



ScandiNews

Scandinavian Club of Columbus

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October 2006

2006-2007 Events

Swedish Night	Oct. 21
International Festival	Nov. 4-5
American	Nov. 18
LuciaFest	Dec. 16
Icelandic Night	Jan. 20
Club Birthday Party	Feb. 17
Finnish Night	Mar. 17
Danish Night	Apr. 21
Norwegian Night	May 19
Midsommar	June 16

The Skandi-Kaffe Group will meet on Thursday, Oct 26 at La Chatelaine, 627 High Street in Worthington from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Come join us!



October Dinner will be a POTLUCK!

This year Swedish night will be a potluck dinner. Those of you who attended last February's meeting will remember the wonderful smorgasbord of delightful dishes our members brought to share. We can all look forward to another exciting evening of great friends, great food, and a great program!

To ensure a variety of dishes, the dinner captains have

requested that we assign certain types of dishes alphabetically (according to our membership roster!):

Last names starting with:

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| A — H | Meat dish (entrée) |
| J — Q | Side dish |
| R — Z | Dessert |

The club will provide bread, drinks, and appetizers during the social hour.

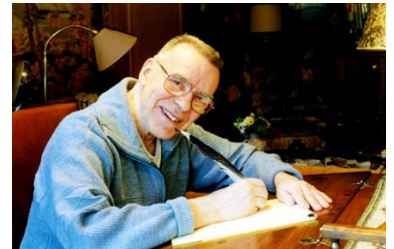
Dinner prices will reflect the potluck style at \$5.00 for all adults. Since it is a potluck, everyone who comes for dinner is expected to bring something to share, members and guests alike. Children 16 and under are free.

Author John Dalmas Presents Swedish Program

Club member John Dalmas will present a program titled "Early Immigrant Colonies in the 1900's in the Lake Superior Region."

John is a published author of 27 novels and has one in progress. His website offers advice for aspiring authors, including the following *absolutely essential* advice: "If you ignore everything else I say here, heed this: to develop the ability to write well, write. Write a LOT. Thinking about it isn't enough."

John, of Swedish heritage, says, "My interest in things Scandinavian began on my mormor's farm near Taylors Falls, Minnesota in 1933...My particular Scandinavian interests are the immigrant settlements in the northern Great Lakes states, and more narrowly, in the Armfelt campaign of the Great Northern War (which is growing into a novel). As a long-time member of the Vasa Lodge in Spokane WA, I enjoy singing Swedish songs."



We are proud to have John Dalmas as a member of our own Scandinavian Club!

Visit his website at: <http://www.sfgwa.org/members/dalmas/>

Other News...

Seeking Scandinavian Costumes

Some members not fortunate enough to own a beautiful Scandinavian costume would love to borrow yours for the International Festival! Current requests are for approximate size 8 and size 16. There is also a member who is interested in

purchasing a Danish costume in size 12/14. If you have a costume and are willing to lend it to a club member, please contact Inger Gilbert at 614-837-0971.

Scandinavian Dancing

Scandinavian dance classes are being taught for both beginners

and intermediates on Sundays in 2006-2007. For more information, contact:

Suzanne Rizer
(614) 874-2900
srizer@columbus.rr.com

Tom Kangas
(614) 784-9962
poika2@hotmail.com

Join Us at the International Festival — November 4-5, 2006!

This year we celebrate the International Festival's 51st anniversary. The theme is "We Are All Family." The Scandinavian Club can demonstrate that better than any other organization. Five peaceful countries sharing one booth! Be proud of your heritage. Be a part of our involvement in the International Festival.

The ScandiClub has been involved in the International Festival for about 42 years. We have a great reputation to hold up... we need your help to succeed again; we need 100% participation from our membership.

We will have to chop more vegetables for our Blue Ribbon Salmon Chowder, our major fundraiser for the year, since it continues to outsell the years before.

The following are some of the ways that you can help out:

- Sign up for the Chopping Party, Thursday November 2nd at Liberty Presbyterian Church, 7080 Olentangy River Rd., Delaware, OH.
- Sign up for the Set-Up Friday Nov. 3rd from 5:00pm—9:00pm. (Van people very welcome.)
- Bake cookies, cakes, or breads.
- Make a monetary donation to defray cost of booth.
- Demonstrate a Scandinavian specialty.
- Work in the booth.
- Wear your national dress/costume at the Parade of Nations 3:00pm Saturday and/or Sunday, or when you work your shift in the booth.

Your contact people are:

Inger Gilbert,
International Festival Coordinator
614-837-0971

Norma Johnson, Chopping Party
704-548-6789

Karen Sobul, Cultural/Gifts,
614-854-0905

Diane Jatco Clark, Cookies,
614-939-0031

Ake Helström,
Festival Booth Designer and Set-Up,
614-457-2984

Salmon Chowder: Just some information about the enormous work involved in making our Cordon Bleu Salmon Chowder, and things needed to sell it:

130 lbs. potatoes
65 lbs. carrots
15 large green peppers
15 large onions
13 lbs. butter
65 cans of salmon
65 cans of diced tomatoes
65 cans of cream of celery soup
15 gallons of milk
spices

To serve the chowder:
1000 – 10 oz. Cups
1000 – spoons
1000 – napkins

This could be an underestimation since we increase our sales each year!

Dress of festival workers: If you have a national dress/costume, please wear it; it will look so impressive in our booth. Otherwise, wear your Scandinavian sweater, ScandiClub logo shirt, or a white shirt and dark pants/skirt. Aprons are provided.

Schedules: Workers will be scheduled to work a four-hour shift, so plan on doing your touring of the Festival before

or after your shift. Breaks can always be negotiated, of course.

Why should you volunteer? Because it's fun to be a participant! You get to know each other so much better when you work together.

There's a reason for calling the Chopping Party a party, it's because it really is a PARTY! Just bring your own large, chopping board and sharp, chef's knife. Remember, a dull knife is a dangerous knife, so have yours sharpened!

You can't be a participant? No problem, you can make a donation to help defray the cost of the Scandinavian Club's efforts in promoting your heritage, and recruiting new and interesting members.

You can also bake cookies, cakes, or breads and have someone else deliver it for you, should your schedule prevent you from coming to the Festival. (The contact people can tell you where you can deliver your goods.)

Finally, I want to encourage all of you to come down to the International Festival to show your support, see our booth, taste the chowder, and collect the recipe.

~ Inger Gilbert



Letter from the President — Bob Holm

In recognition of our Swedish Night event on October 21, my photo this month is from Stockholm, with Margareta Andersson, the wife of my second cousin, Birger. Note the Stockholm City Hall in the background.

Our new year got off to a great start, with our "Breakfast in the Park," highlighted by many conversations and wonderful food! Special thanks to Carol and Harry Wickstrom, Ben and Peggy Kaster and Terry Carlson, for their outstanding work as the committee. I'm delighted to report that they have already volunteered to serve as the committee in September 2007.

Our Swedish Night on October 21 will be a pot luck dinner. Details

about food to bring are elsewhere in the "ScandiNews." We look forward to many "best dishes" of our members.

The program will feature a fairly new member, John Dalmas, who will be talking about immigrant settlements around the Great Lakes.

The International Festival is coming up soon too, on November 4 and 5. I hope that we will have a good turnout of volunteers as we prepare for this event and at our Scandinavian Booth on the 4th and 5th. See more details in this newsletter.

For Club members with young children, I am pleased to announce that the Board has voted to provide child care and activities at each meeting this year.



I look forward to seeing you October 21 for Swedish night!

Sincerely,
Bob Holm
President 2006-07

Dinner Committees

Many thanks to our June committee who did such a wonderful job organizing the Midsommer Picnic!

*James and Inger Gilbert
Cheri Fitzgerald and Son
Brent Bjorkman and Ann Ferrell
Arlene King Snider
Robert and Sara Danielsson
Don Strench and Mia Johansson-Strench*

The Dinner Committee for October is being asked to show up at the church at 4:00 pm. Inger Gilbert would welcome any additional help on this committee, so if you are available, please call her at 614-837-0971.



Other News

New Members

The Club welcomes the following new members:

Caitlin Kilkka
480 Inah Ave. Apt. #1
Columbus, Ohio 43228
248-770-3735

David and Elizabeth Firth
198 E. Home Street
Westerville, Ohio 43081
614-523-1968
ecfirth@mindspring.com

Auction in February

Please be thinking of items you can donate to the club auction at the February meeting. This has always been a fun event in the past, and it is a great fundraiser for the club. Donations can be given to any board member at the upcoming meetings.

Babysitting Service

The club will now offer free babysitting service during the monthly meetings to allow parents of young children the opportunity to enjoy the club's programs.

Many Thanks

In true Scandinavian Club spirit, Inger Gilbert and Norma Johnson have taken on the duties of Dinner Committee Chair while Grete Davidsen-Kidwell is in Norway with her ailing mother. We appreciate it very much!

In Memoriam

Club Members will be saddened to learn of the passing of Johan Farstad, former club president and longtime host of the Midsommer Picnic. He died last year in California. The Scandinavian Club of Columbus will remember him fondly.



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Board Meeting Minutes

2006-2007 Board

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841-3514

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825-4498

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457-2984

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Tammy Carl
459-2226

Sunday September 17, 2006 @ 7 PM

Place: Home of Bob Holm

Meeting opened by Bob Holm, President at 7:10 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT Bob Holm, Marilyn Smith Ake Hellstrom, Tammy Carl, Randy Carlson, Ed Kidwell, Paivi Rajala-Schultz and Dianne Clark

Randy motioned, Paivi seconded and the board unanimously approved the Minutes of the June 18, 2006 meeting.

PROGRAMS: Marilyn handed out copies of the program schedule for the coming year and discussion followed concerning these. Many good suggestions were received from club members and it looks like it will be a great year.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Dianne reported that a sympathy card was sent to the family of Clara Larsen who had been a member of the club and donated many books to the library. A get well card was sent to Mrs. Helge Davidsen in Norway.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ed Kidwell reported that our beginning balance for this year was \$10,785.72 versus last year's balance of \$8,070.66. Attendance for the September 16th Breakfast was 76 (69 members, 6 guests and 1 child). Expenses for the breakfast were \$457.30 which includes \$200 for rental of the shelterhouse. Income was \$300.00.

MEMBERSHIP: Paivi reported that there had been 119 members, (families) at the end of the year. There are now 92 member renewals, 2 newsletter renewals, and 27 that have not renewed as of yet. There were 3 possible ads in the works for the ScandiNews. There were 2 new membership applications received: Elizabeth and David Firth and Caitlin Kilkka. Motion was made by Paivi to accept them as members, Randy seconded and motion passed unanimously.

DINNER CHAIR REPORT: Ed Kidwell reported that Grete is presently in Norway but Norma Johnson and Inger Gilbert have agreed to act as Chairpersons during her temporary absence. The Dinner Committee's list will be updated monthly. Due to October's small dinner committee it was decided that there will be an organized Potluck for October. There was a motion by Marilyn that we would charge \$5.00 for everyone at the Potluck. Children under 16 free. Motion was seconded by Ake. Motion approved unanimously.

CALLING CHAIR: Randy said that there was a good calling group in place for the year.

PROPERTY: Ake reported that one storage box was broken and that the library cart was in some disarray. Supplies in the cabinet are well down.

SCANDINEWS: Tammy reported that 125 ScandiNews papers were sent out. Aside from the board members there were 5 more that would take the paper by e-mail. The ScandiNews on e-mail looks even better as it is in color.

NEW BUSINESS: It was recommended by the board that Marilyn check into obtaining someone to babysit during the meetings for \$25 and no charge for their meals. It was also mentioned that we have a possible new site for Midsommer that we would follow-up on the location and report at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M. Next meeting will be held at the home of Paivi Rajala-Schultz at 7: P.M. at 1360 Durness Court, Columbus Ohio 43235, (phone 825-4498).

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne Clark, Secretary