



August 2011 Print Edition

Message from the President

Dear Swiss Club Members:

Happy Birthday Switzerland! We celebrated it appropriately at the embassy. Thanks to all who helped to make this event such a success. This print edition of the Postillion is a bit late because we wanted to add some pictures of the celebration.

Christian Haudenschild,
President, Swiss Club of Washington DC

Swiss Club Agenda for 2011...

Kaffee Klatsch, Saturday August 13, Cafe Nicole, Alexandria

3rd Jass Tournament, Sunday September 4

Fall Festival Picnic with Swiss Rifles, September 11: Thurmont, MD

Kaffee Klatsch, Saturday October 8, ?

Annual General Meeting, October tbd

Raclette Evening, November 5, Swiss Embassy

4th Jass Tournament, November 13, Swiss Bakery

Metzgete, November 13, Swiss Bakery

Grittibenz Baking, Sunday December 4, Swiss Bakery

Samichlaus Party, Sunday December 11, Swiss Embassy

Who is willing to help with a new Event? Please contact Reto at tel. 703-624-6880



Rodrigo's artistic water melon carvings and fruit-kebab



Kaspar Hunkeler and Reto Weber

NEW... Kaffee-Klatsch to practice Swiss language...

Kaffee/Café/Caffè Hour - Come join us for an hour of coffee and conversation, in a Swiss language! This is an opportunity for those beginners who want to practice their language skills, native speakers who want to socialize and help others learn, and for everyone in between. Sit at the French table, the Italian table, or the Swiss-German table...

Our next Kaffee-Klatsch will be held at **Cafe Nicole, 1125 Queen Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-2450**, (tel (703) 717-9740) on **Saturday, August 13th at 9am**. We will schedule more events the 2nd Saturday of every other month and move the location to cafes around the DC metro area. The event itself is informal and free, so we encourage you to support our gracious hosts by enjoying their delicious beverages and treats.

Please contact [Alexis Sullivan](#) with any questions and to register. She can be reached at **703-774-3132**. Although there is no cost to participate, we'd like you to sign up by August 10th so we know how many people to expect. Just tell her your name and how many people will attend. Looking forward to talking over coffee very soon!

In Memory of Arnold Brossi



Arnold Brossi, a long time faithful member of our Club, passed away July 16 at the age of 87. I knew him only for a few years as an excellent Jasser, but here is how the world knew him, from excerpts of his obituary by Matt Schudel that appeared in the Washington Post:

"Dr. Brossi, a chemist, (ETH graduate, 1952), came to the United States in 1963 to lead the chemical research department at Roche's U.S. office in Nutley, N.J., then joined NIH in 1976. He was in charge of the medicinal chemistry section of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases until his retirement in 1991. His research focused on developing natural products to use as drugs in fighting malaria and other diseases. He was the author of more than 400 research papers and had many patents for medical treatments. At NIH, Dr. Brossi directed the studies of more than 40 postdoctoral fellows. In retirement, he taught and worked with researchers at Georgetown University, the University of North Carolina and Drew University in Madison, N.J. He received many awards and honorary doctorates during his career. He is in the hall of fame of the American Chemical Society's division of medicinal chemistry. "

Arnold, we should have talked more about science between the Jass tournaments. We all miss you so much!

Christian Haudenschild



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Ambassador Manuel Sager



Prost! Swiss Club President



Consul Margrith Ledermann presenting the toast



Fahenschwingen and Alphorn

