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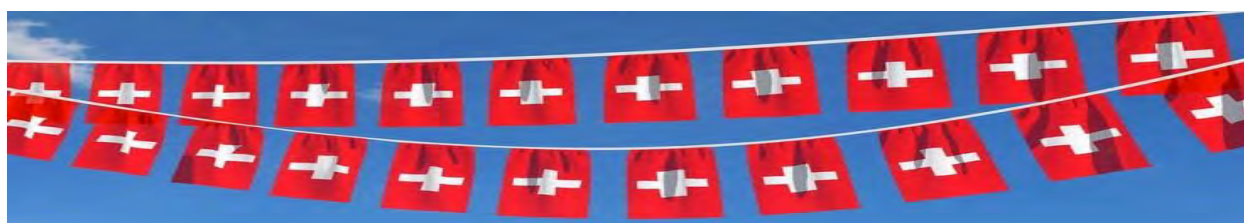
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January 10, 2023 View from West Vancouver Photo Sonja Essinger
No Photoshop!



THE SWISS SOCIETY OF VANCOUVER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Will be held Sunday, March 26, 2023

from 4-7 pm (tentatively, will be confirmed)

at Edmonds Community Centre, 7433 Edmonds St, Burnaby V3N 1B1

SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

December 10, 2022

The Welcoming Crew:

Edvige Weingand

Veronika Sans

Susanne Wilson

85 people attended our first Christmas Luncheon after 3 years of the Covid 19 break.



Everyone was excited about meeting each other again and a lot of catch up had to be done.



Photos Theresa Weltzin





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Our own Choir started the official part of the Luncheon by singing a few Christmas songs with their conductor Dubravko Pajalic. It was a joyful start of the Christmas season.





Photos Christina Lips



The Swiss Consulate was represented by Deputy Consul General Silvana Renggli.

Barbara Wirsching's Speech at the Luncheon

Hello!

I am excited to greet everyone celebrating Christmas with you the Swiss way, after an absence of two years

Sharing with you this special event, we meet friends not seen for the last two years, perhaps make new acquaintances, and for me, to share with you the long-time tradition of the Swiss Society when volunteers bake delicious Leckerlis.

A gift to you from their heart.

My gratitude is to this year's amazing team of **cookie bakers** who would not want to miss this event, sharing love with you -

- Our fantastic Hostess – Helen Schalle
- Your Herald editor Christina Lips.
- Dedicated friends - Dorli Meier, Andrea Flukiger, Ursula Hauser, Elisabeth Rechsteiner, Caroline Merkli, Marie-Louise Hanna, Ursi & Fritz Graf, Erika & Walter Humbel, and myself.

Thank you ladies and gentlemen so very much.

I wish you a very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year."

Barbara

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
Sunday, January 22, 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**
Time: **1:30 - 4:30 pm**
Elisabeth Schupbach, 604.584.3742

Am 22. Januar zeigen wir den Film „Wilder Urlaub“ von Franz Schnyder, in Schweizerdeutsch. Es handelt sich um die Erlebnisse eines jungen Soldaten welcher desertieren will.
Please register by the Monday before by calling Elisabeth Schüpbach at 604-584-3742

If you want to donate some baking, please let Susanne Wilson know a few days before, by calling her at 604-888.6949

The next dates for the movie-afternoons will be **February 19 & March 19, 2023.**

CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT NOVEMBER 26, 2022



It was a pleasure to see and hear an extended Swiss Choir at their Christmas Concert. The first five songs were conducted by Shane Taylor, who is a singer of the Vancouver Gaelic Choir. He also joined the Swiss Choir with his beautiful deep voice.



Special guests were members of the Vancouver Gaelic Choir, whose conductor is also our well known Dubravko Pajalic.

Four members of the Vancouver Dorfmusik played a few Christmas songs arranged by D. Pajalic as the **“Vancouver Wind Ensemble”** with Flutes, Fluegelhorn and Euphonium.



The Valley Girls didn't want to be missed and they performed a few yodeling songs.

Dubravko Pajalic is not only the Musical Director of both choirs, but also accompanies some songs with the piano or guitar.

The last song "Silent Night" was performed by all the singers and the audience. A very pleasant and enjoyable event.





The social gathering after Choir Concerts is well known by the audience. The buffet was so delicious with all the different food items to choose from.

Thanks to all the choir members for their tremendous effort!

CHOIR REPORT written by the President Andrea Flukiger

Just like that, we are in 2023. May this year bring us lots of joyful moments.

Back in November, we opened the door at the All Saints Anglican Church in Burnaby for our Christmas Concert. We had the pleasure of having the Vancouver Gaelic Choir and the “newly” created Vancouver Wind Ensemble performing as our Guests.

As well we were privileged in having two conductors guiding us through the program. Those of you who were there must have noticed that we got new choir members. For sure we are glad for the additional voices.

Like in the past, we offered refreshments after the concert, had a Zopf- and Bread bake sale and many happy winners for the gift baskets.

We had lots of laughter, chit chat and a good time.

The singing at the Senior Luncheon was our last gig in the old year.



On January 8th, Barbara and her husband welcomed us at their home in Langley for a Choir Party. Almost all the members were able to make it. Delicious Gluehwein was ready when we arrived and we had a feast with all the offered potluck goodies.

On January 12th we have started with rehearsals again.

A big thank you to all.

“There is no better way of building a community than by singing together. Everyone wins as souls are bonded and spirits are uplifted!”

Dennis Tupman, music educator



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2023

2023 SSV & Choir MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL by Mar. 31, 2023

Thank you for supporting the Swiss Society of Vancouver in the past. It is time for the 2023 renewal. Members who filled out the new Membership / Liability form for the 2022 SSV membership can send in the membership payment only (no form necessary).

If you did not renew in 2022 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 & Choir with one cheque or make an e-transfer

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 membership is:

Choir \$ 80.00

A member of the choir has to be a member of the Swiss Society Vancouver.

Please mail cheque to: Swiss Society of Vancouver
P.O.Box 32021 Walnut Grove
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If you miss sending in the payment by the Mar. 31, 2023 deadline, I would need a new form filled out, because it lapsed and the liability has expired. There is an updated form available on-line at the SSV website under “membership”, or call me, then I can send one out.

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

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 or more 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

NOMINATIONS FOR HONORARY MEMBERSHIP



Any member of the Swiss Society can make a WRITTEN nomination, which must include details as to why someone is recommended, and why that person should be deserving an honorary membership. Any nominations must be received by Susanne Wilson by February 28th, 2023 at the latest. Please send them to: membership@swiss-society.org or the SSV address on the front page of the Herald.

A NOTE FROM ELISABETH RECHSTEINER



"Dear Swiss Friends:

The time for retirement has arrived for me, and I am pleased to announce that effective May 1, 2022, I have sold my notary practice to a young notary who has been working with me for the past two years, Maryam Soheilsayar. Maryam has many years' experience working with other notaries/lawyers, and in the mortgage department of a major lender. Clients can rest assured that my notary practice will be in good hands with Maryam... and I will continue to be in the background as a consultant, should the need arise.


Also, please know that if I have done work for you in the past, your information will be kept on file at the notary office going forward, and Maryam will have access to work that I have done for you over the years.

I am excited to enter the next phase of life.... retirement!!!!... and I wish to thank all of you who trusted me in assisting you with notarial work over the years...it was a pleasure to assist you...and I wish all of you good luck, good health and much happiness in the years to come.

*Liebe Gruesse,
Elisabeth"*

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