

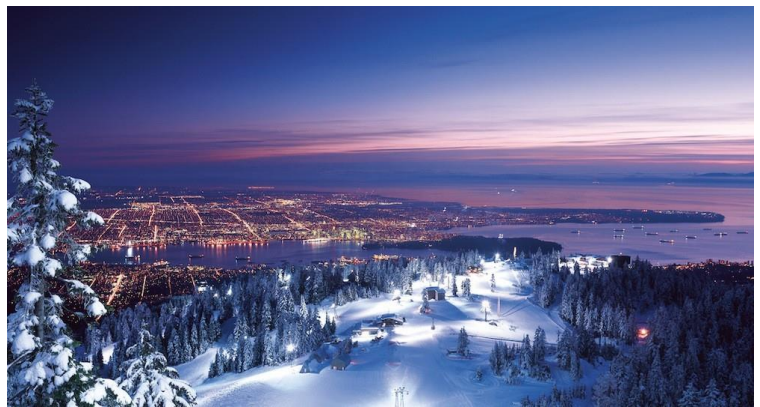


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SENIORS SECTION

Senior's Christmas Luncheon Dec. 7, 2019





Saturday, Dec.7th 2019, the Vancouver Swiss Society had their annual Seniors' Christmas Luncheon at the Executive Hotel in Coquitlam. Beside the Vancouver Swiss Choir, Beat Heeb entertained us with his Swiss Alphorn and Swiss Oergeli. Big thanks to the choir and Beat; it's always a pleasure listening to your performance.

Elisabeth Rechsteiner was the MC and did it with charm and enthusiasm. All of us enjoyed the opportunity to meet and catch up with old friends. It was very nice to meet our new Consul General, Andreas Rufer.

Photos: Alfred and Christel Eigenmann and Christina Lips

Are you interested in organizing the next Seniors' Christmas Luncheon?

Christina Lips has done it the last 6 years and thinks it is time, that someone else with new ideas should do it.

It would be up to the new organizer to pick a new location or stick with the old one, create a time-table, have special guests, to choose a menu, write a proposal to the board-members and then book the event. The sooner, the better. Please don't hesitate and let one of the board members know or come to the next board meeting:



Monday, January 13, 2020, 7 pm at the Mulberry Park Retirement Living, 7230 Acorn Avenue, Burnaby, BC main floor.

We Are Here To Help!

The Board of the Swiss Society Vancouver would like to re-activate the Networking between seniors who no longer can attend activities on their own or just feel lonely and would like to get a friendly telephone call and/or a visit.

We are looking for people who are willing to get in touch with them and give them a call or visit them once in a while.

We can split the Lower Mainland into areas where different helpers live.

Please let Christina Lips (ch.lips@live.com or 604-984-9036) know, if you like to be one of those special people or if you know someone who feels lonely or sick, who has Swiss roots and could use some support.



We will post the names and phone-numbers of the volunteers in the next edition of the Swiss Herald.

VISIT TO THE G.REIFEL MIGRATORY BIRD SANCTUARY IN DELTA

November 13, 2019



A group of seniors met on a beautiful day in November to visit the Bird Sanctuary in Delta. Lotti Frowein was the organizer and she encourages **all the seniors who are interested in joining outings** to get in touch with her by email or a phone call.

Her address:

**frowein@shaw.ca or
604-987-0715**



Next Filmnachmittag January 19, 2020; 2-5 pm

Weitere Daten: February 23, March 22. Aenderungen vorbehalten.

fuer Senioren und andere Interessierte:

im Deutschen Haus

4875 Victoria Drive (Ecke 33rd Ave), Vancouver, BC

Bitte anmelden bis am Montag vorher

Elisabeth Schupbach, 604-584-3742

Kosten: \$8 fuer Kaffee und Kuchen

Please note: Everyone can come, even the whole family! If you'd like to see a good movie in Swiss German/German and enjoy seeing other people with a Swiss background, you should try it out!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



The Swiss Society Vancouver Board kindly asks you to wait with paying your membership for 2020 until the beginning of February.

Susanne Wilson, our membership chair is away until then and the board has to discuss the new membership structure and make a decision by then.

CHOIR SECTION



Photos A. & Ch. Eigenmann



A Message from Dorli Meier, Choir Member

Fall season of the choir was very busy with rehearsals. Thanks to decent weather we did not have to cancel any practise.

Our annual Christmas concert at the Anglican Church on Nov. 23 was a success and exceeded all previous attendances. Thanks to the participation of seven members of the Vancouver Dorfmusik there was a great variety of music.

We were lucky that Elisabeth Rechsteiner was our Master of Ceremony. She helped making the event smooth and getting the audience to participate too.

Everyone always enjoys the delicious buffet after such a performance and one can feel a real Pre-Christmas spirit. Every time it's a sell-out of freshly baked Zopf and Buurebrot, made by choir members.

At the Luncheon for the Swiss Society senior members the choir entertained the guests before lunch. Beat Heeb kindly volunteered to play his Alphorn and Schwyzeroergeli in-between the courses and that was welcomed by everyone.

Dec. 10 we honored Werner Rutishausers' 100. Birthday by performing at the Sunrise Retirement home. There was an excited audience from the residence and many joined to sing their favourite carols.

The choir has a break until Jan. 7, when we restart our rehearsals in New Westminster. We have a lot of new songs to learn. **We welcome any new singers who love our traditional music to come and give a try and maybe join us to California. Fans are encouraged to come too!**

We are planning to attend the Singing Festival in Pasadena CA June 25 – 28, 2020.

Please mark your calendar for our next concert:
Saturday, May 30th 2020 at 2pm: Spring Concert
(All Saints Anglican Church, Burnaby)



Christmas Performance for Werner Rutishauser's 100. Birthday



Photos A.& Ch. Eigenmann and Christina Lips



WALDWEIHNACHT Sunday, December 15th, 2019

Once again this event was well attended by many families and members of the Swiss Society. The trail from the parking lot to the cabin was very adventurous and felt like a muddy, icy obstacle course. But everyone made it and forgot about it as soon as they entered the house and smelled the fireplace and felt the warmth.



Thanks to a great volunteer crew it was a very enjoyable event and the goodies were delicious, especially the Gluehwein and hot chocolate.

We were thrilled to see our new consul Alexander Daellenbach with his wife and two children.





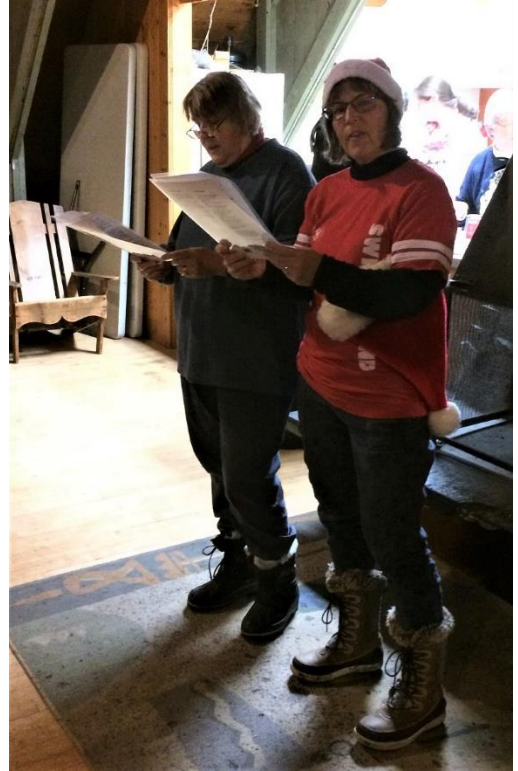
Abril Hauser with her mom, who came for a visit from Mexico.

Abril, her husband Brian and parents-in-law were the main organizers of the event.

Four members of the Dorfmusik and a violinist entertained the crowd, before two of the Swiss Choir members set the tune for some Christmas songs.

Santa Clause arrived quietly, but the children saw him right away and lined up for a chat with him. He handed out a bag of treats to everyone.

Text and photos: Christina Lips



THE GLACIER CABIN IS SOLD!

The Board members are happy to let you know that the glacier cabin was sold in December to a couple that lives in Vancouver.

Here is what the new owners write:

Hello! I wanted to drop you an email to thank you again for choosing us to be the new guardians of your incredible cabin in Glacier. My wife Meredith and I got the keys when we closed on December 12th, and recently rung in the New Year at the cabin with a few friends - and we celebrated with a fondue!

There was a pair of lederhosen hanging on the wall by the games, which a curious 3 year old insisted on trying on, and then refused to take them off for the remainder of the evening.

I have attached a few photos of our first stay. We are so thrilled with the cabin, and look forward to many happy years there!

If you have any old photos scanned of the cabin from when it was being built, we would love them for our album!

Thanks again for everything.

*Cheers,
Kevin & Meredith.*



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, Jan. 13, 2020	Board Meeting; 7pm	SSV
Sunday, Jan. 19, 2020	Filmnachmittag	Seniors
Monday, Feb. 10, 2020	Board Meeting	SSV
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020	Filmnachmittag	Seniors
Monday, March 9, 2020	Board Meeting	SSV
Sunday, March 15, 2020	SSV AGM 1 pm	SSV and all the Members
Sunday, March 22, 2020	Filmnachmittag	Seniors
Saturday, April 25, 2020	Annual Concert (Alpen Club)	Vancouver Dorfmusik
Saturday, May 30 ,2020	Spring Concert (All Saints Anglican Church, Burnaby)	Choir



Elisabeth Rechsteiner

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AGM (Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Society Vancouver)

Will be held Sunday, March 15th, 2020 at 1 pm at the Edmonds Community Center in Burnaby, 7433 Edmonds Street

We hope that this afternoon meeting will encourage all of you members to come and help making important decisions!

Fees for Advertisement in the Swiss Herald

Fees for design:

To make minor adjustments: Free

To make major changes to an ad: \$ 25

To create a new ad: \$ 50 – 100

Deadlines for sending in ads or articles:

20th of August, October, December,
February, April and June.

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Ad Size	One Issue	Six Issues
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New Years' resolution: Getting pampered, receiving lots of treats, going on long walks, chasing balls and having lots of rest on the leather couch. Oslo, a very good friend of Christina Lips.

