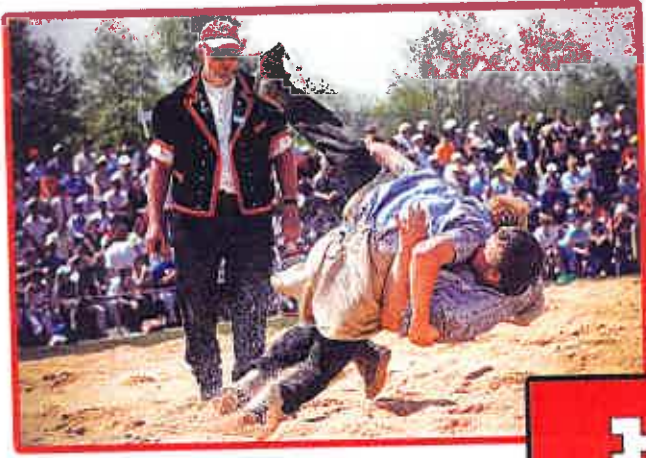
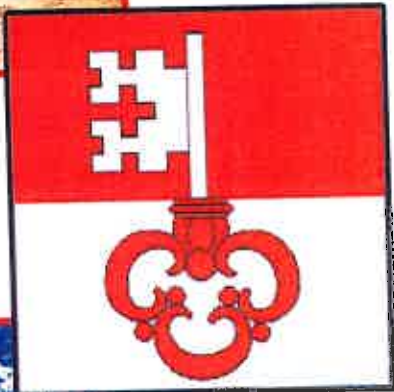


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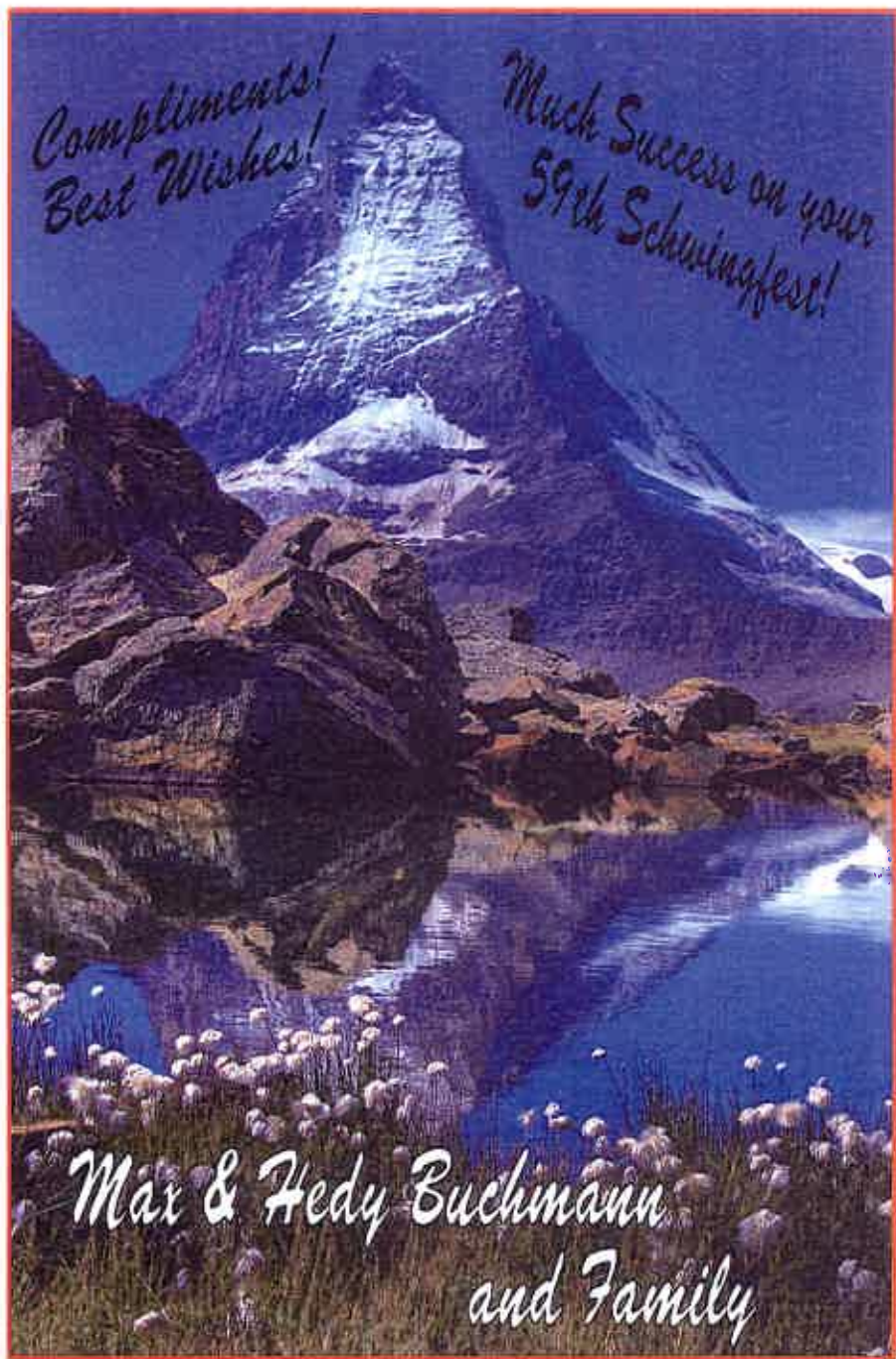
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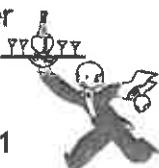
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Hello and welcome to the 59th Annual San Diego County Schwingfest. I would like to extend a warm welcome and thanks to all in attendance and helping us celebrate this special day. A most grateful welcome and thanks to all the Schwinger's participating in this year's event.

Since 1949 the San Diego Swiss Club has been hosting the traditional Swiss wrestling, known as Schwinging. Here wrestlers challenge one another in a sawdust ring for the honors awarded to Swiss for hundreds of years before.

I invite you to take part in the festivities today and enjoy the traditions, customs and Swiss heritage we are preserving here at our club. Your enthusiasm and active support of our Schwingfest and other club activities have permitted the San Diego Swiss Club to proudly continue the tradition of our Swiss heritage.

Best wishes and thank you to all organizers, committees in charge and all Swiss Club members and guests.

I would like to invite you to our next year's Schwingfest as it will be our "60th." Also, we will be hosting the 2009 West Coast Swiss Wrestling's Championship Schwingfest!

Thank you and enjoy the day!

David Egger

President, San Diego County Swiss Club

San Diego Swiss Club History

The San Diego County Swiss Club officially formed as a group in 1939. The Club's first president was Paul Aeschliman. Members of the Board at the time were:

Paul Aeschliman (President)
Robert Egger, Sr. (Vice President)
Theodore Blatter (Treasurer)
Walter Suter (Recording Secretary)
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Although they are no longer with us, their spirit lives today. It is in their descendants and the many Swiss who have emigrated to this country who are striving to pass Swiss tradition and heritage to future generations.

The site for the very first Schwingfest, held in 1949 was Egger's Park. In 1953 the Club purchased the land that our Park currently sits upon from Robert Egger, Sr. In 1957, pulling resources together the Club built a great hall. At the inauguration everyone proudly could say "At last we have our own hall!" The beautiful hall, presently used today, was built in 1970, due to the expansion of the freeway. Today, after six

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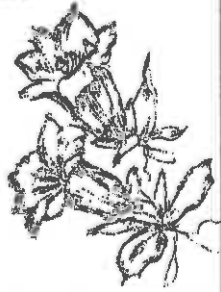
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West Coast Swiss Wrestling Association

On behalf of the West Coast Swiss Wrestling Association, I would like to thank you all for attending San Diego Swiss Club's 59th Annual Schwingfest. Your support and attendance is essential for the success of all the Schwingfest's held up and down the west coast.

The West Coast Championship Schwingfest will be held in Truckee this year and I would like to encourage all to attend.

Good luck to the schwingers.

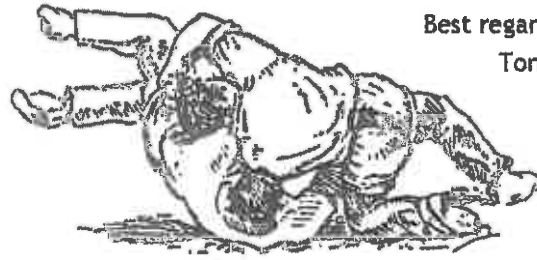
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Wrestle hard, wrestle fair.

Best regards,

Tony Odermatt

President,
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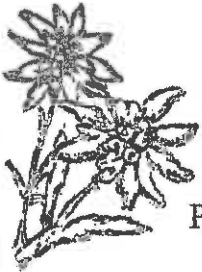
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Tacoma, Wa	June 28th
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Truckee, Ca (Championship)	July 12th
Ripon, Ca (Buebe)	July 26th
Portland, Or	August 2nd
Tacoma, Wa (Fall)	August 9th
Ripon (Fall)	August 23rd
Aelpler Gruppe (Fall)	August 30th
Imperial Valley (Buebe)	November 2nd

SAN DIEGO SWISS CLUB HONORARY MEMBERS

There have been those who have made outstanding contributions to the San Diego Swiss Club. In appreciation, the following individuals are recognized as Honorary Lifetime Members. Thank you to all!

Mr. Max Buchmann	Mrs. Mary Ann Looper
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In remembrance and appreciation of past Honorary Members for their dedication to their ever so proud Swiss Heritage.

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Best wishes for an enjoyable and successful Schwingfest.



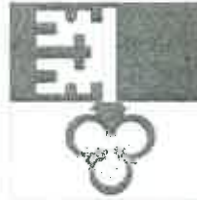
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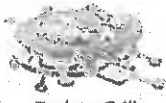
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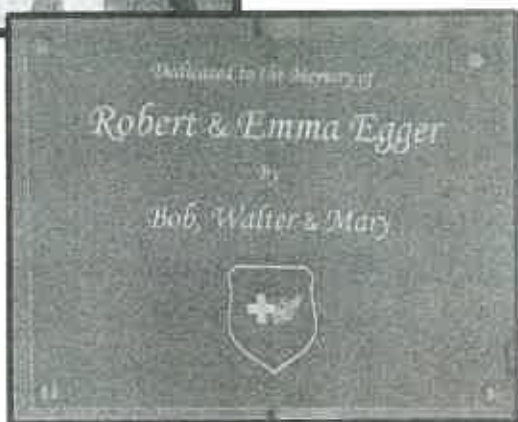
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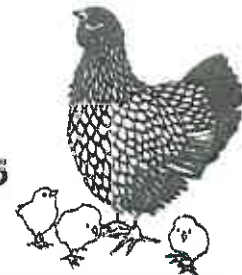
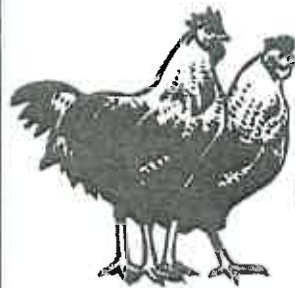
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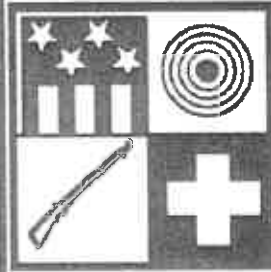
The Schwingfest is a tradition that most of us have been a part of since childhood and it's up to us to keep the tradition alive. What better way than to have our annual family reunions at the Schwingfest!

Today we welcome the Binggeli and Studer families. Some of you have traveled many miles because you know the importance of family and you want to carry down the traditions to your children. We encourage others to hold their family reunions at the Schwingfest. It's all here! A beautiful park, swiss wrestling, bratwurst, games, polka dancing, and more. Also you are supporting the Swiss Club!

Thanks from the families of John Studer, Barbara Collins, Loretta Abatti,
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The San Diego Swiss Club Rifle Team



was established in 1984 under the Leadership of Walter Niederberger. The Los Angeles Swiss Rifle Team was kind enough to give us three Karabieners to get started. Later we were able to get six more rifles from the Swiss government.

In the beginning we had four members. Presently we have ten members on our

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Suzanne and Ruedi Lusti enjoying themselves at the Freundschafts Schiessen.

Anthony Maneli spotting for Matt Baker on the range.



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San Diego Swiss Club enjoyed the annual fondue party on April 27th, 2008.

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Many thanks to all that made it a great success!

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Greetings and much success on the Schwingfest!

David and Peggy Egger



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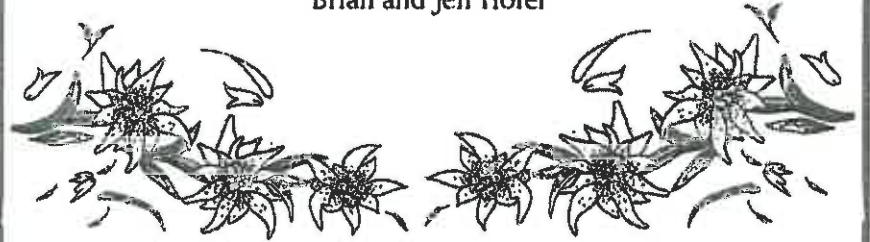
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Found, old newspaper clipping, likely old Swiss Journal.

Many thanks to Mary Oderrnatt for her donation of time and talents! Mary has made a quilt for the San Diego Schwingfest for countless years. She was taked ill this year and soon after her surgery was talking about the quilt she was going to make for the raffie this year! You can't keep a Swiss down for long!



Steve and Carmela Egger cook up the bratwurst with expertise and smiles!

Plus family enjoying a meal of fondue.



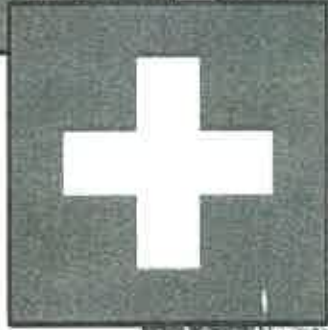
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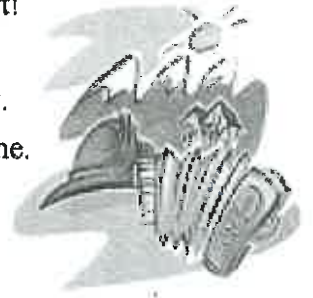
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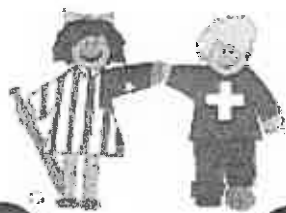




GOOD LUCK TO THE SCHWINGERS!

As members of the San Diego Swiss Club;
we are proud of where we came,
where we are, and look forward to
the future, in continuing to share
with the generations our
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Best Wishes for a Successful Schwingfest *from the* San Diego Swiss Ladies Society

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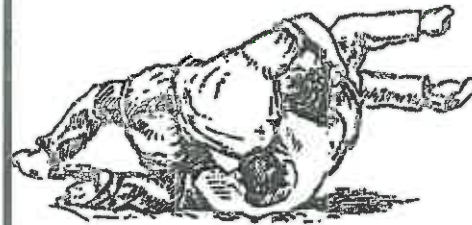
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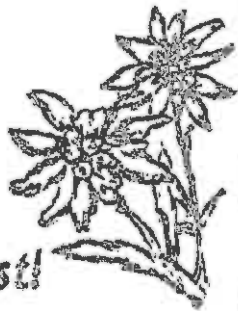
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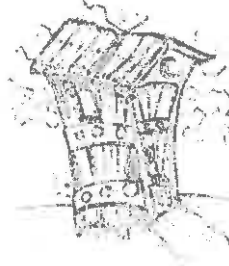
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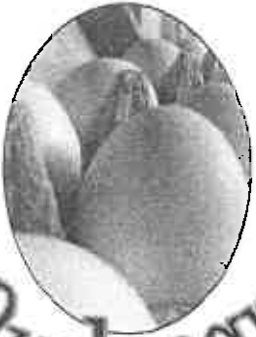


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Schedule of Events

Saturday, June 21st

10:00 am
10:30am
11:00am
12:30pm

Park Opens
Meeting with Judges & Wrestlers
National Anthem, Wrestling Begins
BBQ Lunch/Desserts

Music selections by Imperial Valley Swiss Band

Game Booths
Souvenir Booth
Raffle Tickets for Sale
Stein Stossen (Stone Throw)

Evening Events

5:30pm
6:00pm
8:00pm
9:00pm

Hall Opens
Carne Asada Dinner
Dancing to The Frank Beeler Band
Schwinger Awards
Raffle & continued dancing
Hall closes

1:00am

Sunday, June 22nd

9:00am

Sunday Bunch
Prepared by Marlene Link
Out of town guests are free.

A special thank you for the special donations!

**Bob Egger - Schwinger prize, Swiss carved chair
Hofer Family - Raffle prize, Swiss carved chair
Mary Odermatt - Raffle prize, Handmade Quilt**