President's Message

Bonjour a tous,

What better way to welcome this cool weather than with a raclette, so join us on Saturday, Nov. 15, for this traditional Swiss meal (see info below). Once again, the Swiss Benevolent Society will have both a silent and a live auction to raise money for their scholarship program. There will be some great Swiss items to bid on that might make for some nice Xmas gifts, so don't forget to bring a checkbook or cash (no credit card).

On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 16, the Jass players will have their final tournament of the year and will crown their 2014 Jass King/Queen. Come play with us, it's a fun way of spending a Sunday afternoon. See you at the raclette,

Eveline Roberts

Raclette Evening Registration

for our very popular Raclette Dinner is open!

And, we'll have a silent auction to benefit the Swiss Benevolent Society

Enjoy a festive evening of cheese, wine and good company at the Swiss Embassy. Dinner includes all you can eat Raclette cheese with potatoes, Bündnerfleisch, pearl onions & cornichons, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks. A cash bar will be open for beer & wine. The SBS will accept cash and checks at the auction, so bring your checkbook. Seating is limited, so make your reservation now!

(deadline is Wednesday, November 12th or when all seats are sold)

Saturday, November 15th at 6pm

Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Avenue, Washington, DC 20008
Registration for Raclette Evening

First Name ________________________ Last Name________________________

Telephone___________________ email (if available)________________________

(Please add the same information about guests on a separate sheet)

Admission fees: How many total$
Member Adult $30.00 _________ __________
Member Child (age 6 to 12) $15.00 _________ __________
Guest Adult (max 8) $40.00 _________ __________
Guest Child (age 6 to 12) $20.00 _________ __________

Grand total $__________

If you want to make your payment by check, please, make the check payable to "Swiss Club of DC" and send it to:
Joel Cox, 3416 Rutgers St., Hyattsville MD, 20783

Silent Auction

At the Raclette Evening on November 15, there will be a Silent Auction

for the benefit of the Swiss Benevolent Society of Washington, much the same as last year when the generous amount of $2,600 was raised. A few donations for the auction have already been received. Ambassador Sager has donated a NespressoPrixie machine, a second coffee maker was received from a former Embassy staff member, and Reto Weber's effort has resulted in the donation of 2 Swissrail Passes from the Swiss National Tourist Office. Other items are now being collected. We are trying to make this an auction of Swiss treasures and not of run-of-the mill garage-sale items. The auction is a perfect time for you to part and contribute a special Swiss treasure which you no longer need. The gift is a tax-deductible item. If you have such an item(s) you are asked to contact Campbell Graeub (Tel 301 652 2007 or campbellgraeub@gmail.com) to list the items and minimum auction starting price. If you wish to be named as the donor, please let him know. Donated items need to be brought to the Raclette Evening about half an hour before the starting time.

Final Jass Tournament

Sunday, November 16th, 1:30pm at Perret Residence,
5604 Inverchapel Road, Springfield, VA 22151
703-321-3021

Registration deadline is November 13th
Cost: $5 at event ($10 for guests)
Registration via email: christian.haudenschild@swissclubdc.org
Or telephone 301-251-5808 (please leave a message with your phone number)
Are you an excellent baseball player?

Are you an excellent baseball player?? Do you know someone who The Lucerne Eagles are looking for qualified players for their team. See the information below. Please email andrea.girasole@libero.it if you or someone you know may be qualified.
This is an amazing opportunity!
My name is Andrea Girasole a player and coach for the Lucerne Eagles baseball team: we are looking for next season, (starting March 2015 ending September/October 2015), for baseball players that hold or can obtain Swiss citizenship. Possibly position players with college or higher experience.
What we offer:
Airfare, housing, pocket money and the possibility (if the player is good enough), to represent Switzerland in the next European Championship qualifier that will take place next year in July.
These are some links that might be helpful:
http://www.swiss-baseball.ch/
http://www.eagles-baseball.ch/

Swiss Club Quiz

Answer to the October Quiz: On September 28, 2014, 62% of the Swiss voters rejected the Initiative for a single payer health insurance (Volksinitiativefür eine öffentliche Krankenkasse).

November Quiz: One of the candidates for governor of Maryland is half Swiss. His mother is from which canton? You can also refresh you French at this hint:

Le Président des Etats-Unis
Barack Obama pose avec
Anthony Brown etsafamille.
A droite du président,
la mère d'Anthony,
Lilly Brown,
née à Bürglendans le canton d’ ?
DR
(from the Tribune de Geneve)
**Save the Date: Samichlaus will be in town!**

*Don't miss out!*

We would love to spend with all our members and their kids this "magical" evening and celebrate Samichlaus together.

**When:** on Sunday, **December 14th**

**Where:** Swiss Embassy

We are going to provide further information soon.

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**Save the Date: Grittibenz**

**On Sunday, December 7th,**

you will have the opportunity to enjoy a very funny and delightful event: **the Grittibenz.**

As every year, this traditional event will be hosted by the **Swiss Bakery.**

The perfect occasion to share a beautiful time with your kids.

More information on the December Postillion.