

TEUTONIA

NEWSLETTER



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2018 Events -- Mark Your Calendars and Join Us!

January 21, 2018 (Sun.) -- **MEMBERS BANQUET**. 1 PM; doors open at noon.

January 29, 2018 (Monday) -- Teutonia Choir **PRETZELBAKE**. Deadline to order: Friday, Jan. 26, 2018. (519) 253-8225.

April 1, 2018 (Easter Sunday) -- Children's **EASTER EGG HUNT**.

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

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

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

June, 2018 -- **GOLF TOURNAMENT**. (Tentative.) This could be a big fundraiser for the club, but volunteers are needed!

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!

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, 2018 (Saturday) -- **KIRCHWEIHFEST**, date and details to be announced.

December, 2018 (Sunday) -- Teutonia Choir **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**, date and details to be announced.

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!

KIRCHWEIHFEST!



The **TEUTONIA KIRCHWEIHFEST**, held on Saturday, November 25, 2017, was led by this year's Miss Kirchweih, Karly Busch, and Mr. Kirchweih, Jacob Stecher. (PHOTO BY CRIS KOHL) More photos appear on page 4...

Choir Christmas Concert!



The excellent **TEUTONIA CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT**, on Sunday, December 10, 2017, drew a full house! (PHOTO BY CRIS KOHL) More photos appear on page 4...

Teutonia Club, Windsor, Ontario

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

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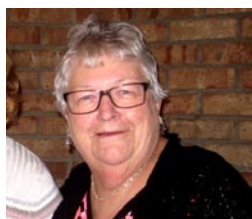
- Website: www.teutonioclub.com

2018 Teutonia Board of Directors

Here are the seven members of the Teutonia Board of Directors, as determined at the annual Membership/Elections Meeting held on Sunday, January 14, 2018. Get to know these faces; they belong to the people who will listen to your club concerns and suggestions, and they will work hard to promote the Teutonia Club -- please support these seven people and our club's many activities and events this year:



Cris Kohl
President/Newsletter



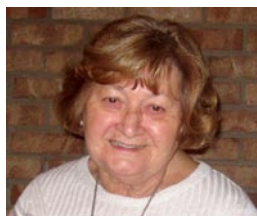
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Vice President



Tami Stecher
Secretary



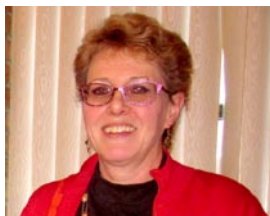
Nick Tonita
Treasurer



Lori Abt
Membership



Gord Erdmann
Entertainment



Ann Boies
Media

Message from the President

Dear Members and Friends,

The column on the left side of this page introduces you to our 2018 Teutonia Board of Directors, most of whom are veteran Teutonia Board members, while one is new to the Board. ALL are enthusiastic, and I wholeheartedly thank them for offering their services to the Club, and for believing that we are far from being on board the *TITANIC*.

I sincerely thank outgoing Board member **Paul Weber** for his work as Teutonia Club President in 2016 and 2017; this was a difficult transition period for the club, a time when everyone -- from the Board of Directors to the Club Members to the General Public, who had all become accustomed to the many functions held at our old club building on Edinborough Street -- had to accept the sudden and profound changes to how we must now operate as an organization. While we still have a lot to learn, Paul pulled us through that initial transition period.

As I indicated late last year, we should make our main goal in 2018 a significant **increase in our club membership** -- and one way we could accomplish this is to let the residents of Windsor know that our club not only continues to exist, but that our many events are

a) open to the public (and club membership will give them discounts at these functions), and

b) fun to attend because of the social aspects. You don't have to have a Germanic or a Bavarian or a Swabian or any Nordic European (including Norwegian) family heritage to have fun at our events or to join the Teutonia Club. You just have to want to have fun.

This newsletter will have an inserted page: a Teutonia Club Membership Application. We all have family members, neighbours, and friends who would be interested in joining us for our many activities this year. Extend an invitation to them to join an active, fun-loving club! And our food is always good, too!

Also in 2018, we would like to establish an informal committee of two or three people to keep an open eye for commercial properties that could become the New Home of the Teutonia Club. This New Home will be simple compared to where we are quartered now (at the fabulous Fogolar Furlan Club) or to the building we once had, but it would be a new beginning. Contact us if you would like to be part of this committee.

Meanwhile -- join us this year for our Strauss Ball in May, the always-excellent Choir Concerts in May and December, the fund-raising Golf Tournament in June, the wild-and-crazy Carousel (TWO DAYS this year in June instead of only one!), the Teutonia Members' FREE PICNIC in August, and the even-wilder-and-crazier Oktoberfest in, naturally, October (TWO DAYS this year instead of only one!), plus many other events!

I hope to see and meet many of you at our fun functions!

Sincerely yours,

Cris Kohl, Teutonia Club President

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.

Teutonia Straussball 2018

The Teutonia Youth Group is looking for youth in Grade 9 or older who are interested in participating in The Teutonia Straussball.



PERFORMANCE will be on Saturday evening, May 5, 2018

Practices are held on Mondays, 7 to 8:30 PM at the Fogolar Furlan Club. In mid-March, practices will change to Sunday afternoons (time TBD).

For more information, please contact

Anne Marie Offner: jnorton@msni.net or
Vanessa Ellul: teutonia.straussball@gmail.com

Teutonia Golf Tournament 2018?



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

The Teutonia GOLF TOURNAMENT has been organized every year since 2010, with all of the raised funds going to the Teutonia Club (with the exception of 2017, when the nearly \$5,000 raised was donated to a local hospice in memory of Teutonia member Max Ofner.) The Teutonia Club could certainly put any tournament funds to good use, but organizing and running this project requires a lot of volunteers. Please help us out this year!

To keep this worthwhile fundraiser going, please contact John Ganjo at (519) 735-5374, or Frank Schwartz at (519) 735-2086. All volunteers will be recognized for their work!

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 issue of this newsletter in early spring, 2018.

For more information, call 519-915-9016 or send an email to criskohl@aol.com

“Securing your family’s future, today!”



Nick Tonita
Financial Security Advisor
Cell: 519-996-9699

Gerda Prechter-Slama

CERTIFIED YOGA INSTRUCTOR
Senior and Chair Yoga



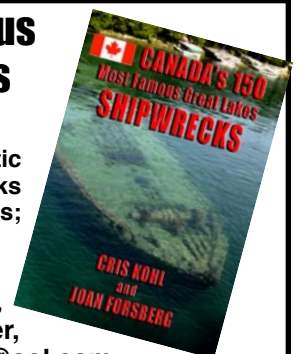
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TUESDAY or THURSDAY, 10-11:00 am
WEDNESDAY 6:30-7:30 pm

Canada’s 150 Most Famous Great Lakes Shipwrecks by Cris Kohl & Joan Forsberg

This 224-page book relates the dramatic stories of the 150 best known shipwrecks on the CANADIAN side of the Great Lakes; 400+ photographs! Excellent gift idea!

Regular: \$19.95 + tax, Canadian.
SPECIAL PRICE of \$15.00, tax included, for Teutonia Club members. To order, call 519-915-9016 or email criskohl@aol.com



Teutonia KIRCHWEIHFEST, November 25, 2017

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Teutonia CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT, Dec. 10, 2017



...Continued from Page 1. The TEUTONIA CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT, attracting more than 120 people in the audience, featured returning guest cello impresario Félix Nunes (at left), and later (at right), posing with Teutonia Choir conductor Iosif Matieu (centre) and piano accompanist Alda Calongcagong (right). Christmas cakes, cookies, tortes, and other fabulous treats formed, literally, "the icing on the cake" of this exceptional, truly enjoyable holiday concert. (PHOTOS BY CRIS KOHL)