

Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

October 2018 Postillion by Lynn Zipf

President's message

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

The Fall Picnic with the Swiss Rifles was a great success. The sun was shining, everyone hit the targets and Bratwurst, Buerli, potato and carrot salads were had. Hope we see you there next year!

Following the General Assembly of the Club on October 26, our next big event is the Raclette evening at the Swiss Embassy. There are only 110 seats available for this popular event. Sign up early to reserve a spot. As you have come to expect, this event will include a fun and lively auction to raise funds for the Swiss Benevolent Society. Looking forward to it already.

Best wishes, Martin Perret-Gentil

October Kaffee Klatsch *Saturday, October, 6 at 9.00 AM*

Come and enjoy good conversation and good food!

What a great way to spend a Saturday morning!

We usually have 15 to 20 participants speaking French, Swiss German, German, and sometimes, Italian.

When: Saturday October 6th 9am-12 pm

Where: [Praline Bakery](#),

[4611 Sangamore Drive](#)

[Bethesda, MD 20816](#)

Please RSVP to Janine Ali: janine.ali@swissclubdc.org or call: 703-899-8667

Swiss Club General Assembly

Friday, October 26 at 6 pm

The Board of the Swiss Club of Washington DC cordially invites you to attend its annual General Assembly.

We appreciate your participation, input, ideas and suggestions!

Where: Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Ave., N.W. Washington, DC

Time: 6:00pm meeting starts

7:00pm potluck dinner

Please bring a dish to share for the potluck dinner (can be a salad, appetizer, entree, dessert, some bread) - we'll provide the drinks.

Remember, the Club benefits from an active and engaged membership, and its board is always open to new ideas from its members.



Raclette and Swiss Benevolent Society Auction - Save the Date **Saturday, November 10**
Enjoy a festive evening of cheese, wine and good company
at the Swiss Embassy.

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

Where: [Embassy of Switzerland](#)
[2900 Cathedral Ave., N.W.](#)
[Washington, D.C. 2008](#)

A cash bar will be open for beer & wine.

[Register for Raclette](#)

Registration will close once 110 people have registered.
Questions on registration? Please contact Janine Ali at 703-899-8667 or janine.ali@swissclubdc.org



Swiss Benevolent Society Silent Auction - Request for Donations

The Swiss Benevolent Society (SBS) is holding its Annual Silent Auction in conjunction with the Swiss Club Raclette Evening on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at the Embassy of Switzerland. This popular fundraiser and lively evening is the only way, other than direct donations, the SBS finances its mission of helping local Swiss and Swiss descendants in need. The SBS also sponsors an ever-growing scholarships program. To make this Auction unique, we like to feature good Swiss quality specialties, new or well-preserved. Do you have such items to donate? The SBS is a 501(c)3 charitable organization which means that your gifts are tax deductible. A few items will be chosen for a live auction.

If you have items to donate, please contact Susann Kollmar, skollmar@hotmail.com, Tel. 240 381 0527, to let her know what you can contribute. You can decide either to deliver the items to Susann Kollmar or bring the items directly to the Embassy on November 10, at least one hour before the event begins. For each item please indicate the retail price, or an estimated value.

Swiss Benevolent Society Scholarship Recipients

The Swiss Benevolent Society is pleased to announce the ten 2018 Scholarship Award Recipients. Sebastian Higgins has been awarded this year's Honorary Monique Fürst Price Scholarship. Sebastian is at Drexel University where he is interested in Chemical Engineering. The other scholarship recipients are Helen Bircher, Chelsea Dasher, Luke Lash, Emily McDonald, Patrick Merkle, Agnes Pacatan-Bishop, Anthony Talentino, Elizabeth Zipf and Matthew Zipf. The SBS Board of Trustees extends their congratulations to the ten recipients and wishes them a successful year. We also want to thank Campbell Graeub, the outgoing SBS president, who has served in this position since 1981. For many of us, Campbell is the face of the Swiss Benevolent Society. Alfred Kessi is taking up the helm of SBS through 2019. We thank both Campbell and Alfred for their leadership and generosity.

Swiss Club Events for 2018

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| October 6 | Kaffee Klatsch at Praline Bakery |
| October 26 | Swiss Club General Assembly |
| November 10 | Raclette Evening at the Swiss Embassy |
| December 2 | Grittibänz at the Swiss Bakery |
| December 9 | Samichlaus Party at the Swiss Embassy |