



HAS Haiti Alumni Association Europe

7th Reunion

7th - 9th September 2012
Bienenberg – Basel, Switzerland



Hôpital Albert Schweitzer
Deschapelles, Haiti

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Dear Alumni and Friends

Welcome to the seventh European HAS-Alumni Reunion in Bienenberg. Some of you might remember, that the first European meeting held in Switzerland in 1995 took place at this exact same location. Now 17 years later, the „Haitian Fever“ that has infected so many of us in Deschapelles lives on and is still able to inspire many new people to participate. It is my great pleasure to present a highly interesting program with a wide range of topics, several of which are related to life in Haiti in recent years. HAS is continuously moving on with an endurance that we all know too well from our experience with Haitian culture! I hope to meet you in Bienenberg, and invite you to learn about the latest achievements of HAS as we enrich our lives with HAS friendships!

Severin Meili, President

Program



Friday 7 September

3.00 p.m.	Check-in (early check in on direct request)	
4.00 – 6.00 pm:	Registration	
6.00 – 6.30 pm:	General Information	
6.30 – 8.00 pm:	Dinner	
8.00 – 8.45 pm:	Revival of the 70's at HAS – pictures and stories by	Ueli Bollag
8.45 pm – :	Reading from her short story collection „ <i>Tales from the Heart of Haiti</i> “ by	Patti Marxsen

Saturday 8 September

8.00 – 9.00am: **Breakfast**

HAS yesterday/today/tomorrow

9.00 – 9.15 am:	HAS – The early times	Jenifer Grant
9.15 – 9.35 am:	Modern nursing at HAS	Marianne Barthelmy
9.35 – 9.55 am:	Laboratory update and new possibilities	Raphaella Maibach
9.55 – 10.30 am:	Anesthesia and the new OR	Nonine Verneus & Daniel Thüring
10.30 – 11.00 am:	Coffee Break	
11.00 – 11.45 am:	Pediatric Clinic needed more then ever	Maurice Toussaint
11.45 – 12.30 am:	Transformation at HAS in the past 10 years – look-out for the next 10 years	Ian Rawson
12.30 – 1.30pm:	Lunch Break	

Recent years of catastrophe in Haiti

1.30 – 1.50 pm:	When it happened...	Marianne Barthelmy
1.50 – 2.10 pm:	The first days in Port-au-Prince and Deschapelles after the earthquake	Rolf Maibach
2.10 – 2.50 pm:	Cholera – aggravation of a catastrophe	Josianne Racine Stamm
2.50 – 3.30 pm:	Rebuilding Haiti	Marie Schärli
3.30 – 4.00 pm:	Break and Refreshments	
4.00 – 5.00 pm:	Rehabilitation and Prosthetic factory	Reto Weder & Thomas Böni
5.00 – 5.45 pm:	Historical and ethical responsibility of rich western countries towards poor southern countries	Ruedi Küng
5.45 – 6.30 pm:	Questions & Answers with the Medical Director of HAS – A live chat with	Silvia Ernst
7.00 pm – :	HAITIAN CULTURE NIGHT... Music by	

Tdo'z le Payzan

Sunday 9 September

8.00 – 9.00am: **Breakfast**

9.00 – 9.30 am: Business Meeting Severin Meili, Ernest Frischknecht, Udo Hasewinkel

9.30 – 10.15 am: So, Is there hope for Haiti? Learning from the past, building on what's working,
and investigating new opportunities. Keith Flanagan

10.15 – 11.45 am: Meditation, Music and Reflections with Pastor Gerhard Schippert

11.45 am: Check-out

12.00 – 1.00pm **Lunch and Farewell**

2.00 pm: Departure for the **Post-Reunion-Program** to the **Alsace, France**
(9. – 12. Sept.):

Kaysersberg & Gunsbach (birthplace and former home of Albert Schweitzer) – Colmar

Reunion Speakers AAE HAS 2012

Marianne Barthelmy	RN, Teaching Nurse and Assistant Director of Nursing from January 2008 to May 2010, sent by the Bündner Partnerschaft. Swiss Person of the Year 2010, chosen for her work in Haiti.
Ueli Bollag	MD Pediatrician, Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, HAS in 1976, practice owner, multiple maternal and child health related assignments in developing countries (Nigeria, Cambodia, Haiti, Nicaragua, Lebanon, Papua New Guinea, Jamaica)
Thomas Böni	MD, KD Chief of Technical Orthopedics at Balgrist, Zurich University Hospital, Switzerland. Leader of the Orthopedic and Prosthesis Team Balgrist at HAS in summer 2010.
Silvia Ernst	MD, Internal Medicine, Tropical Medicine and International Health. Worked at Hopital Albert Schweitzer 2004 - 2006, Lambarene, Gabon as MD. Since September 2010 Medical Director at HAS, Haiti.
Keith Flanagan	Veterinarian, leader of agricultural work at HAS from 1987 - 1996 along with his wife Jan, seconded to HAS by the Christian Veterinary Mission (CVM), now lives in P-a-P, works for the CVM and the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture.
Ernest Frischknecht *)	RN, served at HAS 1981 -1984 in pediatrics then OR, Treasurer of Alumni Association Europe HAS.
Jenifer Grant	Board Member, daughter of Co-Founder Madame Gwen Mellon. Very active in building up networks of people interested in HAS.
Udo Hasewinkel	RN October 1977 – May 1980 and April 1981 – April 1995 Surgery, OPD clinic, interim public health, Director of Nursing. Secretary of Alumni Association Europe, HAS.
Katja Holmberg *)	RN at HAS from December 2000 to March 2004 as Nursing Director, sent by the Bündner Partnerschaft. Returned to Haiti January 2010 with Caritas International as Consultant in Leogane after the earthquake.
Ruedi Küng	Lic.phil.I, (Philosophy and Political Science), former delegate of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), renowned African expert for more than 30 years, foreign correspondent and editor for International Politics at Swiss Radio and Television (especially Africa and Haiti).
Franziska Kunz *)	MD Pediatrician, 2005 at HAS (12 months), sent by Verein Partnerschaft Kinderspitäler Biel-Haiti.
Raphaëla Maibach *)	Laboratory Technician at HAS since 1997, for ten years as short-term volunteer, Director of Lab at HAS 2006-2010, President of the Bündner Partnerschaft Hôpital Albert Schweitzer, Haiti (BPHASH).

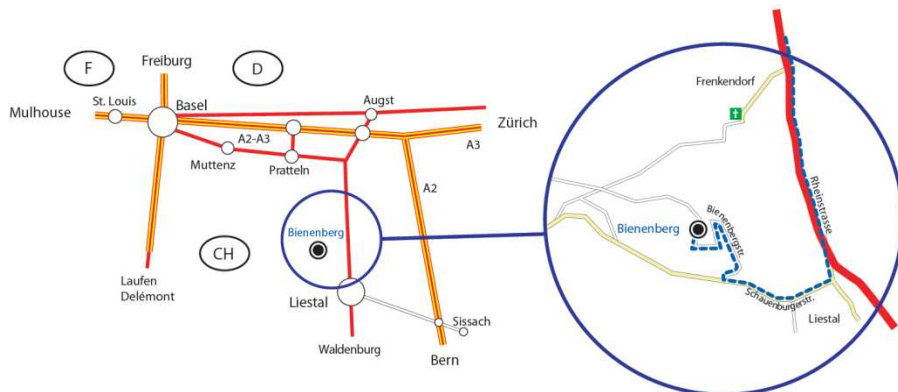
Rolf Maibach *)	MD, Pediatrician, Board Member HAS, short-term volunteer since 1997, long term 2006 – 2010, Medical Director HAS 2008 – 2010. Project Manager of Bündner Partnerschaft HAS Haiti (BPHASH). Swiss Person of the Year 2010, chosen for his work in Haiti.
Patti M. Marxen	Writer, Editor, and Translator. Served as Communications Consultant at HAS 1997, Contributing Editor to the "Communiqué" 1998-2000, and Secretary of the North American Alumni Association 1998-2006.
Severin Meili *)	MD Surgeon at HAS in 2005 (9 months), sent by the Bündner Partnerschaft, President of Alumni Association Europe HAS.
Jacqueline Muusse	Dietitian, served at HAS in 1967 – 1970, former Treasurer of AAE HAS.
Josiane Racine Stamm	MD Pediatrician, Tropical and Travel Medicine, member of Swiss Humanitarian Aid Unit, sent to Haiti by SHA December 2010 (Cholera).
Ian Rawson	PhD, son of Co-Founder Madame Gwen Mellon, Managing Director HAS, Board Member and former Board Chair.
Marie Schärli	Civil Engineer, Director of the SDC Competence Center for Reconstruction in Haiti until November 2011, now Programme Officer for Haiti of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC.
Gerhard Schippert	Pastor, development aid worker, together with his wife Cornelia founder of "LEMUEL SWISS" in 2000 with several sewing schools for young women in Haiti. Large working experience in Africa (Ivory Coast).
Daniel Thüning *)	RN Anesthetist, member of Swiss Humanitarian Aid Unit (SHA), at HAS 1992-1994, sent by Verein Partnerschaft Kinderspitäler Biel-Haiti. Returned to Haiti by SHA in January 2010 (earthquake) and December 2010 (Cholera).
Maurice P. Toussaint	MD Pediatrician, Neonatologist, Chief of Pediatrics HAS. Acting Medical Director after the earthquake January 2010.
Bregje Van Dam	RN Served at HAS from 1967 – 1970 as Head Nurse, former Secretary AAE HAS.
Nonine Verneus	RN Anaesthesiology, Coordinator of Anaesthesiology at HAS. Has been working for HAS for 31 years, first 5 years as Pediatric Nurse.
Reto Weder *)	Reto Weder, Switzerland CPO (Certified Orthopedic Technician), retired. Volunteering at HAS Prosthesis Lab (Hanger Clinic) in summer 2010 and 2011.

*) Steering Committee

Important Facts

Accommodation: www.hotelbienenberg.ch

Directions by car:



Directions by train: <http://www.sbb.ch/en/home.html>

Destination: Liestal Bahnhof

Please let us know if you need transportation from the train station

Arrival by airplane: from Basel/Mulhouse; Transport may be arranged, please contact us!

Prices:

Friday to Sunday → 250 CHF

Saturday to Sunday → 150 CHF

Saturday daytime only → 50 CHF

If < 12y of age → price reduction by 50%

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Registration Form

1. Family name:

Street :
Town/City :
Country :

First name:

E-Mail:
Zip code:
Phone number:

Additional Companions :

(please note family name, first name and, if children, the age: <12y price reduction 50%)

2. I / we will spend

- ☐ **Friday to Sunday** including meals **250.- CHF**
- ☐ **Saturday to Sunday** including meals **150.- CHF**
- ☐ **Only Saturday daytime** including lunch **50.- CHF**
- ☐ **Only Sunday**, no meals included; **collection**
- ☐ **I will join the Post-Reunion-Program (Alsace, F)**
(limited numbers of rooms; expenses at your own,
price will be announced, transportation shared)

3. I will need a:

- ☐ **single room** (only 4! available, **first come, first served**)
- ☐ **double room** (to share with: _____)
- ☐ **double room with additional bed**

4. I/we will be traveling by:

- ☐ **train** (=need transport, arrival time: _____)
- ☐ **car**
- ☐ **plane** (arrival in Basel: _____)

Please → ☒ the appropriate response or **fill in** the needed information and return in an envelope to:

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OR

E-mail to:
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→Deadline: 15th of June 2012 (late application +50 CHF!)

Please note: Your registration will be complete upon payment. It is handled according to a “first come, first served” base. The following charges will be made in case of cancellation: 60-30 days before the reunion 60%, 30-16 days 80% and less than 16 days prior to the reunion the full amount!

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