

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY & YEAR BOOK

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*THE PURPOSE of this
Directory and Year Book
is to better acquaint you
with your fellow Mem-
bers, Officers and Club activities.
May it be of genuine benefit to
you and serve to increase your
interest and activities in our
club affairs.*

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SVITHIOD SINGING CLUB

624 Wrightwood Ave. (14)

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N MARCH, 1882, a small group of enterprising members of Lodge No. 1, of Independent Order of Svithiod, banded together to organize a chorus. Their purpose was to carry forth in this country that native love of song, inherent of their Motherland, and develop it to a like efficiency over here, offering opportunity to singers and entertainment at social functions. They chose as their name, *Svithiod Singing Club*, and it has carried on with growing success ever since under that banner.

After but a few years this chorus had progressed to such proportions and reputation that it became an organization all unto itself, completely apart from the lodge from which it sprang. Its rehearsals drifted from one near north side hall to another until in 1896 the property which still houses the organization was purchased. So great was the development of this chorus that it soon attracted non-singing members who wished to contribute their support to such a worthwhile effort.

With a clubhouse and hall of their own a social program was instituted and the club soon became a beehive of activity. Many are the famous and important functions held within these portals. Even though this feature magnified, the club has never swerved from its maiden objective. It still boasts of one of the finest choruses in the land, having achieved honor and glory both here and abroad. It has numbered among its directors men of international fame.

In 1948 the Club acquired the property west of the club house and a building project was launched to a cost of over half a million dollars—a project that saw its culmination May 19, 1951, when the Grand Opening was celebrated with a formal banquet. The Club can now point with pride to the finest Swedish club house in the world—with a cuisine, service and social calendar second to none.

And we still hold true to purpose, carrying on for posterity the heritage which is ours.

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JOHN LIND	1927-1928
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GROVER A. PETERSON.....	1940-1942
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HAROLD A. SCHOTT.....	1944
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HENRI ELMLUND	1946
HAROLD F. GREVIN.....	1947
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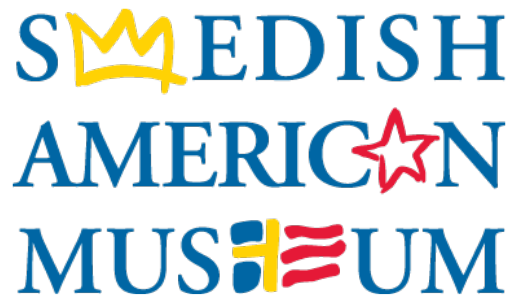
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