Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

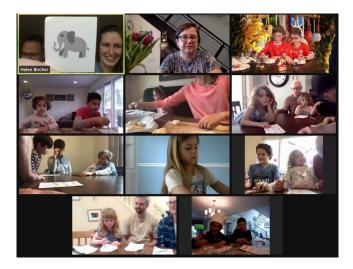
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President's Message

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

The Swiss Club Virtual Easter Event was well attended and everyone seemed to have a good time. The children and their parents baked Easter Bunnies, played Bingo, and hunted for Lindt chocolate bunnies.



We will keep you posted on any developments regarding Swiss National Day. Keep your fingers crossed that we can have an in person event. Until then,

Stay safe and be well,

Lynn Feldpausch Zipf

Happy Birthday Theo Diener!

As we announced earlier in the year, Theo Diener celebrated his 100th birthday on February 28th. Vice President Susann Kollmar visited him the next day with a basket of Swiss goodies to congratulate him in the name of the Swiss Club. Theo was up and about, full of joy and with a smile on his face as he welcomed Susann with, "Ich hab scho dacht ihr han me vergessa" -- *I almost thought you forgot me*.

Theo certainly had not been forgotten. The entire room was decorated with balloons and filled with "**100**" signs, and it was clear Theo had enjoyed his party and celebrations with family. Theo sends a big thank you and greetings to everybody, and he hopes to join another Swiss event in person soon.

If you know of another Swiss Club member who will be celebrating a



big milestone (birthdays, graduations, special accomplishments), and would like to be featured in the Postillion, we want to know! Email <u>catherine.gees@swissclubdc.org</u>

Swiss Benevolent Society

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, we have helped many young people in the Washington area with financial support for their 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 were able to help out several young Swiss students, and we received lovely thank you notes from them, describing how the funds helped supporting their education.

If you are interested, and live in the Washington Metropolitan area, please send an e-mail to: <u>regula.guess@yahoo.com</u>, and an application form will be sent to you. It is due July 1st, and the decision will be made at the end of August by the board of the Swiss Benevolent Society Board of Trustees.

Swiss Club Events for 2021

•	Swiss	National	Day
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- General Assembly
- Raclette
- Grittibänz
- Samichlaus

July 31, 2021 October 22, 2021 TBD TBD TBD

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