

Entertainment for everyone, and Fundraising too!

As a proud contributor to our diverse community through friendship and service, we have always proudly offered a superior patron experience with high quality entertainment – we featured Canada’s Polka King Walter Ostanek right up to the 50th year of Kitchener-Waterloo’s Oktoberfest, and great music acts such as Monster Truck, Finger Eleven, Sam Roberts, Big Sugar, David Wilcox, Kim Mitchell, and more!

The club has always been pleased to provide continuing traditions and good memories for people both meeting for reunions and for the first time. Each event was a different experience, catering even to families on Thanksgiving Monday for Family Day, a fun day with lots of activities that made Altes Muenchen Haus the place to go after the parade! Donations to the Food Bank, accepted in lieu of admission on Family Day, brought in approximately 1000 pounds of food every year!

As one of our members was one of the founding fathers of KW Oktoberfest, his involvement allowed us to assist them at one venue very early in Kitchener-Waterloo’s Oktoberfest success. We realized this would be a good community event to become involved with, and a great fundraiser. The Club then decided to operate our own Festhall for the next 42 years. We approached the City of Kitchener to lease Queensmount Arena, and with approval called the hall Altes Muenchen Haus, meaning “Old Munich House”. It was about 34 years ago when we entered into an agreement with Grammy Award winner Walter Ostanek and his group to be our house band.

Forty-eight years later, Uncle Walter, his band, and all the staff at Altes Muenchen Haus, have become family over the years - strong bonds of friendship that would not have happened were it not for this community event.

These many great experiences and built relationships throughout our community have contributed to the social fabric around us in general, helping the Club operate a Vegas-style magic show for many years, the KW Santa Parade, the Citizen of the Year, and give lasting contributions to the Lions Foundation of Canada’s Guide Dog Program, global initiatives, diabetes research, youth education, and much, much more.

We look forward to entertaining many more festival goers in the years to come, as our proud tradition and history of contribution includes you - our friends and our family.

