Swiss Club of Washington D.C. December 2017 Postillion

by Lynn Zipf

President's Message

Grüezi, Hello, Bonjour, Salute,

We had very successful activities starting with the Raclette evening which was fully booked and a successful fundraiser for the Swiss Benevolent Society.

The Jass group finished ist 5th game Nov. 19 and a new Jasskoenig with the highest score ever won by Peter Buerlimann with a score of 6542. In second place was his father Erwin and third was Lynn Zipf.

We now look forward to our next Swiss Club activities of the Grittibanz and Samichlaus. Read below for details.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Martin Perret-Gentil

Swiss Club Grittibänz - SOLD OUT Sunday December, 3pm to 5pm

Where: Swiss Bakery 5224 Port Royal Road Springfield VA 22151

Samichlaus/Christmas Party - REGISTRATION FULL.

Sunday, December 10, 4pm

Where: Embassy of Switzerland

Please contact Janine Ali if you are no longer able to attend so someone from the <u>waiting list</u> can attend. Questions? Please contact Janine Ali at 703-899-8667.

Swiss Benevolent Society

For the fourth year in a row, the Swiss Benevolent Society held an auction at the popular Raclette dinner on November 11. The 90 donated times were all with a Swiss-type motif and ranged in value from \$2 to over \$100. The Sullivan family must be singled out and thanked for their generosity for the many items they donated. Other major donators include the Kessis, and Reto and Laurie Weber of the Swiss Bakery. Martin Perret was the live auctioneer for six large items which added a period of fun and is always enjoyed by all.

The auction was a big success. All, except for 3 small items were sold for a total of \$2,200. These funds go directly to the benefit of the SBS whose sole charitable mission is to help Washington area and Helvetia, WV Swiss and Swiss descendants in need, as well as support its scholarship program. Because there are zero overhead expenses all funds go directly to those causes.

The SBS Board of Directors extends its sincerest appreciation to all who made this year's auction another big success.

Campbell Graeub, President of SBS

2018 Membership Renewal

As a reminder, our membership runs on a calendar basis from January till December. Only new members who have joined the Swiss Club since October 2017 do not have to renew their membership at this time, but everyone else does. Please click 2018 Membership and follow the instructions to either pay online with a credit card (you don't need to have a Paypal account) or with a check. We also wish to thank all the members who have already sent in their membership dues for 2018. Members enjoy the following benefits: *Attend the Easter Egg Hunt at no cost *Attend the members only Samichlaus (Christmas) Party at no cost *Pay the reduced member price for all Swiss Club events

- *Get priority registration for events with limited seating
- *Attend members' only events, such as the General Assembly
- *Receive our monthly newsletter and reminders for upcoming events



SWISS CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL 2018

The membership year runs from January to December. Membership is required to attend club events. (check www.swissclubdc.org for activity calendar)

New Member	Swiss National	Swiss Descendant	Friend of Switzerland
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would like to volunteer	or help organize a Swiss	Club event: YES	
would like to be included	d in the club's printed men	nbership telephone direc	tory: OYES ONO
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inclosed is my membersh	nip check in the amount of	f \$ for:	
\$45.00 Family	membership (couple and	dependent children 21	and under)
\$30.00 Single 1	membership	\$15.00 Student	or Au Pair
\$15.00 Single s	senior citizen (65+)	\$25.00 Senior c	itizen couple (both 65+)