Do you have a streak of yellow and blue?





# 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 December meeting.

**Board Members**: Niklas Kviselius, Karmen Blackwood, Kristin Josephson, Riitta Huttunen, Pia Hilton, Carina Spencer, Monica Olofsson, Linda Olofsson, Monica Severinson, Marie-Louise Olsson, Natalie Bristow

Guest: Erica Jonsson, Jenny Hippel

#### Discussion/Update:

**Membership:** we have 111 Family and 89 single memberships. We have four new members after the Christmas Fair (not counted in numbers above).

The **Swedish School** Participated in the Lucia festivities. Beautiful performance!

**Adult Education:** Classes resume in January. For information please visit swedishculturalsociety.com

# SHS (Sweden House), Carina Spencer

Fundraiser Event will take place on *Friday Evening on Feb 21st*, 2025, more information to follow.

#### Membership 2025

Time to renew your membership! \$30 for family and \$25 for single. e-transfer to scstreasury@gmail.com. Thank you! Please apply for our scholarships 2025. \$2500 will be paid out to each. Please use the use swedishculturalsociety.com to contact us.

SHS needs new board members for next year. Please contact Carina majoshspencer@gmail.com

#### 2025 SCS Board Members Needed!

If you are interested in getting involved in our society, please contact Niklas Kviselius, niklas.kviselius@gmail.com.



Natalie Bristow was this years Lucia



1st of Advent Service at the Danish church, Dec 1 @ 6pm was a well attended event (+100). It was arranged by Swedish School and SCS volunteers. We enjoyed a lovely service and delicious "fika" afterwards.

#### Calendar Jan-Feb 2025

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

#### **January**

- · Jan, South book club
- Jan, North Book club
- Jan 26, Volunteer lunch.

#### **February**

- Feb 10, Annual General Meeting
- Feb 21, Fundraising social event.

#### **SCCS (Carina Spencer):**

On Sunday November 10th, the fundraising committee hosted a kick-off event at the Centre. A promotional video of the Centre was presented by Tammy Evans and Solvi Stokholm explained how to use life insurance as a way to donate to the Centre. The Pave the way campaign is an example how to raise funds.

Suggestions, by the audience, included:

- Pursuing appropriate grant applications
- More and better marketing of our rental availability.

Around 40 people attended.

**Save the date:** February 21st fundraising social night at the Centre.

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





## Dec 14 - Lucia

With two sold out performances, afternoon and evening, this year's Lucia festivities were fantastic! A big thank you to all volunteers that helped to make the event a success.

This years Lucia was Natalie Bristow!

The afternoon 1pm performance included the infamous fika, showcased the students of the Swedish School in Vancouver choir, and a visit from Santa. The evening 6pm performance included our signature Swedish Christmas dinner.









# Volunteer Lunch Jan 24, 11AM



If you've volunteered with the Swedish Cultural Society during 2024, please join us for this

volunteer appreciation lunch!

When: Jan. 26, 2025, 11am Lunch at 12.

Where: Scandinavian Centre; 6540 Thomas Street,

Burnaby

Register: email

swedishculturalsociety.ca@gmail.com;

to reserve your spot!

Thank you volunteers - we look forward to seeing you there!

# SCCS Fundraising social night at the Centre





#### **SCCS Fundraising Committee presents**

Our Centre Social Night Fundraiser for the Scandinavian Community Centre.

When? Feb 21, 2025

Doors open at



A CO (40)

\$20/person - not including drinks

Bar is open come and mingle!

Fun and games,



Toonie toss and a Surprise game (cash only)

Dinner served at 7 pm

What's for dinner? Hint: Norway and Sweden are the highest consumers of this food per Capita in Europe

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME - ALL AGES** 

**HOW TO GET TICKETS? ANNOUNCED AFTER CHRISTMAS** 



#### **SCS Board Contact Information**

**Chair**: Niklas Kviselius, niklas.kviselius@gmail.com



**Secretary:** Monica Severinson, secretary@swedishculturalsociety.com

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) <u>swedishculturalsociety.com</u> and <u>scancentre.org</u>

## 2024 SCS Board Members Needed!

If you are interested in getting involved in our society, please contact Niklas Kviselius, <u>niklas.kviselius@gmail.com</u>.

A great way to connect with our organization is to volunteer at one of our many events or join our work party! Please check out our website for events and more:

https://swedishculturalsociety.com

# **Our Swedish Library**

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

<u>Please do NOT leave books to donate, at the Centre, without first contacting Kee Kimmel.</u>

**Kee Kimmel** is our Librarian. She can be contacted at keeBill8@gmail.com. Thank you!

The most current information is available on-line at <u>swedishculturalsociety.com</u>