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FROM THE SCS BOARD

The Board continues to meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The following is a summary of what transpired during our September meeting.

Board Members: Niklas Kviselius, Karmen Blackwood, Kristin Josefsson, Riitta Huttunen, Monica Severinson, Pia Hilton, Carina Spencer, Monica Olofsson, Roland Strong, Linda Olofsson, Lana Löfgren, Karmen Blackwood, Pia Hilton, Monica Severinson
Absent: Lana Löfgren, Karmen Blackwood, Riitta Huttunen, Carina Spencer
Guest: Eva Andersson

Discussion/Update: Roland and Lana sadly will not be able to complete Board work this Fall or accept Board re-election in 2024. We thank them for their contributions and look forward to seeing them in other volunteering capacities!

Swedish School

Classes start this coming weekend. There are four groups on Saturdays and one on Sundays with a total of 48 students. Paulina Lennartson is a new teacher for the pre-school group and Daniel Linder will teach the K-1 group.

Below is the new Swedish School Board that was voted in 9/11/2023:
Jenny Hippel (new Chair)
Mahak Memar
Jatinder Jonsson
Sofia Farah (new)
Tobias Ottahal (new)
Christel Lindgren (new)
Erica Jonsson (new)
Åsa Nerelius (new)

Adult Education

Sandra Benholm's class is starting this week and the other classes start next week (5 classes total).

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Maria Scharffenberg will be coming from Toronto and will hopefully attend our Club night since she will be in Vancouver for the September 30 church service. Christer Hallberg and Anna Karin Thornquist are working on the invitation.

Midsummer

The event went well in the Swedish tent, but we need to obtain more flowers and greenery for the wreaths and Midsummer pole for next year. We are close to full capacity when it comes to our food sales in general at the festival. There were almost 4,000 visitors, and with the international news coverage we received for the Wife Carrying Contest, we'll need to look at logistics for next year. We are getting too popular!



For more information & events, please visit swedishculturalsociety.com and Scancentre.org

Calendar September-Nov

Unless otherwise noted, all activities and events will take place at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby.

September

- Sept. 29: Club Night, everyone welcome for FIKA, candy and games! Bar is open!
- Sept. 30: Musical Sermon at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1499 Laurier Avenue, Vancouver at 2PM. More information below.

October

- Oct. 7: Nordic Thanksgiving Bake Sale. Contact Sandra via email: nordicbakesale@gmail.com
- Oct. 10: SKF Board meeting
- Oct. 21: Leif Erikson Day Festival at the Scandinavian Centre (1-9PM)
- Oct. 26: Fall Work Party, more information below.

November

- Nov. 18-19: Swedish Christmas Fair

If you are attending an event please share your photos and videos!

- Post your photos on Facebook or Instagram, and tag Swedish Cultural Society

OR

- Email them to: swedishculturalsociety.ca@gmail.com.

Your photos will help us to convey all the wonderful Swedish events and happenings to current and new members!

Midsummer Festival, June 24-25



Flag bearers from all Scandinavian countries: Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Iceland plus Canada. The Swedish flag bearer was Alicia Bristow, and she will be Lucia 2023.



Emmalena Fredriksson

Emmalena did a fantastic job leading the dance around the midsummer pole. A big, thank you, to her and everyone that came to volunteer!



Carina Spence and Karmen Blackwood managed the Swedish tent.

This festival was well attended, almost 4,000 visitors in two days! They danced around the Midsummer pole, listened to our performers, ate Scandinavian food, watched the Wife Carrying Contest and enjoyed other activities.

Swedish Friday Club Night, Sept. 29



Date & Time: Friday, September 29th at 6 PM
Venue: Scandinavian Community Centre
Address: 6540 Thomas St, Burnaby, BC V5B 4P9

Free Admission!

Indulge in the cozy atmosphere of a Swedish Friday Club Night!

🍰 Delight in delicious Swedish baked goods (hurry, they won't last long!)

🍹 The bar is open (please drink responsibly!)

❓ Test your knowledge with our exciting Trivia Game

Unwind and connect with fellow Swedes and friends – a warm welcome Awaits!

Don't miss out on this memorable evening! See you there! 🎉

Musical Sermon, Lutheran Redeemer Church, Sept. 30



Musik Gudstjänst on Sept. 30 at 2pm.
1499 Laurier Ave (1 block north of King Edward / Granville)
*Public transportation via Bus 10 or 25
Everyone Welcome!

There will be singing and music - soloist and sing-along! This is your chance to meet Rev. Maria Scharffenberg, Kyrkoherde Swedish Church Toronto and Mobile Priest North America. Fika will be served.

Nordic Baking Classes 2023

Nordic Baking classes are offered by the Scandinavian Centre. In-person classes are held at the Scandinavian Community Centre at 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby. The classes are open to everyone, no membership is needed. Previous baking experience is not required. There are 8-10 spots per class. We have both in-person classes and zoom classes.

Contact Sandra at scanbake@gmail.com to reserve your spot!

Leif Erikson Day Festival, Oct. 21

*The Scandinavian and Swedish Cultural Societies
Present*

Leif Erikson Day Festival "Interpreting Recent Norse Archaeology"

Saturday October 21st, 2023, 1- 9 pm
Scandinavian Community Centre
6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby, BC

Program Opening 1:00 pm

A Giant's Grave: Shetland Island Dig (video)
Janet Gabites: Geochemistry Analysis
Judith Anderson: DNA Evidence
Carolyn Thauberger: New Interpretations

2:30 — Coffee with a Swedish flavour
Norse Archeology Book Display and Sale

Neil Price: *Interpreting Archaeology* (video)
Price and colleagues: *Salme, Estonia, Mass Ship Burials* (videos)

4:30 — Coffee, Music, Book display

5:30 — Viking Buffet Supper (by donation)

7:00 Bill Arnott's "Gone Viking,"
A Special Presentation for the
Scandinavian Cultural Societies

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Salme Ship Burial



Norse Facial Reconstructions



Birka Female Warrior

Vancouver International Film Festival, Sept. 28 to Oct. 8

Several Scandinavian movies are presented. The Swedish movie "One Day All this will be yours " is playing Oct. 5 @ 6.30pm and Oct. 7 @ 6.30pm. Visit www.viff.org to order tickets.

"Lisa, a successful cartoonist on the verge of her first book publication, is lured to a rare, mysterious gathering with her parents and two siblings at the family's forest home. The purpose, it is revealed, is to decide which of the children will inherit the vast land and take over the family lumber business."

SCS Board Contact Information

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All members are welcome to attend the Swedish Cultural Society's monthly meetings held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby. (option to attend virtually)

For more information see our website(s)
swedishculturalsociety.com and scancentre.org

Our Swedish Library

We have recorded 1,500 books and 150 DVDs on our website, swedishculturalsociety.com. All members can search for book titles there. To borrow books or DVDs please visit the Swedish room at the Scandinavian Centre.

Please do NOT leave books to donate, at the centre, without first contacting Pia Hilton.

Pia Hilton is our Librarian. She can be contacted at piachilton@gmail.com. Thank you!

Fall Work Party, Oct. 21



Calling volunteers of all ages!
Fall work party Saturday Oct. 28,
9am to 2pm.

Please bring pails and rags and note that work will be done inside or outside, rain or shine.

- Breakfast served at 8.30am
- Lunch served at noon

Please let the office know if you will attend and if you are joining breakfast and lunch. Please email: info@scancentre.org

The most current information is available on-line at
swedishculturalsociety.com