

## Swiss American Society of the Piedmont

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Dear Members and Friends,

A brand new year has just arrived and your new Board Members are wishing you a prosperous and healthy one. We hope that 2006 will be a wonderful year for everyone!

Our President and friend, Fritz, is making good progress since his accident, but it will be at least another month or two before he will be able to get up and walk around. Fritz would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all the well wishes, prayers, cards and visits. He greatly appreciates everyone's incredible generosity through this difficult time.

Enclosed is our 2006 List of Events. Please make a note of these dates on your calendars. We are offering the old favorites with some new events mixed in. In February, we have again planned to participate with the German Club for the adult and children's Fasnacht parties. Back by popular demand in June, we are planning to do another Road Rally! We hope it will be just as much fun this time around! For our September event, we have proposed a few options. Descriptions of the different possibilities are attached. Please take a look and indicate your preference on the voting page and send that in with your membership form.

Beate Pirchmoser, the President of the German Club, is always very kind and extends us invitations to some of the German Club events and lets me know about events that might be of interest to our members. There is a ski trip to Beech Mountain on January 25. If you would like to get additional information on the ski trip, please contact Beate at her email address, [beate@bellsouth.net](mailto:beate@bellsouth.net).

The Membership Dues for year 2006 will remain the same – family dues are \$50, single membership dues are \$30.00. One event will remain free with paid membership, the members only fondue evening. There will be a small fee charged for the First of August party. Please complete the enclosed Membership form and return it with your payment. If you wish to have your name added to the membership directory, please indicate that on the membership form.

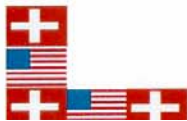
Our first event this year is our ever popular Jass Abig at Max and Chris Jent's house. This will take place on February 18. Jass Spieler only should participate since space is limited. An information flyer and sign up sheet for the Jass Abig and Fasnacht parties will be mailed out in the next week or so.

Please don't forget to visit our website at [www.swissclub.net](http://www.swissclub.net). Wolfgang Siemen has agreed to continue to maintain the site and he does a great job! It's a great place to get information regarding the events when you misplace your letters or are traveling. Kathy Cont will continue on as our Sunshine Lady. If anyone knows of anyone who could use a pick-me-up, please let Kathy know and she will brighten up someone's day by sending flowers or sending a card.

We look forward to seeing you all throughout the year!

Sincerely, Your 2006 Board,

Fritz Morf, President (864) 476-8420; Daniel Biester, Vice President; Sam Linder, Vice President; Peter Heer, Treasurer; Nicky Greenway, Secretary; Brian Harrison, Sergeant at Arms; Wolfgang Siemen, Webmaster; Kathy Cont, Sunshine Lady (579-2029)



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