

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 upholding 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 can be found 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 5th, 2015 (see address on proxy form).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2015

at The Musket Restaurant, Banquet Room
40 Advance Road, • Toronto, Ontario, M8Z 2T4
www.musketrestaurant.com

7:00 P.M. cocktails (cash bar) and dinner
(courtesy of the Swiss Club Toronto)

8:15 P.M. Meeting will start with the following (tentative) Agenda:

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| 1. Welcome and Introduction of the Special Guests | Sascha Frassini |
| 2. Introduction of the Board Members | Sascha Frassini |
| 3. Minutes of the 2014 General Meeting | Sascha Frassini |
| 4. Swiss Citizen of the year award | Rene Waelti |
| 5. Presidents report | Sascha Frassini |
| 6. Consolidated Financial Statement for 2014 | Claude Tièche |
| 7. Finance Commission report | Claude Tièche |
| 8. Membership report | Monika Rüber |
| 9. Council of the Swiss Abroad Report | Ernst Notz |
| 10. Elections | Arno Sigrist |
| 11. Other business as may properly come before the meeting | |
| 12. Adjournment | |

Please RSVP Monika Rüber (Membership Chairperson)

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

See inside for details

Amicale Romande Annual Fondue

January 24, 2015

Jass Section 15th Annual Saujass

January 25, 2015

Swiss Club Toronto AGM

February 6, 2015

Theatre Group “E verhängnisvulli Nacht” Komödie in 3 Akten von Armin Vollenweider

Important: Only one performance –

Sunday afternoon!

Sunday, April 19, 2015, at 2 PM
Look for details in the next *Tell Tale*
The Theatre Group, Maggie Hess
(905) 508-8014



Amicale Romande invites you to

The Annual Fondue & Dance

January 24, 2015 • 7:00 P.M.

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The President's File

Dear members,
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We are looking back to yet another year filled with activities and events. Some of the events have a long tradition with the club. But there were also some other organized events for our members which were new.

You can read all about our 1st of August celebrations and some of the other 2014 events in the November 2014 edition of the *Tell Tale*.

The various sections were also very active again with informal get-togethers, trips, excursions, breakfasts, lunches, dinners, soccer and golf tournaments, Jass, bowling, fondue, raclette, theatre, and more.

On November 20th we had our annual Movie night and Bake Sale at the Hillcrest Library. This time we showed 3 episodes of the Swiss Sitcom 'Fascht e Familie'.

On December 6th, we held our 'Pre-Christmas Social' at the Marché. We again had quite a few people enjoying the Grittibaenze, Coffee, Hot Chocolate and of course the get together.

2015 will again be a fun-filled year with many traditional events and maybe one or two new ones.

This year's **Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Club Toronto** will be held a bit earlier than usually on **February 6th, 2015** again at The Musket Restaurant in Toronto. Please see the front page for details.

We hope we can again expect a large number of members attending our AGM. Active participation during the year and at the AGM is needed in order to maintain the Club and to shape the future of this vital organization. Please mark your calendar for the 6th of February 2015.

Please also see the note below about the open Secretary position (which we are hoping to fill by the AGM) and the pre-announcement about the open President position (in 2016).

This year also marks the 97th anniversary of the founding of the Swiss Club Toronto in 1918 and we all hope to offer our existing and future members some great events and gatherings for many years to come.

Sascha Frassini,
President

Open SECRETARY Position on the Swiss Club Board

The Swiss Club Toronto Board is looking for a new Secretary. Here the official job description for this position:

The Secretary is the custodian of the permanent records of the Club and will keep correct journal of the Club's proceedings. The Secretary prepares the minutes of all Board, the AGM and any special meetings of the Club. The Board meets once a month (except August and December) plus the AGM in February.

If you are interested in serving the Swiss Club as secretary, please contact the President (Sascha Frassini) or any other current Board member. All the contact information can be found on page 2.

PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT: Open PRESIDENT Position in 2016

As you might know, my second (two-year) term as President of the Swiss Club will come to an end in February 2016. With that, I will have been President for four years and I will not be putting myself up for re-election in 2016.

Even though this is still over a year in the future, it is already time now to start looking for a successor for the President's position.

For your information, a past President stays on the board as ex-officio officer for two years to make the transition easier.

If you are interested in this interesting and rewarding position, please contact me (Sascha Frassini) or any other current Board member. All the contact information can be found on page 2.

PAST EVENTS

October 21: Old Mill Anniversary Lunch

A large group of ladies showed up to celebrate. We started with cocktails which were sponsored by CBBR, we thank them for this generous gift. Heidi Lawrance (publisher of the *Tell Tale*) provided us with nice souvenir bookmarks to take home. Altogether a nice party.

November 20: Movie Night and Bake Sale The show was an entertaining comedy, attendance could have been better. The bake sale was as popular as ever with delicious cakes and puddings.

December 6: Pre Christmas Social Organized by the Swiss Club. We had a nice time meeting friends. Unfortunately some people reserved and did not show up or cancel. Hopefully next time consideration will be given for those who would have liked to attend but could not for lack of space.

December 10: Christmas Luncheon at St. George's Golf and Country Club and Bake Sale One of the best events of the year. The decorations the food and George Marton's entertainment on the piano made it almost magical. We received a nice gift again from CBBR, and Ueli Herzig surprised us with a Mohrenkopf. All the ladies were happy to shop for baked goods. A big thank you to all for donating those delicious cookies and of course the Zuepfe, which is always a big hit

UPCOMING EVENTS

February: Bloor West Village Playhouse

Date to be announced.

AGM is planned for March at the Marché Mövenpick.

Date to be announced.

Kaffeeklatsch

- First Wednesday of the month, 1:30 P.M. at 2312 Bloor Street West, at Java Joe's Cafe
- Last Wednesday of the month, 1:30 P.M. at the Richtree Restaurant (Bayview & Yorkmills).

New Members

A warm welcome to Heidi Lawrance and Rita Nussbaumer

To all of you a happy, healthy New Year and hopefully a lot of get together's in the year 2015 your chairperson, Paula Rico

Men's Section

PAST EVENTS

At the **November Swiss Movie Evening** at the **Hillcrest Library Hall** we showed a few episodes of funny Swiss TV shows. Everyone seemed to enjoy it — and the Women's Section had a very successful bake sale.

On **December 5th**, we had our **Christmas Lunch** at Gabriel's Café in Aurora. Gabriel Schacher prepared a very nice meal for us all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On **Thursday, January 15th, 2015** starting at about **11:45 AM**, we will have lunch followed by our **Annual General Meeting** at the **Musket Restaurant**, 40 Advance Rd. in Etobicoke. The AGM lunch is free for paid up members of the Men's Section.

Don't forget the **Fondue** evening of the Amicale Romande on **January 24th**, see the notice elsewhere in this *Tell Tale*.

In **February**, we will participate at the **AGM of the Swiss Club Toronto** at the Musket, see separate notice in this *Tell Tale* issue.

Our **March Event** is still in the planning stage and I will advise everybody in good time.

ONGOING

Come and join us **every Monday morning** from about **10:15 till noon** for coffee (or whatever) at the **Bakery Garden Restaurant** (near Loblaws) inside the Bayview Village Shopping Centre, Bayview at Sheppard.

MEMORABLE BIRTHDAYS

Mark Lurz will be 70 on January 28

Alex Lang will be 80 on February 3

Albert Huwiler will be 80 on March 14

Many happy returns and good health to you!

At my age I don't care if my mind starts to wander — just as long as it comes back again

— Mike Knoweles

I hope everybody had an enjoyable Christmas with family and/or friends and as the New Year is just around the corner, I wish you all a happy 2015 - good health and much success.

Arno Sigrist

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**CANADYSLI TORONTO
SWISS CARNIVAL BAND
(GUGGEMUSIG)
39th Anniversary in 2015**

We are a Swiss Style Carnival Band in Toronto and we are always looking for new players with (or without) instruments.

Our band practices started in mid November, but there is still time to join us.

Our Carnival starts with the Morgestraich on Saturday, February 21, 2015 at 6 AM and our Costume Ball is on Saturday, February 28 at 7 PM.

Both Events will be held at
**THE MUSKET RESTAURANT
& BANQUET HALL
40 Advance Road, Etobicoke, ON**

For more info, check our website
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Or give one of us a call or send an e-mail, we look forward to hearing from you !

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INVOICE - ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Dear Members, Annual membership fees are due by June 30th, 2015 at the latest.

May I ask you to kindly send your cheque to:

SWISS CLUB TORONTO: P. O. Box # 823, Stn. Q, Toronto, Ontario M4T 2N7

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel. _____

Email Address: _____

FAMILY Membership \$40.00 • SINGLE Membership \$30.00

You may also pay by PAYPAL: see www.swissclubtoronto.ca under membership for details.

Welcome New Members

Beatrice Moos and Family • Maximilian Muller & Family

Charles Mougnot & Family • Christian Habisreutinger & Family

Monika Rüber, Membership Chairperson

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 6th day of February, 2015 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 to arrive at addressee by no later than noon February 5, 2015 to:
Sascha Frassini, 5474 Palmerston Crescent, Mississauga, Ontario L5M 5Z8