Greetings from your President

Happy 2013! I know it has been a few months since we have welcomed in 2013 but so much has been going on at your club that I feel like January 1, 2013 was only yesterday. Some updates for the first quarter of the year include our ongoing efforts to work with the County of San Diego on the bike path. These negotiation include some much needed facility upgrades (such as paving the parking lot) and in turn, we will permit the county to use 12 parking spots for a staging area. We hope that soon this project will be done.

Our new managers, Callie and Tony Escobedo, along with Larry and Dan, continue to do a fantastic job for the Swiss Park. They have done some renovations that truly enhance the club. We hope to have new restrooms in before our Schwingfest scheduled for June 22nd.

Yes, our Schwingfest is scheduled for one week after Father's Day. This is a change but we are hoping that more families will be able to participate without a conflict on Father's Day. We will also be making a few changes to this wonderful event. As you are all aware, the crowds for the evening dance just are not there. The focus will remain on the Schwinger's with the day dedicated to wrestling. We will have the awards ceremony immediately following the wrestling tournament.

We have enjoyed a very active wrestling practice the four weeks prior to the Schwingfest. If there are any wrestlers that would like to participate, and want some extra practice before the Schwingfest, we are having practices on Saturday's at 4:00 p.m. Ernie Ludwig will be coordinating these practices. Please call me at (619) 507-9754 for details. Some of our prior years champions have come to these practices. We find them very beneficial.

The success of our Schwingfest depends on your participation and support to keep this tradition alive. We gladly accept your support to encourage the wrestlers to keep coming to San Diego. We look for prizes from Switzerland, monetary support or any other donation you would care to make.

The Board and I look forward to seeing all of you on Sunday, April 28th for our yearly Spring picnic and Schwingfest on June 22nd, at the San Diego County Swiss Club.

President

Tony Odermatt,

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San Diego County Swiss Club

Pictures from past events









CLUB NEWS

We are looking for wrestlers to wrestle at our upcoming Schwingfest to be held June 22nd. If you are interested or have children interested in participating please contact Tony Odermatt at 619 507-9754.

Swiss Ladies

We had our first meeting of the 2012-2013 year at the Swiss Club on Sept. 11th. The Escobedo's set up the hall for us and supplied coffee. Martha and Marianne brought re freshments. Welcome to our new member, Christina Zeller! Christina stepped right in and volunteered to represent our

Swiss Ladies group at a Geography Fair at Chula Vista High School on Nov. 1st. She set up a booth displaying traditional Swiss items. Walter Egger played the Alphorn, and Walter and Marianne sang a song presenting a "Tour of Switzerland" at the Fair. They also sang their "Tour of Switzerland" song for us at our Thanksgiving luncheon.

New club officers elected at the meeting: **President: Martha Morera, Secretary: Marianne Egger, Treasurer: Christina Zeller.**Appointed at a later date: **Marilyn Pluss: Vice-President**.

Events in the last part of 2012 were: Oct. 2nd, lunch at the Iris Restaurant, Del Mar; our traditional Thanksgiving lunch November 13th at the Swiss Club; and lunch at the Hotel del Coronado on Dec. 4th

On Jan. 8th we met for lunch at the Fish & Grill in Chula Vista; at the "C" Level Restaurant in San Diego on Feb. 5th; and the Fish Market Restaurant in San Diego on March 5th. On April 2nd we traveled to Julian for lunch at The Julian Grill. On May 7th we will visit the Carlsbad Flower Fields and have lunch at the Bellefleur Restaurant. Call Lucie for info and reserv. At 858-755-8060.

Our annual Summer Luncheon at the Swiss Club will be June 4th at 12:00 noon. Husbands and guests are welcome.

There will be a recess for the summer months and we shall meet again on Tues., Sept. 10th, at the Swiss Club to plan our 2013-2014 year. If you are interested in joining us, e-mail Martha Morera at mmorera@san.rr.com; or call Martha at 858-481-7723 or Marianne Egger at 619-234-5214 for information.

Many thanks to Mary Odermatt for her service with the Swiss Ladies as Treasurer from 1993 - 2012; Also Secretary from 1987-2012, 25 years.

We would also like to thank Marilyn Pluss for her service as President for the Swiss Ladies since 1995, 18 years, and continues as Vice-President, for which we are very grateful.

MEMBERSHIP—Thank you to all who renewed memberships this year. You should find your card enclosed in this Newsletter.

News from The Swiss Shooters

The Swiss Rifle Team has a Swiss Military
Karabiener and ammunition waiting for you.
Come join us. We are twelve members strong and would love to have you join.

We shoot every 2nd Saturday of the month from 9am to 11am. If we shoot well, then we stop at a restaurant in Jamul for lunch and a cold beer. If we? We always do. April 13th will be our next practice. Sat., June 8th we conduct or annual Freundschafts Schiessen with the Los Angeles Team. For more information call Ruedi Lusti at 619-295-1749.

Member News



Congratulations to Paul & Mary Odermatt celebrating their 57th Wedding Anniversary April 15th.

Happy Birthday to my father, Robert Egger, Jr. who will be celebrating his 80th birthday April 21st!







Dorothy Huber - 1922-2013



Dorothy was born in Colorado, but later moved with her family to Oregon in 1938. She attended Mt. Angel Academy and then worked at the local creamery. She married Stephen Sprauer and had four children. After Stephen was killed in an accident at the creamery she attended Mt. Angel College. She married Al in

1953 and added three more girls to their family. They made their home in Wash. And then Calif.

Dorothy was a woman of many talents, she was a caring mother, a good cook and seamstress. Along with Al, she was a member of the Swiss Club, and sang in their choir. Dorothy was the Membership Secretary from 1978-1984 and also put out the Newsletter for the Club. She taught elementary school in Coupeville, Wash., and St. Charles, their parish school in Imperial Beach, Calif. Her special joy was working with children who had reading difficulties. After she retired from teaching, she worked as activities director at the Senior Center in Imperial Beach.

Dorothy suffered a stroke in 2004, and was no longer able to carry on her usual active life. She died in National City on February 15, 2013. A Memorial was held April 7th at the Fleet Reserve, 659 Silver Strand Blvd., Imperial Beach, CA 91932.





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an Diego County Swiss Club! 64th Annual Schwingfest

Saturday, June 22, 2013

EVENT CALENDAR 2013

SAN DIEGO COUNTY SWISS CLUB

Apr. 28th - Spring Picnic/Fondue

June 22nd - Schwingfest

Aug. 1st - Swiss National Day

Oct. ? - Fall Picnic

Dec. 1st - General Meeting

Dec. 15th - Christmas Party

If you have news or pictures you would like to share. Please email to:



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