

Monthly Social Evenings

**Would you like to play JASS
in a relaxed atmosphere...
or just spend time with old or new friends
by a KAFFEEKLATSCH?**

Then we would like to invite you to join us at the Swiss Club Toronto to our monthly social evenings. There is no commitment or fee, you can play Jass with no pressure for one game, or all night, it's up to you. This will be for beginners to "pros". We have French and German cards available. Or you can just come out and watch the players, play some other games (like UNO), have dinner and a drink with your friends, or just enjoy a Kaffeeklatsch. The only cost you will have is your own consumption of food or drinks.

LOCATION:

Donauschwaben Club,
1686 Ellesmere Rd.
(east of McCowan),
Scarborough
(south of the 401)
FREE PARKING
(underground)

TIME:

7:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

DATES:

Jan. 13th / Feb. 10th / March 10th / April 13th / May 12th



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or Rita Aebi:
(905) 833-0190*

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING February 24th, 2006

HOLIDAY INN ON KING

370 King Street West, Toronto

Cocktails (cash bar) and dinner
(courtesy of the Swiss Club)
at 6:30 P.M.

Meeting will start at 8:00 P.M.
with the following Agenda:

1. Introduction of the Board Members . . . *Erika Tièche*
2. Minutes of the 2005 General Meeting *Regula Köchli*
3. Swiss Citizen of the Year Award . . . *Ron Favarger*
4. Presidents report . . *Erika Tièche*
5. Consolidated Financial Statement of the Club for the year 2005 *Emmanuel Favre*
6. Finance Commission Report *Ron Favarger*
7. Membership Report *Denise Frassini*
8. Election of: One Finance Commissioner for the term of 3 years *Arno Sigrist*
Secretary for the term of 2 years
Membership Chairperson for the term of 2 years
9. Council of the Swiss Abroad report *René Walti*
10. Other business as may properly come before the meeting
11. Adjournment

*We hope you will make a special effort to take part in the affairs of your Club by attending the meeting.
Proxy vote form is on the back.*

Erika Tièche, President

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From the President's file...

We had a very successful 2005 (with increased membership) and I like to take this opportunity to thank all members for the contributions this past year. Supporting the Swiss Club Toronto helps ensure the ongoing success of one of the bigger Swiss Clubs in Canada.

I hope that you will join us once again in 2006 as a member. Now, more than ever, we need your renewed support. To achieve our goals, we will need the help of each and every compatriot.

We have big plans for the year, trying to serve you better with more events. We always welcome to hear your suggestions and new ideas.

Please mark February 24 on your calendar and join us at the AGM.

Thank you again for both your past and future support.

Erika Tièche

Social Events 2006

See dates in each issue of *Tell Tale*
Social Evening at the
Donauschwaben Club

January 28 • Fondue
Organised by Amical Romande

February 24 • Annual General Meeting

April 22, 2006 • Theater

End of May • Car Rally (to be confirmed)

July 23, 2006
National Day Celebration

Mid August • Soccer tournament
Organized by the Gym Section

2nd Sunday in September • Raclette
Organized by Amical Romande

Beginning of October • Wine tour

Beginning of December
Santa is coming
(Children's Christmas Party)

For more information, please contact
Rita Aebi at 905-833-0190

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:

Mrs. Sophie Fayyad-Pulfer, North York

Mr. Hans Christen, Caledon

Mrs. Susann Knight (and family)

*Your membership chairperson,
Denise Frassini*

Please submit your articles for next *Tell Tale* by March 15, 2006.

Heidy Lawrance • Tell Tale Editor



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MEN'S SECTION

We had a good turnout at the **Swiss Movie Evening** in November, and we want to thank the Ladies Section for supplying all those delicious cakes and other goodies.

By the time you read this, we will have had our **Christmas Dinner** at the Holiday Inn on King.

Upcoming Events

On **Thursday, January 26, 2006** starting at **6:45 PM**, we will have our **Annual General Meeting** at the **Holiday Inn on King**, at 370 King Street W., again in the Oak Room on the lower level.

On **Saturday, Jan. 28**, don't forget the **Fondue Night** of the **Amicale Romande** – see notice below.

On **February 24** we will join the **Swiss Club Toronto** at their **AGM**, also at the **Holiday Inn on King**, see separate notice in this *Tell Tale* issue.

For our event on **Thursday, March 16, 2006**, we will again try to arrange a Dinner at the **Siegfried's Dining Lounge**, at the **George Brown Culinary Arts Academy**, on 300 Adelaide St. East, just west of Sherbourne St. As this is a School, and the students have to get up early the next morning, we will be asked to **please be there at 6:00 PM** for the cash bar. The dinner will then be served at 6:30 PM. As in past years, I am sure we will again be served an excel-

lent meal. Thank you Peter Felder for helping to arrange this for us again this year. **This date will have to be confirmed first**, I will advise in the new year.

Please **call** me or **e-mail** me *at least 10 days prior* to any of the above events, to let me know **if you can come**, but also **if you cannot come**, thanks.

Memorable Birthdays

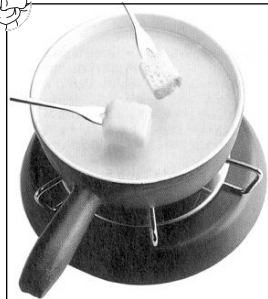
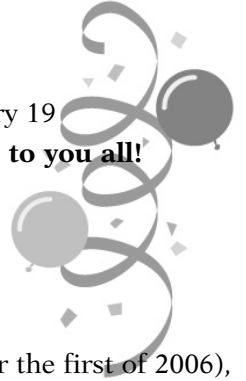
Freddy Wenger was 60 on December 17
Martin Zaugg was 40 on December 23
Freddy Kern will be 75 on February 7
Robert Walder will be 70 on February 7
Thomas Winniker will be 70 on February 19
Many happy returns and good health to you all!

*Middle age is when you still believe,
that you'll feel better in the morning.*

— Laurence J. Peter

As this is the last *Tell Tale* of the Year (or the first of 2006), I would like to wish you all a Very Happy, Prosperous and Healthy New Year.

Arno Sigrist



*Amicale
Romande
invites you to*

The Annual Fondue & Dance

January 28, 2006 • 7:00 P.M.

Saint Phillippe Neri Church,
2100 Jane Street, Toronto

RSVP

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ADVANCE NOTICE

Theatre Group Toronto presents

“Die Goldige Chorzeständer”
Schwank in 3 Akten
von Rolf Staudenman

A comedy in Swiss German

April 22, 2006
2 P.M. and at 8 P.M.

Estonian House, 958 Broadview Ave., Toronto
Tickets available at the entrance.

For more information please call either
Maggie Hess or Walter Brunner
at (905) 508-8014 or
by email to walter.brunner@mapinfo.com

Please look for more details in your next *Tell Tale*.



Swiss Women's Section

This is my last report in the *Tell Tale*. I have been serving your club for a total of 12 years, first as Vice-President and the last eight years as President. Time has come to hand over the presidency to a new leader. It was very rewarding to see how our club flourished and the membership increased. When I joined the committee we were commemorating our 50th anniversary and it seems that not long after we were celebrating our 60th anniversary with a memorable two day bus trip. With the help of a dedicated committee we were able to provide you with a variety of events throughout the years, and while one can never satisfy everybody with the program offered, the majority of the members enjoyed our activities. Many of you have expressed your appreciation which was very gratifying. I would like to thank all my colleagues who worked with me during the past 12 years for their support and help. I wish

the club continued success and of course I will be supporting the efforts of the new President. With my very best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Memorable Birthdays

ELISABETH KRUTINA celebrated her 80th birthday on December 5, 2005 and our Life Member, IRENE GOZEL will be 85 on January 21, 2006. Happy Birthday and our very best wishes for good health and happiness.

Upcoming Events

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2006
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Holiday Inn on King, 370 King St. West, Toronto. We meet at 11.45 A.M. – Lunch will be served at 12.30 P.M. Cost \$ 30.00 per person all inclusive (subsidized by the Swiss Women's Club)

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO FILL THE POSITIONS OF THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY. The club needs your help and support so that we can continue our program of monthly events. If you are able and willing to help please contact Elisabeth Walder Tel. 416 223-7257 or Elsbeth Wright Tel. 416 694-6802. **PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND JOIN US FOR THIS IMPORTANT MEETING.**

Our "Kaffeeklatsch" is held at the **WESTIN PRINCE HOTEL**, Pateo Restaurant, 900 Yorkmills Road (between Leslie & Don Mills), Toronto on the **last Wednesday of the month** from 2 P.M. The dates for the next few months are: January 25, February 22, and March 29, 2006.

Elisabeth Walder

Wine Tour Fall 2005

On October 23, 2005 the Swiss Cultural Association and the Swiss Club Toronto went on a joint excursion. Our destination was the Niagara Wine Region. Even though the weather was grey and gloomy, the spirit among the people was great. The first stop was Reif Estates where we tasted an Ice wine among others. This was a special treat. The second stop took us to lunch at Queenston Heights Restaurant. After an excellent meal we went on to Joseph's Estate where we learned about the benefits of grape seed oil. Last stop was at Herdner Estate where we tasted a rhubarb wine which was quite interesting. It was a very enjoyable Sunday. Thank you Sonja Evans and Mark Lurz for organizing this trip.

Your Entertainment Director
Rita Aebi



SCHEDULE A TO BY-LAW NO. 1 PROXY:

The undersigned voting member of the Swiss Club Toronto hereby nominates, constitutes and appoints, _____ Or her/him failing, _____ as proxy of the undersigned to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Corporation to be held on the 24th day of February, 2006 and any adjournment or adjournments thereof and to vote and otherwise act thereat for and on behalf and in the name of the undersigned in respect of all matters that may come before the meeting in the same manner as the undersigned could do if personally present thereat, the undersigned hereby ratifying and confirming and agreeing to ratify and confirm all that such proxy may lawfully do by virtue hereof.

Date: _____

Signature of voting member: _____

Please print your name: _____

Please return Proxy Form by February 13th to: Erika Tièche, 95-1604 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto M4H 1L7

Would you like to be informed about Swiss Cultural events?

Many events are finalized only a few weeks before they take place. Therefore, it is often too late to have them published in the *Tell Tale*. For this reason, the Consulate General has recently created a new electronic data base in order to inform you about upcoming events.

Please let us know by e-mail at vertretung@tor.rep.admin.ch if you wish to be on this electronic mailing list. If you already receive our cultural news by e-mail and if you do not wish to obtain this information any longer, kindly let us know. Please note, that your personal data will of course be treated confidentially. If you don't have internet access, we can provide you with the same information by mail. Call us at 416-593-5371 and we will be pleased to put your name on our list.

We would like to take this occasion to ask you to keep us informed of any address changes. Thanking you for your interest in Swiss events and wishing you and your families all the best for the coming year.

Jean-Claude Hagmann
Consul General



New Delegate for the Council of the Swiss abroad.

Rene Walti has been elected as Delegate for the Council of the Swiss Abroad, taking over from Vreni Tobler-Ducommun. He was born in 1945 in Bönigen near Interlaken, went to school in Bern and apprenticed as a typesetter in Biel. After living in Basel for a number of years, he moved to Toronto in May of 1972.

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SWISS CARNIVAL BAND (GUGGEMUSIG) 30th Anniversary in 2006

We are a **Swiss Style Fasnachts Clique** in Toronto and we are always looking for new players, with (or without) instruments. Our annual band practices have started again and are every Saturday morning.

The **Morgestraich** starts at 7 A.M., **Saturday, March 4, 2006**.
The **Carnival Dance** will be a week later 7 P.M., **Saturday, March 11, 2006**.
Both events will be at the Musket Restaurant at Advance Rd. Etobicoke

If you would like to have some fun while playing Music, and at other times, please, give one of us a call or an e-mail, we will look forward to hearing from you!



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Air Canada Announces Year-Round Direct Flights to Zürich

Effective October 30, 2005 Air Canada flights to Delhi will go through Zürich. This change not only increases frequency on the popular Toronto-Delhi flights, it affords you year-round daily Zurich service. Connections are available from across North America and Executive First® options are available on these flights. Book online at www.aircanada.com or contact your travel agent.

IN MEMORIAM

The month of October in 2005 was a very sad time, since we had to say farewell to some very special Swiss Club members.

Otto Marbach

(past President): Otto was a strong supporter and pillar of the Swiss Community. Otti was part of a committee that merged the Swiss Canadian Club and the Swiss Club Toronto in 1962. He then served for 3 years as President of the Swiss Club Toronto. His guidance and strong support was again needed a few years later, when the Club had difficulties. He served another 4 years as President. But, this was not all for Otto, he then was appointed as the first representative for the Swiss Abroad in Toronto and area. He served our interests well for many years. Otto will be deeply missed by the whole Swiss community. The Club owes him a deep gratitude for his dedication and contribution over so many years. He will always be a part of the Swiss Club Toronto.

Erika Tièche, President

On behalf of my mother Miggi, we would like to thank everyone who attended the Memorial Service of my father Otto Marbach on October 22, 2005. We appreciate your warm thoughts and wishes. A special thank you goes to the people who donated their time in assisting my mother and myself to organize the service, Ms. Anneliese Lauber who gave a memorable sermon, Mr. Alfred Mettler whose speech was heartfelt by many who knew my father, Mr. Albert Lenz with his slides of Switzerland and "moments frozen in time" of my father's life, Mr. Fred Rohrer whose trumpet solo made emotions stir. Again, thank you all for making it a time to remember and reflect.

Daniela Kasper-Marbach



Ruedi Möscherberger

(past treasurer): There was no event at the Swiss Club where Ruedi did not participate. He was an active member on the board and Men's Section for many years as treasurer. Ruedi took his position very seriously, and kept the books in excellent condition. He was a strong supporter all around and always willing to help. The Club will not be the same without him. He will be deeply missed.

Erika Tièche, President

As you are all aware dad passed away on the 19th of October 2005. He fought a brave battle against lung cancer, and when the cancer spread to the bones in August the agony and suffering was immense. Fortunately for dad this period was relatively short and he could leave this world with dignity and humanity.

We would like to thank his many friends for the support which everyone provided. Dad's friends meant so much too him, and he was grateful to see so many persons and to receive so many calls and cards.

We would like to thank the Swiss Club, as well as the men's section, for the flowers which they sent in memory of our father.

Since it is impossible to thank each person individually we would like to thank everyone who provided their support, and also those who came to the funeral home. It was very nice for us to see so many dear friends, many of whom we have not seen for many years.

All the best to the Swiss Club Toronto, we also have many fond memories of when we were active participants.

Your friends,

Susan and Mike Weir
(Penhold, Alberta)

Peter and Maya Moeschberger
(Gland, Switzerland)