Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

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President's message

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

Summer has arrived. Hope you have set aside time to spend with family, and enjoy the long days and warmth. With Swiss National Day being virtual this year, there is less emphasis on recruiting volunteers and building community around the event. I hope you will join us in the virtual celebration. We have increased our online presence through Instagram and Facebook so you can share how you are celebrating the First of August. Please find us on social media

Like us f at <u>Swiss Club of D.C.</u> Follow us on ^I Swiss_Club_WashingtonDC

Looking forward to following all the posts. Please remain healthy and safe.

Lynn Feldpausch Zipf

Virtual Swiss National Day

The Board is hard at work finalizing the plans for this new way to celebrate Swiss National Day. Keep an eye on your inboxes, as we'll be sending out a separate email soon with the schedule. This year will present a unique opportunity to partake in events at your own leisure. There will be many activities and things to enjoy, including films and music; a chance to pick up your favorite Swiss foods, from your favorite local Swiss businesses; and other ways to celebrate the holiday from the comfort and safety of your own homes. Stay tuned!



Support Local Swiss Businesses

Throughout many years and even more events, the Swiss Club and its members have always been generously supported by Swiss-owned and locally operated businesses, and establishments with Swiss connections. Now is the chance for all of us to support them.

DC Businesses

Darlington House is offering a limited menu of food and drinks for pickup from their patio. For more information and up-to-date menus, you can check their <u>Facebook page here</u>.

Matisse Cafe and Restaurant is offering evening curbside pickup of a limited food and wine menu. <u>Click here</u> to view the menus and information about ordering.

Stable DC is open for takeout orders only on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. The menu includes fondue, raclette, and Swiss wine and beer. <u>Click here</u> to view the menu and information about ordering. The owners of Stable also have set up a <u>GoFundMe campaign</u> to match their personal donation to pay their workers for another few weeks.

Maryland Businesses

Albert Uster Imports is shipping as usual and is open for pickup of orders as well. <u>Click here</u> to view items available.

Virginia Businesses

German Gourmet will be returning to regular store hours on May 3rd. They continue to offer curbside pickup for prepaid orders, as well as takeout from their sandwich menu. Shipping is also an option. <u>Click here</u> for more information about ordering.

The Swiss Bakery is open for shopping, curbside pickup, and delivery. Call 703-321-3670 for information about ordering. There's also a number of items on their website that are <u>available for free shipping</u>.

Please note, with the rapid development and frequent changes of stay-at-home orders, this information may change.

Swiss Benevolent Society - Assistance for Swiss in Need

The Swiss Benevolent Society was founded in 1865 as a charitable organization to help Swiss or descendants of Swiss living in the Washington, DC area. In addition to annually awarding scholarships, help is extended to Swiss who are ill or need assistance. If you know of someone who is in need of help, we ask that you contact the Society by emailing regula.guess@yahoo.com.

The Society is no longer a membership organization that collects annual dues. It depends, therefore, entirely on donations and the income from its nominal reserve fund. Your financial support is respectfully requested. Contributions are tax deductible. If you would like to make a contribution to the Society's Charitable and Scholarships Programs, please complete the <u>contribution form</u>. The Society expresses sincere appreciation to local Swiss for their past support with a special "thank you" to those of the local Swiss community who make annual contributions. Without your support, the Society's work would not be possible.

Swiss Club Events for 2020

August 1
October
November
December
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Virtual Swiss National Day General Assembly Raclette Grittibänz Samichlaus Party

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