

SEATTLE SWISS SOCIETY INC.



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October 2012

Special points of interest:

Oct. 26



Fall Dinner
South Seattle
Community
College
6:30 PM

Dec. 2 or 9



**Christmas
Party**
at
Monroe Swiss
Hall

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Members:

What an abundance of sunshine we enjoyed this summer. We are “almost” hoping for rain - and this in Seattle. Regardless of the beautiful weather, it is almost time for our fall dinner on October 26. Please see below for all pertinent information.

We are a bit late with this newsletter, so please make your reservation right away by signing up on page 5.

In the “Tages Anzeiger” I read recently that Switzerland has the highest cost of living in Europe, although the salaries are quite high. But the Swiss also have the highest

saving habits per household, still a frugal nation. Many of us have experienced on recent visits that vacationing in Switzerland can get quite expensive. But it is still worth it to enjoy our beautiful old country.

To get back to our club – I enjoy getting feedback

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FALL DINNER

Once again we are excited about our annual **Fall Dinner** at the South Seattle Community College in the Alki Room on **Friday, October 26.**

There is no better place to spend an evening with your friends as we head into the colder season.

Chef *Robert Houot* has put together a wonderful menu for our Club so come and join us for a delightful culinary evening.



The social hour starts at **6:30 p.m.** followed by dinner at **7:30 p.m.**

The cost is just \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members and guests. This includes the reception, dinner, beverages, tax and gratuity.

Please send in your sign-up form no later than October 15 as seating is limited.

(Reservation Form on page 5)

Menu

Appetizers

Seafood Vol au Vent

Entrée:

Beef Strip Loin
Bearnaise Sauce

Dessert:

Vanilla/Strawberry
Bavarois with
Chocolate Sauce



1st OF AUGUST RECAP

On July 29, on a perfect weather picnic day, we celebrated our Swiss National Holiday at the Edgebrook Swim and Tennis Club in Bellevue. About 80 club members and friends enjoyed an afternoon of camaraderie,



conversation and fabulous food. Several young children also joined in the fun.

Our thanks are due to many people: to Margret Aebersold for the overall event organization; to Roland Oberholzer who, even though he was unable to attend, organized the tables and chairs as well as the bread; to Jason Richert and Dave Nuttalls who worked over the hot grill to cook our sausages, and to Patty Richert whose membership makes it possible for us to use the Club for this event. Thanks also to all the members who provided tasty salads and desserts - so many delicious items.



As a special treat, the "**Cascade Alphorns**" provided the perfect background to make it a true *Swiss Holiday*. Thank you Evelyn Zeller and Nels Magelssen. We really appreciate your contributions.



Every-
body
Loves a
Swiss
Boy



I Love
my
Swiss
Husband

FALL HIKE RECAP

Participation in our fall hike on September 22/23 was small, but it was an enjoyable and fun event for all who joined. On Saturday seven hiked to Barclay Lake, enjoying the cooler weather after the hot summer days. Unfortunately Baring Mountain was hiding in clouds and fog that day. So, right after lunch, we headed back to the cars and drove to the cozy and welcoming Swiss cabin, where three members of our club had already turned on power, water and heat. All together now, we enjoyed appetizers and a glass of wine while Martha and Tony Ruegg were busy in the kitchen preparing a delicious dinner.



Thank you for the very successful meal. The hard part

President's Message

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from our members and don't mind criticism, as long as it includes some positive recommendations. So please do not be shy about letting me or other board members know about any good ideas you have. We like to keep the club interesting.

Hans Saxer

came when we had to choose from FOUR different desserts (why not taste all of them ??) Lively conversation continued with another glass of wine. Finally, at about nine o'clock, a few got down to business with a Jass that lasted until midnight.

After a great breakfast the following morning we cleaned up the cabin and a few said their goodbyes. Four of us headed out for our second day hike to Trout Lake.

This day we were blessed with sunshine and we concluded that this was the perfect hiking weather.

Thanks to the Rueggs for the wonderful dinner, to the participants who brought goodies and who helped around the cabin; and to the Swiss Ski Club for letting us stay overnight at their cabin.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY



Here is your chance to get more involved with your Swiss Club. As of January 1, 2013, Hanna LeMaster, who has been the editor/publisher of our newsletter for the past 10 years, will retire. If you are interested in sharing your talents and creativity and to help our club, please give Hans Saxer a call (360-863-2094.) THANK YOU!



Jason Richert

At our 1st of August picnic Jason was busy at the grill, helpful as always. Then not two weeks later the terrible news came that he was killed in an accident. Jason was the husband of our treasurer, Patty Richert, and the son-in-law of Martha and Tony Ruegg.

When the accident occurred, Jason did what he loved doing, riding his Harley Davidson. For unknown reasons the motorcycle left the road and he did not survive the crash. His wife Patty, who was his passenger, came away with a broken elbow and bruises.

Jason was a member for only four years, but he was a very active member and was liked by all because of his friendly and open personality. He and Patty hosted the Jass lessons at their home where they provided a very welcoming atmosphere.

Jason will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with his family.



Roy Weder

Roy Weder passed away on Sept. 11 at age 61. Roy is survived by his wife Beth and his children Nick and Brigitte. Roy was a member for many years but has not been actively participating in recent years. Many of the longtime members will remember Roy and we would like to express our condolences to the family.

Tacoma Swiss Society

November 12, 2012

Rippli Dinner and Enzian Ladies Choir Concert

Dinner 5:00 to 7:00, followed by concert and dance

For information call the Tacoma Swiss Society - Joe & Louise Hospenthal at (253) 896-2593

Monroe Swiss Colony

Saturday, Oct 13, 2012

6:00-9:00, Bratwurst Dinner
7:00 to ? Dance with the Werner Blaser Orchestra

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Swiss Ladies Luncheon



A luncheon was held on Saturday, September 15, for our single Swiss Ladies at Philippe and Laura Goetschel's home at the Honorary Swiss Consulate on Mercer Island. In attendance were Heidi Allen-Rusch, Ann Berger, Jytte Bischofberger, Louise Osterday, Silvio Plaz with his guest Lydia, Barbara Schmidt, Trudy Sir, Evelyn and Bob Reutimann.

The group had a very congenial get together, and a small glass of Kirsch helped to keep the lively conversation going.

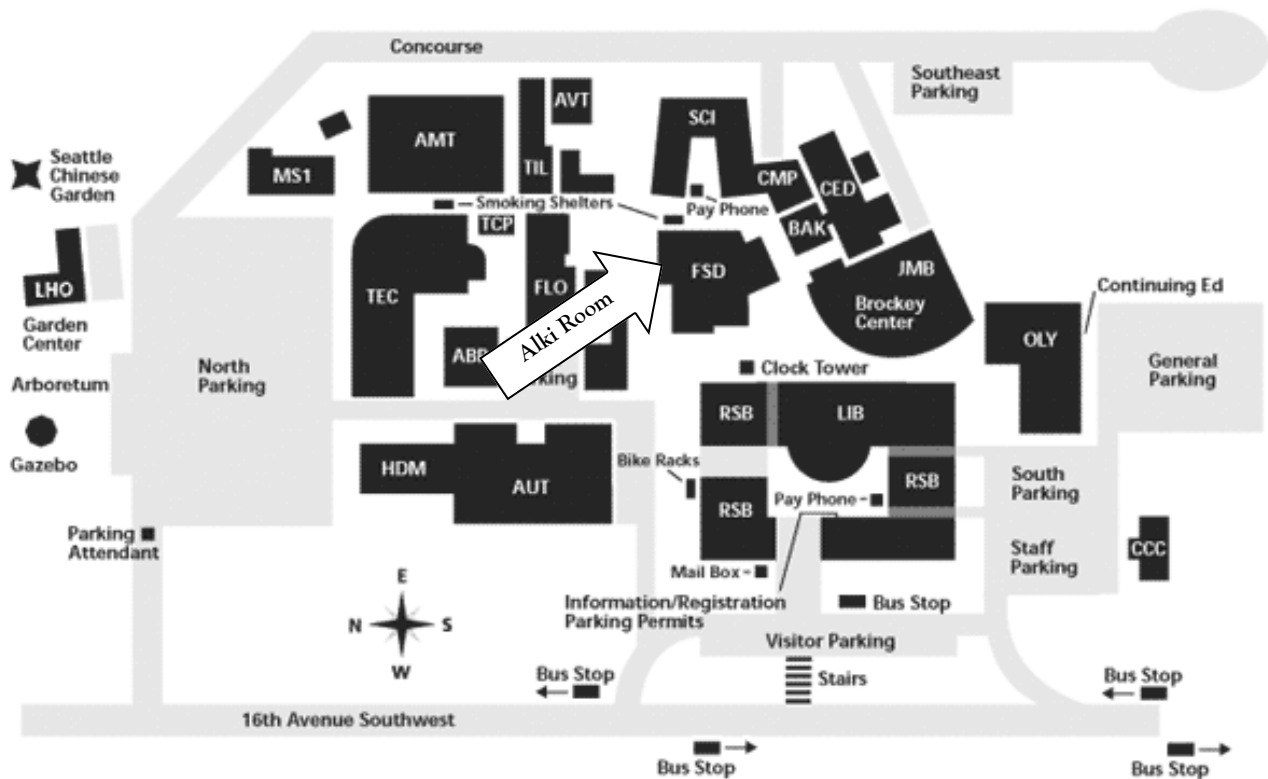
Many thanks to Ellen Riesteiner who provided a wonderful jar of *Zwetschgen* jam to all as a parting gift. Thanks also to Bob and Evelyn Reutimann for providing transportation.



From the Publisher's Desk

Do you have any news, information, thoughts or ideas that you would like to share with other members of the Club? Please contact your editor/publisher, Hanna LeMaster, at lemaste22@gmail.com or (360) 455-8376.

DIRECTIONS TO SOUTH SEATTLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE



From north or southbound I-5 or southbound Route 99

- Take West Seattle bridge exit from I-5 or Route 99.
- Take the Delridge Way S.W. exit.
- At third light, turn left onto S.W. Oregon Street.
- Take arterial to top of hill, veering right onto 21st Ave S.W.
- Stay on arterial as it winds up hill and turns into 16th Ave S.W.
- Follow 16th Ave S.W. south for ¼ mile to SSCC campus.

From south suburbs

- At Southcenter interchange of I-5 and I-405, exit to Highway 518 westbound.
- Exit to northbound Highway 509 at Burien interchange.
- Take the Cloverdale/South Park exit (do not cross First Ave S. bridge).
- Turn left at light onto S.W. Cloverdale Street and drive up the hill.
- Get in the righthand lane and veer right at light onto Olson Place S.W.
- Stay in right lane and veer right onto S.W. Roxbury.
- Turn right at 16th Ave S.W. and drive north for about 2 miles; or
- From Burien, drive north for six miles, beginning on Ambaum Blvd. S.W.
- Ambaum becomes 16th Ave S.W. at 116th St. S.W.

Michigan-Corson exit off I-5, north or southbound

- Take Michigan-Corson exit.
- Turn right onto South Michigan St.
- Follow Michigan to First Ave South bridge, taking ramp onto bridge.
- Take FIRST exit – West Marginal Way/South Seattle Community College.
- Turn right on 2nd Ave S.W.
- Turn left on West Marginal Way S.W.
- Turn left on Highland Park Way
- Go up Highland Park Way to top of hill.
- Take first right turn onto S.W. Holden Street.
- Turn right onto 16th Ave S.W., follow north one mile to SSCC campus.

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Save the Dates:

Christmas Party
December 2 or 9



General Meeting
Late January, 2013

FALL DINNER RESERVATION FORM - OCTOBER 26, 2012

(Due October 15, 2012)

Number of members _____ x \$40.00 = _____

Number of non-members or guests _____ x \$50.00 = _____

Total amount of check: \$ _____

Name(s) as you would like them to appear on the name tag:

Please mail this form together with your check made out to the SEATTLE SWISS SOCIETY to:

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No later than October 15, 2012, please!

