



# SWISS HERALD

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## **WANTED: COOKIE-BAKERS OF ANY AGE!**



Barbara, our cookie-maker master is inviting other bakers to join her team. Every person creates their favorite cookies. **ANY AMOUNT IS WELCOME!** They will all be put in bags and every senior will receive one at the Christmas Senior's Luncheon. **The more people volunteer, the bigger the bags!** Please call Barbara Wirsching at **604-671-6792** or send an email [barbara.wirsching@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.wirsching@gmail.com) by November 30. what kind of cookies you will contribute. There will be a "packing-the-cookies party" shortly before the Luncheon's date.

## IN MEMORIAM

### Inge McGarry

**AUGUST 24, 1929 – OCTOBER 8, 2022**



Inge was a longtime friend of Rose Marie and John Gnos.

They gave the following information:

Inge met her husband Jim on a cruise-ship trip. She joined him to Canada and after living in Toronto for a while, they moved to Eagle Harbour and spent many years there.

Inge adored cats and she loved going to the movies.

After Jim's passing 14 years ago Inge stayed at her place until she had a fall five years ago. That's when she moved to Sunrise Retirement Community in Lynn Valley where she lived until her death.



## SENIOR'S REPORT

### Filmnachmittag

Our latest movie event was held on Sunday, November 13th, one week earlier than planned. Luckily, we were able to phone our regular moviegoers to advise them of the last minute change. Twenty-two members were able to attend and enjoyed a movie, lots of socializing and coffee and cake (all free of charge !).



The next Filmnachmittag will take place on  
**one Sunday in the second half of January, 2023**

and we will continue to meet at the same location every month for the foreseeable future.

Location: **Martin Luther Church**

Address: **505 East 46th Ave, Vancouver**

Contacts: Veronika Sans, 604.730.9781, or Elisabeth Schupbach,  
604.584.3742

**Everyone is welcome who understands some Swiss German or German and likes to socialize with other Fans of Movie-Watching! Age does not matter.**



**Saturday, December 10, 2022**

## **SWISS SOCIETY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

In honour of our Senior Members  
at the

Executive Hotels & Resorts, 405 North Road, Coquitlam BC,

You will enjoy a good meal, some entertainment,  
have the opportunity to chat with old friends  
and make new acquaintances.

**Doors open: 10:00 a.m.**

**Program starts: 11:00 a.m.**

Cost of the Luncheon is:

\$25.00 for 2022 Swiss Society Senior Members 65+

\$45.00 for all others wishing to attend.

SSV will pay a flat fee for **parking**.

Please write down your Car-Make and Number Plate when arriving at our own welcoming table.

**Reservations required by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022**

Contact: Edvige Weingand at 604-953-1963 or  
email: [edvigeweingand@gmail.com](mailto:edvigeweingand@gmail.com)





**Come Celebrate with us!**

# **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**featuring  
the Vancouver Swiss Choir and  
Guests  
Music Director Dubravko Pajalic**

**Saturday, November 26, 2022**

**2:00 pm**

**Door opens at 1:30**

Tickets \$20.00  
Children under 12 with parent – free

**All Saints Anglican Church  
7405 Royal Oak Avenue, Burnaby**

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Covid 19 Protocols in place. Full refunds if concert is cancelled.

## CHOIR REPORT

written by the President Andrea Flukiger

By now, we are in full swing back to having regular rehearsals. Under the guidance of a talented young gentleman, we started to work on our winter program back in September. Shane joined the choir as Dubravko's substitute, who was away for several months. September not only brought us a new conductor but also new choir members. It's great to have those new voices joining our small group.

Some of you might remember that in the July/August edition of the Herald I asked if you know of Seniors' Homes who might love to have us for a performance. Because of this invitation we did sing at the Westminster House Retirement Community in honor of Max Bissegger 96. Birthday.



I hope you all have a big fat red cross in your calendars on November 26th.

That's when we will have our Christmas Concert. We reserved once again the All Saints Anglican Church on Royal Oak Street in Burnaby. The concert will start at 2 pm, followed by refreshment in the church hall. We also will be singing at the Seniors Luncheon on December 10th.

Please contact us if you would like to join the choir or know of a place where we could bring some joy with a performance.

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## SWISS TELEVISION LOOKING FOR PEOPLE

SRF is looking for returnees for TV-documentary «SRF bi de Lüt Heimweh»

Are you a Swiss person living abroad and planning to return home to Switzerland? Or vice versa: Do you return after a long stay in Switzerland back to your country of origin? In the 5th season of the TV-documentary «SRF bi de Lüt Heimweh» we accompany people while they are packing up, say goodbye to their former home and move to Switzerland to start a new live here.


We will be producing five episodes of 45 minutes each and it will be screened in May 2023. The filming will take place between December 2022 and May 2023.

If you are interested in having your story covered in this documentary please get in touch with me.

I appreciate every hint via WhatsApp, mail or phone.

E-Mail: [sabine.grossrieder@srf.ch](mailto:sabine.grossrieder@srf.ch) Phone: 0041 79 424 54 81

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# EARTH'S POPULATION STATISTICS IN PERSPECTIVE


From the Times-Gazette: Tessie's tidbits; **March 8, 2021**

The population of Earth is around 7.8 Billion. ( 8 Billion in Fall 2022)  
 For most people, it is a significant figure.  
 However, if you condensed 7.8 billion into 100 persons, and then into various percentage statistics, the resulting analysis is relatively much easier to comprehend.

Out of 100 :

11 are in Europe 5 are in North America 9 are in South America 15 are in Africa 60 are in Asia	33 are Christians 22 are Muslims 14 are Hindus 7 are Buddhists 12 are other religions 12 have no religious beliefs.
75 have mobile phones 25 do not.	30 have internet access 70 do not have the availability to go online
83 can read 17 are illiterate.	49 live in the countryside 51 live in cities
26 live less than 14 years 66 died between 15 - 64 years of age 8 are over 65 years old.	If you have your own home, Eat full meals & drink clean water, have a mobile phone, can surf the internet, and have gone to college, You are in the minuscule privileged lot ( in the less than 7% category)
Amongst 100 persons in the world, only eight live or exceed the age of 65!	If you are over 65 years old, be content & grateful. Cherish life. Grasp the moment.
If you did not leave this world before the age of 64, like the 92 persons who have gone before you, you are already the blessed amongst humankind.	Take good care of your health. Cherish every remaining moment.

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