Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

February 2021 Postillion



President's message

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute

February is being ushered in with the first real snowfall this winter season. The Swiss Club of Washington DC will be hosting a virtual Fondue evening on February 20, see details below. Winter and fondue are a great combination!!

The Swiss Club Board continues to meet virtually and work on the calendar for 2021. Let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions to share. See board contacts below.

Stay safe and be well

Lynn Feldpausch Zipf

Information for Traveling to Switzerland

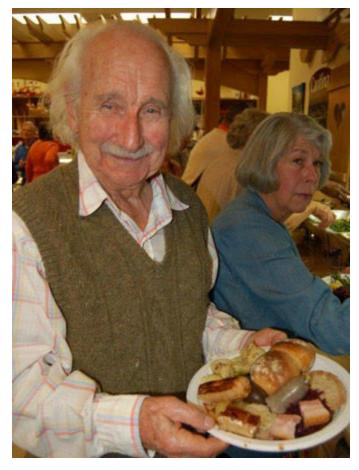
As always, you can find the most up to date restrictions, travel advisories and quarantine policies from the <u>US State Department</u> and <u>EDA websites</u>. Please keep in mind that the restrictions are subject to frequent changes and many are dependent on your citizenship status.

Virtual Fondue Evening February 20



Virtual Fondue Evening Saturday, February 20, 2021 6pm Mark your calendar now for a special Fondue evening! With the success of our virtual Swiss National Day, General Assembly and Grittibänz events, we are organizing a virtual evening to start 2021 off in the best way -- with cheese and friends. Pick up Fondue to go from either the Swiss Bakery or Stable DC, then enjoy at home while chatting with familiar faces and new friends. For every Fondue order placed, the Swiss Club will donate \$5.00 to the Swiss Benevolent Society, so make sure to mention you are participating in the virtual event.

An email with the zoom link and ordering information will be on its way soon!



Happy 100th Birthday, Theodor Diener!

At many Swiss Club events, you may have seen this friendly. humble, and modest gentleman. Maybe you don't know his name, but surely you've noticed his distinguished appearance, perhaps even thinking to yourself "he looks a bit like *Einstein...*" The similarities don't stop there: his name is Theodor Otto Diener, and this local club member is a world famous scientist whose discovery of viroids and their difference from viruses, "may offer insight into the early stages of life on Earth."

Theo, we would like to have a splendid birthday party with you, but under the present circumstances, we at least can send you our heartfelt congratulations for your 100th birthday, as well as for your rich scientific work which is documented in over 250 publications and earned multiple prestigious scientific awards.

Swiss Club Events for 2021

Fondue via Zoom
Easter Egg Hunt
Swiss National Day
General Assembly
Raclette
Grittibänz
Samichlaus

February 20, 2021 TBD July 31, 2021 October 22, 2021 TBD TBD TBD

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