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President's Message

Bonjour a tous,



To help you shake off the winter blues we offer you a choice of four different activities this month. You can join us for a chat and coffee this Saturday morning at the Swiss Bakery in Springfield, play a round of Jass on a Sunday afternoon in Rockville, a Happy Hour on a Tuesday after work in D.C., or back to the Swiss Bakery for a hearty Swiss Farmer's Breakfast at the end of March.

The Swiss Club now has a Facebook page and we thank Joel Cox, our new treasurer, for taking the initiative by creating this opportunity for our members to interact on the web. Make sure you "like" us and help spread the word. Even if you are not on Facebook you can still follow us by clicking on www.facebook.com/swissclubDC.

How about a big shout out for the Swiss women's hockey team which won the bronze medal at the Sochi Olympics. Our Facebook page will direct you to Washington Post articles about Jessica Lutz, a dual US/CH citizen, who scored the winning goal for the Swiss team to give the ladies a spot on the medal stand. Jessica grew up in Rockville, MD - more details on FB.

And, as always, don't forget to send in your annual dues. The membership dues income allow us to keep event fees at a reasonable level. As a volunteer organization, we try our best to present you with various activities, and we hope you'll participate in as many events as your budget will allow. So far, only a little over half of our 2013 members have renewed their membership for 2014. So, if you have been thinking about it but forgot to do it, please go <u>here</u> to download the form and send it in with your payment.

Looking forward to seeing you some time during this busy month.

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Join us for the second Jass Tournament of the year!

There will be some some great hands, some cheers and some groans, but always a fun time playing a great game!

When: March, 9th at 1.30 PM Where: Rockville, MD We look forward to seeing you there!

<u>Registration</u> deadline: March 5th Call Marlies Hazan 301-603-0536 (Hurry, first come first serve, almost sold out)



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!

Saturday, March 1st at 9 am

The Swiss Bakery 5224 Port Royal Road Springfield, VA 22151 <u>MAP</u> <u>Membership</u> (that is required) <u>Registration</u> (or just come)



Swiss Club Happy Hour



A new venture for the Swiss Club! Introducing our first Happy Hour of 2014. A great way to get together, socialize, and get to know some of your fellow members. No need to RSVP; there are already six fun folks who agreed they are definitely going, so it is sure to be a good time! Feel free to bring a friend or two.

When: Tuesday, March 25 @ 5pm

Where: Iron Horse Taproom

507 7th street NW Washington DC 202-347-7665

Save the date

Join us at our annual Easter Egg Hunt!

We invite you to join us for an afternoon of fun! Decorate your own Easter basket and then hunt for eggs and surprises on the Embassy grounds!

When: Sunday, April 13 at 2 pm

Where: Embassy of Switzerland

2900 Cathedral Avenue Washington, DC 20008



Swiss Farmer's Breakfast

Come join us for a delicious breakfast at the Swiss Bakery!

5224 Port Royal Road Springfield, VA 22151

<u>MAP</u>

Enjoy yummy food and good company! Breakfast includes a wide assortment of Swiss breads and rolls, a variety of Swiss breakfast pastries, Birchermuesli, Rösti with meats and eggs, Swiss cheeses, fresh fruit, yogurts, marmalades, honey, butter, coffee, Ovomaltine, Caotina and juice.

This event is so popular, we have added an additional seating this year! There will be 3 separate seatings; sign up for the one that is right for you: **9am, 11am, and 1pm.**



<u>Register</u> soon, as space is limited! (deadline for registration is Wednesday, March 26th)

x \$20 for Member A	dult		1 st seating: 9am to 10:30am
x \$10 for Member C	child (age 6 to 12)		2 nd seating: 11am to 12:30am
x \$25 for Mamber's	Adult Guest		3 rd seating: 1pm to 2:30pm
x \$15 for Member's Child Guest (age 6 to 12)			
Total amount enclosed:			
Who will be attending?			
Your email address?			
Your phone number ?			

Please make your check payable to Swiss Club of DC and send it with this registration form to **Martin Perret, 5604 Inverchapel Road, Springfield VA 22151.** If you have any questions, you can contact Martin at 703-203-9014 or <u>martin.perret@swissclubdc.org</u>

Swiss Club Quiz

Answer to the February Quiz: Roger Federer won his first grand slam 2003 in Wimbledon, and Olympic gold together with Stanislas Wawrinka in mens doubles 2008 in Beijing.

March Quiz: Of all things Swiss, we have not asked yet a question about clockworks. Here is one, built in 1530 and still working today and attracting tourists every hour to see little bears dancing. **Question**: Where is this clock? (If that is too easy: Who built it? How long did it take?)

