# **Swedish American Historical Society of Wisconsin, Inc.**



# OCTOBER 2024

#### **COMING EVENTS:**

Saturday, October 19 – Annual General Meeting November 22 – 24--Holiday Folk Fair International Sunday, December 8-- Lucia Celebration

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1:30 PM - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT MARTIN

<u>The Annual General Meeting</u> has two parts—first will be a brief business meeting followed by the program that will be a tribute to Harry Anderson.

The business meeting will review the events of the past year, a preview of what's to come, and the election of Directors.

President Ehrengren appointed Irene Roberts, John Engel and Tracy Redman to serve as the nominating committee. Their slate of nominees consists of Meg Haag, Irene Roberts (inc), and Janet Taylor (inc.). The bylaws allow for additional nominations by two members sending a petition in writing to the Secretary prior to the opening of the containing the written consent of each additional nominee. Call Joann at 262-255-2127 for more information.

# "A Tribute to Harry H Anderson, Historian and Founder of SAHSWI."

Harry H. Anderson, age 93, died peacefully on May 21, 2024. Harry, who is of Swedish descent, is one of the founding fathers of the Swedish American Historical Society of Wisconsin and served as the president from 1975 to 1980 and more recently from 2004 to 2008. He has written and presented many stories related to Swedish American immigration and traditions. He is the author of *Milwaukee*, at the Gathering of the Waters (American Portrait Series), a pictorial and entertaining commentary on the growth and development of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The program will of Harry, his work, and founding SAHSWI, and few stories written by

After the presentation **Swedish way.** If you can, you have a favorite to share, bring it and we website **Food Heritage** 





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enjoy traditional Fika the bring a dish to share. If Swedish recipe you want can add it to the SAHSWI page.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -

### **Hospitality Committee Chair**

As you know, **Janet Taylor** has been the **Hospitality Committee Chair** for about three years and done a fantastic job. We have all enjoyed the Fika hour at the Fika meetings, with dishes provided by members, other members helping with the set-up and take-down and clean-up. Sincerely thanks to Janet and everyone that made the Fika such a good time together.

Janet will not be able to continue so we are looking for someone to chair this very essential part of our meetings—what would they be without Fika? If you are interested, please contact Jan Ehrengren. (jehrengren@oulook.com)

## Holiday Folk Fair International volunteers.



Last year, was the first year we participated in the Holiday Folk Fair International. Most of us that participated enjoyed the connection with the international community in the Milwaukee area. We have agreed again this year to participate together with the Linde Lodge, Vasa Order of Milwaukee. We will participate as one of the Nordic Countries sponsored by the Nordic Council of Wisconsin. The theme this year is "Celebrate the Culture of Traditional Art".

We would like somebody from membership to take over the leadership for **the SAHSWI Folk Fair Committee**. This is an annual event where we represent Sweden together with **Linde Lodge**. The role of the Committee Chair is to coordinate our participation including arrangement of the display booth, set-up and take-down, and coordinating SAHSWI attendance of the booth. We will need volunteers for 9 shifts, 3 each day. The Nordic Council is handling the overall arrangements with the International Institute of Wisconsin for all of the Nordic Countries. Nordic Council meetings are scheduled on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and November 12 for the 2024 event. If you are interested in chairing this committee or volunteering for one or more shifts during the Folk Fair please contact Jan Ehrengren, (e-mail jehrengren@outlook.com)

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