

November 2014

Editor Leif Rosqvist

Message from your President - Carol Tripp

The year is slipping away, and we are coming up on some exciting fall and winter celebrations. As an Affiliate of the Scandinavian Heritage Foundation, New Sweden actively takes part in SHF events. Among these are ScanFeast that was held on October 4, and the upcoming ScanFair at the Memorial Coliseum on December 6 and 7. Lucia will be selected on Sunday, December 7. If you have a young woman who would like to submit an application for this scholarship, please have it submitted as quickly as possible. The forms are available on the SHF website or call the SHF office at 503-977-0275.



New Sweden will have two tables at the ScanFair event, and the League of Swedish Societies will have a food booth with traditional rice pudding, fruit soup, coffee, glögg, and home baked treats. The Lucia Festival will be held on the second Saturday in December, the 13th, in the Immanuel Lutheran Church at 7810 Se 15th Avenue in Sellwood. Get a start on your holidays with these special events.

The New Sweden Board would appreciate your letting us know the direction you would like to see New Sweden take in the New Year. Are there events you would like to see us consider taking on to preserve our Swedish culture and heritage? This past year we added June 6 as the Swedish National Flag Day celebration, and it was a rousing success. We are expanding the scope of the Crayfish Festival with catered service for dinner along with our crayfish prepared the "Swedish way" by Katarina Braaten. I have received suggestions that some of the attendees at the crayfish party liked having the meal catered, but missed the pot-luck dessert table. The board will work on this for 2015.

It is important for the New Sweden Board to know how the membership feels about our organization. Please give this some thought and let us have any comments or suggestions you may have.

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New Sweden and Skandia Lodge

Our Annual Crayfish Party was held in the garden at Fogelbo, Saturday, August 9, 2014, with dinner 7:30 pm to Midnight

It was a fun, tradition-filled Swedish crayfish party with delicious food, singing, dancing and music for all generations.



This event was catered by the Scandinavian Café.

We enjoyed much crayfish, Swedish Meatballs w/gravy and lingonberry jam, boiled potatoes, Janson's Temptation, red cabbage, garden salad, and herring, and dessert.



We were treated with very nice weather, making the whole event a very successful one, with much crayfish and other Swedish dishes provided by Scandinavian Café.



The music was performed by Catarina New and her band including both Swedish music as well as her well known smooth jazz program.



The evening's young dancing queen performing to everybody's appreciation





Swedish Language Arts & Crafts Swedish Food Music & Dancing Sports & Activities Orienteering



Trollbacken began in 1997 as a Swedish Language and Culture Camp for children ages 7-13 years old. The camp is held during the third week of August at Menucha Retreat located near in Corbett, OR, about 45 minutes east of Portland (<u>www.menucha.org</u>). This year the camp was held on August 18-23.Every year about 60-70 energetic campers and counselors participate in a week filled with lots of sunshine, outdoor activities and good times. This year we had campers from Oregon, Washington, Nevada, California and British Columbia in Canada. The majority of our campers return every summer, lifetime friendships are formed and they become part of the Swedish Trollbacken family. The spirit of the camp is very inclusive, respectful and non-judgmental. At Trollbacken the campers can relax and be



Tina Kreft-Tengblad

themselves. Children from all backgrounds gather here to share their love for learning something new, and there is always something for everyone. Trollbacken is a unique camp with a wide variety of activities. A typical day at Trollbacken includes language classes for beginners and advanced Swedish learners, music classes with song, dance and instruments as well as art classes. In the afternoons the campers enjoy activities such as swimming, folkdance, orienteering, games, and different types of sports. After dinner everyone participates in the evening camp fire. The camp en-

gages children in Swedish language, culture and traditions in a creative and fun atmosphere.

Our campers have the opportunity to become counselors themselves one day. When the campers have finished eighth grade they are eligible to become counselors. The majority of our counselors have been Trollbacken campers for many years. It's wonderful to see the transformation from a young and shy camper to become an outgoing, enthusiastic leader who brings the Trollbacken tradition forward to new young campers. The success and popularity of Trollbacken is due to the generosity of time and effort given by its volunteers, and the financial contributions from Swedish organizations and private individuals. This summer we were very fortunate to be able to give two camp scholarships to campers who otherwise would not have been able to attend camp.

We also have an all Swedish staff (see below) who love coming back to camp year after year to share their love for their home country, language and culture. We all thoroughly enjoy being able to be a part of creating memories that will last a lifetime and will give our curious campers and counselors the confidence to continue to explore the world and be leaders in their own way.

Tina Kreft-Tengblad, Catarina Hunter, Theresa Bernards, Teacher, Gunilla Rohdin, Teacher

Catarina New-Martin, Music Teacher, Helena Nissen, Arts and Craft Teacher

For more information, applications, etc.; www.trollbacken.org

Facebook; https://www.facebook.com/TrollbackenSwedishCamp



From left to right: The coat of arms for the southern Swedish province of Småland, US Billboard #1 Producer Andreas Carlsson, former ABBA member Agnetha Fältskog, singer/songwriter Simon Norrsveden, all originating from Småland.

When Småland Rules The World – Big Talent From A Small Province

by Jimmy Granstrom

With a population of only about 700,000 people, songwriters and artists originating from the Swedish province of Småland have recorded vocals or produced songs on albums which have sold more than 500 million copies around the world. Examples of artists and producers originating from Småland include US Billboard #1 Producer Andreas Carlsson, who's co-written or co-produced songs for global mega artists, including Backstreet Boys, Britney Spears, Celine Dion and Bon Jovi. The most famous music celebrity originating from Småland is probably Agnetha Fältskog, former member of Swedish super group ABBA. Continuing in this tradition is the singer/songwriter Simon Norrsveden, who has released his third critically acclaimed album.

Norrsveden was born and raised in the charming town Värnamo, with a modest population of around 18,000 and the typical feeling of a sleepy Swedish town in the countryside. In Norrsveden's 2008 debut single "Stockholmssången (The Stockholm Song)", he conveys his mixed feelings of excitement and uncertainty for leaving Värnamo for Stockholm, where he currently resides. He expresses these feelings with lines (I have translated from the original Swedish version) such as "We promised we will meet again this summer, Sometimes I leave before I go, and these days always pass by so slowly, 'cause wherever my dreams may roam, I find my best friend at home". In this simple and sweet message, Norrsveden captures a universal sentiment of leaving one's home for a new and exciting but yet uncertain future. Other artists and bands from Småland include contemporary rock bands Backyard Babies, The Cardigans and The Ark. Some readers may be more familiar with singer/actress Alice Babs, who starred in more than 20 music movies, including the 1940 movie "Swing it, magistern (Swing it, Mr. Teacher)", which became a symbol for jazz music, considered guite controversial by the older generations at the time. From vintage jazz to contemporary pop and rock, singers, songwriters and producers from Småland have proven over the decades that big talent can come from a small province, significantly contributing to making Sweden the third greatest music export nation in the world.



Corner

New Sweden Chefs performing at SHF's Cook & Eat sold out event in Portland, October 24, 2014.

Topic is traditional Swedish Smörgåsbord.

Inspired by the Swedish Chef and Author Tore Wretman and his book "The Swedish Smörgåsbord"





Paula Corbridge introduces the chefs Carol Tripp and GunMarie Rosqvist from New Sweden.



One of the two tables representing dishes on The Swedish Smörgåsbord

All recipes and pictures from the Cook & Eat Event will be found at the New Sweden web-site:

www.newsweden.com

Carol and GunMarie





Herring Salad

Pickled Herring



Mimosa Salad

West Coast Salad



Pickled cucumbers



Meat Balls

Jansson's Temptation



Smoked and Cured Salmon

A successful 23rd Annual ScanFeast Auction & Gala was held on October 4th, 2014 at Embassy Suites, Washington Square.

Significant contribution was made by 2014 sponsors:

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2014 ScanFair will mark the 30th year of this wonderful Christmas Festival.

Get ready to celebrate the sights, sounds, tastes and traditions of Swedish and Nordic Christmas. The event will be at Portland Veterans Coliseum, December 6 &7,



2014. New Sweden will attend with its own both at the event where you are able to meet other members and share Swedish experiences.

\$7 Adult \$6 Senior \$15 Family (2 adults, 2 children) Kids 12 and under FREE

Looking forward to see you all there!

New Sweden Annual Lucia Fest

Saturday, December 13, 2014 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 7810 Se 15th Avenue in Sellwood at 3:00 p.m. followed by a reception with Swedish baked treats, coffee and glögg, ring dances around the Christmas tree and a visit by the Tomten!

The whole church is handicap accessible. The program starts at 3:00pm. If you have been to this program you will agree that the music is second to none.



The cost is: 10 per adult and \$5 for children 4-12, children 3 years and under admitted free.

Tickets have to be bought at the entrance to the activity room in the building adjacent to the church, prior to entering the church. Please bring your baked goods donations to the social hall prior to the program. We need volunteers to help with set up and take down.

Handicap seating will begin 2:15pm. The doors will open at 2:30pm.

Contacts for more information:

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It is final!

by Ross Fogelquist

On Tuesday October 10th the Scandinavian Heritage Foundation (SHF) signed the official documents granting a Life Estate to Ross Fogelquist.

The Scandinavian Heritage Foundation will now assume the ownership of the Fogelquist estate, excluding the contents of the home. Ross Fogelquist will have the legal right to live at Fogelbo rent free until his death. Upon his



death the entire contents of Fogelbo will be willed to SHF. The Life Estate was made possible by generous grant from Barbara Osher Pro Suecci Foundation, and Swedish Society of Linnea plus smaller grants from New Sweden Cultural Heritage Society, Nobel Lodge, Order of Vasa and Harmoni Lodge, Order of Vasa. In the future all large events, everything over 20 persons, will have to be scheduled through SHF. This new ownership of Fogelbo will give SHF a four and half acre campus to use for many different events. In public recognition of the gift at ScanFeast Ross was given a standing ovation.

Construction is progressing well on the new building of the New Scandinavian Culture Center next to Fogelbo. It has been just a little over a month since the ground breaking ceremony. The building will be completed sometime in the Spring of 2015.

2014 Events Calendar

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 25: New Sweden Guest Chefs, GunMarie Rosqvist and Carol Tripp, were giving the background of what constitutes a *Swedish Smörgåsbord,* at SHF Cook & Eat program.

Recipes used will be available on our web-site: www.newsweden.org

An article will be prepared for Nordstjernan, the Swedish newspaper in America.

DECEMBER

Saturday/Sunday, December 6&7: ScanFair at Portland's Memorial Coliseum.

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For more information: www.newsweden.org/events

New Sweden Cultural Heritage Society 2845 NW Circle A Drive Portland, OR 97229

2015 Membership Renewals and New Memberships!

Memberships are renewed each year and run from January through December. Please use this form to renew now and save the cost of mailing a separate membership renewal request! You may also renew for multiple years by multiplying the annual dues amount by the number of years desired and indicating your intension on the form.

Thanks for supporting New Sweden with your dues!

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