# **Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.**

# **February 2020 Postillion**



# **President's Message**

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

February is here and that means Fondue!! This year it will be twice as nice since we are holding two Fondue events. There are still a few seats remaining, so sign up now, and come and enjoy a wonderful evening or two.

We have many wonderful events planned for the rest of the year including our first Jass tournament this weekend, Basler Fasnacht at the Swiss Bakery, Kaffee Klatsch in March, and the Easter Egg Hunt in early April.

Keep informed by reading the Postillion and checking our website <a href="mailto:swissclubdc.org">swissclubdc.org</a>.

Lynn Feldpausch Zipf

# **Jass Tournament**

Join us for the first Jass Tournament of the Year

Sunday, February 2, at 1:30 pm

Where: Roberts' Residence, Rockville MD

Please register with Marc Boberly by sending an email to <a href="marc.borbely@swissclubdc.org">marc.borbely@swissclubdc.org</a>

**Cost:** The cost is \$5.00 per person and payable at the time of arrival in the host's home.

Registration will remain open until the tournament roster is full.

We look forward to playing with you!

You can find the rules on our website



# Fondue? Fondue! Times Two!

Enjoy a festive evening of cheese, wine, and good company.

Saturday, February 8 & Saturday, February 15 6pm

In 2020 we will offer two Fondue evenings. The first will be February 8, at the Swiss Bakery; the second will be February 15, at the Embassy of Switzerland. You may register for one or both events.

Dinner includes all you can eat fondue, dessert, and non-alcoholic drinks. A cash bar will be open for beer, Swiss wine and coffee.



PLEASE REMEMBER to bring your own caquelon, rechaud, burner (no electric burners) and forks, as none will be provided.

Register for Fondue on Saturday, February 8, at the Swiss Bakery

Register for Fondue on Saturday, February 15, at the Embassy of Switzerland

The Fondue event is only for Swiss Club members and their accompanied guests.

**Please Note:** Registration for both events will close on February 5, or when all tickets are sold.

Questions on registration? Please contact **Daniel Levy**.



# JOIN US FOR FASNACHT! SWISS CARNIVAL

5224 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22151



Sunday February 23 11am-2pm

- LIVE MUSIC BY THE BASLER PICCOLO
   AND DRUMS OF THE WASHINGTON BEBBI
- SPECIAL CAFE MENU
  - ZWIEBELKUCHEN
  - BASLER MEHLSUPPE
  - GÜGGELI UND POMMES FRITES
  - RACLETTE
- . HOT FROM THE GRILL
  - BOCKWURST
  - DEBREZINER
  - WIENERLI
- SWISS FASNACHT PASTRIES
  - BERLINER
  - SCHENKELI
  - QUARK KRAPFEN
  - FASNACHT CHÜECHLI







Wear a Costume or a Mask for a Swiss Treat!

# **Swiss Benevolent Society Scholarship Application**

Are you a High School student planning to attend college this fall? Are you already in college, or are you planning to go to graduate school? If you are of Swiss descent and in need of extra money for your higher education, we may have funds for you!

In the past years, the Swiss Benevolent Society has helped many young people in the Washington DC Metropolitan area with financial support for their higher education. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity! Qualifications are based on scholastic achievements, educational goals, recommendations or references and financial needs. Last year we helped out several young Swiss students, and received grateful thank you notes, describing how the funds helped support their education.

If you are interested and live in the Washington DC Metropolitan area, please send an email to <a href="Regula.guess@yahoo.com">Regula.guess@yahoo.com</a> for an application form. The application is due no later than July 1st, and the decision will be made at the end of August by the board of the Swiss Benevolent Society Board of Trustees.

# 2020 Membership Renewal

As you may be aware we depend on the dues we collect each year to continue providing you with Swiss-themed events. The fees we charge to attend our events most of the time do not fully cover the expenses incurred. With the yearly membership dues, we are able to keep offering typical Swiss events and dinners.

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 2019 do not have to renew their membership at this time, but everyone else does. Please click <a href="2020">2020</a> <a href="Membership">Membership</a> 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.

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

# **Swiss Club Events for 2020**

February 2 Jass at the Roberts' Residence February 8 Fondue at the Swiss Bakery

February 15 Fondue at the Embassy of Switzerland February 23 Basler Fasnacht at the Swiss Bakery

April 5 Easter Egg Hunt
August 1 Swiss National Day
October General Assembly

November Raclette
December Grittibänz

December Samichlaus Party

# **About other Swiss Groups**

### **Swiss Rifles:**

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### **Advertisement**

We invite professionals and corporations to place your ad on the Swiss Club Website by contacting Melanie Way.

Your ad will also appear on the e-Postillion which is sent to our membership on a monthly basis. All we need from you is a business card sized image containing your website/email information; anyone clicking on it will be linked to your website.

### 2020 prices are as follows:

\$75.00 for dues paying members and \$100.00 for non-members. Great exposure to the Swiss community for a small cost.

















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