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Dear Members and Friends:

VIDEO EVENING
"KARO UND DER LIEBE GOTT"

DATE: Thursday, November 11, 2010 - 6:45 p.m.

PLACE: The Musket Dining Lounge
40 Advance Road, Etobicoke - Tel. (416) 231-6488

TICKETS: \$5.00 per person administrative contribution, no booking necessary
Our host will provide us a special for dinner and Austrian wines are available. If you intend to dine prior to the movie please come early so that we can begin the feature film punctually at 8:00 p.m.

We have a rather different "Vorspann" this time, both historical educational and one that you will want to be on time not to miss the beginning! "DER SILBERBERG" comes from the educational series of films "Universum" and tells the story about the "Silberrauch" which broke out in Schwaz, Tyrol, in the late middle ages. Not far from this Tyrolean village the then biggest silver-load in the world was found. According to an old local legends tells of a farm girl who was on her way home one very stormy evening, filled with thunder and lightening, when she was confronted by a wild and very angry bull. The bull kept digging at the earth and was only satisfied when he dislodged a large piece of unusual rock. And thus the "Silberrauch" began that made Schwaz into one of the richest metropolis' of its time.

The inventive Archduke Sigmund developed a totally new currency system based on silver coins, which crucially influenced Europe's economy over the following centuries. This opulent movie documentary brings to life the world of the miners and the medieval metallurgists and draws a fascinating picture of an epoch during which made the Tyrolean Inn-Valley the first financial centre of the world and one of the richest areas of Europe.

The main feature, "KARO UND DER LIEBE GOTT", is a charming little movie "made in Austria" which is essentially a children's movie but I know that especially this close to Christmas will speak to everyone's heart.

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On the day of Karo's first communion the world appears to be quite all right, Papa and Mama are both here for her. However, already in the evening of this important day for Karo, her world starts to fall apart. The film starts as any story about an ordinary family, which threatens to become a "patch-work" family. The actors speak High German and the story could take place anywhere. But then this voice comes into play, the "voice of God", which speaks in the broadest Viennese accent and not always in the most acceptable way! Karo's father appears to have had an affair and her mother takes the eight year-old Karo to live in an apartment house. The split of her parents cuts deeply into the girl's heart. She sees her father only on weekends.

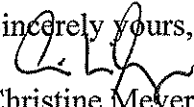
On the move to the apartment house one of Karo's walkie-talkies is lost so on the single remaining one she pours her heart out to God. But then she hears a very annoyed voice which eventually claims to be God. Karo demands proof and reluctantly he provides it for her. Karo is surprised when she sees him in person, this unkempt man with definite alcohol breath, living in the same building. However, determined to achieve her goal of bringing her parents back together she overlooks his shortcomings and clings to this man and her hopes, while he already regrets the joke he has played on her. Nevertheless it is his type who lifts this ordinary story about an imminent divorce of Karo's parents above the average film content.

It is a timely story which happens everywhere again and again. Despite this and especially those parts which show Karo together with "God" are very touching and transform the ordinary story into an ode to a carefree friendship between an old man and a little girl. Which of course can and will be misunderstood by others. With her friend's help Karo eventually realizes that it is sometimes better to let events run their course. This is a charming story about a little girl who must overcome the first heart-wrenching experience of her life, and in the course of which she finds a new perspective.

OTHER EVENTS:

Please note that we are enclosing the official invitation for this year's Christmas Party on December 2, 2010 and we hope that you will all join us in starting off the Advent Season at the Delta Chelsea.

Please also note the enclosed invitation to the annual "Martinitanz" of the Burgenländer Club". This is always a most enjoyable evening with good dancing music and good food at a very reasonable admission price. Make your reservations immediately at the numbers indicated on the invitations.

Sincerely yours,

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 President

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**The Burgenlaender Club
invites all members and friends to the**

33rd Annual Martini Dance

Saturday, November 13, 2010

Sts. Peter & Paul Hall

(south side of Milner Rd., west of Markham Rd. – Hwy. 48 & 401)

6:30 p.m. Kitchen & Bar open

Schnitzel & Sausages with Salad, Sauerkraut & Home Baked Cakes & Cookies.

REFRESHMENTS: imported and local Wine & Beer, soft drinks, etc.

Cooking, baking and serving all done by our ladies and volunteers.

7:30 p.m. Dancing to the music of the Golden Keys.

Door Prizes and a Tombola will add to the evening's enjoyment.

Bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening of
Music and Gemuetlichkeit on the feast of the Patron Saint of Burgenland!

A "Sell Out" is traditional!

Tickets are \$18.00 each.

For Tickets and Reservations call:

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