

Swedish American Historical Society of Wisconsin, Inc.



COMING EVENTS

Saturday, October 10 -- Annual Meeting.

This will NOT be an in-person meeting.

In order to protect everyone from Covid-19,

It will be conducted via Zoom.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD—In planning the October Annual Meeting, it became clear that Covid-19 would not allow us to hold an in-person meeting. Fortunately, thanks to John Elliott, we do have a very workable alternative that will allow us to conduct our business. What we won't have is Fika with all the goodies and YOU. But we all know that caution will pay off and that we can look forward to resuming our normal lives and will once again enjoy our meetings and companionship. A second email will ask you if you are able to use Zoom on your computer.

Even though the year has been disappointing because of the meetings that had to be cancelled, the Board has continued to carry on the purpose of SAHSWI. It is encouraging to know that we are still attracting new members; currently our membership stands at 117.

At the August meeting, the Board decided that no dues would be collected in 2021. Because we had to cancel activities like Midsommar, our expenses have been reduced. Notices will be sent in January that will again explain this decision but will also give members the opportunity to make a donation if they so desire.

ANNUAL MEETING AND PROGRAM—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1:30 PM—

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ANNUAL REPORTS—These will be available on the website or a hard-copy packet can be requested.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:

An important part of our Annual Meeting is the election of Board Directors. This year, there are two three-years terms to be filled.

The nominating committee, consisting of John Elliott, Martha Bergland, and Bev Wenzel, presents the following slate of candidates to be voted on at the Annual Meeting:

Three-year term: George Lofgren

Three-year term: Joann Kreimendahl

According to the bylaws, additional nominations may be made by two members who notify the president in writing before the start of the Annual Meeting. The nomination should include the nominee's consent to accept the office if elected and should be sent by phone/email to Barbara Froemming by October 1.

NEW BUSINESS

PROGRAM

SCANDINAVIAN FEST. sponsored by Nordic Council, has been cancelled for 2020. However, plans will soon be underway for 2021.

WEBSITE– Thanks to Jan Ehrengren, the web keeps getting better and better. Be sure to check it frequently for up-to-date news.

If things electronic are up your alley and you have some time to spare, please let us know.

LEFSE MASKS--

Here's a way you can have your mask and eat it too. Just make sure that after you devour it, you are not in an area where masks are required. They can be ordered through Nordstjernen or you can make your own.



THE AMERICAN SWEDISH INSTITUTE IS REOPENING!

We're getting the coffee started and baking cardamom rolls because ... the American Swedish Institute will be reopening to the public on **Friday, September 11!** We've missed you - our visitors - and have worked hard during the closure implementing new procedures to keep everyone as safe as possible. Thank you in advance for wearing a mask and working with us to ensure that ASI remains the welcoming place that we all know and love.

The museum, FIKA and the ASI Museum Store will be open four days a week, Thursday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Advance admission is required to visit the museum; purchase online and check in at the front desk when you arrive. It's still free for ASI members, but an admission time must be reserved in advance so we can adhere to capacity restrictions. The full list of safety protocols can be found in our new [Visitor Playbook](#).

The American Swedish Institute is among the hosts of *We Are the Story*, an initiative curated by Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi and organized by Women of Color Quilters Network and the Textile Center. The exhibition offers a visually compelling account of the breadth of experiences and struggles that compromise Black history in an honest and compelling way. *We Are the Story* will be on display in ASI's Osher Gallery from September 10 through November 1, 2020, and will be free for public viewing with no museum admission required.

THE SWEDISH AMERICAN MUSEUM IN CHICAGO is also open and is observing proper distancing and wearing of masks. Check their website for online events such as Scandinavian Jam with Mary Allsopp and Paul Tyler is online on the first and fourth Sunday of every month. Join us for an afternoon of traditional roots music. www.swedishamericanmuseum.org.

UNTIL TRAVEL TO SWEDEN IS AGAIN POSSIBLE--



1 Millesgården - Near Stockholm



2 Tannforsen – Duved



3 Hallingsafallet - Strömsund

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Barbara Froemming, President George Lofgren, Vice President Joann Kreimendahl, Secretary
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