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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SWISS CLUB TORONTO

# FRIDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

at the Chelsea Hotel, Toronto, Scott Room
33 Gerrard Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1Z4
www.chelseatoronto.com

6:30 р.м.

Registration and Cocktails (cash bar) 7:00 P.M.

Dinner (courtesy of the Swiss Club Toronto)
8:00 P.M.

Call to order and start of meeting with the following Agenda:

١.	Welcome and Introduction of Special Guests Thomas Guignard		
2.	Introduction of the Board Members Thomas Guignard		
3.	Minutes of the 2018 General Meeting Nadia Berger		
4.	Swiss Citizen of the Year Award René Wälti		
5.	President's Report Thomas Guignard		
6.	Consolidated Financial Statement for 2018Claude Tièche		
7.	Finance Commission Report René Wälti		
8.	Amendments to the by-lawsThomas Guignard		
9.	Membership Report		
10. Council of the Swiss Abroad Report Florence Pasche-Guignard			
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12. Other Business			
13. Adjournment			
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Please make sure that you have registered yourself at the front desk.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

See inside for details

Annual General Meeting April 26, 2019

# **Theatre Group Toronto**

Im Meischter sini Geischter Sunday April 28, 2019

Niagara Falls Blossom Time & Wine / Shopping Tour May 11, 2019

Open to all members

Swiss Socials March 28, April 25

6pm @ The Duke of York Pub

Please check on our website or Facebook page for next dates

# Woodbine Racetrack and Casino

June 7, 2019

Open to all members Register with Paula Rico Tel. 416.652.9067

Annual BBQ at the Egger Dairy Farm June 22, 2019

Open to all members

Swiss National Day July 28, 2019

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# The President's File

Dear members and friends of the Swiss Club,

hope the new year found you in good health and spirits, and it is not too late to wish you all the best for 2019!

After a year of celebrations for our 100th anniversary in 2018, we could be forgiven for a slow start in the new year, but that's not how this club rolls! Sections and club officers are busy planning for the year ahead, and we hope to offer our members some great events to keep you entertained. We already had a few fun moments, with the Amicale Romande's famous fondue night in January, and the Canadysli ringing in Carnival's season at their Maskenball on March 9!

Our next major event is our **Annual General Meeting**, which will take place on **April 26, 2019** at the Chelsea Hotel in downtown Toronto. You will find all the information about this important event in this edition of the Tell Tale. This is an excellent occasion to stay informed and share your opinion about the club's activities. A few changes to the by-law are being proposed this year to make the administration of the club a bit easier, the details are also attached to this newsletter. Don't hesitate to reach out to me or another club officer if you have any questions or concerns.

This year, we will be piloting a new system to manage club members, with an online system for those who would like to use it and more flexibility to join or renew one's membership while still keeping it easy for long-time members to renew. More information will be shared at the AGM and in subsequent editions of the *Tell Tale*.

This year, we are looking for a Secretary and a Treasurer to join the board of the club. If you are interested in learning more about how you can contribute to the club by sharing your administrative talents, feel free to get in touch with me or come to the AGM!

Just after the AGM, on **Sunday April 28**, don't miss the **Theatre Group's performance** of "Im Meischter sini Geischter". Come have a laugh and cheer our comedians, who are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Swiss Theatre Group in 2019! On **May 11**, join a group to see the lovely tree blossoms and enjoy some wine tasting in Niagara. On **June 7**, try your luck at the Woodbine racetrack and on **June 22**, meet at the Egger farm for the men's section traditional barbecue (open to all)! More details about these events are in the pages of this *Tell Tale*.

Mark your calendars, this year's **Swiss National Day will be on July 28, 2019**. The location is changing this year, we will likely celebrate at the Hansa Haus in Mississauga, keep an eye on the Tell Tale, our website and social media for more news about this major event.

I look forward to see you at the AGM or one of our upcoming events!

Thomas Guignard President

# **OF INTEREST**

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# **Men's Section**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Thursday, March 21** at 13:45 we will visit **Advanced Ceramic Corp.** at 2538 Bristol Circle, in Oakville, ON. This small Ontario company makes the ceramic heat insulation inside most of the "black boxes", which are actually orange in colour, for planes, trains and ships. Please let me know, if you intend to join us, it should be a very interesting plant tour. If necessary, I will try to arrange car pools, let me know if you would like a ride.

Friday, April 26, join us for the Swiss Club AGM at the Chelsea Hotel. See notice elsewhere in this Tell Tale.

**Sunday April 28**, join us for the **Swiss Theatre Group** at the Latvian Cultural Centre in North York. See notice elsewhere in this *Tell Tale*.

May 16, at 13:45h, we will visit the plant of Swiss Print International on 37 Enterprise Rd., Etobicoke.

June 22, starting at I PM, will be our Annual BBQ at the Egger Dairy Farm in Milton. This Men's Section event is open to all Swiss Club Members. Note: In case of rain we will be indoors in the new barn, so come in any weather. We will supply (sell) sausages with buns, potato salad and condiments, including coffee. Please bring your own drinks of any kind. There are usually various donated deserts available, thanks in advance to the many donors. If possible, bring your own lawn chairs and since we expect nice weather, don't forget your sunscreen! How to get there: go west on hwy 401 to hwy 25 and go south to Steeles Ave., turn right (west) for 4.3 km, to 5244 Steeles Ave., where you will see a large pond on the left (south) side of the road with white swans, (if they are not hiding). We will try to place a Swiss flag at the entrance to the farm.

#### **ONGOING**

Come and join us **every Monday morning** from about **10:15** AM **till Noon** for Coffee or Hot Chocolate at the **Lindt Chocolate Store**, near the north/west mall entrance, inside the Bayview Village Shopping Centre, Bayview at Sheppard.

Arno Sigrist

# Women's Section

I hope by the time you read this the weather will have improved for the better. Due to the harsh conditions this winter, we missed several kaffeeklatsches and a visit to the Playhouse.

#### **PAST EVENTS**

# **November 18: Movie Matinee at Hill Crest Library**

# December 6: Christmas Luncheon at St. George's

It was a great attendance of 59 ladies. Nobody wants to miss out on this great event. As always the food and decorations were outstanding the only thing missing was George Marton on piano. We are sad to hear about his health problems and our thoughts are with him. We love you George. We thank the Swiss club for their financial support and the Ducommon's for the lovely gifts we receive every year. Our bake sale is still happening, although a bit less than other years. A huge thank you to all the who were ladies able to contribute.

## March 20: Women's section AGM

An email was sent out to members.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**April 26: Swiss club AGM** 

See cover for details.

**April 28: Swiss Theater Group** 

See announcement in this Tell Tale for details.

May II: Niagara Blossom Time Tour

See announcement in this Tell Tale for details.

June 7: Woodbine Racetrack and Casino

See announcement in next Tell Tale for details.

#### Kaffeeklatsch

First Wednesday of the month we will meet at Baka's Cafe Gallery, located at 2256 Bloor Street West at 1:30 PM.

Last Wednesday of the month we will meet at The Pickle Barrel at Leslie and Finch at 1:30 PM.

Enjoy every day and keep well. Until next time.

Your chairperson, Paula Rico

# IT'S BLOSSOM TIME IN NIAGARA Saturday May 11th, 2019

# MEMBERS \$75.00 / GUESTS \$82.00 / per person

Cost includes motorcoach transportation, winery visit and tastings, lunch as well as all taxes and meal tip.

Niagara's fruit trees come into blossom in the lovely month of May and put on quite a show for visitors to the area. Join us on a Time Of Your Life Tour for this annual spring spectacle, and enjoy a day that starts off with a morning drive to Beamsville for some wine tastings and shopping time at Magnotta Winery. Next it's on to Betty's Restaurant in Chippawa/Niagara Falls for a tasty

luncheon of choice (roast beef, roast chicken, or their famous fish and chips.) We'll have a look at the Falls before motoring up the lovely Niagara Parkway to Niagara-on-the-Lake enjoying blossoms, spring flowers and views of the Niagara river all the way. There's time for shopping and browsing in this charming town before we set our sights for home.

MOTORCOACH PICKUPS	DEPARTS	RETURNS
Agincourt Mall (Bonis Ave.)	9:00 a.m.	6:45 p.m.
York Mills/Yonge St.	9:30 a.m.	6:30 p.m.
Islington Subway	10:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Trafalgar Village, Oakville	10:30 a.m.	5:30 p.m.

Contact Paula Rico to book your seat 416 652 9067 • paulajrico@gmail.com



Swiss Theater Group Toronto präsentiert

# Im Meischter sini Geischter

Lustspiel in 3 Akten von Lukas Bühler

Regie: Walter Brunner

Souffleuse: Maggie Hess

Bühnenbild: Heike & Arnold Koch

# Personen:

Edith Zuber Rösi Bäuerin auf dem Lindenhof Annekäthi Ursi Kohler Magd auf dem Lindenhof Guschti Franz Zuber Knecht auf dem Lindenhof Claire Schwester von Rösi Eva Hajda Ottokar René Wälti Ehemann von Claire lacqueline-Isabelle Wilma Kohler beider Tochter Doris Oechslin Nachbarin und Bäuerin Marie Hansjakob Dominic Aebi ihr Sohn, junger Bauer Harzenmoser Walter Brunner Geisterjäger

Ort der Handlung: Bauernstube

# Vorstellung: Sonntag, 28 April, 2019 2 Uhr Nachmittags

# TORONTO LATVIAN CENTER 4 Credit Union Drive, North York

Preise: Mitglieder: \$15.00 Nichtmitglieder: \$20.00

Jugendliche: \$10.00 (Kinder gratis)

Ein Imbiss ist ab 12 Uhr 30 bereit.

Billette Vorbestellungen bei: Walter Brunner oder Maggie Hess (905) 508-8014

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# WOODBINE RACETRACK AND CASINO

**JUNE 7, 2019** 

555 Rexdale Blvd, Toronto

This event is some weeks away but you can register now with Paula.

Call Paula Rico at 416-652 9067 or e-mail paulajrico@gmail.com

This event is open to all Swiss Club members.

# Open Positions on Swiss Club Board

# Open SECRETARY Position (immediately)

The secretary is responsible for the Club's records, takes minutes and manages our members database.

# Open TREASURER Position (immediately)

The treasurer is responsible for the Club's finances and prepares quarterly and annual statements.

If you are interested in either of these interesting and rewarding positions, please contact me (Thomas Guignard) or any other current Board member.

All the contact information can be found on page 2 of the Tell Tale.