Message from the President

Dear Members of the Swiss Club,

We had a very hot and beautiful National Day Celebration at the Thurmont Country Club. A great thank you to Martin von Arx for his National Day Speech and the toast with Swiss wine, to all the volunteers, to Alfred Kessi and the board of the Thurmont Club for help in organizing the event, the Swiss Rifles for their gun salute, and to all our generous sponsors for their donations! Please see the report by Uli and Berit Boegli in this Postillion.

On November 10, we will meet at the Swiss Embassy for the Annual Membership Assembly. We have a number of important business items to take care off, but we will also have a Pot-luck dinner and some time for to chat and have fun. I hope to see many of you there!

Yours
Adrian Wiestner
Other Swiss Groups ...

Die Stauffacherin  
(Swiss ladies group)  
Susanne Adams  
703-836-8247

The Swiss Rifles  
Alfred Kessi  
302-292-2901

Folklore Group  
Erwin Buerlimann  
703-548-6349

Swiss Benevolent Society  
Campbell Graeub  
301-652-2007

AGENDA 2006

September 10  3rd Jass Tournament
October 7  Wine Tour to Virginia
November 10  84th annual Membership Meeting NEW DATE
November 18  Make your own Advent Calendar
December 3  4th Jass Tournament NEW DATE
December 17  Christmas Party
February 16-19, 2007  Ski Weekend Wintergreen

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Membership fees:
Family $ 50, Single $ 35, Student $ 15
Senior couple $ 25, Senior Single $ 15

Board of the Swiss Club ...

September 2006  - 2 -
Excursion & Winery Tour

Join us for a special bus tour to the beautiful Lake Anna region approx. 90 minutes south of Washington D.C. Lake Anna is Virginia’s second largest lake stretching for 13,000 acres and featuring 200 miles of shoreline—very well known among people who enjoy water sports.

Three miles from Lake Anna, in a beautiful country setting, you will find Lake Anna Winery. Lake Anna Winery strives to create a wide palette of diverse wines to accommodate an equally wide range of diverse palates and settings. Many of their wines have won medals, honors and awards. The Swiss Club invites you to join us on a special tour of this family-owned business and discover their wines.

WHEN? Saturday, October 7, 2006 at 10 a.m.
Meet us in front of the Embassy, where you will be able to park. The bus will leave on time.

PRICE? Tasters: $40, Non-tasters: $30
Members as well as their friends and families are welcome.

The Excursion includes: Bus ride, Winery visit and tasting, lunch

We have limited space, so reserve your seat right away. Reservation will be confirmed by phone upon receipt of your payment.

Please reserve no later than September 29, 2006 (Sorry, no refunds).
Do you have questions? Please call Rosmarie Stucki at 202-572-8219

Please give us a phone number where we can reach you to confirm your reservation.

Name:…………………………………………….………   Phone no: …………………………

# of tasters:……    # of non-tasters: ……    Attached is my check in the amount of:  …… ….

Please send your check (payable to Swiss Club of Washington D.C.) to:
Rosmarie Stucki, 1840 Mintwood Place NW #402, Washington, D.C. 20009
84th Membership Meeting

Friday, November 10th 2006 @ 7 p.m.
Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008

Food: Pot luck, so please bring your favorite dish!
The Swiss Club will provide the drinks and there will be a door prize !!!

The board cordially invites you to participate. WE NEED YOU. What is a General Assembly without the Club members!? As you can see below, there are board positions open. We need a new 1. Vice-President and a Treasurer.

Agenda:

1. Reading and approval of the minutes from the 84th annual membership meeting from October 28, 2005.
2. The President’s report
3. The Treasurer’s report
4. Amend term limits for board members in the by-laws of the Club
5. Thank you to the board members retiring from their positions: Rosemarie Stucki (Secretary), Pierre-Alain Girardin (Webmaster/Publicity), Alberto Piffaretti (1st Vice-President)
6. Election of the 2007 Executive Board.
   Candidates are: for President – Adrian Wiestner; 1st Vice President – vacant; 2nd Vice President – Evaldo Roos; Treasurer – vacant; Program Coordinator – Susann Kollmar; Webmaster/Publicity – Elizabeth Wilson; Secretary – Claudia Tobler.
7. Membership fees: the board proposes an across the board increase in the membership fee by $5.
8. Upcoming Club Activities
9. Questions, Miscellaneous
10. Adjournment

Please register, so we can plan ahead, and contact:

Susann Kollmar – Program Coordinator – (301) 571 0977 or email susann.kollmar@swissclubdc.org
Make your own Advent Calendar

Children, join us in an afternoon filled with fun to create your own Advent calendar on

Saturday, November 18, 2006 from 2 pm – 6 pm

The old German tradition of the Advent calendar can be traced back to the 19th century. The Advent calendar makes an event out of each of the 24 days before Christmas.

For Children 6 and up! Younger children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost: $5.00 / child

Includes: all materials, snack and drinks

There will be 3 wonderful styles to choose from.

In order to prepare the materials, we absolutely need your registration no later than November 10, 2006.


Mother/Father’s name: .......................................................... ..........................................................
Children’s names: 6 and up: .......................................................... ..........................................................
under 6 (with an adult): .......................................................... ..........................................................

Attached is my check in the amount of: ........................................ (sorry, no refunds)

(Send your check payable to Swiss Club of Washington D.C. to Liz Wilson, 401 Madison Froest Dr., Herndon, VA 20170)
4th Jass Tournament

WHEN: Sunday, December 3rd, 2006 at 2:00pm
(Please note new date & time)

HOSTED BY: Helen and Tom Cooper
9401 Eagle Ridge Drive
Bethesda, MD
Tel. 301 469-7371

Deadline for registration: November 27th, 2006
Registration fee: $5.00 per person
Register by contacting Marlies Hazan 301 603-0536 or pmhazan@comcast.net

This will be the final Jass tournament for 2006. Helen and Tom have again graciously invited the Jassers to stay on for dinner.

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Lindt…
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Eveline B. Marquardt, MD

Dr. Marquardt is from Switzerland.
She speaks French, Swiss German, German and Spanish in addition to English.

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Sooner than you think, we will have our:

**Annual Swiss Club Christmas Party**

Embassy of Switzerland
2900 Cathedral Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20008

**December 17th, 2006**

*from 4 pm to 7 pm*

This is a MEMBER-ONLY event and it is FREE to all members! **

There will be music, a delicious dinner and after dessert Sami Chlaus will visit and will bring something for all the children.

If you would like Santa to give a message in your name to your child let us know and write a message -see below.

No one will be admitted to the Embassy without prior registration!

So please register by filling out the registration form ASAP and not later than December 12th (deadline)! Seating is limited.

And like always: First come, first serve!

Mail your registration form to our Program Coordinator: Susann Kollmar, 5423 Mc Kinley Street, Bethesda, MD 20817

** If you would like to attend the Christmas Party and you are not a member, you can become one for the event and your membership will count for 2007 ☺

*A note to the parents:* Please retain your children from running on the stairs and hallways. The Embassy and the Swiss Club are not liable for any injuries.

Member’s name: ____________________________ Phone: ____________________________

Number of adults over 16: _______ Number of children: __________________________

Message for Sami Chlaus: (He speaks 3 languages, max: 50 words!, please send the message by email to susann.kollmar@swissclubdc.org)

Child’s name: ____________________________ Age: _______
SKI WEEKEND in WINTERGREEN
President’s weekend: **February 16-19, 2007**

For our 5th Ski Weekend, we have rented 1 house (6 bedrooms) in the beautiful “Wintergreen Resort” in Virginia.

Please go and visit the website: www.WintergreenResort.com

This will give you more details about the resort.

We are able to offer this weekend for a bargain price! - thanks to the Leveque family!-
- per bedroom  $350 (priced on double occupancy = 175 per person),
- Child 3 years and older, staying in the parents room, $ 35
- Children under 3 are free.

_The fee includes:_
- 3 nights lodging
- On Saturday: Fondue dinner ….. and a lot of fun!

If you want to join the ski weekend, please register now.
Send your registration WITH the check, made out to:
“Swiss Club of Washington D.C.” no later than December 15th 2006
Mail it to: Susann Kollmar, 5423 Mc Kinley Street, Bethesda, MD 20817

Very important: All further information regarding the Ski weekend will be forthcoming by email, so please: Don’t forget your email address (please write clearly).

Contact our Program Coordinator: Susann Kollmar  susann.kollmar@swissclubdc.org

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- Please give age of children you have staying in your room.
- Due to our commitment no refunds can be given.
Swiss National Day 2006

On a hot steamy day on Saturday, July 27, 2006, 400 Swiss Club members and friends gathered on the grounds of the Thurmont Hunt Club range east of Frederick, Maryland to celebrate the Swiss National Day. The embassy grounds again this year were not available as the new residence project has not yet been fully completed. Alfred Kessi, President of the Swiss Rifles procured the use of the Thurmont range facility. A nice touch was the pool offering relief from the heat and of course the cool refreshments from the bar dispensed by hardworking volunteers all day.

The day’s program was quite extensive; it included games for the children, a cowboy shoot organized by the Swiss Rifles and the always popular Tombola with many wonderful prizes and a super raffle. Swiss Club President Adrian Wiestner opened the formal portion of the program, which included a 1st of August address by Martin Von Arx, Swiss Embassy consular, a 21 gun salute by the Swiss Rifles and Alphorn.

The ..... entertained the public with their excellent repertoire of Swiss music. The festivities continued with the drawing of door prizes generously provided by Albert Uster Imports, the Swiss bakery and Pastry Shop in Burke VA., Quantum Coffee of Annapolis MD and Swiss International Airlines.

The evening concluded with the traditional children’s lampon parade and bonfire. Despite the heat everyone had a great time and enjoyed the green country side setting near the Piedmont Mountains.
PAST EVENTS ...

Swiss National Day 2006

Thank you to the Swiss Embassy which offered the wine toast.
Special thanks goes to all the hard working volunteers who made the celebration possible and put in many hours before, during and after the days program.

NEWS ... NEWS... NEWS...

We need you!

Board member positions becoming available.

1st VICE PRESIDENT: position will become available at the end of the year.

TREASURER: The position of Treasurer is available immediately as Elizabeth Wilson is taking over the position of Publicity & Webmaster

SECRETARY: position will become available at the end of the year. Rosmarie Stucki will of course continue to serve as a loyal helping hand to the Swiss Club.

Please consider participating at your Swiss Club in serving as a Board member. This consists of meeting about 8 times a year and having lots fun!

New members

Urs Gugerli and Family, Millerville, MD 21108
Elke Herzfeld and Family, Rockville, MD 20851
Felicitas Cottner, Cabin John, MD 20818

welcome to the club!
SWISS CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL 2007

Please check the appropriate box: ☐ New Member ☐ Renewal

☐ I am a Swiss National or ☐ Swiss Descendent or ☐ I am a Friend of Switzerland

If Swiss National or Swiss Descendent, canton of origin: ________________________________

Last name: ____________________________ First: ________________ Middle: ______________

Date of birth: ________________________

Spouse Name: _________________________ Spouse Date of birth: _______________________

List first names of dependent children and give year of birth for each:

1. ____________________________________________ 3. _______________________________

2. ______________________________________________ 4. _______________________________

Home address: _______________________________________________________________________________

City: _____________________________________________ State: ____________ Zip: __________

Home phone: _________________________ Business phone: ___________________________________

E-Mail ______________________________________ Occupation: ________________________________

Date: __________________________ Signature of applicant: ___________________________________

Do you wish to receive information and newsletter by e-mail? __________________________

Enclosed is my check for 2007 membership of $_____________ for:

$50.00 Family membership (couple and dependent children under 18)

$35.00 Single membership $ 15.00 Single senior citizen (65+)

$15.00 Student or Au Pair $ 25.00 Senior citizen couple (both 65+)

Please make check payable to Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

Mail to: Swiss Club of Washington, D.C., 2900 Cathedral Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20008

FOR SWISSCLUB ONLY: Amount of dues & date received: ______________________________

Accepted as a member by the Executive Committee on: ________________________________

Added to membership list: _________________________________________________________

Remarks: ________________________________

- 11 - September 2006
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Swiss National Day 2006