



#### **German Canadian Club**

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Happy Spring and Summer everyone!

Easter has passed and the Good Friday dinner and Easter Egg hunt were well attended.

Before the Easter celebrations, we held our Annual General Meeting in March where we discussed the business of the Club and great support was given to move forward with a busy year ahead. We would like to take this opportunity to appreciate and thank Christine Heinemann and Fred Grossman, who have both stepped back from the Board, for their valuable time given to our Club. Christine will stay active with the Club but needs time for the many activities her and her family are involved with. Fred is moving for work and we wish him and his family well in their endeavours. We welcome newly elected Max Marienwald and Dmitri Graham and welcome back Marlene Hoche-Davidson to the Board. Thanks especially to all those who are returning. New enthusiasm and energy is always welcome! It is certainly a step in the right direction to see our Board average age getting younger.

Thanks to everyone who came out for the annual clean up day. It was great work followed by a great social hour afterwards. Now we are looking forward to the new Tennis and Soccer season starting in May. Come down to watch some great games! We welcome the Irish leagues who are playing on our field on Friday nights. There will be food and drink available during those games as well.

The Biergarten season begins June 7 (please see the poster and list of scheduled bands in this newsletter). Please come out and join us on certain Saturdays. The kitchen will be open and in addition to our great German and domestic beers, we now offer Guiness on tap.

Come out to the Janis Joplin Tribute show put on by Roy Leblanc on Saturday, June 21. Tickets are available at the Club. We have 3 weddings and many other events booked in the next two months and we welcome back the STEM Camp (which is now called Camp STEAM Canada) through July and August.

See you at the Club!

Friedhelm Hoffmann, President

Events in May			
Sundays	Nice Church	11 am	
Mondays	Lyra Choir Rehearsals	7:30 pm	
Wednesdays	Barbershop Chorus	7 pm	
Sunday 4	Seniors Mother's Day Lunch	1 pm	
Friday 9	Deutscher Stammtisch	7:30 pm	
Monday 19	Victoria Day		
Wednesday 21	Seniors Bingo	2 pm	
May 24	Irish Club Golf Tournament		
Monday 26	No Choir Rehearsal		
Thursday 29	Lyra Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm	

Events in June			
Sundays	Nice Church	11 am	
Mondays	Lyra Choir Rehearsals	7:30 pm	
Wednesdays	Barbershop Chorus	7 pm	
Sunday 1	Tag des Liedes	3 pm	
Saturday 7	Biergarten on the Patio	5 pm	
Sunday 8	Seniors Father's Day Potluck	1 pm	
Friday 13	Deutscher Stammtisch	7:30 pm	
Saturday 14	Irish Club Bingo	7 pm	
Saturday 21	Pearl– A Janis Joplin Experience	6:30 pm	
Wednesday 25	Seniors Bingo	2 pm	
Saturday 28	Biergarten on the Patio	5 pm	

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday

9am-12pm
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Catering available:
Anna Turkiewicz (519) 495-7753

#### Club President Friedhelm Hoffmann

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<u>Seniors Group</u> (Evelyn Striegl) 519-685-6693 or (Ingeborg Schirmer) 519-472-1498

Events take place all year round.

#### **Choir** (Kathy Wodrich)

Every Monday 7:30pm-9:30pm kwodrich@gmail.com www.lyrachoir.com

Tennis (Joe Rosell)	May to October
519-852-9933	Weekdays 8 am-8 pm
hjrtennis@gmail.com	Saturdays 8 am-12 noon
Soccer (Terry O'Shea) terryoshea@teksavvy.com	For field bookings & training schedule visit: www.gcfclondon.com

<u>Special Events Group</u> (Marlene Hoche-Davidson) (519) 872-3338 larrydavidson516@yahoo.ca

## **Hall Rental**

For information on our hall rental rates for members and non-members, please contact:

Carlene Hitchens (519) 433-2901 germanclub1@rogers.com

Please send any submissions for our newsletter by the 20th of the month to germanclub1@rogers.com or call the office at 519-433-2901.

Everyone is welcome at all events.

# **Seniors News**

The Seniors are saddened to announce the passing of long time member Ursula Fischer. In lieu of flowers, a donation in her memory has been made to the Club.

The Seniors send get well wishes to Gerhard Frank.

We are looking forward to Mother's Day Lunch on May 4, 2025 at 1 pm.

The Father's Day Potluck is scheduled for Sunday, June 8 at 1 pm. Guests are \$12 each.

Upcoming Events: Bingo/Kaffeeklatsch Wednesday, May 21 at 2 pm Wednesday, June 25 at 2 pm

Mother's Day Lunch Sunday, May 4 at 1 pm Father's Day Potluck Sunday, June 8 at 1 pm

# German Canadian Football Club News

The first game to kick off the season will take place on Sunday, May 11 with the Men's 2nd Division game.

For more information and the season schedule please see the website, www.gcfclondon.com.

### In Memorium

We wish to extend our deepest sympathies to the family of

Ursula Fischer





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# We Want You!

Do you like to plan and organize events? If you do, your skills are needed. We are looking for volunteers to plan and organize the Christkindl Market in November. If this sounds like you and you are interested, please contact Carlene in the office by telephone at 519-433-2901 or by email at germanclub1@rogers.com.

# 2025 German Canadian Club Board of Directors

The 2025 Board of Directors are as follows:

President:Friedhelm Hoffmann

Vice President: Michael Marienwald

Treasurer: To Be Appointed

Secretary: Pam Wulff Cashier: Pam Wulff

Directors at Large: Kathy Wodrich

Sylvia Breuninger

Tobias Kaiser Joy Bevan

Marlene Hoche-Davidson (NEW)

Max Marienwald (NEW)
Dmitri Graham (NEW)

Thank you to all who stepped forward to take on these important roles. Many thanks also go to Fred Grossman and Christine Heinemann-Gijzen who have contributed to the Board in the past.

# Tennis season is about to begin!

We are busy getting everything ready at the tennis courts for opening day on Monday, May 5, weather permitting. There are many familiar faces returning this year, and we're excited to meet any new faces joining this season.

Hours, information, and pricing for the 2025 season can be found on the German Club website under Tennis. Email Joe with any questions at hjrtennis@gmail.com.

Joe Rosell

#### Happy Spring from the Lyra Choir!

We want to thank all those who helped support our spring fundraiser with orders for Purdy's chocolates, and/or a direct donation to the choir. We are happy to report that we reached our fundraising goal, and are looking forward to offering Purdy's chocolates again in the fall, just in time for the Christmas season!

We are now looking forward to our spring concert "Tag des Liedes" or "Day of Song" on Sunday, June 1 at 3:00pm. In addition to our own Lyra Choir, the Germania Choir from Hamilton will be joining us, as well as 2 outstanding vocalists from Western University. Cake and coffee/tea will be available before the concert and schnitzel dinner served following the concert, <u>by reservation only</u>. Please see the poster in this newsletter for prices and ordering details. The deadline for ordering dinner is Wednesday, May 28 so please book your dinner soon!

With spring is full swing, we hope you take advantage of all the sights, sounds and scents that the season has to offer...birds singing, tulips and daffodils blooming in vibrant colours and the fresh crisp air on dewy mornings...Enjoy!

Kathy Wodrich

# Memories of St. Patrick's Day, March 15 at the Club







German Canadian Club presents

# "DAY OF SONG"

"Tag des Liedes"

**JUNE 1, 2025** 

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

# **FEATURING**

- Lyra Choir, London
- Germania Choir, Hamilton
- Felix Stückmann, baritone
- Leah Bondy, soprano

Admission: \$20 (cash at the door) or order online: www.onstagedirect.com

Coffee & Cake for sale

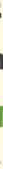
Before the concert, beginning at 1 pm

 Schnitzel Dinner by reservation only: \$20 + tax Please email or call the office by May 28

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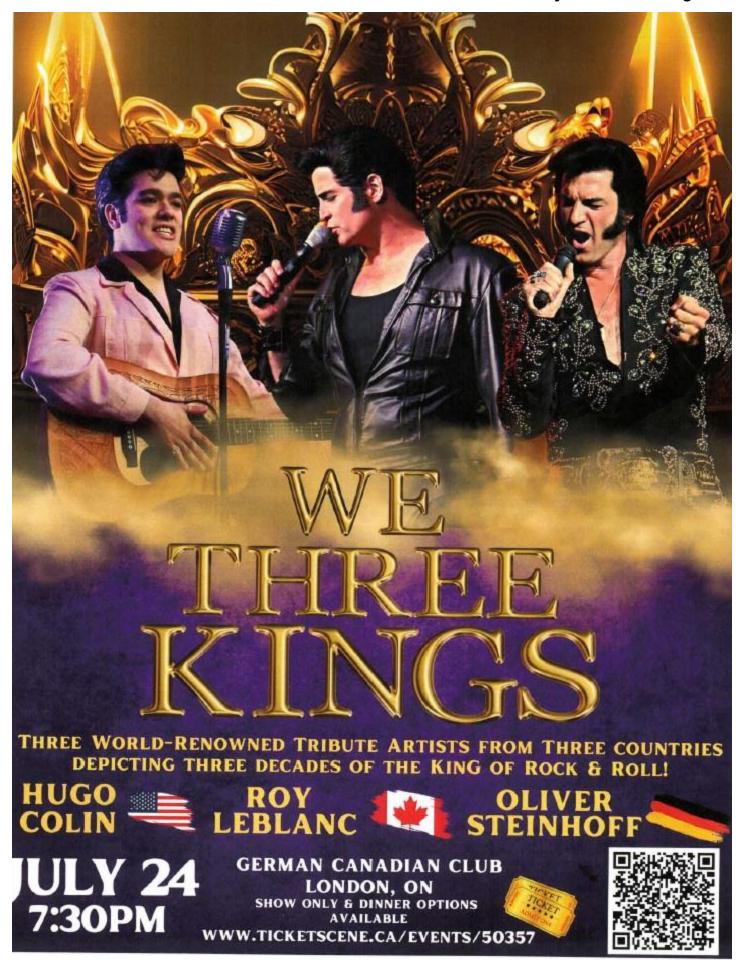




## **Biergarten Schedule**

- June 7—Entertainment provided by The Groove
- June 28– Entertainment to be determined
- July 5—Entertainment to be determined
- July 19—Entertainment provided by Gravity Wagon
- August 2—Entertainment provided by The Barking Betty Band
- August 16—Entertainment provided by Sold for Sheep
- August 30—Entertainment provided by Sweetwood Mac





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