

SWISS HERALD

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AGM (Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Society)

Will be held Sunday, March 15th, 2020 at <u>1pm</u> 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!

The workload varies very much, but generally it's easy to handle. We always have good snacks at the Board-Meetings, which are held at the Mulberry Park Place in Burnaby. We also value our good camaraderie and enjoy each others' company. See page 9

We need several **New Board-Members**

Vacancies on Board

In order to function, the following Board positions will have to be filled at the upcoming AGM: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Events Coordinator, Liaison (Consulate, Tyrol Lodge, SCMRA, European Festival, Chamber of Commerce, ASO, Swiss Revue, etc.) Social Media)

And we also need two new auditors!

Event Organizers (2020)

The following events are confirmed to have organizers and will happen in 2020:

- Waldweihnacht (Hauser Family)
- 1. August (Pascal Vogel)

The following events need organizers who step up to help with making the events happen.

- Senior Luncheon (vacant)
- Jass Tournament (vacant)
- Swiss Fondue Night (vacant)
- Swiss Brunch (vacant)
- Metzgete and Minnekhada Hike



OBITUARIES





Rosmarie Pump

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Rosemarie Pump. Rosemarie passed peacefully in the morning of February 3rd, 2020 at the age of 94. Rosemarie is survived by her daughter, son-in-law and her two grandsons. She was loved not only by her many friends in the Swiss community, but also by nearly everyone who met her. She was an avid walker who also enjoyed talking to friends old and new. Her passion was her grandsons and she loved going camping with the family. She will be missed.

Ernie Weingand

It is with sadness we announce the passing of Ernie Weingand February 25, 2020. Memorial Service will be held at Fraser Heights First Memorial, 14865 Fraser Highway, Surrey March 11, 2020 at 1 pm. More to follow in the next Swiss Herald.



SENIORS SECTION

A Walk along Granville Island

Lotti Frowein organized another Swiss seniors' outing for February 25th. A merry group of seniors (eight in all) met on that Tuesday on Granville Island to stroll along the inlet of False Creek. We did experience a little sprinkle along the way - however this didn't dampen our spirits at all. We ended the walk by devouring a number of pizzas in a Granville Island restaurant!





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.

So far Christina hasn't had any replies to this. Please consider putting your name in if you are willing to contact a senior or if you know a senior that would like to have a phone-call or a visit once in a while!

Next Filmnachmittag: March 22, 2020; 2-5 pm fuer Senioren und andere Interessierte

Weitere Daten:

April 19; May 24

Aenderungen vorbehalten.

im Deutschen Haus

4875 Victoria Drive (Ecke 33rd Ave), Vancouver

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!

A TRIBUTE TO OUR SOON-TO-BE PAST PRESIDENT, KARIN KAPP by Christina Lips



Dear Karin;

Since 8 years you have been the president of the Swiss Society Vancouver. Not only did you have to manage constant changes in the board, bylaws, events, money situation, Tyrol Lodge, Glacier Spring Cabin and much more, you also have been a choir member. But most of all: you became a mom and you have worked your way up as a registered massage therapist.

You've always come with food to our meetings to make sure we wouldn't starve. Despite a full agenda, we've always had good laughs, especially when

you've come up with some funny expressions in English as well as in Appenzoellerisch.

In the name of the Executive Board and all the members of the Swiss Society: **THANK YOU SO MUCH** for your hard work and dedication. This is not a good-bye: We hope to see you as a past-president at our meetings and as a participant at all our events!



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2020

2020 SSV / Choir MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

by Mar. 31, 2020

Thank you for supporting the Swiss Society of Vancouver in the past. It is time for the 2020 renewal.

Members who filled out the Membership / Liability form for the 2019 SSV membership can send in the membership payment only (no form necessary).

If you did not renew in 2019 or would like to join the SSV for the first time please send the membership / liability form with the payment. You can download & print the form from the SSV website or send me an e-mail.

If you don't know if your membership form is current please call 604-888-6949 or e-mail me at membership@swiss-society.org

You are able to pay for SSV and Choir with one cheque.

You can send the cheque to : Swiss Society of Vancouver

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Memberships are as follow:

SSV Individual: \$40.00 SSV Family: \$60.00 SSV Single Senior \$25.00 SSV Senior with Spouse \$40.00

All members are required to pay the SSV membership.

Optional memberships is:

Choir \$80.00

If you miss sending in the payment by the March 31, 2020 deadline, I would need a new form filled out, because it lapsed and the liability has expired. There is an updated form available online at the SSV website under "membership", or call me, then I can send one.

Also, if anything changes in your membership status or there is a change of address, a new form is required. (new senior?)

If you receive the Herald by mail and you do have an e-mail account, you might want to consider making a donation of \$ 20.00 to cover the printing and mailing cost of the Herald. The SSV would really appreciate this gesture.

Please get in touch with me, if there are any other questions.

Sincerely, Susanne Wilson, SSV & Choir Membership chair

CHOIR SECTION

Choir News, written by Andrea Flukiger, President

The beginning of this year brought some changes to the choir.

Our conductor for two years, Sergio Pires, informed us that he will step down from leading our choir.

We are happy to inform you, that our former conductor Dubravko Pajalic came forward and he has been taking over from Sergio.

As of February 27th, 2020 practices are **Thursday** nights at All Saints Anglican Church, 7405 Royal Oak Street, Burnaby from 7:30 to 9:30 pm, followed by coffee and goodies.

For more information please contact Dorli Meier at 604-853-0890 or Rolf Bruelhart at rbrulhart@hotmail.com.

New Members are welcome!

A few weeks ago almost the whole choir was able to come together for our Christmas-Party, generously hosted by our choir member Theresa and her family.

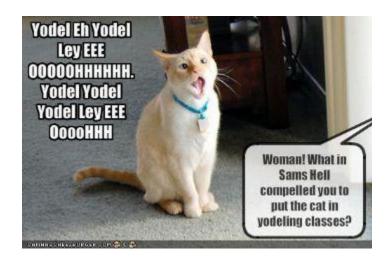
We enjoyed a delicious Fondue and the "Kameradschaft and Gemuetlichkeit". Alphorn- and Oergeli-play were presented as well.

February also brought a special rehearsal with the mass choir-Conductor from Pasadena. He and the president of the festival and the president of the host choir have been visiting the participating choirs for updates, tips and instructions. (I'm talking about the Swiss Singing- and Yodeling Festival in California this coming June.) The preparations are now in full swing. Although our choir is small in numbers, we are strong in spirit. We are looking forward in sharing a bit of Swiss tradition through singing.

Dates to remember:

- Saturday, May 30th, 2 pm: **Spring Concert** at All Saints Anglican Church in Burnaby
- June 25-28: Pacific Coast Swiss Singing and Yodeling Festival in Pasadena, CA

We hope to perform an evening at a Senior Home this Spring: TBA Please get in contact with us if you know of a place that might be interested.





30th Pacific Coast Swiss Singing and Yodeling Festival



Pasadena, June 25-28, 2020

Four days of Swiss Music and Culture

Eleven Swiss Choirs (Western US, Canada, Switzerland) perform in their original costumes. Come and enjoy Swiss Singing and Yodeling, Alphorn & Oergeli playing, Talerschwingen and other Swiss traditions!



Festival Grand Concert

Friday, June 26, 2020
(8 pm)

Ambassador Auditorium,
Pasadena
Over 200 singers
on stage together!

All Day Folkfest

Saturday, June 27, 2020

(10 am—10 pm)

Swiss Park, Whittier

Individual choirs & soloists

perform all day!

Evening entertainment



Festival Grand Concert Tickets itsmyseat.com/swissfest2020

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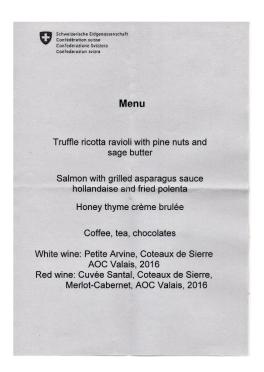
SSV BOARD-MEMBERS DINNER INVITATION

at the Consul General's House in West Vancouver



On the picture from left to right are:

Alexander Daellenbach, Werner Rutishauser, Susanne Willson, Aio Haeberli, Pascal Vogel, Karin Kapp, Veronika Sans and Andreas Rufer. Missing on photo: David Varty, Christina Lips and Andrea Flukiger

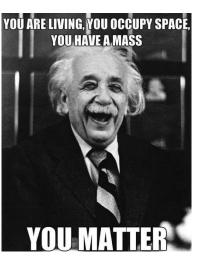


Feb. 25 the board members of the SSV, Consul Alex Daellenbach and David Varty were invited at Consul General Andreas Rufer's place for a delicious dinner.

We had interesting conversations about the past and future of the Swiss Society.

Please consider becoming a member of the Board. Generally it's not that much work, because we all help each other. Important decisions will have to be made and as a board-member you are on the front line.





UPCOMING EVENTS

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		
Sunday, April 19, 2020	Filmnachmittag	Seniors	
Saturday, April 25, 2020	Annual Concert (Alpen Vancouver Dorfmusik		
	Club)		
Sunday, May 24, 2020	Filmnachmittag	Seniors	
Saturday, May 30 ,2020	Spring Concert (All Saints	Choir	
	Anglican Church, Burnaby)		
Saturday, August 1, 2020	Swiss National Day	Mountain Range Assoc.; SSV	



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The Government of Canada announces the plan to grow a polite, privacy hedge along the 5525 mile US border.



Fees for Advertisment in the Swiss Herald

Fees for design:

To make minor adjustments: Free

To make major changes to an ad: \$25To create a new ad: \$50 - 100

Deadlines for sending in ads or articles:

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

Fees for advertisement:

Ad Size	One Issue	Six Issues
One full pag	ge \$ 150	\$ 825
½ Page	\$ 90	\$ 495
1/3 Page	\$ 60	\$ 330
¼ Page	\$ 40	\$ 220
Business Ca	rd \$ 20	\$ 110(5 Lines)



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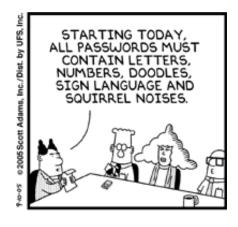


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"A motion has been made and seconded that this be one of those meetings where nothing actually gets done."