

December 2018 Postillion

by
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President's message

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

I hope you all had a memorable Thanksgiving Holiday and avoided the winter snow storms. You will have noted that both our Grittibänz and Samichlaus events filled up very rapidly. In both cases, space is the limiting factor and first and foremost, we must ensure that our guests are in a safe environment.

Finally, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Rutschet guet uebere!

Martin

Swiss Club Grittibänz – Full **Sunday, December 2, 2018 from 3pm to 5pm**

Join us for this truly unique Swiss tradition and bake your own Grittibänz!

Enjoy an afternoon of holiday baking in a professional bakery, with cider and cookies! Each paid participant will be able to make their own Grittibänz. Please register all attendees, and pay the registration fee only for those who will be baking. This event is geared to children between the ages of 6 and 14. The minimum age for attendees is 4 years old.

Where: Swiss Bakery

[5224 Port Royal Road](#)

[Springfield, VA 22151](#)

This event is for Swiss Club members and their guests only. The event is full.

Questions? Please contact Janine Ali at 703-899-8667

Samichlaus Party – Full **Sunday, December 9, 2018**

Join us at our annual Samichlaus Party!

~Enjoy a traditional Swiss dinner and a visit from Samichlaus~

We invite you to join us for a traditional Schinken im Teig and Bûche de Noël served by the Swiss Bakery.

Samichlaus will visit and bring something for all of the children

He will have a special reward for all who recite a poem, sing a song or draw a picture.

This event is free and is for Swiss Club members ONLY ... Spaces are limited!

Registration is required. Absolutely no admission without prior registration.

There will be a cash bar for wine & beer. We thank you for your continued support of the Swiss Club and ask that guests refrain from bringing outside drinks.

We will also have our favorite vendor booths for your holiday shopping.

When: Sunday, December 9 at 4:00 PM

Where: Embassy of Switzerland

[2900 Cathedral Ave., N.W.](#)

[Washington, D.C. 2008](#)

All seats have been reserved.

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2019 Membership Renewal

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 2017 do not have to renew their membership at this time, but everyone else does. Please click [2019 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 2019.

Members enjoy the following benefits:

- *Attend the Easter Egg Hunt at no cost
- *Attend the members only Samichlaus 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

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