

Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

January 2017 Postillion

By Rossana Delucchi

President's message



Grüezi, bonjour, salve, hello:

I first thank two outgoing Board Members: Eveline Roberts, Past President, who has run the club over the past three years in an efficient and effective way. Then there is Joel Cox who was treasurer over the past three years. He introduced innovating new ways in paying membership dues as well as activities. We will miss you both.

As the new president I thank the members for confirming me in this position at the 94th annual Swiss Club General Assembly. Have a Happy New Year, Rutschet guet uebere, tout le meilleur pour la nouvelle année.

We have the following events coming up in the New Year:

Jass: January 22nd at Rosemary's

Kaffee Klatsch: January 28th at the Swiss Bakery

Fondue evening: February 11th at the Swiss Embassy

Easter Egg Hunt: April 9th at the Swiss Embassy.

Other important dates to note are:

1st of August will be celebrated July 29th at the Swiss Embassy

Raclette evening Nov 11th at the Swiss Embassy

Grittibaenz: Dec 3rd at the Swiss Bakery

Samichlaus: December 10th at the Swiss Embassy.

Other dates have to be confirmed later, i.e. four more Jass dates and 4 more Kaffee Klatsches.

Best wishes, Martin Perret

2017 Membership Renewal *(no internet: please use form on last page of this print edition)*

As you may be aware we depend on the dues we collect each year to continue providing you with Swiss-themed events. Most of the time the fees we charge to attend our events do not fully cover the expenses we incur to run these. But with the help of the yearly membership dues we are able to keep offering you such typical Swiss dinners as the fondue and raclette.

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 2016 do not have to renew their membership at this time, but everyone else does. Please click [here](#) 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 2017.

Members enjoy the following benefits:

- *Attend the members only Samichlaus (Christmas) Party at no cost
- *Attend the Easter Egg Hunt 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

First JASS Tournament of the Year: Sunday, January 22, at 1:30pm

Where : Suitor's Residence, 14418 Myer Terrace
Rockville, MD 20853 (301-460-5904)

Please **register** with Kay Perret by sending an email to: keperret@verizon.net (703-321-3021)

Cost: The cost is \$5.00 and payable at the time of arrival in the hosts home

Deadline to register: Thursday, January 21.
We look forward to playing with you!
You can find the rules on our [website](#)



Kaffee Klatsch Saturday, January 28 , 9am, Swiss Bakery

Come join our Language Club Coffee Hour! Enjoy good conversation and good food!

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, German and sometimes, Italian.

Place: The Swiss Bakery
5224 Port Royal Road
Springfield, VA 22151

Time: 9.00 AM

Please RSVP to Martin Perret :
martin.perret@swissclubdc.org (703-321-3021)



Join us at our traditional and very popular Swiss Fondue Dinner!

Saturday, February 11, 6pm at the Embassy

Enjoy a festive evening of cheese, wine, and good company at the Swiss Embassy,
Dinner includes all you can eat fondue, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks.

A cash bar will be open for beer & wine.
Seating is limited and sells out regularly.

(We will accept reservations until all the seats are full)

Please bring your own caquelon, rechaud, burner (no electric burners) and forks, as none will be provided

When: Saturday, February 11th at 6pm

Where: Embassy of Switzerland

REGISTER for the Fondue: Janine Ali 703-890-8667
(Member adult \$30, member child age 6 to 12 \$15)
(Guest Adult \$40, guest child age 6 to 12 \$20)
[Renew your Membership for 2017](#)



Job Opportunity at the Swiss Embassy

The Embassy of Switzerland in Washington, DC is seeking a qualified candidate for a 100% permanent position as Consular Officer beginning on or about February 15, 2017.

Please consult the job description with the following

<https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/usa/en/home/news/vacancies.html>

Or call Leo Kalberer at 202-745-7957

Swiss Club Events for 2017

January 22	Jass at the Suitor Residence in Rockville, MD
January 28	Kaffee Klatsch at the Swiss Bakery
February 11	Fondue Evening at the Swiss Embassy
April 9	Easter Egg Hunt at the Swiss Embassy
July 29	1st of August celebration at the Swiss Embassy
November 11	Raclette evening
December 3	Grittibaenz at the Swiss Bakery
December 10	Samichlaus Party at the Swiss Embassy

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Photogallery 2016 Events

Jass Tournament



Kaffee Klatsch



Fondue Evening



Easter Egg Hunt



Spring Bike Ride



Billy Goat Trail



Swiss National Day



Swiss Shooting Day



Grittibänz Baking



Samichlaus Party

