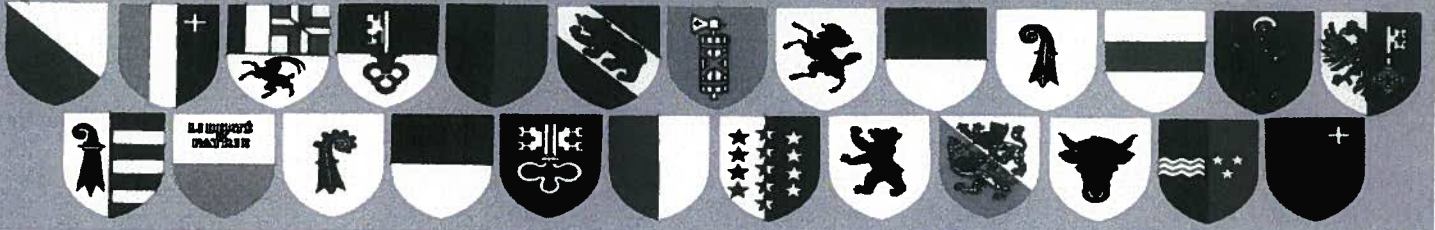




# SEATTLE SWISS SOCIETY INC.



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July 2009

## Important Dates:

July 23	<b>Wine Tasting</b>
August 2	<b>1st of August Celebration</b>
Sept. 12-13	<b>Hike</b>
Oct. 23	<b>Fall Dinner</b>
Dec. 6	<b>Christmas Party</b>

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## PRESIDENTS' CORNER

The summer is in full swing. Going out to enjoy nature is a great way to emphasize the positive in our lives and to keep in proper perspective the harder times that some of us may experience.

Our Swiss National Holiday is coming up and this year we will have visitors at our traditional picnic. The **Enzian Swiss Ladies Choir from Tacoma** will

perform for us and enrich our get together. I hope that we will have a great turnout to show our guests that we appreciate their presence.



Another great way to enjoy Swiss company and nature at the same

time is the fall hike (see info on page 2.) This two-day outing will

be organized this year by *Simone Studer*. I am sure she will appreciate any help offered in preparing meals and housekeeping. You will find that you will get more satisfaction out of our club if you participate actively – “The more you put in the more you will get back.”

Enjoy the summer!

Hans Saxer



## 1<sup>ST</sup> OF AUGUST CELEBRATION

To celebrate the Swiss National Day, please join us on Sunday, August 2, 2009 at the **Edgebrook Swim & Tennis Club** for our traditional, annual Swiss Picnic. The fun starts at **2:00 p.m.** and last until **5:00 p.m.**

As a special treat the **Enzian Swiss Ladies Choir from Tacoma** will be performing for us.

Please bring your own wine and beer as we are not allowed to sell it at the Club. The Swiss Club

will provide lemonade, ice water and coffee. Bratwurst and/or Cervelet, each with a Mütschli (bun),



Nussgipfel and Napoleons will be available at nominal cost.

Please bring your favorite summer salad or side dish to share.

The number of tables and chairs is limited, so

to enjoy a comfortable place you might want to bring your own picnic table and chairs.

We will have access to the Club pool for a fee of \$3.00 per person. If you plan to take a dip, be sure to bring your bathing suit and towel.

**Edgebrook Swim & Tennis Club**  
13454 SE Newport Way  
Bellevue

Directions on page 4

## FALL HIKE

Fellow Swiss hikers! Mark your calendar as we are fast approaching another fun weekend of hiking, this year on **September 12 & 13**. As always, this weekend includes two days of hiking in the Cascades, socializing, eating and sharing Swiss chocolate, fishing, playing cards and feasting at the Steven's Pass cabin. More information/details and a sign-up sheet will be

available at the 1st of August Celebration (August 2nd).



Details will be mailed out later in September to all those past

and newly interested participants. Other options: if you would like to join the fun at the cabin, but are not into hiking, you may find others interested in taking a drive to Leavenworth for the day.

If you have any questions about this upcoming hike weekend, please call Simone Studer at 425-546-1805.



### EXCLUSIVE WINE TASTING FOR THE SEATTLE SWISS SOCIETY

JOIN THOMAS AND KRISTIN VOGELE OF  
ZERO ONE VINTNERS

THURSDAY JULY 23<sup>RD</sup> 2009  
FROM 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

08/SEAFOOD GRILL AND TWISTED CORK

AT THE HYATT REGENCY BELLEVUE  
900 BELLEVUE WAY, SUITE 100  
BELLEVUE, WA  
425.637.0808

FREE PARKING, WITH VALIDATED TICKET

THOMAS VOGELE, 1<sup>ST</sup> GENERATION SWISS-AMERICAN AND HIS WIFE KRISTIN WILL PROUDLY INTRODUCE US TO THEIR RIESLING, "GOLDEN DELICIOUS" COLUMBIA VALLEY 2007, RANKED AS ONE OF THE TOP 100 WINES OF 2008 BY THE SEATTLE TIMES.

WE WILL ALSO HAVE A CHANCE TO TASTE THEIR CABERNET SAUVIGNON, "THE WILD SKY" WALLA- WALLA VALLEY 2006.

Reservation can be made by calling Roland Oberholzer at 425-889-2411  
Space is limited; please make your reservations as soon as possible  
Admissions \$15.00 paid at the door  
Appetizers provided by 08/Seafood Grill



## JASS PARTY RECAP

This year our JASS PARTY on April 26 was hosted by Ann Berger. Unfortunately Bob Reutimann, last year's champion, as well as several "regulars", were absent and we ended up with a smaller than usual group of just twelve players. The silver lining was that it allowed us to play more rounds than usual. At times the players were very serious and focused on their game, at other times some would loudly cheer to celebrate a match or laugh about an unexpected trick or even a really goofy play.



When it was all said and done, Karl Heinzer had the highest score and became our new champion. Congratulations Karl. You will have your name added to our trophy and it will be yours for one year. Everyone got a piece of Gruyere as prize and some lucky ones received a bottle of wine as well.

Of course just as important were the traditional "Wienerli" and potato salad combined with all the wonderful goodies prepared by our host plus the ones contributed by the players.

A big THANK YOU to our host, Ann, and all the other providers of food and drink.

## CHEESE FONDUE RECAP

Approximately 50 people attended the **Cheese Fondue** dinner on Saturday, March 28, 2009. The dinner was held at the Monroe Swiss Hall.

Roland Oberholzer, with assistance from Rene Vogt, did a fantastic job preparing a delicious fondue for all to enjoy.

Our guests provided the tasty appetizers to get us started on our party. To cap off the evening, dinner was followed by a fabulous assortment of scrumptious desserts also provided by our guests,

The Seattle Swiss Society wishes to extend its gratitude to the Monroe Swiss Club, to our chairperson Norma Vogeli who always does a fantastic job planning our events, and to all those who helped make this a special celebration.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
July 23	<i>Wine Tasting</i>	Bellevue Hyatt
August 2	<i>1st August Celebration</i>	Edgebrook Club
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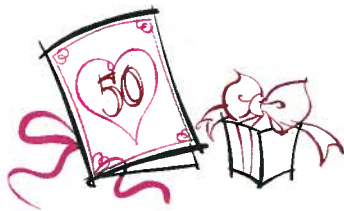


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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to:

***Evelyn & Bob Reutimann******Anton & Claire Wehrle*****Tacoma Swiss Society 2009 Calendar**July

26 First of August Bundesfeier

August

8 Fall Schwingfest &amp; Dance

9 Buebe Schwingfest &amp; Dance

September

26 Oktoberfest

November

14 Rippli Dinner/ Enzian Concert

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

**Monroe Swiss Colony**Early September Dance

For information contact: Eileen Crutcher  
(360) 939-2334.

**Swiss Club Helvetia of NCW  
(Leavenworth)**October Fall MeetingDecember Samichlaus

For information contact Martin & Heidi  
Stoller (509)782-5808.

**DIRECTIONS TO EDGEBROOK  
SWIM & TENNIS CLUB**

13454 SE Newport Way  
Bellevue, WA 98006  
(425) 746-2786

From 520, take I-405 South to Coal Creek Parkway  
Exit.

Take the **COAL CREEK PKY SE** exit  
Bear Left on **COAL CREEK PKY SE**  
Continue on **COAL CREEK PKY SE/SE COAL  
CREEK PKY**

Turn Left on **FACTORIA BLVD SE**  
Turn Right on **SE 43RD ST/SE NEWPORT WAY**  
Continue on **SE NEWPORT WAY**  
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**From the Publisher's Desk . .**

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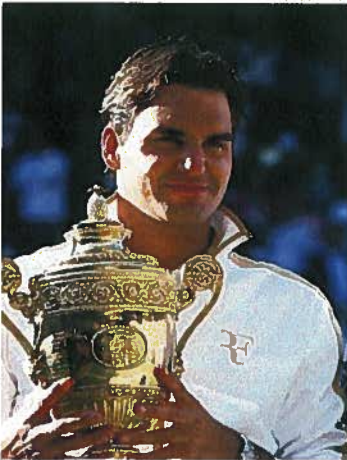
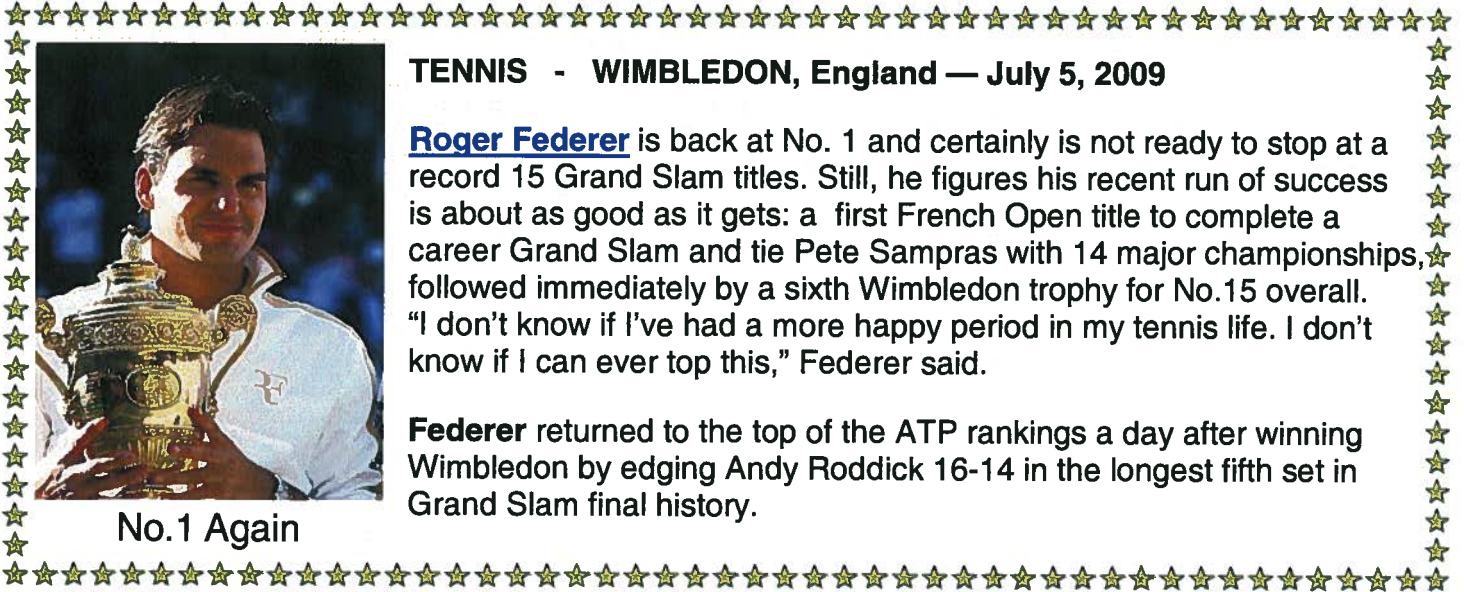
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**Switzerland is the pioneer of bio-agriculture and of keeping livestock in appropriate conditions. Over thirty years ago the foundations for the development of bio-agriculture were laid.**

Its objectives were the sustainable use of natural resources, the protection of the environment and of animals and the production of healthy food. Today Switzerland has the highest per capita consumption of bio products in the world; 11.2% of all farms and 10.5% of all agricultural land are devoted to bio agriculture. Bio agriculture is strongest in the alpine regions. In the Canton Graubünden 51.8% of agricultural land is used for bio product.



**No.1 Again**

**TENNIS - WIMBLEDON, England — July 5, 2009**

**Roger Federer** is back at No. 1 and certainly is not ready to stop at a record 15 Grand Slam titles. Still, he figures his recent run of success is about as good as it gets: a first French Open title to complete a career Grand Slam and tie Pete Sampras with 14 major championships, followed immediately by a sixth Wimbledon trophy for No.15 overall. "I don't know if I've had a more happy period in my tennis life. I don't know if I can ever top this," Federer said.

**Federer** returned to the top of the ATP rankings a day after winning Wimbledon by edging Andy Roddick 16-14 in the longest fifth set in Grand Slam final history.