



German-Canadian Benevolent Society of BC

HAUSPOST

HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROHES NEUES JAHR



Dear Members and Friends:

2019 Weihnachtsfest / Christmas Fest

We would like to thank everyone who attended the Christmas Fest; it was a wonderful pre-Christmas event for our community of supporters and raised about \$16,000 for the German-Canadian Care Home. This event was well attended, many visitors enjoyed German food with a glass of Glühwein. Thank you to our sponsors for donating items to our auction and raffle. We could not do this event without your support.

Care Home Leadership Changes

There have been several new additions to the care home leadership team during the past few months. In November we said good-bye to Jeanny Lui who is retiring after serving as Director of Finance for 11 years. Jeanny's commitment to the Society's financial health and overall success was exemplary and she will be missed. Her successor, Irene You assumed her new role in October. Irene is a Certified Professional Accountant with experience as an auditor with KPMG and accountant in the non-profit, health care sector.

Saeideh Khakshour recently accepted the role of Director of Care. Saeideh is a registered nurse and graduate of Master's of Health Leadership and Policy in Senior Care Program (MHLPS-C) from UBC. She has over three years of management and six years of nursing experience. We warmly welcome Saeideh and Irene to the leadership team.

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COME ALIVE

In October 2019, Vancouver Coastal Health launched a new program “Come Alive – Shifting the Culture of Care”. The program is a collaboration between VCH and the Emily Carr University – Health Design Lab. The program goals very much align with the Well-being Approach to Care that we have introduced at the German-Canadian Care Home. As a result, some of our quality improvement initiatives were prominently featured in the first VCH Come Alive newsletter.

I want to take the opportunity and wish all of you a prosperous, healthy and happy 2020. Thank you for your support, encouragement and interest.

Jutta Purchase, CEO.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS DANK AN UNSERE SPENDER

Oak Leafs

Oak leaves are placed on our donor wall in recognition of donations of \$500 and more. We thank the following donors for their generosity:

- Edmund Leck
- Gisela Welsh
- Misako Beauchesne
- Werner & Helga Hoing Foundation
- Christa & Fred Kleine
- Dorothee & Alfred Schenk
- Frederick Kranz
- Jeanny Lui
- Paul Wai Ming Chan
- Gesellschaft Deutscher Platz
- Kurt & Else Maurer Fund

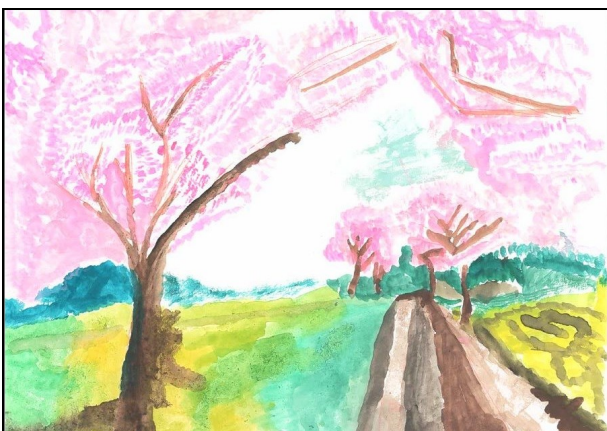
We thank the families who have made a donation and received a leaf in memory of their loved ones:

- Dr. Arnold Dey in memory of Adolf & Alwine Dey
- Irma & Marvin Lamoureux in memory of Johanna & Richard Hibler
- Richard Sham in memory of Al Chak (Lok) & Jean Choi (Chun) Sham
- The Furlan family in memory of Judy Carruthers

Wishlist

In response to our Wishlist in the last “Hauspost” we received donations towards portable audio equipment such as bluetooth speakers, iPods, MP3 players etc., small equipment that can be used by individual residents to listen to their favorite music in their room. Thank you to the following donors:

- Edith Gerhards
- Renate Steen



Artwork by Delphina M., resident GCCH

BOUQUETS

I would like to thank you for the care and kindness for my dad during his time at the Care Home. Everyone was wonderful to deal with and he was well taken care of. I especially appreciate the staff at Bonn Haus for the wonderful job they do taking care of the residents. I wish you all the best and keep providing this great service to the community. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Thank you to all participants, sponsors and volunteers for making the 2019 Bazaar another very successful fundraising event. The total amount raised was about \$16,000.

A big Thank You to our sponsors:

All Green Products	Liquidation Furniture & More
Andy's German Bakehaus	Lordco
Baker's Art with Werner Schmidt	Maryanne Hughes & family
Bard on the Beach	Marsh
BC Lions Football Club	Medical Pharmacies
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Community Therapists Inc.	Sodexo
Continental Sausage	Starbucks
Costco Wholesale	Terra Foods
Da Vinci's Home	The Keg Steakhouse & Bar
DYS Architecture	The Vancouver White Caps
Ewa Fraczyk	The Vancouver Alpen Club
Everything Wine	UBC Botanical Garden & Nitobe Memorial Garden
Fraser RV Rental	Vancity Visa
German Consulate	Vancouver Bach Family of Choirs
Granville Island Hotel	Vancouver Chamber Choir
Guild Yule LLP Barristers & Solicitors	Vancouver Christmas Market
Irene Tang	West Coast Sight Seeing
Judd Family	White Spot

WELCOME TO THE SOCIETY

- Natalie Kelemen
- Jorleda Wohlmuth
- Inge Roecker
- Irmgard Golz
- Arthur Golz
- Monika Faulkner
- Robin Faulkner

SOCIETY OFFICE

The Society office is staffed by Susanne Freitag every Thursday and Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. Susanne speaks German & English. You may phone her at 604-713-6562 or e-mail: society@gcch.ca.

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“Providing quality care and support for the aging”

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WISHLIST—*Wunschliste*

With summer approaching we are fundraising for new patio furniture and decorative items for our gardens.

A tax receipt will be issued for donations of \$10 and more.

OUTREACH EVENTS

Liebe Mitglieder und Freunde,

wir hoffen, dass Sie und Ihre Familie gut ins neue Jahr gestartet sind!
Kommen Sie mit Ihrer Familie und genießen Sie bei Kaffee und Kuchen unterhaltsame
Nachmittage in Gesellschaft von Freunden und Bekannten.

Wir freuen uns, Ihnen unser Programm für die nächsten Monate vorzustellen:

29. Februar

Vortrag: „Besteuerung deutscher Renten in Kanada und Deutschland“
Ihre Fragen beantwortet Britt Lampe, Chartered Accountant Neweling & Co.

14. März

Vortrag (Englisch): „Ayurvedic Ancient Medicine“
„Zusammenspiel und Gleichgewicht der Organe“ mit Master of Ayurvedic Medicine
Jaisri M. Lambert.

28. März

Wir begrüßen den Frühling mit Liedern, Geschichten und Gedichten.

11. April

Film (Englisch): „Waiting for Waldemar“ aus dem Jahr 2017.
„Warten auf Waldemar“ ist ein bewegender 45-minütiger Dokumentarfilm über eine
Familie, die während des Zweiten Weltkriegs aus Russland nach Deutschland geflohen
ist. „Warten auf Waldemar“ ist eine bittersüße Bestätigung, dass Liebe alles trägt, alles
hofft, alles aushält.

25. April

Vortrag zum Thema „Schmerz“, Sprecher wird noch bekannt gegeben.

9. Mai

Film: „Mr. Morgans letzte Liebe“ mit Michael Caine.
Filmdrama aus dem Jahr 2013. Nach dem Tod seiner Frau findet Matthew Morgan
keine rechte Lebensfreude mehr. Zufällig lernt er Pauline kennen. Zwischen den beiden
entwickelt sich schnell eine Freundschaft.

23. Mai

Vortrag: „Loslassen“ von Pastor Hardo Ermisch.

Um 14:00 Uhr servieren wir Kaffee, Tee und Kuchen, das Programm folgt dann um
14:30.

Wir freuen uns über Ihre Spenden, die Kosten für Kaffee und Kuchen und sonstige
Auslagen zu tragen helfen.

Bitte beachten Sie, dass sich das Programm ändern kann.

Mit Fragen wenden Sie sich an:

Waltraud Custer, Tel: 604-713-6562, E-Mail: outreachprogram@gcch.ca.

Zusätzliche Informationen erhalten Sie auf unserer Webseite: www.gcch.ca.

Herzlichen Dank unseren unermüdlichen ehrenamtlichen Helfern; nur durch ihr
Mitwirken sind diese Veranstaltungen möglich!