



THE GERMAN-CANADIAN CLUB LONDON

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EDITORS DESK

Dear members and friends of the German Canadian Club

This is an extremely busy time of year for Bob Walters and he is not able to write his usual letter. So I would like to take the opportunity to touch on a difficult subject. I know, and I am sure I am talking on behalf of a lot of members, that Bob has done a superb job as president of the German Canadian Club.

Those of us who have paid close attention to all the work Bob has done will be (and already are) extraordinarily grateful to him and his contributions. The best thing that could happen to our club would be that Bob once again took on the position of president. But I am afraid we would have to beg for this pretty hard. If he really wants to step down in spring next year, every one of us will understand that.

But the Club has to go on. The position of the president is very demanding. It requires a full commitment to fulfilling a number of different roles ranging from that of business person to that of motivator of volunteers. On top of it all, it is an unpaid, voluntary job with challenges that will not get smaller in future.

That's why I am asking you today to start thinking about who you know who would be capable of taking on the job of president of the German Canadian Club. In my opinion, it is time to consider a woman for this position. This would be equal rights in practice, and it would certainly increase the number of possible candidates.

Please help support the president and the committee. A visit would be an active support of your Club in the Cove.

Burkhard Spangenberg

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sunday	11	Senioren Kaffeeklatsch	2 pm
Saturday	14	Junior Tennis tournament	1 pm
Thursday	15	Handcraft	1 pm
Saturday 17 & Sunday	18	Doors open London	10am-4pm
Sunday	18	Special Event Kaffeeklatsch	2 pm
Wednesday	21	Bingo	2 pm
Sunday	25	Senior Tennis tournament	9 am
Thursday	29	Handcraft	1 pm

OCTOBER EVENTS

Sunday	2	30 Year Anniversary Seniors club Banquet dinner	2 pm
Monday	3	Day of German Unity 	6 pm
Wednesday	19	Bingo	2 pm
Saturday	22	Oktoberfest 	8 pm
Sunday	23	Special Event Kaffeeklatsch	2 pm

- Everyone is welcome to all Seniors' events
- Every Monday at 8 pm: Lyra Choir Practice
- Every Friday at 8 pm: dancing with DJ. John

ACTIVITIES AT THE GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB

Office (Chris and Judy) • 519-433-2901 • germanclub1@rogers.com	Monday to Friday 10 am to 3 pm	Choir (Hans Sandker) • 519-245-1922 • hanssandker@execulink.com	Monday 8 to 10 pm
Tennis Court (Juppe Rosell) • 519-472-9105 • evelynrosell@bellnet.ca	May to September 7 days a week 8 am to 8 pm	Seniors (Gerd Kal-tenecker) • 519-453-5408 • kal-tenecker.gerd@gmail.com	Variable times
Soccer Field (Juergen Belle) • 519-860-550 • juergen.belle@sympatico.ca	Watch for the field bookings and training schedule in this paper and at the club	Londoner Funken (Audrey Glaese) • 519-520-2476 • frankgl@rogers.com	Carnival meetings Dance and Masquerade
Bowling Horst Ammon 519-668-6904 • ammon@rogers.com Dieter Marienwald 519-455-2339 • dgmarienwald@rogers.com	Mondays 7 to 9 pm Bowlarama Lanes Thompson Road	Special Events (Ellen Hobyan) • 519-461-0189	Variable times Special Events

HALL RENTAL RATES for the German-Canadian Club:		
RATES for	MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS
Ball Room	\$375.00	\$800.00
Cove Room	\$250.00	\$500.00
Dining Room	\$50.00	\$100.00
Sun Room	no charge	\$75.00

NEWS



The SENIORS' GROUP: 30 YEARS

will have a banquet dinner on **Sunday October 2nd** in order to celebrate their 30th Anniversary.

TENNIS: YEAR END TOURNAMENT

\$ 15 for MEMBERS

Juniors Saturday September 14th 1 pm
Seniors Sunday September 25th 9 am



BOWLING

The German Canadian Bowling club is in need of five committed pin bowlers, both men and women, for our next season starting in September 2011. We meet on Monday evenings from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm. at the Bowlarama Lanes on Thompson Road in London.



The fee includes rental of the lanes and two fun parties: a dinner in early January, and a dinner banquet at the close of the season in May when our best bowlers receive their trophies here at the German Canadian Club. You want to join us ?

Contact:
Horst 519-668-6904 or Dieter 519-455-2339

MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT

If you purchase your OKTOBERFEST ticket in advance just show your full membership card and receive \$2 off the ticket price.

Alexandra Shalakhova

In 2009 Alexandra went to Germany as part of the Exchange program of the German Language School London. Here is her report:



I was 17 years old, had 5 years of German lessons in Moscow and had been a student at the German Language school London for over 3 years.

I spent 5 month in Germany and lived with my guest family in Riepe, a small village in Lower Saxony. I went to school in Aurich, about 15

km away. I went by bicycle to school. Even though it was a long way I enjoyed every second of it. The wind, the sheep, the horses, everything combined to create a romantic atmosphere in Germany. Back in Canada, the first thing I bought was a new bicycle, and I have turned into a bike lover. And I am now riding everywhere with my new bicycle.

I love German food. My favourite German food is Milka Chocolate, cheese buns, and not to forget the famous Eastfrisen Tea with crystallized sugar, Klunties, Creme - and conversation was always an important part of the tea ceremony. German Cake is the best ever.

I had lots of fun at school. The students and teachers were very friendly and humorous. I made contact very quickly with other students. Compared to Canada, there are a lot of things different, and at first you have to adjust yourself. I liked that the school has a lot of different subjects over the year. The school teaches almost everything that a student will need in his or her future. I made friends with a lot of people and, being back in Canada, I hope I will stay in touch with some of them.

I am proud that I took part in the exchange program. I gathered a lot of experience. I am now more self-confident and more independent. In addition, I got the chance to see German daily life and German culture from a front seat. I learned a lot about German culture and the German way of life. Before my trip to Germany I had dreamed about spending my life in Paris, France when I am old. But now I think I would rather do it In Germany.

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For further information:

- **Beate Gundert: 519-433-0766
and 519-432-8625 (voice mail)**
- **Ilse Spangenberg: 519-789-2338**

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www.germanschoollondon.com**

MORE NEWS

SPECIAL EVENTS GROUP is looking for someone who is willing to help out at the Kaffeeklatsch for one Sunday a month for a few hours.

Please contact:

Helga Bell: (519) 680-5061)

Email: joschi@rogers.com

DOORS OPEN LONDON

is celebrating it's 10th Year and the German Canadian Club is participating.

On **Saturday and Sunday, September 17 and 18**, the doors in the club will be open to the general public. Sunday Brunch and coffee and cake will be waiting for them.

For details please ask at the club. **519 433 2901**

GERMAN BREAD!!!

Every Friday from 8 am – to 2 pm there is a German baker at the Farmers Market at the Masonville Market. He is selling sourdough bread, bezel and

Congratulations




You are the ones who have their
Birthday in September or October



Donations

Dr. Burkhard Spangenberg and Dr. Kate Partridge are donating the printing costs of the July, August and September editions of this newsletter.

SEPTEMBER 2011 SOCCER – German Canadian Club – MAIN FIELD BOOKINGS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 CSL CITY 8:00	2 CSL CITY 8:30	3 CSL CITY 7:30
4	5 Labor Day	6 LDYSL GCFC U12 6:30 MMSL GC 50+ 8:30	7 LDYSL U12 6:30??	8 MMSL GC C 6:30 MMSL GC A 8:30	9 CSL CITY 8:30	10
11	12 MMSL R.WEST 8:30	13 MMSL GC A 8:30	14 MMSL R.WEST 6:30 MMSL GC C 8:30	15 CSL CITY (R) 8:30	16 CSL CITY 8:30	17
18 CSL CITY 6:00	19 MMSL GC B 6:30 MMSL GC 50+ 8:30	20	21 MMSL GC B 8:30	22 WOSL GCan 6:30 MMSL GC A 8:30	23 CSL CITY 8:30	24
25	26 MMSL GC B 6:00	27	28	29	30	


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