

# Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

## December 2023 Postillion



## Message from the President

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Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

December is full of lights and festive events. On Sunday, December 3 we will be baking Grittibänz followed by a visit from Samichlaus. [Skate with Switzerland](#) at Washington Harbor is on Thursday, December 7 and Swissmas will be held on Sunday, December 10 at the Swiss Bakery in Springfield, VA. Hope you are able to join!

December also marks the end of the term for two Swiss Club Board Members. We want to thank Eric Russi and Jeni Tutwiler for their years of service and look forward to seeing them as guests at future Swiss Club events. It is also the end of my term as President of Swiss Club of Washington DC. It has been a great honor with many fond memories and good friends. Kevin Sprenger will be Swiss Club President and he has some great ideas for 2024.

Wishing you a wonderful advent season and a guter Rutsch in Neue Jahr!

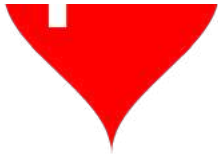
Lynn Feldpausch Zipf

## A Message from the Swiss Benevolent Society

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As we come to the end of 2023, the SBS would like to thank the members of the Swiss Club for your generosity in supporting the SBS. Your continued support makes such a difference for those who need it most in our community. And, we would like to remind you that it's not too late to get your 2024 Swiss calendar! Just make a tax-deductible donation of \$60 or more by the end of the year. Go to our website [sbsofdc.org](https://sbsofdc.org) to find out how.





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## ***Bauer, ledig, sucht...***

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Are you a farmer or do you know of a farmer, tired of swiping on dating apps, hoping instead for a classic meet cute?

Consider this ad your chance.

The Swiss reality show *Bauer, ledig, sucht...* (Farmer, single, looking), is celebrating its 20th season by featuring a farmer abroad. Farmers of any gender who are looking for love are encouraged to contact show editor, Natascha Wiedmer at [natasha.wiedmer@chmedia.ch](mailto:natasha.wiedmer@chmedia.ch) for more information.



## **A message from NZZ - Global Reporting from Switzerland**

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NZZ is one of the preeminent news sources in the German-speaking world. Based in Switzerland, our tradition of independent, high-quality journalism stretches back over 240 years. That makes us one of the oldest continuously published daily newspapers in the world.

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## Swissmas with the Swiss Bakery



### CHRISTMAS SPECIALTIES 2023

DEADLINE FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK ORDERS IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

**DECEMBER HOURS**

Monday-Friday 8am-4pm  
December 24th 8am-3pm  
December 31st 8am-4pm

Saturday & Sunday 8am-4pm  
December 25th CLOSED  
January 1st, 2nd, 3rd CLOSED

**TRADITIONAL SWISS CHRISTMAS COOKIES**

Appenzellerli	Schwabenbrösti	Springerli
Malkänderli	Chürbel	Totenbrot
Biberli	Zimtsterne	Coconut Macaroons
Brunli	Vanilla Kipferl	Baiser Lackerli

**GIFT WRAPPED GINGERBREAD HOUSES**

Gingerbread House Kit \$59.00  
Pre-assembled  
Includes icing & candies

Decorated Gingerbread House \$88.00

**EUROPEAN SPECIALTIES**

Bienenweggen \$20.00  
Stollen w/ Marzipan \$26.00  
Biberfladen \$16.00  
Panettone \$10.00  
Grüttibänz \$5.00

**SWISS BAKERY YULE LOG**

Decorated with poinsettias, meringue mushrooms & a Holiday greeting

Yule Log 12" Serves 10 to 12 \$56.00  
Individual French Pastry available \$6.50

**Amaretto Raspberry Sweet Yule Log**  
Vanilla cake soaked in Amaretto Syrup, Raspberry Marmalade, filled and finished with Amaretto Italian Meringue Buttercream

**Swiss Moccia Yule Log**  
Chocolate Cake soaked with Brandy Syrup, filled and finished with Swiss Moccia Italian Meringue Buttercream

**Double Dark Chocolate Yule Log**  
Chocolate Cake soaked with Rum Syrup, filled and finished with Dark Chocolate Rum Italian Meringue Buttercream

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## Swiss Club Events for 2023

December 3, 2023

- Grüttibänz/Samichlaus

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### Swiss American Historical Society:

<https://www.swiss-american-historical-society.org/>

## Advertisement

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We invite professionals and corporations to place your ad on the Swiss Club website by contacting [Melanie Way](mailto: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.

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