

President's Report 2022

Annual meeting was held on January 28 as a zoom meeting. We had ~ 40 people in attendance and were able to conduct all the business as planned. Fondue was moved to April as most Chicago legations still had covid protocol in place.

In February, over 20 people joined the Ski weekend enjoying the fun on the slopes of Tyrol Basin.

The highlight was a dinner with skiing on none skiing travelers and local friends. A fantastic turnout.

The third Friday in March we started the Monthly Stammtisch at the Glunz Tavern in Chicago We repeated the Stammtisch ever 3rd Friday of the month into November. The Stammtisch had always between 2 and 15 people. A wonderful way for members and none members to gather every monthly. In August we co-shared the Stammtisch with the Lucern Atelier Org to great new Artists form Luzern to Chicago. That Stammtisch was held at CLOE's with a great turn out.

With much enthusiasm, we had our Fundue event with fundraiser at the ballroom of the American Legion in Morton Grove on April 2nd. Not having a full Kitchen required from our Fondue Master Johann under supervision of his wife to melt the liquid gold in the large aluminum pans outdoors on a gas burner. Thanks to him and his wife for enduring the cold out there. Our Director of Sponsorship, Therese, put gathered fantastic donations for the Raffle and silent auction. Special thanks to all the donors.

The Sunday Brunch at the Lake held on June 19th had once again been a fantastic turnout. With great weather over 60 people enjoyed a great breakfast. The breads made by the members of the extended board were great in taste and looks. We all had a fantastic Family time.

We celebrated August 1st on July 30 under blue sky and sunshine on the Lawn of the American Legion in Morton Grove.

With over 130 attendees, another fantastic event were young and old had a great time. The brats and cervelats perfectly grilled by our grill team Johann and Kevin supported by Reto and the salads and dessert a big hit. As tradition holds, we sang the national anthem (might need to consider some practice in preparation for future years) and closed the event with the lampion parade led with cowbells ringing.

On September 9-11 we meet the Sweetminihana campground near Albany, Wisconsin for the annual Canoe weekend. The favorite event for many members that lasts from Friday afternoon until Sunday lunch. Singing and Yodel at the campfire, wine tasting and a Fondue under the stars are the highlights surrounding the relaxing tranquil canoeing down the Sugar River. Clean up on Sunday morning was a bit messy due to a rainstorm that started early Sunday morning and lasted the entire day. We had an attendance of close to 30.

Organized by Sonja Manhart, Members of the board decorated on November 12 the Swiss tree at the museum of Science and Industry.

The same day in the afternoon, we held the Raclette at the Edgbrook Luthern Church. A fun evening with a very tasty Tiramisu desert.

Guezlibache and Samichlaus was held at the Edbrook church on December 10. Under the Supervision of the ex president Martin Lagler we made Yummy Guezli. The behaving kids welcomed the Samichlaus and the Schmutzli.

I thank the entire Board

- Peter Keller and Ingo Eckstein - Storage Manager; Lolita Buryak - Membership Director; Therese Peskowits - Sponsorship Director
- Entertainment Committee: Monique Austin, Patrick Seitz, Tammi Zemp, Ruedi Bucher, Celeste Gallati, Nancy Froehlich, Amy Eckstein, Adam Ruprecht; Marie Battaglia; Keven Sujdak
- Elke Sujdak - Vice President; Jean-Philippe Persico - Treasurer; Jennifer Heller - Secretary

for their hard work to make all of this events possible and with that creating a fun and successful Swiss Club year:

This concludes the President's Report for 2022.