



Swiss Club Agenda 2010

- Reading & Book Signing with Daniel Zahno at the Swiss Embassy, June 2, 7pm RSVP (202) 745 7928 (Christine Rüttimann)
- 2nd Jass Tournament at Backus, Potomac, MD, Sunday, June 6
- Swiss Farmer's Breakfast, Swiss Bakery, Springfield, VA, Sunday, June 13
- **Swiss National Day, Swiss Embassy, Saturday, July 31**
- 3rd Jass Tournament, at Rosmarie Suitor, Sunday, September 5
- Fall Festival Picnic at the Kummli Farm, Flint Hill VA, Sunday, September 12
- Annual General Meeting, Swiss Embassy, 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

Message from the President

Dear Swiss Club Members:

Looking at the agenda, May and June seem to be the busiest months this year. While the traditional events are always well attended, especially when food is served (and it almost always is....) , the new events are sometimes risky in terms of attendance as our members, in typical Swiss skepticism, like to see first how it goes before they try it themselves. Nevertheless, the Fahrt ins Blaue, by definition a secret and adventurous exploration of the unknown, was a great success and surely convinced many to go with these new activities. Great thanks to all who organized and participated with so much enthusiasm.

The book reading on June 2 at the Embassy is new and highly recommended. It is organized by the Cultural Attaché and is followed by a reception at the Ambassador's home and it's free. Sign up quickly!

The Swiss Farmer's Breakfast on the 13th is not entirely new: it started out as an overnight camping followed by an outdoor breakfast, but since nobody came to the camping and everybody to the breakfast, it is now breakfast only in the cozy environment of Reto's Swiss Bakery with two servings, 8am and 10am. Food can't get any better nor anymore Swiss than this. A real treat!

After the June Jass which has its own number of devoted regulars, we approach the big National Day at the Embassy which attracted nearly 600 participants last year. Please call and invite your friends and tell them that this year the celebration is on Saturday, July 31 2010 (it is always on the Saturday nearest to the real first of August), starting at 3pm, and offering everything they are used to and maybe more. Pre-registration is appreciated, but you can also register at the door, and maybe also renew your membership for 2010 if you have not already done that.

Sincerely,

Christian Haudenschild
Swiss Club of Washington DC
your opinion counts, email me at
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Reading & Book Signing

with Daniel Zahno at the Swiss Embassy, June 2, 7pm
RSVP (202) 745 7928 (Christine Rüttimann)

2nd Jass Tournament of 2010

When:

Sunday, June 6th sharp at 1:30pm

Hosted by:

Mr. and Mrs. Backus
10601 Oaklyn Drive
Potomac, MD 20854

Deadline for registration:

June 1, 2010 (first come first serve)

Registration fee: \$5.00 per person



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Swiss Farmer's Breakfast on June 13, 2010

When: Sunday, June 13

Location: Swiss Bakery, 5224 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22151

Breakfast will include:

A wide assortment of Swiss Breads and Rolls, variety of Swiss Breakfast Pastries, Birchermuesli, Röstli and Eggs, Swiss Cheeses, Fresh Fruit, Swiss Yogurts, Swiss Marmalades, Honey, Butter, Coffee, Ovomaltine, Caotina and Juice.

Cost:

Members \$15 adults, \$10 kids 6-12, free under 6
Guest or Non-members \$20 adults, \$15 kids

Registration:

Please contact Reto at reto@theswissbakery.com or call 703 624 6880

There is no deadline, but due to limited space we ask you to register ASAP.

Payment at arrival. We offer two seatings, from 8 to 9:30am, or from 10 to 11:30am.

PAST EVENTS: Billy Goat Hike and BBQ



By Paul Amstad

On a sunny May day around 30 people met to hike the Billy Goat trail on the edge of the Potomac river. It starts out with a gentle walk on the C&O Canal towpath for half a mile until you reach the trail head. The trail itself follows the shore of the Potomac river and has a couple challenging passages that require rock scrambling. Everybody enjoyed the ups and downs and twist and turns of the trail. At the point of a previous stream where the bridge had been washed away, everyone gave a hand in making sure that everyone crossed safely. Christian took lots of pictures to immortalize this tenuous crossing. Wildlife that was spotted includes snakes, turtles, lizards and a heron. After the hike a picnic was planned at Carderock. A typical Swiss barbeque was prepared consisting of veal sausages, wienerli, knockwurst, salads, bread and desert were served. All in all good weather, good company and good Swiss food made this an enjoyable event.





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