Teutonia Newsletter, the late MAX OFNER was incorrectly identified as "Frank Ofner." We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this error. A generous donation of nearly \$5,000 was made by the organizers of the 2017 Teutonia Golf Tournament to a local hospice in memory of Max Ofner.

Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

In an effort to increase the visibility of the Teutonia Club in the Windsor area, we have had business cards printed which also list our numerous, main club activities for 2018 on the back of the card. Your Board of Directors will be handing out these cards at each and every business and social opportunity to make people aware that the Teutonia Club not only continues to exist, but that it invites the public to its many fun activities this year. And as members, you receive discounts to several of these events, plus a FREE PICNIC in August, plus club newsletters.

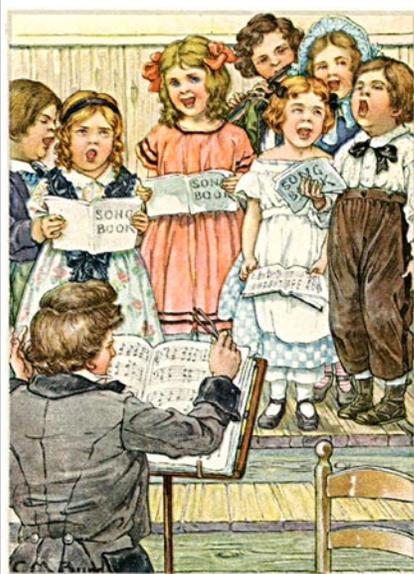
The organizers of the Teutonia Golf Tournament, which has been held annually in June since 2010, have indicated that they would like to step down from the very time-consuming and organizationally-intensive work of setting up and running this event. A request was made to have the 2018 Teutonia Board of Directors take over this job, which, after discussion, was declined, the main reasons being that five of the seven Board members still work at full-time jobs or have businesses to run, plus the duties of maintaining the operation of the Teutonia Club and its numerous traditional events, such as Carrousel and Oktoberfest, which are getting bigger, are taking increasingly more time to organize and operate. We sincerely thank the Golf Tournament organizers for their hard work over the past eight years, and we will continue to consider any and all options for maintaining the Teutonia Golf Tournament. If any members (and this is another reason we need to increase our club membership!) would like to volunteer to keep this activity "up and running," please contact the Teutonia Board of Directors.

We have exciting times coming up in the near future: the reincarnated TEUTONIA STRAUSS BALL on May 5th (our last one was held on May 23, 2015), the ever-popular SPRING CONCERT of the Teutonia Choir on May 27th, and the intense, non-stop CARROUSEL on June 23rd & 24th (TWO days this year compared to ONE last year!)

I hope to see many of you at these events!

Cris Kohl, Teutonia Club President

Teutonia Choir Spring Concert



**Sun., May 27th
 3 PM
 Fogolar Furlan
 Adults \$15
 Under 12 FREE
 Call**

519-253-8225

Tickets will also be available at the door. Reception after the concert with German sweet treats!



CARROUSEL 2018!

**Sat., June 23rd
 and
 Sun., June 24th**

VOLUNTEERS will be needed for this exciting, busy, FUN EVENT!

Please call the Teutonia Club at 519-969-3815 if you can help in any way for any length of time!

Traditional GERMAN FOOD at Carrousel will include Sauerkraut, Oktoberfest Sausage, Schnitzel, and Dessert

A Blast from the Past -- Teutonia Men's Choir, 1964



Don't miss the current Teutonia Choir's Spring Concert on Sunday, May 27, 2018!

The Teutonia Maennerchor (Men's Choir) was established in 1955, at about the same time that the new Teutonia Club building at 55 Edinborough Street was built. Frank Hahn (in white jacket) was the conductor in the mid-1960s. Honourary choir members included George Molnar, Teutonia Club President (far left, 1st row) and Teutonia Board member Frank Eppert (far right, 1st row). This was before the "Gemischterchor" (Mixed Choir) -- which included ladies -- was established in late 1965. The current Teutonia Club President, Cris Kohl, standing next to Mr. Eppert, was the 15-year-old piano accompanist for the choir, a job he held from 1963 until 1974. His father, Lorenz Kohl, is also in this photo, as are many friends, most of whom are gone.

Concluded from the Summer, 2017, Teutonia Club Newsletter -- The following excerpts about the **Teutonia Club's history** were written by Dr. Friedrich Wolf and were published in the 40-page booklet (in German only) titled "Fahnenweihe des Vereins Teutonia Windsor am 18. und 19. Mai 1957" (THIS BOOKLET COMES FROM THE COLLECTION OF LORENZ AND ERIKA KOHL):

GERMAN

...Im Januar 1954 wurde auf Betreiben von Herrn Heinrich Wolf der deutsche Unterricht unter der Leitung von Herrn Lehrer Hans Gross wieder aufgenommen....

Die Frauenschaft die seit der Gruendung des Vereines nicht muede geworden ist sorgt auch heute noch unter der Leitung von Frau Margaretha Gimpel, der gegenwaertigen Praesidentin, fuer das leibliche Wohl der Mitglieder und deren Gaeste bei Veranstaltungen.

Bei der Jahresversammlung 1955 wurde dem Vorstand under Praesident Franz Binder der Dank fuer die geleiste Arbeit ausgesprochen... jedoch konnte er sich nicht entschliessen ein weiteres Jahr als Praesident im Amt zu bleiben, da er beruflich ueberlastet war.

Bei der Neuwahl wurde Herr William Novak zum Praesidenten des Vereines gewaehlt. Er versprach sofort nach seiner Wahl in Zusammenarbeit mit den Vorstandsmitgliedern, die ja die alten geblieben sind, die Schuldenlast des Vereines herunterzudruecken. Ein weiteres Ziel, welches er sich zur Aufgabe setzte, ist die Werbung neuer Mitglieder. Dank der guten Zusammenarbeit des Vorstandes konnte die Schuldenlast um eine beträchtliche Summe herabgesetzt und die Mitgliederzahl auf 734 erhoeht werden.

1956 wurde Herr Praesident Wilhelm Novak zusammen mit dem Vorstand wiedergewaehlt.

ENGLISH (translated by Cris Kohl)

...In January 1954, at the instigation of Mr. Heinrich Wolf, German schooling, under the direction of the teacher, Mr. Hans Gross, was resumed....

The Ladies Group that, since the establishment of the Club has not tired, continues to this day, under the direction of Mrs. Margaretha Gimpel, the current President, to provide care for the well-being of the members and their guests at events.

At the annual meeting in 1955, the Board of Directors under President Frank Binder was thanked for their outstanding work... nonetheless he could not commit to another year in the office of the President, as he was careerwise overburdened.

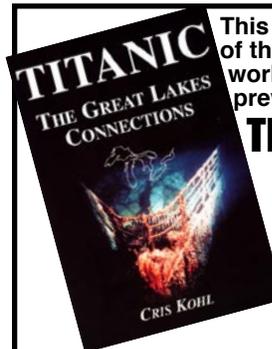
At the new election, Mr. William Novak was voted as President. He promised, immediately after the vote, to work together with the incumbent Board of Directors to reduce the Club's expenses. Another goal he set for himself was to increase membership. Thanks to the cooperative teamwork of this Board, expenses were reduced to a manageable amount and club membership rose to 734.

President William Novak, along with his Board of Directors, were returned to office in the 1956 vote.

ADVERTISE with TEUTONIA!

You can advertise your business to the many readers of this newsletter! For \$25 (Canadian), you can have your advertisement, the exact same size as these framed ads (either vertical or horizontal), printed in black-and-white (but it will appear in colour when the Teutonia newsletter is posted on our web site), placed in the next (the "Summer, 2018") issue of this newsletter in late June, 2018.

For more information, call 519-915-9016 or send an email to criskohl@aol.com. Deadline is June 20th.



This April 15th will mark the 106th anniversary of the SINKING of the most famous ship in the world! Find out all about it, including many previously untold stories, in the book

TITANIC, The Great Lakes Connections by Cris Kohl

319 pages, and more than 100 photographs. Excellent gift idea!

Regular: \$19.95 + tax, Canadian.

SPECIAL PRICE of \$15.00,
for Teutonia Club members.

To order, call 519-915-9016 or email criskohl@aol.com.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

set up by the Teutonia Youth Group

12:00 Noon, Saturday, March 31, 2018

at the Fogolar Furlan Club

For more information,

contact Anne Marie at 519-999-9600



Teutonia Straussball



PERFORMANCE will be on Saturday evening, May 5, 2018

For more information, please contact Anne Marie Ofner: jnorton@mnsi.net or Vanessa Ellul: teutonia.straussball@gmail.com

Teutonia Group CHRISTMAS PARTY, Dec. 17, 2017



The TEUTONIA CHOIR CHRISTMAS PARTY, in association with the Teutonia Ladies Auxiliary, the Teutonia Board of Directors, and the German-Canadian Business & Professional Association, held their annual event on Sunday, December 17, 2017. Approximately 70 people enjoyed a fabulous dinner followed by designer desserts -- specially made by several club members. A huge THANK YOU goes out to them all; everyone appreciated their work! (PHOTOS BY CRIS KOHL)