



# Save the Date

## Oct 13-15, 2023



We look forward to partnering with the Swiss Center of North America to host our important annual general meeting on Saturday, October 14, 2023 in New Glarus, Wisconsin. “America's Little Switzerland” was founded by Swiss immigrants in 1845. It is also the headquarters of the Swiss Center of North America.

Members and non-members are welcome as it's been many years since we've met in the Midwest. The agenda includes a cheese fondue demonstration/tasting, and a tour of the Swiss Center's Tritt Library and Archives and new lower level display area.

Optional on Sunday is a tour of the Historical Swiss Village, Swiss Church and National Cheesemaking Museum.

New Glarus is a 50 minute drive from the Dane County Airport in Madison, and a 2 hour drive from Chicago O'Hare International Airport and Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport.

We recommend you visit the New Glarus Chamber's website for lodging and other things to do at: [swisstown.com](http://swisstown.com).

*Pre-Registration is required for planning purposes. If we need to limit the number of people attending, this will be done in order of registration. Please complete the form linked below by **August 15th**. For those who may not use a computer, you can call Beth Zurbuchen, President of the Swiss Center of North America, to pre-register at (608) 214-4000.*

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## TENTATIVE ITINERARY

**Friday, October 13**

Officers Meeting & Dinner

## Saturday, October 14

- 9:30-11:00 AM - Annual General Business Meeting
- 11:30 AM-1:00 PM - Cheese Fondue Demonstration and Tasting, Lunch and Performance by the Kalberweidil B  bl   Band

The Kalberweidil B  bl   Band consists of four brothers from the Betschart family of Trachslau, near Einsiedeln, Switzerland: Dominic, David, Luca and Julian. These adolescent Swiss folk musicians, who play Swiss L  ndler music in the style of central Switzerland, will be on a twelve day journey performing throughout the Midwest.

- 1:00-3:00 PM - Speakers/Presentations:

### **Dr. Lee Palmer Wandel**, “Zwingli and the Reformed Eucharist”

Dr. Wandel will be presenting research on the first Reformed Eucharist Huldrych Zwingli celebrated in Zurich, in 1525. It broke dramatically with the liturgy of a medieval Mass, rethinking both time and space in relation to worship. Her talk will center on just how radical Zwingli's rethinking of worship was by setting his Eucharist in comparison with what he had been taught to celebrate as a priest. She will be talking about liturgical time and the spaces of churches as places of worship.

Professor of History at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and author of several books, including *Always Among Us: Images of the Poor in Zwingli's Zurich* (1990) and *Voracious Idols and Violent Hands: Iconoclasm in Reformation Zurich, Strasbourg, and Basel* (1995).

### **Dr. Pauline Boss**, “They Did It Quietly: The Meaning of Immigration for the Swiss Women Who Settled in New Glarus”

Dr. Boss will present a summary of her chapter that appears in the 150th anniversary book, *Amerika's Little Switzerland Erinnert Sich*, 1996, Buchdruckerei Schwanden. She will remind us that there has been no recognition or memorialization of the women who settled in New Glarus. The settlement would not have been possible without these women. Memorialization is encouraged and long overdue.

Professor Emeritus, Department of Family Social Science at the University of Minnesota and author of *The Myth of Closure: Ambiguous Loss in a Time of Pandemic and Change* (2021).

- 3:30-5:00 PM - Visit to the Swiss Center of North America, Tritt Library and Archives
- 6:30 PM - Dinner and Swiss Entertainment at the Chalet Landhaus Inn
- 8:30 PM - Possible showing of the film *The Reformer - Zwingli: A Life's Portrait* (2019)

## Sunday, October 15

- 9:00 AM-11:00 AM - Tour of New Glarus, Swiss Village and Swiss United Church of Christ
- 12:00 PM - Optional Visit to the National Historic Cheesemaking Center Museum, Monroe, Wisconsin (20 minutes from New Glarus)



*The Kalberweidil Büäblä Band*

For updates and additional information about the annual general meeting, please check our website (<https://www.swiss-american-historical-society.org/>). Members will receive email notifications and updates from [swissamericanhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:swissamericanhistoricalsociety@gmail.com).