



SWISS-CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION

NEWS - FACTS - INFORMATION

Dear Members and Friends:

You received the last Swiss-California Foundation newsletter at the end of March. This will be the last newsletter you receive from me. My follower will write the next news, facts and information up-date when he or she starts the internship in November 2004.

What we have done recently...

Because of our partnership with the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland (HSG), we exclusively recruit the SCF intern there. That's why the annual job fair FORUM HSG is the ideal platform for us to present the Foundation and its Fellowship Program and get in contact with students and young graduates.

Our former interns Silvan Baettig and Mirjam Lutz represented the SCF together with our Board Member Bruno Schurter. The booth was frequently visited by curious students and we are proud so say that the SCF is getting a good reputation among the HSG students.

Also in the context of the partnership with the University of St. Gallen stands the HSG Alumni meeting I organized. There are about a dozen HSG Alumni living in the Bay Area and we were able to bring them together to a meeting. We will have those get-togethers about three to four times a year.

The Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce gave us the opportunity to present the SCF at their last Business Stammtisch. It was once more a great opportunity for us to present our program and spread the word for the foundation.

Regarding my working experience I had a great time the last couple weeks while I was visiting Small Precision Tools in Petaluma and Multi Contact USA in Santa Rosa. It was very interesting to learn more about

those SCF member companies and get to know their business culture.

In April I was very happy to welcome my parents who were visiting me for two weeks. We had the chance to explore a big part of California and even a visit in Las Vegas was part of the trip. My parents are very impressed by the place I live and the exciting working projects I can do.

What we plan to do in the near future...

The next few weeks I will be able to visit Schurter Inc., also one of the SCF member companies, and learn even more about business in the US.

At the Economic Development Board the Youth Business Week is coming up and all the interns will be part of it and help out wherever needed. Other than that I am still working on the Fashion week project.

As I already mentioned the SCF needs to recruit next year's intern. We received the first few applications and are looking forward to announcing the 2004-2005 intern to you in early June.

Our next SCF social event will be a Tech Tour. June 4 we will visit Bachem Peninsula Laboratories in San Carlos. Our sponsor and Chief Operating Officer of Peninsula Laboratories Robert Rieder will give us a tour.

Sincerely yours,

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