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Newsletter of the Swiss Club of Washington DC
2900 Cathedral Ave. N. W.. Washington DC 20008

November 2010

Agenda 2010

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:

a sad message reached us while the joy of the great Fall Festival at the Kummli Farm was still in our minds: **Alfred Kummli** passed away in his sleep about two weeks ago. He has been a great supporter of the Swiss Club and a generous host for us many times on his beautiful farm. One of the last photos was taken October 4th, when he made a substantial donation to equip the science class rooms of a new local school. He did not want a big memorial event, but Freddy, we'll think of you when the Folklore Group yodels one of the Swiss songs that you loved so much, and I'll play an extra tune for you on my piccolo next Fasnacht that you planned to attend with me



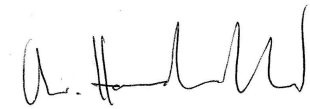
when visiting your brother in Basel. As a former president of the Swiss Club wrote in his email relating the sad news: another big chapter of the Swiss Community has closed.

On a brighter note, the Swiss Club activity goes on full steam: at the General Assembly, we had fun and food and speedy business (really, more that 30 members attended!), approving the updated bylaws, electing two new board members (Rossana Delucchi and Benjamin Arthur), and welcoming Sabine Jenkins as our new liaison to the embassy . A special treat was the visit of **Ambassador Urs Ziswiler**, who took time to say good bye to us as his last official function in the U.S.A. before leaving to Spain next morning. Thank you again, Urs, for your enthusiastic support!

A week later we had the sold out **7-course gourmet dinner** at The Swiss Bakery, and the registration for the November 6 Raclette is filling up rapidly (hurry, registration form enclosed in this Postillion). Three more events of this year are still to come: Last **Jass with "Metzgete Dinner"**, **Grittibaenz baking and Samichlaus**, the latter free for members, and both also good occasions to renew your membership (fees not increased for over ten years!) which will be good for all of the 2011 calendar year.

The new board already met and planned for many traditional and new activities next year. We appreciate your suggestions and especially your participation, not only as consumers of something that the board offers, but rather as active members taking their own initiative to organize subgroups and events, like mom's babysitting groups, car pools, jass clinics, alhorn playing, hiking and other sports, study of Swiss traditions, exchange of Swiss cooking recipes, publication (on the web site) of Swiss, particularly Swiss Club history artifacts, pictures or texts that you want to share, these are some of the many ideas that came up. You start it, and the board can help and facilitate.

Looking forward to hearing from you and seeing you at the next events, with warm regards



Christian Haudenschild



NEXT EVENT

Raclette Evening...

We invite you to our traditional and very popular Swiss Raclette Dinner.

When: Saturday, November 6th, 2010 at 6pm

Where: Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Ave., NW, Washington DC 20008

Admission includes:

Raclette all you can eat (with potatoes, silver onions & cornichons) dessert, water, sodas, coffee and hot tea. Cash bar will be open for Beer and Swiss Wine.

Registration for Raclette Evening...

Name(s): _____

Are you a Swiss Club DC Member for 2010?: yes / no

Cell Phone: _____

REGISTRATION FEES

\$25 each Swiss Club Member Adults _____

\$10 each Swiss Club Member Children (age 6 to 12) _____

Guests add \$10

Total # of adults: _____, Total # of children _____,

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

Registration Deadline for print Postillion recipients is Friday, November 5th. (Call!)

Do you need to carpool? yes / no

Are you willing to pick up members with transportation issues? yes / no

Not a Swiss Club Member? You can register at the Raclette evening. It'll be good for all 2011

Make **check payable** to Swiss Club of Washington DC and send with this registration form to:

Yvonne Pover, 222 Medlock Lane, Arlington VA 22304-7787; ypover@pover.com Telephone

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FUTURE EVENTS

Looking into 2011...

We would like to receive feedback from our members regarding our activities for the upcoming year. We have worked out a tentative schedule of events below. Who is out there who can offer us a new activity? Who is willing to help with a new event? Please contact Reto at 703-624-6880

Jan./Feb.: Fondue Evening
Feb.: 1st Jass Tournament
March 5th: Fasching
March: Farmers Breakfast
April: Easter Egg Hunt
April/May: 2nd Jass Tournament
May: Billy Goat Trail
June: Fahrt ins Blaue
July: Swiss National Day
Sept.: 3rd Jass Tournament

September: Fall Festival Picnic
October: General Assembly
October: Wine Dinner
November: Raclette Evening
Nov.: 4th Jass Tournament
December: Grittibenz Baking
December: Samichlaus Party

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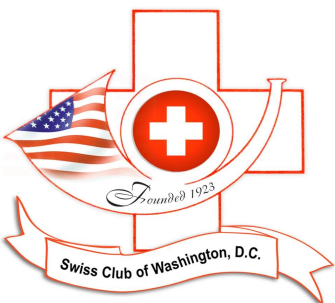
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