



Postillion Newsletter

July 2010

Swiss National Day Celebration on July 31, 2010...

Come and celebrate the Swiss National Day with us at the Embassy of Switzerland
2900 Cathedral Ave. NW, Washington DC 20008 [click here for directions](#)

When: Saturday, July 31, 2010, Doors open at 3:00 pm until dark. No rain date.

**Swiss Food & Music - Alphorns - Super Raffle Prizes - Tombola -
Flag Swinging - Performances by Swiss Folklore Group -
The Ambassador's Swimming Pool - Kids' Corner -
Moon Bounce - Lampion Parade - Bonfire - T-Shirts -
Swiss Wines - Beer Garden - Swiss Bakery - Souvenirs**

Entrance fee also includes:

Swiss sausage meal, salads, dessert and a beverage.
Children over 2 years of age will receive a Swiss lampion.

Bring lawn chairs, beach umbrellas, suit for the pool, and sun screen!
The bonfire will be lit for the lampion parade at 8:15 pm.

Check <http://www.swissclubdc.org> for updates and additions.

PRE-REGISTRATION by July 19, 2010

Swiss Club members: Adults: \$20 / Children ages 2 to 12: \$10
Non members and guests: Adults: \$30 / Children ages 2 to 12: \$15,
including a 7-day membership

REGISTRATION AFTER July 20, 2010 and AT THE GATE

Swiss Club members: Adults: \$25 / Children ages 2 to 12: \$15
Non members and guests: Adults: \$35 / Children ages 2 to 12: \$20,
including a 7-day membership

Not a Swiss Club Member? [Click here to print your Member registration form](#)

Swiss National Day 2010 Registration Form...

Names: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

REGISTRATION FEES	before July 19	after July 20
_____ Adults (ages 12 and over)	\$20 each	\$25 each
_____ Children (ages 2 to 12)	\$10 each	\$15 each
_____ Adult guests	\$30 each	\$35 each
_____ Children guests	\$15 each	\$20 each

Children under 2 years of age are free. Food and lampion purchases separately.

Sign up as a VOLUNTEER! We need help for set up and cleaning, Tombola/Raffle, beverage bar. Volunteer gets free admission and meal in return for a 3 hour commitment. To volunteer, please contact Eric Russi at: errussi@yahoo.com or call 301-585-5844 (evenings). Tickets will be mailed with your paid tickets or will be waiting at the volunteer desk according to Eric's instructions.

Total number of tickets: Adults_____, Children_____, Volunteers_____

Total amount enclosed \$_____, paid by check # _____

Only checks accepted. Please make check payable to: "Swiss Club" and enclose a self addressed, stamped envelope to receive tickets by mail.

Mail Registration to:

Eric Russi
"Swiss National Day"
2100 Washington Avenue, Apt. 6D
Silver Spring, MD 20910

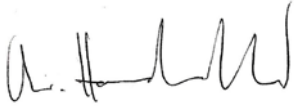
Message from the President...

Dear Swiss Club Members:

Alphorn, yodel, folklore dances, fahnen und taler schwingen, ländler music, speeches, songs, children's games, pool, bratwurst, lampions and bonfire.....it's all ready again for the **Swiss National Day Saturday, July 31, 2010** (yes, we checked the date, it's the Saturday before the first of August) starting 3pm at the Embassy, and if it sounds all too familiar, it is supposed be so, because it is a tradition that we cherish and hold dear and look forward to every year. A special treat will be the speech and toast by the Ambassador himself, Urs Ziswiler. And don't forget the address by the Bundespräsidentin, and the raffle, and the tombola, and the meeting with the compatriots from your favored canton, and the Swiss wine and souvenirs

and the beautiful trachten and the colorful t-shirts and everything else that reminds you of Switzerland and is worth celebrating. Thanks in advance to the many volunteers that make this event possible, to the generous sponsors, and also for the consistent and encouraging support by the embassy.

A registration form is attached to this newsletter and is also available at our web site, www.swissclubdc.org for printing and sending to Eric, the earlier he better, the more the merrier. I can't wait and I am looking forward to seeing you at this wonderful occasion.



Christian Haudenschild
Swiss Club of Washington DC

Your opinion counts, email me at christian.haudenschild@swissclubdc.org

Swiss Club Agenda 2010...

Swiss National Day, Swiss Embassy, Saturday, July 31

3rd Jass Tournament, at Rosmarie Sutor, Sunday, September 5

Fall Festival Picnic at the Kumpli Farm, Flint Hill VA, Sunday, September 12

Annual General Meeting, Swiss Embassy, tbd

Wine & Cheese Tasting, Swiss Bakery, tbd

Raclette Evening, Swiss Embassy, Saturday, November 6

4th Jass Tournament with "Saujassen", Swiss Bakery, Sunday, November 14

Grittibenz Baking, Swiss Bakery, Sunday, December 5

Samichlaus Party, Swiss Embassy, Sunday, December 12

Last Event...2nd Jass 2010...

By Senta Speight

A big thank you on behalf of all the Jassers go to Elsbeth and Dick Backus for hosting the 2nd Jass for 2010 and the so generous dinner and dessert buffet following the tournament.

Everything was delicious as always when Elsbeth cooks and Dick entertains us at his beautiful home. We all had a great time drinking, eating, talking, enjoying friendships and of course playing some cards! Everybody had a really great time. Thank you!



The top 3 finishers are: Dick Backus with 2230 points, Elsbeth Backus with 2203 points and Jurg Roth with 2095 points - do we talk here about home advantage?!

Mark your Calendar for our **next Jass** Tournament hosted by Rosmarie Sutor on **September 5th, 2010.**

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Swiss Benevolent Society Announces 2010

Scholarship Program

The Swiss Benevolent Society of Washington D.C. 2010 **Scholarship Program** has commenced. Awards may be made in an amount of **up to \$2000** each. Assistance to qualified applicants will be given to obtain a post high school education in any field of endeavor, for any formal educational instruction, including vocational school, at any domestic or foreign institution. Applicants must be Swiss Nationals, or be of proven Swiss descent, with a least one grandparent of Swiss nationality. Applicants must be legal residents of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area or the Swiss settlement of Helvetia, West Virginia for at least one year prior to the start of classes. Proof of residency is required. High emphasis will be placed on financial need of scholastically qualified individuals.

Applications may be obtained by sending request to the Swiss Benevolent Society, Regula Bolliger Gues, 11505 Hornfair Court, Potomac, MD 20854, or to rguess2000@yahoo.com
Completed applications, with all supporting material, must be **submitted by August 1, 2010.**

The Swiss Benevolent Society was founded in 1865 as a charitable organization to help Swiss or descendents of Swiss living in the Washington, DC area who are in need of assistance. In addition to annually awarding scholarships, help is extended to Swiss who are ill or need assistance. If you know of someone who is in need of help, we ask that you contact Society at the address below or call Campbell Graeub at 301-652-2007.

The Society is no longer a membership organization that collects annual dues. It depends, therefore, entirely on donations and the income from its nominal reserve fund. Your financial support is respectfully requested. Contributions are tax deductible. If you would like to make a contribution to the Society's Charitable and Scholarship Programs, please complete the contribution form below. The Society wishes to express sincere appreciation to local Swiss for their past support; a special thank you to those members of the local Swiss community who make annual contributions. Without your support, the Society's work would not be possible.

Swiss Benevolent Society Contribution

I/We wish to **support the Swiss Benevolent Society Charitable and Scholarship Program.**
Please make checks payable to the "Swiss Benevolent Society" and mail to address below.
Thank you for your contribution.

Swiss Benevolent Society
Attention: Regula Bolliger Gues
11505 Hornfair Court
Potomac, MD 20854

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