President’s Message
See you soon at the Raclette evening November 11. (Sold out)
You will note that SBS announced their scholarship winners

Martin Perret-Gentil

100th Community Fair in Helvetia, WV
The Swissclub DC Folklore Group participated with 12 elegant dancers, among them Liz, Anneli and Ursula in their beautiful Sonntags Trachten (St. Gallen, Basel, Bern), and the Liab and Schneid plus friends country music band, and Alphorn playing and Fahnenschwingen by Sergio and Erwin.

Ambassador and Mrs. Dahinden admired the floats lining up for the big parade. Sandy Bürki, our host, commented on this: “The Governors office is asking us to get the Helvetia Cheese business running [again]. They are giving us encouragement and what we need is a good water supply for something like that.”
**Swiss Benevolent Society Scholarship Recipients**

The Swiss Benevolent Society is pleased to announce the three 2017 Scholarship Award Recipients. Luke Verite Lash has been awarded this year’s Honorary Monique Fürst Price Scholarship. Luke has been accepted to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute where he will study Civil and Environmental Engineering. The second recipient is Agnes Pacatan Bischof who will attend George Mason University, and major in Business Management. Third, Anthony Talentino is attending the University of Maryland, College Park, where he is studying Business Management.

The SBS Board of Trustees extends their congratulations to the three recipients and wishes them a successful year. To be chosen, the applicants must meet demonstrable requirements. They must be Swiss or have at least one grandparent who is or was Swiss, and be a resident of the Washington metropolitan area, or Helvetia, WV. They compete with other applicants on scholastic achievements, educational and career goals.

This year, for the first time, the SBS has required the applications to be filed electronically, which has worked out very well for the applicant as well as for the evaluation by Board trustee members. In other words, the 150-year old SBS has matured to be a more technically up-to-date organization! A special word of appreciation is extended to all the Board members for their dedicated work, but especially to Regula Guess, Secretary and paper-work handler, and Alfred Kessi, Treasurer.

Campbell Graeub, President

**Swiss Club Events remaining for 2017**

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