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Message from the President

Dear Swiss Club Members:

on the risk that it sounds repetitive, I am happy to tell that we had already two full house events this year, the Jass and the Fondue, and that again I wish to thank all the hard working volunteers that made it possible and especially our ambassador and his wife who joined us and donated all the wine at the Fondue evening.

While Folklore practice is a bit slow due to bad weather on every one of our meeting Wednesdays (second and fourth in the calendar month), other activities are in full swing. Enthusiasts of Fasnacht, costumes, ball room dancing to live music and great food can be guests at the German Sangerbund Fasching Saturday March 5. For those to whom this is not Swiss enough (or too expensive), there is the Swiss Farmers Breakfast Sunday March 27 at Reto's Swiss Bakery with an abundance of very typical Swiss delicacies at an unbeatable price. You can also mark the following three events in your calendars and look up all the details on our website swissclubdc.org, using the interactive calendar. As always, for those without access to computers, their print version of the Postillion will have the respective registration forms.

Activities sponsored by the Swiss Embassy and by allied societies such as the French Alliance are also posted on our interactive web calendar, and I am glad to see that the member's corner of this newsletter is being used more frequently. Communicating with each other and coming together often in small and big events is what this Club is all about, and after this great start I am looking forward to a very active year.

Hoping to see you soon

Christian Haudenschild,
President, Swiss Club of Washington DC

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AGENDA 2011

German Fasching Ball, Saturday March 5, Fairfax VA: see announcement in this Postillion

Swiss Farmers Breakfast, Sunday March 27, 8am and 10am, Swiss Bakery

Easter Egg Hunt, Sunday April 17, 2 pm – 4pm Swiss Embassy

2nd Jass Tournament, Sunday May 1, 1:30 pm Zeender Residence

Billy Goat Trail, Saturday, May 21, noon

Fahrt ins Blaue, June ?

Swiss National Day, Saturday July 30: Swiss Embassy

3rd Jass Tournament, Sunday September 4 or 11: looking for host

Fall Festival Picnic, September, tbd

Annual General Meeting, October tbd

Raclette Evening, November 5, Swiss Embassy

4th Jass Tournament, November 13?, looking for host

Grittibenz Baking, Sunday December 4, Swiss Bakery

Samichlaus Party, Sunday December 11, Swiss Embassy

Wine Dinner, tbd

Fasching March 5th ...

The Swiss Club will join the German Saengerbund at its annual Fasching/Mardi Gras Prize Masquerade Ball.

When: Saturday, March 5, 2011, 7pm to midnight

Where: Kena Ballroom,

9001 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, Va. 22031.

Enjoy a great evening with dancing with a variety of music, including waltzers, polkas, disco, sambas, Karneval, Latin and other ballroom dances. You can purchase delicious German food specialties, German and domestic beer and wine, soft drinks, and champagne . To register:

to order your tickets (admission only) call: Ute Hayman at 703-941-7691

or fill out the stub below and mail to: Ute Hayman 5510 Ivor Street, Springfield, VA 22151

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Swiss Farmers Breakfast...

When: Sunday, March 27

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 \$22 adults, \$12 kids 6-12, free under 6

Guest or Non-members \$30 adults, \$20 kids

Registration:

Please contact Jacqueline Ebell at tel: 202-330-3974

Act fast, this event will be sold out. Space is limited so register ASAP. Payment on arrival. We offer two seatings, one from 8 to 9:30am and the second one from 10 to 11:30am

MEMBERS CORNER.....

This section is created for anything such as recommendations, hints, thank yous, congratulations, requests, suggestions for discussion or activities, historical reminiscences etc.


Subject: Book Recommendation:

Swiss Watching, Inside Europe's Landlocked Island, by Diccon Bewes.

Great book--funny and tells you everything you need to know about being Swiss. Bewes, an Englishman, is an experienced travel writer who lives in Bern where he owns a book shop. Well-researched and delightfully presented, you will find yourself laughing out loud at his amusing observations. In paperback, written in English, available on Amazon. Would make a great gift for anyone who is interested in Switzerland--ALSO we should invite him to speak to us when he does his American book tour.

Yvonne Worrell Pover

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Swiss Benevolent Society 2011 Scholarship Program...

The Swiss Benevolent Society of Washington D.C. 2011 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 at 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 Guess, 11505 Hornfair Court, Potomac, MD 20854. Completed applications, with all supporting material, must be submitted by July 1, 2011.

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 the local Swiss community who make annual contributions. Without your support, the Society's work would not be possible. 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.

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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.

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