

Dear members,

I am pleased to invite you on behalf of the Directors to attend our annual General Meeting at this new location. Since we have some important Business and Elections on our Agenda, we count on you, that you will be there to help us make the right decisions.

If you should be unable to attend, you have the privilege to make use of your proxy, but in order to be valid; it must be received by the Swiss Club Toronto by noon, February 21, 2008.

*Erika Tièche, President*

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

February 22, 2008

### NOTICE OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SWISS CLUB TORONTO

The meeting will be held on Friday, February 22, 2008  
at the Bistro Bisou, 2255 Sheppard Avenue East, Atria 1, Toronto  
(Victoria Park / Sheppard) • Free Underground parking

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

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

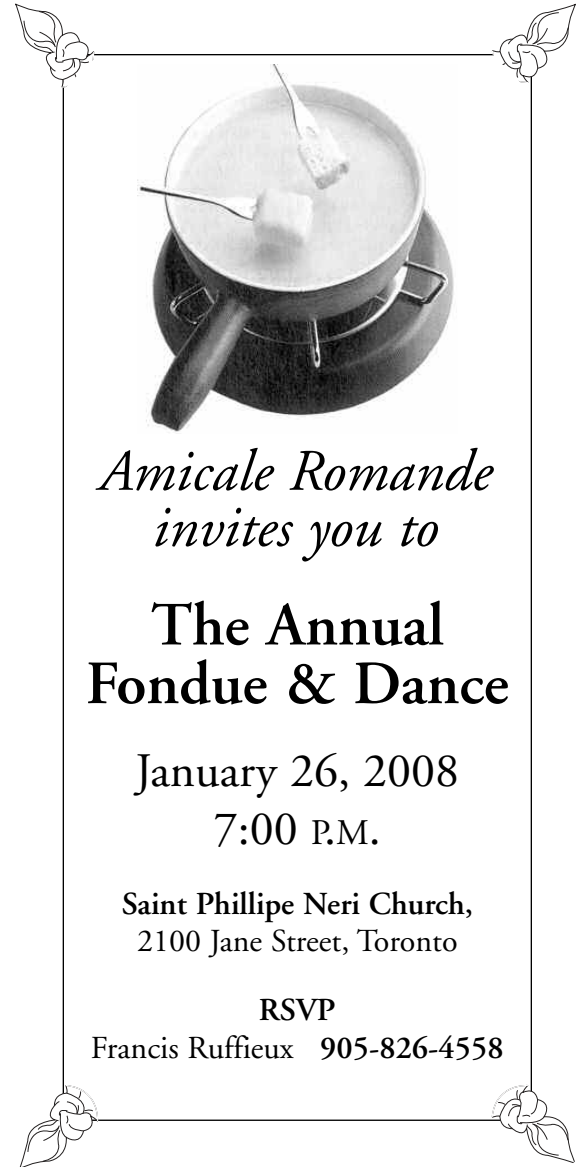
Introduction of the Board Members . . . . . Erika Tièche  
Minutes of the 2007 General Meeting . . . . . Claude Tièche  
Swiss Citizen of the year award . . . . . Ron Favarger  
Presidents report . . . . . Erika Tièche  
Consolidated financial statement  
of the Club for the year 2007 . . . . . E. Favre  
Finance Commission report . . . . . Ron Favarger  
Membership report . . . . . Heidi Gallo

#### ELECTION OF:

President	2nd Vice President
Secretary	Director of Entertainment

Council of the Swiss Abroad report . . . . . René Wälti  
Other business as may properly come before the meeting Adjournment

*(Please find the proxy vote form on back page of the issue)*



*Amicale Romande  
invites you to*

## The Annual Fondue & Dance

January 26, 2008  
7:00 P.M.

Saint Phillippe Neri Church,  
2100 Jane Street, Toronto

RSVP  
Francis Ruffieux 905-826-4558

#### OUR NEXT THEATRE

### D Huuschränket

Lustspiel in 3 Akten von Hans Wälti

Mark your calendar now!  
April 19, 2008, at 2 P.M. and 8 P.M.

Look for details in the next *Tell Tale*  
The Theatre Group  
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## The President's file...

*I'm very honored to lead the Club into this very special year...*

### **HAPPY 90TH ANNIVERSARY SWISS CLUB TORONTO**

*We are planning to celebrate this special occasion in the fall.*

*Details will follow at a later date.*

Dear members,

The Annual General Meeting, as you can see on the front page, will take place on February 22nd. On behalf of the club, I extend to you an invitation to attend and participate in the Annual Meeting.

At this time, I want to officially inform you that I will be stepping down as President of the Swiss Club Toronto at the upcoming AGM. When I accepted the presidency four years ago I did so with the hope it would be for one term (2 years) only.

I have served on the Board of Directors of the Club for the past 23 years, holding the positions of President, Vice President, Membership Chairperson, Secretary and 5 Pin Bowling Chairperson. I feel it is time for me to retire. I do have mixed feelings on leaving office – the last four years have been a wonderful experience, but also very demanding. I'm looking forward to a more relaxing lifestyle. It was a pleasure and honor to serve the Swiss Club Toronto.

As the Past President, I will remain associated with the club and interested in its well-being and growth. I will always be particularly proud of the fact that my tenure as President saw an increase in club membership and a record attendance at our last National Day celebration.

In my newfound spare time, I will be chairing the committee for the 90th Anniversary celebration of the Swiss Club, and most importantly, will be spending more time with my six grandchildren.

It has been a great pleasure, dear members and Swiss Club Board members, to work with you and I want to thank you most sincerely for your support and co-operation over the last four years. A very special thank you goes to the Swiss Consulate General, who I could always count on for support when needed. It made my job much easier and contributed greatly to the fine spirit so evident now in the Club.

It was also a pleasure to be a member of the committee of the Canadian-Swiss Cultural Association and work closely with the Swiss Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

I will certainly support my successor in any way possible. With my personal thanks and best wishes to all of you, I remain,

*Erika Tièche  
President*

Also, just a heads up, that due to high demand, we are organizing another showing at the Science Centre IMAX Theatre for the movie "The Alps". The date is not known yet, since we are still finding out when the movie reel will be available to us. It will be around the middle of April. More information will be in the next *Tell Tale*.

Please submit your articles for next *Tell Tale*  
by March 17, 2008.

*Heidy Lawrance • Tell Tale Editor*



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# MEN'S SECTION

## Past Events

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

This year we had our **Christmas Dinner** at the **Bistro Bisou** in North York and we all enjoyed a very nice dinner.

## Upcoming Events

On **Wednesday, January 16th, 2008** starting at about 6:45 P.M., we will have our **Annual General Meeting** also at **Bistro Bisou**, 2255 Sheppard Ave. East, in the Atria 1 building. This dinner is free for Club members.

**Note: this time on a Wednesday!**

On **Saturday, Jan. 26th**, don't forget the **Fondue Night** of the **Amicale Romande** – see notice elsewhere in this *Tell Tale*. (I will be in Luzern and Basel then, getting ready for Fasnacht!)

On **February 22nd**, we will join the Swiss Club Toronto at their AGM, also at the **Bistro Bisou**, see notice on cover.

On **Thursday, March 20th, 2007**, we will plan to have our yearly **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 classes early the next morning, we will be asked to please be there at 18:00 h for the cash bar. The dinner will then be served at 18:30. As in past years, I am sure we will again be served an excellent meal.

*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

**Andreas Hug** will be 65 on February 21

**Hans Traber** will be 85 on April 4

Many happy returns and good health to both of you !

*Life would be infinitely happier if we could be born at the age of eighty and gradually approach eighteen.*

— Mark Twain

*As this is the first Tell Tale of the year , I would like to wish you all a very happy, prosperous and healthy new year.*

Arno Sigrist

# Women's Section

## IN MEMORIAM

We are saddened by the news of the passing of **Wilma Lehner**, a longtime member who always had a kind heart and a beautiful smile for all. Wilma died on November 5, 2007, just a few days short of her 77th birthday. Wilma enjoyed participating in many of our outings and activities, and we always appreciated her home-baked contributions of Vanilla-Gipfel and Linzertorte for our sale at the Christmas Around the World bazaar. Farewell, Wilma. We extend our sincere condolences to the Lehner family.

## KAFFEEKLATSCH

Michèle Ryff kindly invites our members to her, and Consul General Bruno Ryff's home for the **January 30 Kaffeeklatsch**. Details to follow.

The **February 27** and the **March 26** get-together will be held at the Oliver & Bonacini Café & Grill, located in the Bayview Village Mall, corner of Bayview and Sheppard Avenue East, at 2:30 P.M.

*A heartfelt thank you to all the members who donated so generously to our sale of baked goods, etc. for the Christmas Around the World bazaar at the Toronto City Hall. We truly appreciate your contributions and your valuable time spent on this yearly project.*

## MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

**Vera Borecky** will be 95 on January 18.

**Trudi Bieri** will be 70 on January 20.

**Josy Fischer** will be 75 on February 8.

**Claudia Hunck** will be 70 on February 23.

**Leni Froehlich** will be 85 on March 25.

*Our sincere best wishes to you for continued good health and good luck!*

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Elisabeth Orfei and Erika Rueter

*May 2008 bring you good health,  
prosperity and good cheer!*  
Josy Visscher



**KEEP INFORMED – VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
REGULARLY! [www.swissclubtoronto.ca](http://www.swissclubtoronto.ca)**  
for updates to our events AND the official  
newsletter of the Organization of the  
Swiss Abroad is now available in pdf for-  
mat, in both English and French. You can  
find it under the link **OSA**.

# JASS SECTION

## 10th ANNUAL SAUJASS OPEN HOUSE for all JASS PLAYERS



The Jass Section of the Swiss Club Toronto is organizing another traditional fun filled Saujass on:

**Sunday afternoon  
January 27, 2008  
Starting at 1:00 P.M. sharp  
Ending approximately 6:00 P.M.**

This year, for the first time, we will play in the party room at "The Arboretum" located at 1903 Pilgrims Way in Oakville. It is close to the intersection of Upper Middle Road West and Dorval Drive, approximately 1 km north of the QEW.

This event is open to all Jass Players (members and non-members of the Swiss Club Toronto). We will accommodate players who favour German and/or French playing cards. We will play the standard "Schieber Jass" with a maximum of 157 points per game, except for a "match" which counts for additional 100 points. Only Trump, Top Down or Bottom Up, no Wys or other multipliers are allowed. We will play a total of 56 games.

**PLEASE SIGN UP AND GET YOUR NAME ON  
THE LIST! FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!**

The cost of the tournament is \$30 per player and is payable in advance. Included in this price are dinner (Bavarian Feast Buffet) and dessert as well as soft drinks, coffee and tea. It also covers the cost of many prizes such as smoked meat from "Landjäger" to Ham and Salami and all kinds of other goodies. During the afternoon you will be able to purchase red wine and beer.

**For more information and to sign up please call Albert Lenz at (416) 332-3218 or evenings at (905) 513 1825.**

*Albert Lenz, Chairman*

### **Welcome to the Swiss Club**

Mr. Roger Hunziker & Mrs. Rima McLunas, Toronto  
Family Urs & Helene, Maroussia, Lea, Clara Kehl, Toronto  
Meslin Lina, Toronto • Adam S. Arlette, Toronto

*Heidi Gallo • Membership chairperson*



### **Santa's visit**

On Sunday, Dec. 2, 2007, Santa visited the youngest members of the Swiss Club Toronto. The weather was quite stormy but, Santa and his reindeers are probably used to this. He arrived with no delay. The children were quite delightful. One played the drums for Santa and another one played the piano. The food was plentiful and delicious. The traditional Gerstensusuppe was a meal in itself. Thanks Joerg Roth.

Hope to see you all again next year around the same time.



*Rita Aebi • Your director  
of Entertainment*



### **SWISS CARNIVAL BAND (GUGGEMUSIG)**

**32nd Anniversary in 2008**

We are a Swiss Style Fasnachts  
Clique in Toronto

**Our Winter Main Events this  
year are:**

**The Morgestraich** starting at  
7A.M., Saturday, February 9, 2008.

**The Carnival Dance** starting at  
7P.M., Saturday, February 16, 2008.

Come and join us at either or  
both events and have a wonderful  
time. Wear a costume at the dance

and you could win a prize for best  
costume!

Both events will be at:  
**THE MUSKET RESTAURANT  
& BANQUET HALL**  
40 Advance Road, Etobicoke

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### **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 22nd day of February, 2008 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 21st to:** Erika Tièche, 95-1604 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto M4H 1L7