



Newsletter

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## AGENDA 2010

<b>Saturday, March 13</b>	Swiss Rifles	Thurmont Club 9:30
<b>Sunday, March 27</b>	Easter Egg Hunt	Embassy 2 pm
<b>Saturday, April 17</b>	Fahrt ins Blaue	Embassy 2 pm
<b>Sunday, April 18</b>	Swiss Rifles	Thurmont Club 9:30
<b>Saturday, May 15</b>	Billy Goat Trail	Maryland at 12 noon

\* Events are subject to change

## Message from the President

Dear Swiss Club Members:

It is easy to announce traditional events like the Easter egg hunt at the embassy on Saturday, March 27, 2pm, or the Billy Goat Trail hike on Saturday, May 15, 12-3pm. These events have a number of dedicated, happy participants who always come again and bring others with them, as they know what to expect and look forward to it.

Similarly, when the Swiss Rifles meet March 13 and April 18, 9:30 am at the Thurmont Club (for details click on the dates on the events calendar or call Walter Braendli), we know they shoot. What is less known is that they would welcome anytime Swiss Club members who have an interest in this sport.

With the Fahrt ins Blaue it is more difficult to write an announcement that attracts many participants, as both where we are going and what we are doing are secrets. What is the incentive then, to take part in this surprise event? The organizers allowed me to give away some hints....It is something exciting for all, family and single members, young and old, and the "Fahrt" part is a sharing activity, where "designated drivers" offer to pick up "grateful passengers" at home to get all to the mystery designation(s) not farther away than 35 miles from the embassy, and safely back home. The "Blaue" part is an indication of these designations which indeed are blue in more than one sense of the word, except we'll have red carpet VIP reception and treatment there (yes, and great food). When they were testing the places, the organizers were so excited to go there again that they would do the event even with only one more person registered, but there is an upper limit of 40 that the places can accommodate, first come first serve. So rush to the registration form inside this Postillion, if these fuzzy remarks have risen your interest...

See you there!

Christian Haudenschild

For more information, visit our website at [www.swissclubdc.org](http://www.swissclubdc.org)  
*Most of our events are for members only, however members' friends are welcome*

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### VOLUNTEERS

A club is only as strong as its members so we are always happy to have our members volunteer to make our events successful. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Christian at christian.haudenschild@swissclubdc.org.

### Other Swiss Groups...

**The Swiss Rifles Folklore Group**  
 Walter Braendli Erwin Buerlimann  
 302-995-1035 703-548-6349

**Die Stauffacherin**  
 (Swiss ladies group)  
 Rosmarie Stucki  
 202-572-8219

**Swiss Benevolent Society**  
 Campbell Graeub  
 301-652-2007

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The membership year runs from Jan. to Dec. Membership is required to attend club events

Check:  New Member  Renewal  Swiss National  Swiss Descendent  Friend of Switzerland

If a Swiss National or Descendent, canton of origin: \_\_\_\_\_

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Dependent children (under 18) and 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: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to receive the Postillion  **in color by email only**  **printed B/W by postal mail**

I would like to volunteer or help organize a Swiss Club event:  **YES**

I would like to be included in the club's printed membership directory:  **YES**  **NO**

Enclosed is my membership check 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+)

Make check payable to **Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.** Mail to Eric Russi, Swiss Club of Washington, 2100 Washington Ave. Apt 6D, Silver Spring, MD 20910

My favorite club events:

Fondue/Raclette dinner \_\_\_ Wine Tasting \_\_\_ Walking/hiking \_\_\_ Films \_\_\_ Fall Festival \_\_\_

Cultural Evening \_\_\_ Christmas Party \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Comments and suggestions:

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# Easter Egg Hunt



**Saturday March 27, 2010**  
**2:00 to 4:00 pm**

**Join us for an afternoon of fun!**

Decorate your own Easter basket and then join us for an Easter Egg Hunt on the Embassy grounds. Snacks and beverages will be provided, as well as all supplies. Decorating starts at 2:00 pm (ET), followed by the Easter Egg Hunt at 3:00 pm (ET) promptly!

**RSVP by March 21, 2010 to**  
**[ctobler@comcast.net](mailto:ctobler@comcast.net)**

(240) 672-6590

**What:** Swiss Club Annual Easter Egg Hunt

**When:** March 27, 2010

**Where:** Embassy of Switzerland  
2900 Cathedral Ave. NW, D.C.

**Time:** 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**Other:** Free to members

Non-members: \$5.00 per participant  
(parents/guardians who are not decorating a basket are free)



# "BILLY GOAT TRAIL" HIKE AND BARBECUE



On **Saturday, May 15, 2010** we will meet at the parking lot across from the Old Anglers Inn on MacArthur Boulevard in Maryland at 12 noon.

After everyone has arrived we will hike a short piece of the towpath and then pick up the Billy Goat trail, which is about two miles along the river and in stretches offers excellent views, especially in the Mather gorge area. For those who have never hiked the trail this will be an adventure as you get the sense that we are miles away from the city in the wilderness. Although it starts out flat we will encounter some rugged terrain which requires a bit of rock scrambling, therefore, good hiking shoes are recommended. For those seeking less adventurous traveling, you can hike parallel on the towpath and meet the group at the point where we come back out to the towpath, then hike back to the starting point as a group. Total length of the hike is a little less than five miles. Once we are all back we will drive to the picnic area at Carderock and grilled sausages with bread and soft drinks will be provided. **Hike will take place rain or shine.**

For information about the event call Paul Amstad: 410-465-5417; paul.amstad@swissclubdc.org

Price per person \$10 - children under 10 are free. Send checks payable to the Swiss Club DC (not refundable)  
To: Paul Amstad, 3993 High Point Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Member's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ # of people over 10: \_\_\_\_\_ # of children: \_\_\_\_\_  
Children's' names and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

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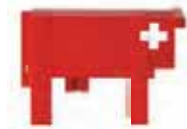


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