

Donau Schwaben Commemorative Garden Committee  
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Dear Sir or Madam,

And we're off!

That's right, fundraising for the Commemorative Garden is now officially underway. And we on the Garden Committee are very excited about the upcoming months. We now have the chance to redo the outside of the club and to share examples of our culture with our entire community, making this an important and significant opportunity.

To help us keep our culture relevant to non-Schwabens and younger generations, this project will allow us to create a place they can go to learn and share what they know. The Garden can be used to educate, remember, celebrate and share all that is wonderful about the Schwabens Club, its members, their families and friends, and the culture that binds us all together.

So we begin our mission: To create that special garden and monument - the decorative area that will contain an inviting atmosphere, where people can come to relax, enjoy the scenery, and learn about the Donau Schwabens culture and history. It will also beautify the outside of the club, making it more attractive to others. This will bring in more people, providing us with more chances to share our culture with the community, and therefore provide a more secure future.

Now the fine print: To facilitate the construction of this garden and monument, members of the Schwabens Club, their families, and people of the community in general are being asked to give generously to this project. We can't do this without your help. With Children's donations (17 & under) at \$25, Single Name engravings at \$50, Family or Memorial stones at \$100, special Plaque engravings for \$250 & \$500 (Weber St. & King St. respectively), and a special \$1000+ donation level with recognition on the monument itself; there are plenty of options available for everyone. And with limited quantities available of the plaque engravings, placement for those will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

We greatly appreciate any support that you are willing to provide, and we sincerely hope you will be as passionate about this project as we are. Feel free to view the Artist's Rendering (available for viewing upon request) to see what the final project will look like. And please don't hesitate to direct any questions toward our Commemorative Garden committee members or the following email address: [DSCG.kitchener@gmail.com](mailto:DSCG.kitchener@gmail.com), or call the office at (519) 742-7979.

Thank you,

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