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Dear members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Swiss Club Toronto, I am pleased to invite you to our Annual General Meeting.

Important business, elections, and financial reporting are on the Agenda, and your participation is vital in maintaining the democratic process within our Club.

Should you be unable to attend, you will have the privilege of making use of the proxy form that you will find on the last page of this newsletter. For it to be valid it must be received by the Swiss Club no later than by noon February 25, 2010 (see address on proxy form).

René Wälti, President

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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

February 26, 2010

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

Friday, February 26, 2010 at the Delta Chelsea Hotel, Mountbatten Salon A, 33 Gerrard Street West (at Yonge) Toronto, ON M5G 1Z4 – Tel. 416-585-4391 Accessible by subway – surface and underground parking available

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

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8:00 P.M. • Meeting will start with the following agenda:
1. Introduction of the Board Members René Wälti
2. Minutes of the 2009 General Meeting Claude Tièche
3. Swiss Citizen of the year award Ron Favarger
4. President's report René Wälti
5. Consolidated Financial Statement for 2009 Claude Tièche
6. Finance Commission report Ron Favarger
7. Membership report Monika Rüber
8. Council of the Swiss Abroad report Ernst Notz
9. Election of: • President • 1st Vice President
Treasurer Secretary Membership Chairperson
• Director of Entertainment

Member to Finance Committee

10. Other business as may properly come before the meeting 11. Adjournment

(Please find the proxy vote form on the back page of this newsletter.)

Amicale Romande invites you to The Annual Fondue & Dance January 30, 2010 7:00 p.m. Saint Phillipe Neri Church, 2100 Jane Street, Toronto RSVP Francis Ruffieux 905-826-4558 Jean-Marc Velen 416-488-6493 velenglish@rogers.com UPCOMING EVENT SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS JASS SECTION **12TH ANNUAL SAUJASS** JANUARY 24, 2010 • 1:00 P.M. AMICALE ROMANDE ANNUAL FONDUE JANUARY 30, 2010 • 7:00 P.M. SWISS CLUB TORONTO AGM FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2010 THEATRE GROUP E GUETI FRÜNDIN BRUCHSCH (Lustspiel in Mundart) MOOREFIELD SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2010 **OTTAWA** SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2010 TORONTO SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2010

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# The President's file...

Dear members,

First let me take this opportunity to wish everyone a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Another eventful year has passed quickly and I hope that 2010 will be good for everybody. Already the various sections have planned some of their activities.

On February 26, 2010 the Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Club Toronto will be held at the Delta Chelsea Hotel. Please see the front page for details.

Several positions are open for election; others have already been filled and need to be confirmed. My 2-year term for the presidency is up and we are looking for a *new President* to take over the reigns. The position of *1st Vice-President* is still open and needs to be filled urgently. A *Director of Entertainment* is also needed, so that we can present you with events and activities throughout the year. For nominations (for yourself or someone else) please contact our Secretary Claude Tièche (Tel. 416-840-5920, claude@tieche.com), or contact me directly by e-mail: renewalti@yahoo.ca. Nominations may also be brought forward from the floor during the meeting.

2010 marks the 92nd year of our Club, which is offering a line of communication for the Swiss community in Toronto and is a place to make and keep friendships. I hope that a large number of our members will be able to attend our AGM and will actively participate in shaping the future of this vital organization. Please mark your calendar for the 26th of February 2010. For more details please see the front page of the newsletter.

> René Wälti, President

## Our next Theatre: "E gueti Fründin bruchsch" Komödie in 3 Akten von Claudia Gysel



Mark your calendar now! April 17, 2010, at 2 PM and 8 PM Look for details in the next *Tell Tale*.

The Theatre Group, Maggie Hess • (905) 508-8014

Please submit your articles for the next Tell Taleby March 15, 2010.Heidy Lawrance • Tell Tale Editor



## OF INTEREST

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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 selecting the movie as well as bringing all those delicious cakes and other goodies.

This year we had our **Christmas Dinner** at the **Wildfire Steakhouse & Wine Bar** at 3438 Yonge St. and we all enjoyed a very nice evening. As we were in a separate room on the Mezzanine, Hans-Ueli of HUH Imports could set up a small sales table for his goodies and we also want to thank him for some of his treats.

#### Upcoming Events

Thursday, January 21, 2010 starting at about 6:45 PM, we will have our Annual General Meeting at the Donauschwaben Club, 1686 Ellesmere Rd., just East of McCowan Rd., where Swiss Chef Chris Probst will look after us. The AGM dinner is free for Men's Section members.

**Saturday, January 30**, don't forget the Fondue Night of the **Amicale Romande** – see notice elsewhere in this *Tell Tale*.

Friday, February 26, we will join the Swiss Club Toronto at their AGM, see separate notice in this *Tell Tale* issue.

Thursday, March 18, 2010, we will plan to have our yearly Dinner at the Chef's House Restaurant, at the George Brown Culinary Arts Academy, on 215 King St. East in Toronto.

Please be there at 18:30 h for the cash Bar. The dinner will then be served at 19:00. As in past years, I am sure we will again be served an excellent meal.

#### Memorable Birthdays

Hans Froehlich will be 85 on January 24 (Hans lives now near Ottawa)

Mark Lurz will be 65 on January 28

Alex Lang will be 75 on February 3

Albert Huwiler will be 75 on March 14

Many happy returns and good health to you all!

The good news is that grandchildren keep you young. The bad news is that that after you spend time with them, you feel your age. — Joan Holleman and Audrey Sherins

I hope you all had a Very Nice Christmas and as this is the last *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 -

#### PAST EVENTS

**November 19, Film Night** Everybody enjoyed the movie *Sternenberg*. Attendance was down from last year, but there was no shortage of sweets. The table was loaded with all kinds of goodies, thanks to the generosity of the ladies from the Women's Section.

**December 3, Christmas Lunch** is the largest gathering of the year. All the ladies had a nice time visiting with each other. We had a good lunch, admired the beautiful decorations which St. Georges did with great care. HUH Imports was present with a nice selection of imported items and we had some serious shopping going on.

**December 5 + 6 Christmas around the World** at City Hall proved to be successful once again. Of course it could not happen without the help of the generous ladies who donated their delicious baked goods and to the people of the Swiss community who came down to City Hall to shop. A huge thank you to all of you who made it happen

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

March 10, AGM at the Delta Chelsea Inn. Looking for nominations for the position of chairperson.

April 17, Swiss Theatre An early dinner will again be provided.

**Kaffeklatsch at the General Consuls**. I had the pleasure to meet our new Consul General at the Christmas sale. We are invited for coffee at the residence, the date will be announced to you by E-Mail

**February 21, A Special Offer** A ride on the Credit Valley Explorer Snow Train. A wonderful outing for the friends and family. Tickets have to be pre-purchased by January 15th. Cost per-person is \$88.00, which includes a hot lunch. Tickets are limited and are on a first come, first served basis. Please call Paula for more information.

Welcome to our most recent new member Hedi Jacob.

I wish all of you a wonderful, healthy new year. Take care

Your Chairperson Paula Rico



Mrs. Hedwig Jenzer • Ruth Reindle Johanna Landert-Taylor • Joe & Odette Leuthard

Monika Rüber, Membership Chairperson

### Young Swiss Toronto Meeting Dates 2010

The Young Swiss Section Toronto meets on the last Thursday of every month for a fun get-together at PJ O'Brien Irish Pub & Restaurant in Toronto. This is a great way to meet fellow young Swiss citizens or Canadians with Swiss roots living in Toronto, make new friends, meet old friends and keep up the Swiss connections. Everyone is welcome to join.

#### IN 2010, WE MEET ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

January 28 February 25 March 25 April 29 May 27 June 24 July 29 August 26 September 30 October 28 November 25 December 16

#### P.J. O'BRIEN IRISH PUB & RESTAURANT

39 Colborne St., Toronto ON M5E 1E3 • www.pjobiren.com Subway: King Street • Streetcar: Victoria Street

For questions, ideas and input regarding the Young Swiss Section, contact Isabel Mueller or Valerie Ost at youngswisstoronto@yahoo.ca

Ho Ho Ho

Santa Claus arrived on November 29th in the back room of the Musket Restaurant in Etobicoke. Helmut Enser, the owner of the Musket, presented us with a nicely decorated room, including two beautiful Christmas trees that put everyone in a festive mood. Everybody was waiting in anticipation of the arrival of Santa. When he finally made his entrance with a jolly HoHoHo and the sounds of a bell, he took his seat between the two trees and all 25 of the attending kids sat on the floor around him.

Santa was first reading a Christmas story; he also had some questions for the kids, which they eagerly answered. Then he checked his list for who was nice or naughty, and one by one the children walked up to him, had a little chat, and each was being rewarded with a bag of nuts, tangerines, chocolates, candies and Bärli Biber. Miriam and Sonja Staudle

delighted everyone with a musical interlude, singing traditional Christmas carols. Thanks to both of you. Santa soon had to leave to see some more kids around the world. He left behind a happy crowd. Thanks Santa! Everyone enjoyed the rest of the afternoon with some food and drinks.

Thanks also go to Hansueli Herzig for donating Alpinor Swiss Herbal Candies.

René Wälti



#### 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 26th day of February, 2010 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 25 to: René Wälti, 49 Treeland Way, Toronto, ON M3M 3H7

#### CANADYSLI TORONTO SWISS CARNIVAL BAND (GUGGEMUSIG) 34th Anniversary in 2010

We are a Swiss Style Fasnachts Clique in Toronto and we are always looking for new players. Our Carnival starts with the

Morgestraich on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 6 AM and our Costume Ball is on Saturday, Feb. 27, at 7 PM. Both Events will be held at the Musket Restaurant. There will be a special performance this year, March 14, we will be presenting the world premiere of *Giggerig*, a musical comedy. Your support will be greatly appreciated!

For more info, check our website www.canadysli.com

