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Teutonia 2019 Oktoberfest & Kirchweih!



Windsor's first Oktoberfest was set up by the Teutonia Club in October, 1971 -- and it remains wildly popular, with 700 people attending on Saturday, September 28, 2019! This huge crowd in the Fogolar's Main Hall includes MP Brian Masse (lower right). More on p. 4. Photo by Cris Kohl



The Teutonia Club's annual Kirchweih, held on Sunday afternoon, November 3, 2019, featured Miss Kirchweih Amelia Touma, and Mr. Kirchweih Austin Ellul-Wheeler, carrying the traditional rosemary plant for this event. More on page 4.

PHOTO BY CRIS KOHL

Fun: Frankenmuth Bus Trip!







Fall, 2019

On Tuesday, October 22, 2019, a modern, spacious, comfortable bus, driven by a friendly driver, took 31 Teutonia Club members and guests to the German-American community of Frankenmuth, Michigan. The group enjoyed a wonderful day exploring the many shops selling German products, such as Bronner's Christmas Store, and relishing a meal in a very Bavarian-style restaurant.

(Photos by Ann Marie Ofner)

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: vacant

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Unless otherwise stated, all Teutonia Club events are held at the **Fogolar Furlan Club**,

1800 North Service Road, Windsor, ON N8W 1Y3 Canada We thank this club wholeheartedly for their assistance and support.

TEUTONIA UNTERGRUPPEN (SUB-GROUPS)

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

The **CHOIR** rehearses on Tuesday afternoons at 3:30 PM.

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

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

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!

Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

I THANK everyone who helped make the Teutonia Club's Oktoberfest 2019, on Saturday, September 28, 2019, an overwhelming success. We advertised in both the *Windsor Star* newspaper and on various electronic social media. Unfortunately it is not possible to tell which medium of advertising produced better results for us. What we do know is that the Main Hall was packed with 700 people enjoying excellent German food, great German beer, wonderful German music, and exceptional camaraderie of all ethnicities. We, the organizers, apologize for any inconvenience caused by an unforeseen delay in the official "tapping of the keg," originally scheduled for 6:30. Despite that -- and the fact that this event was only one day long this year -- it was a very successful Oktoberfest 2019

We tried something that we had not done in a long, long time -- a one-day bus trip to the German-American town of Frankenmuth, Michigan, about a 2.5-hour drive from Windsor. Because it was pretty much a last-minute decision to run this trip, and because it ran on a weekday, we didn't fill the bus -- but later, when attendees told others about it, numerous people said they would have gone had they known about it. So, we will be optimistic and give it another try in October, 2020.

As we look back now in December, we can see that we, as a club, have had an enormously successful year. Through trial-and-error, we are learning how to make the most in this difficult situation of not having our own club building. The Fogolar Furlan Club is doing everything possible to make us feel "at home" in our new home, and we appreciate and thank them for that. I firmly believe that we are on the right track to growing our membership.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and the BEST in the New Year! **Cris Kohl,** Teutonia Club President

Teutonia Club Member: IN MEMORIAM

Our condolences to the family and friends of this member: Martin HEGER, 84, passed away peacefully on November 12, 2019.



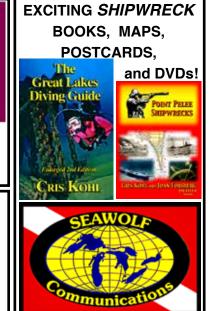
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For more information, call 519-915-9016 or send an email to criskohl@aol.com. <u>Deadline</u> is <u>Friday</u>, <u>Jan. 24th, 2020</u>.



Teutonia Members get 25% off! Excellent Christmas Gifts! To order, call 519-915-9016 or email criskohl@aol.com

Volunteers -- the REAL Reason for the Teutonia Club's Success!

We THANK all of our volunteers for the great jobs they did at CARROUSEL in June and OKTOBERFEST in September. Whether it was lathering pork hocks, serving food, emceeing the show, doing dishes, hanging up flags, cutting vegetables, slicing onions, loading the ovens, or any of the





thousand-and-one other things that need to get done for such successful public events. Special thanks go out to Lori Abt and Sharon Mueller, who organize the small army of volunteers who prepare most of the food. It takes a lot of work to put on a successful event for 700 people. -- THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, ALL! (PHOTOS BY CRIS KOHL, WHO IS ALSO A VOLUNTEER)













Upcoming Events of the Teutonia Club

December 7, 2019 (Saturday) -- Teutonia Choir sings at Bright Lights outdoors at Windsor's Jackson Park, 6 PM. Support our choir and August 16, 2020 (Sunday) -- MEMBERS' FREE PICNIC. We need to get into the Christmas spirit!

December 8, 2019 (Sunday) -- TEUTONIA MEMBERS' CHRISTMAS PARTY. Doors open at noon, buffet meal at 1 PM. Entertainment and Christmas singalong by the Youth Group. And Santa!

December 15, 2019 (Sunday) -- Teutonia Choir CHRISTMAS CON-CERT. 3 PM, Windsor Hall, \$15. Coffee & baked goods follow!

December 28, 2019 (Saturday) -- A dozen children who are attending October 18, 2020 (Sunday) -- MEMBERS' MID-YEAR MEETING. 1 German School on Saturday mornings will sing several German Christmas songs at Bright Lights in Windsor's Jackson Park, and October 20, 2020 (Tuesday) -- Tentative date for a bus trip to FRANthey invite anyone who can sing in German to join them! 6 PM.

January 19, 2020 (Sunday) -- TEUTONIA MEMBERS' MEETING and November 8, 2020 (Sunday) -- KIRCHWEIH. Afternoon only. Meal to **ELECTIONS!** 2 PM. Positions to be determined are President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Media. Fogolar Room.

February 9, 2020 (Sunday) -- 1 PM. MEMBERS' BANQUET. Spaetzle and goulash. Meals must be ordered by Jan. 24th; please let the us know by that date if you will be attending. Canada Hall.

April, 2020 (Sunday) -- TEUTONIA CHOIR SPRING CONCERT. De- December 6, 2020 (Sunday) -- TEUTONIA MEMBERS' CHRISTMAS tails to follow.

There may be a **MAIFEST** this year; details to follow.

June 28, 2020 (Sunday) -- CARROUSEL (one day only this year).

Noon to the evening. Main Hall (both Canada and Friuli)

provide the Fogolar Furlan Club with the number of meals two weeks in advance, so please let us know by August 1st if you will be attending. Pavilion.

September 27, 2020 (Sunday) -- OKTOBERFEST. One day only again this year, and it's a Sunday (all Saturdays were booked.) Main Hall (Canada and Friuli).

PM. Fogolar Room.

KENMUTH, Michigan, for Germanic food and shopping.

be determined. The number of meals to be ordered must be provided to the Fogolar Furlan Club two weeks in advance, namely by October 23, 2020. Windsor Hall. By the way, the date of this Kirchweih marks 85 years plus one day ago that the Teutonia Club was formally chartered (on Nov. 7, 1935.)

PARTY. Details to follow. Windsor Hall.

December 13, 2020 (Sunday) -- Tentative date for the TEUTONIA CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT. Details to follow.





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The Teutonia Club's Oktoberfest 2019 included a beer-stein-holding contest and a variety of ethnic dance groups, plus great beer and great food!







Colourfully-attired members of all ages in the Teutonia Youth Group prepare to enter the main hall to perform at the annual Kirchweih event.



German School Children's Choir: Jackson Park, 6 PM, Dec. 28, 2019

Yes, a teacher was found and there is German School being taught every Saturday morning from 10 to noon -- and these 9 students are learning three German Christmas songs that they will sing at Bright Lights in Jackson Park at 6 PM, Sat., Dec. 28, 2019. They invite everyone in the Teutonia Club to join them in singing "O Tannenbaum," "Kling, Gloeckchen," and "In der Weihnachstbaeckerei." For more information about this or the German School, contact Christina Luksch at 519-817-7031. See you there! (PHOTO BY CRIS KOHL)





