

# Postillion Newsletter

November 2013 by Rossana Delucchi



## Message from the President

Our very popular **Raclette evening** is just around the corner. This year we work again with the Swiss Benevolent Society (SBS) to help raise money for their scholarship program. We have many nice swiss prizes for you to take home. This year we will add a live auction to the silent auction as well. The SBS will accept cash and checks at the auction, so please bring your checkbook!

In November we will host our last **Jass tournament** of the year. Thank you Edi and Heidi for hosting the Jass afternoon. Who will be the winner this year and take the BIG SWISS BELL home?

Tomorrow we meet at the Swiss Bakery for our last **Kaffee Klatsch** of the year. I'm looking forward to see you soon. With my best wishes,

Reto Weber

Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

Your opinion counts, email me at [Reto.Weber@swissclubdc.org](mailto:Reto.Weber@swissclubdc.org) or call me at (703) 624-6880.

## Swiss Club Agenda for 2013

**Kaffee Klatsch** Saturday, November 2, Swiss Bakery

**4th Jass Tournament** Sunday, November 10, Krall Residence, Bethesda, MD

**Raclette Evening** Saturday, November 16, Swiss Embassy

**Grittibenz Baking** Sunday, December 1, Swiss Bakery

**Samichlaus/Christmas Party** Sunday, December 15, Swiss Embassy

Would you like to volunteer to help at an event?

Please contact Alexis at [alexis.sullivan@swissclubdc.org](mailto:alexis.sullivan@swissclubdc.org) or call Alexis at (703) 774-3132.

## Kaffee Klatsch

Come join our Language Club Coffee Hour!

We talk, we sip coffee, and we eat pastries... what a great way to spend a Saturday morning! We usually have 15 to 20 participants speaking French, Swiss German, and sometimes, Italian. Come and enjoy good conversation and good food!

### When:

Saturday, November 2 at 9am

### Where:

The Swiss Bakery  
5224 Port Royal Road  
Springfield, VA 22151

Alexis 703-774-3132.



## Swiss Club 4th Jass in 2013

We invite you to our final Jass Tournament this year!

Registration is closed but call to be placed on the waiting list.

**When:** Sunday, November 10th at 1:30pm

**Where:** Krall Residence, 5215 Brookeway Drive, Bethesda, MD 20816



Questions? Contact Marc Borbely at: [marcborbely@gmail.com](mailto:marcborbely@gmail.com)

or call him at 202-557-1083

Registration fee: \$5 for Swiss Club members, \$10 for guests, collected at the Jass.

## Raclette Evening

Join us for our very popular Raclette Dinner with silent auction to benefit the Swiss Benevolent Society (SBS). This year we have many nice prizes for you to bid on and take home, the SBS will accept cash and checks at the auction, so bring your checkbook.

**When:** Saturday, November 16th at 6pm

**Where:** Embassy of Switzerland

Enjoy a festive evening of cheese, wine and good company at the Swiss Embassy.

Dinner includes all you can eat Raclette cheese with potatoes, Bündnerfleisch, pearl onions & cornichon, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks.

A cash bar will be open for beer, wine and coffee.

**Seating is limited!**



## Registration Form for Raclette Evening

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$25 for Member Adult

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 for Member Child (age 6 to 12)

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 for Member ' Adult Guest

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 for Member's Child Guest (age 6 to 12)

Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Who will be attending? \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address?(if available) \_\_\_\_\_

Your phone number? \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to Swiss Club of DC and send it with this registration form to Heidi Amstutz, 9907 Trosby Court, Vienna, VA 22181. If you have any questions, you can contact Heidi at 703-242-4224 or [Heidi.amstutz@swissclubdc.org](mailto:Heidi.amstutz@swissclubdc.org)

## Information about the Swiss Benevolent Society

After the successful silent auction at last year's Raclette Evening you are in store for a repeat. Your generosity raised **\$1,500 for the Swiss Benevolent Society (SBS) Scholarships Fund**. At the upcoming November 16, 2013 Raclette Evening at the Swiss Embassy we will hold our Third Annual Silent and live Auction to benefit the SBS.

The SBS was founded in 1865 and is the oldest Swiss Organization in Washington DC. **Its mission continues to remain the same, assisting local Swiss in need through varied means. 25 years ago the Scholarship Program was established and has awarded in excess of \$100,000.** Residents of Metropolitan Washington and the tiny Swiss settlement Helvetia, in West Virginia are eligible to apply for scholarships. This year 9 applications were submitted.

The **SBS is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization**, and donations are income tax deductible.

## Swiss Club Quiz

### Answer to the October Quiz:

100,000 voter signatures are required to launch a federal initiative to propose new legislation in Switzerland. Do you like numbers?

### November Quiz:

What is 64.4 meters wide, weighs about 1600 kilograms (of which almost 400 are batteries), is covered by some 12,000 monocrystalline photovoltaic cells, can move through the air just a little faster than 40 miles per hour, but day and night, and is a messenger of Swiss pioneering spirit? Hint: [click here for spectacular pictures.](#)

If you have access to someone's computer, the address is:  
[http://www.cbsnews.com/2300-205\\_162-10016292-18.html](http://www.cbsnews.com/2300-205_162-10016292-18.html)

## Save the Date!

**Don't miss our wonderful Grittibenz Baking!**

**Where:** Swiss Bakery

**When:** Sunday December 1st, 2013 at 1PM

More information coming soon!

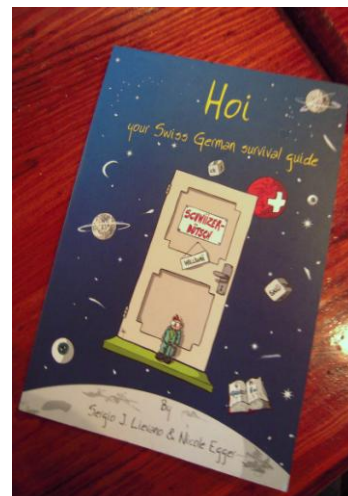


## "Lost and Found" at the October GA meeting!

A pie server with a cutting edge and a dark blue (purple) handle. Call Eveline at 301-460-9571 if it belongs to you.



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Kaffee Klatsch





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