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May 22, 1933

Herr och Fru Martin Bengtson
6221 Bishop Street
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Såsom torde vara Eder bekant deltagar Sverige officiellt med egen byggnad i "A Century of Progress International Exposition Chicago 1933". Sveriges minister i Washington Wollmar Boström har välvilligt åtagit sig att förklara den svenska expositionen öppnad.

Jag har äran härmed inbjuda Eder att övervara öppningsceremonien, vilken kommer att äga rum i den svenska paviljongen lördagen den 27 maj 1933 kl. 4 e.m. precis. För att underlätta arrangemangen behagade Ni infinna Eder en kvart före den för öppnandet fastställda tiden. Tillträde till paviljongen lämnas mot uppvisandet av denna inbjudan.

Högaktningsfullt

C. Lundquist
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Swedish-American Day Celebration

JUNE 19th, 1933

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As a member of the Swedish-American Day Committee, you are hereby given first chance to participate in the Official Luncheon 12:30 to 2:00 P.M., June 19th, 1933.

After close study of the situation, we have found an evening banquet outside the grounds, impractical. Accommodations have been secured for 700 persons at the 'Old Heidelberg' conveniently located on the grounds, at \$1.25 per plate. This will be the only opportunity for meeting the distinguished guests from Sweden and the United States. A good program of brief speeches and music will be given.

You may send your requisition for as many reservations as you like and it will be taken care of, if possible. We will, however, guarantee at least two places for you as, of course, all Committee Members should attend. Requisition must be accompanied by check. Prompt action is necessary as tickets will be offered to the country at large on June 1st.

On behalf of the Banquet Committee, I remain

Yours very truly,

H. R. Hedman
Chairman.

HRH*BR

Reserve () places at Official Luncheon, Old Heidelberg, June 19th, 12:30 to 2:00 P.M. Enclosed find check for \$ _____.

PLEASE PRINT

(NAME _____)
(ADDRESS _____)

You must be seated at 12:30 P.M. or reservation will be cancelled.

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Dear Committee Member:

Attached is a copy of the letter sent to every Swedish-American organization in the United States. Its contents are self-explanatory.

We are enclosing five (5) emblems for which we respectfully ask you to send us your check for the sum of \$2.50. You in turn can realize your outlay by selling them for 50c each.

WEAR ONE YOURSELF!!!

Prompt and favorable action by all members of Committees will guarantee us against a deficit.

EXTRA NOTICE

On Sunday April 9th, 1933 at the hour of 3:30 P. M. our Committees will meet at the Swedish Pavilion grounds to celebrate Sweden's participation in A Century of Progress and plant two trees dedicated, one to Svea and one to Columbia. You, as a member of our Committee, are invited to attend.

Your emblem is your admission pass which will be honored at the Fourteenth Street entrance to the Fair, in front of the Administration Building.

There will be speeches and song and general jubilation.

Yours for the success of Swedish-American Day at A Century of Progress, June 19th, 1933.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. R. Hedman".

HRH*BR

P. S. Do not fail with your prompt remittance of \$2.50. Return envelope enclosed for your convenience—PLEASE!

P. P. S. Be present April 9th, 3:30 P. M., on the Fair grounds.

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d. 25te mars, 1933.

Ärade landsman:

Vår största svensk-amerikanska dag på ett hundra år skall firas måndagen den 19de juni 1933 vid utställningen i Chicago.

Vad själva utställningen beträffar blir den utan tvivel den mest omfattande och intressanta, som någonsin hållits och det beräknas att den kommer att besökas av minst femtio miljoner människor.

Med all säkerhet torde ett hundra tusen svensk-amerikaner samlas där måndagen den 19de juni.

Vilken Dag!

Se bara!

1. En väldig manskör från svenska sångarförbundet i Amerika biträdd av eminenta solister.
2. Tvänne talare, en från Sverige, den andre från Svensk-Amerika.
3. Landskapsföreningarnas mäsas. Amerikas svenskar samlas under sina provinsernas fanor till upplivandet af barndoms och ungdoms minnen från hembygden. Då skola våra vackra national-dräkter fram.

Hela dagen är åsidosatt för oss svensk-amerikaner i The Court of the States Building, från dager till kväll. Klockan 6:45 e. m. börjar det storslagna programmet.

Denna dag tillhör varje svensk i Amerika, ej blott dem som bo i Chicagos närhet. Svensk-amerikanska dagen har en nationel, för att ej säga internationel betydelse. För den bära vi alla ansvar.

Svensk-amerikanska dagens eko skall höras i Unionens alla stater.

Här gives på en gång tillfälle att hylla våra fäders land, så väl som vårt nya hemland.

NU, TILL VERKET

Det måste ske raskt, utan minsta dröjsmål.

Det går också så lätt på följande sätt.

Var snäll och tillsatt genast någon pålitlig svensk-sinnad och duktig man eller kvinna, helst en arbetslös, att sälja närslutna 10 fästmärken att bäras i knapphålet, för femtio cents per styck.

Arvodet är femtio pro cent. Med andra ord, den som säljer 10 fästmärken för \$5.00, behåller \$2.50 för besväret och likviderar \$2.50.

På så sätt betäckas alla utgifter för den största dag vi någonsin firat i Amerika.

Nya beställningar expedieras på samma vilkor mot kontanter.

NU LITA VI PÅ EDER

Utse försäljaren strax och sänd honom i väg med ett godt ord.

Icke ens de dåliga tiderna få lägga sig i vägen för svensk-amerikanska dagen.

Följen noga med den svensk-amerikanska prässen för kungörelser.

Nu hjälpas vi åt för "Vår Dag," den 19de juni 1933. Den blir den en heder för oss alla.

Vänligen,

Herbert R. Hedman,
C. E. Carson,
Tage Palm,
Julius Lincoln,
Austin J. Lindstrom.



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November 24, 1952

Dear Mr. Bengtson:

Did you see the Little Mermaid on the rock off Langelinie in Copenhagen, the Viking ships in Oslo and the Town Hall in Stockholm during your recent travel in Scandinavia?

Perhaps you visited the place where you or your ancestors came from and found the old church or schoolhouse which brought forth memories from long ago.

Or maybe yours was strictly a business trip and you had to leave sightseeing for another time.

If you found the people, their way of living and their social progress reminding you of our own great country, would you not like to be one of those who jointly work for the promotion of closer friendship and understanding with those sane, stable, and industrious people?

In the American-Scandinavian Foundation Year Book for 1952, of which we are enclosing a copy, you will find on pages 18-19 how your membership in the Foundation can help and how you yourself will benefit.

You will enjoy becoming a member--we need your support and cooperation. Twelve months' membership is \$6., \$10., or \$15. Won't you join us today? An enrollment blank is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Lithgow Osborne
President

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March 25th, 1933

Dear Friend:

The greatest opportunity in a hundred years has come to the people of Swedish blood in the United States.

Monday, June 19th, 1933, will be Swedish-American Day at A Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago.

It is estimated that fifty million persons will see this truly marvelous World's Fair.

We believe that upward of one hundred thousand Swedish-Americans will be on the grounds on June 19th.

What a Day!!

Behold these features:

1. A massed chorus of male voices from the American Union of Swedish Singers. Renowned soloists.
2. Two brief addresses by outstanding men.
3. A grouping of Swedish-Americans by the provinces in the Fatherland, from which they have come. Their costumes will make the most colorful gathering of its kind, ever seen in America.

Starting with the crack of dawn the entire day will be filled with interesting features culminating in the great program at 6:45 P. M.

Every Swede in the United States has an interest in this day. Remember this is not a local celebration; it is national in its scope, yes, we might honestly say - International. No matter where you are located - it is your day and your individual responsibility.

The echoes will be heard in every State of the Union.

This is an opportunity to pay united tribute to the land of our forefathers and to our own America!

NOW, to build it up!

It can be done easily and quickly, what is more it must be done!

Here is the plan

Without delay kindly appoint some responsible man or woman, preferably one who is now unemployed, in your organization to sell the enclosed ten button-hole emblems at fifty cents each.

The commission is fifty percent. In other words the seller, be it your organization or an individual, who undertakes the selling, gets \$2.50. The other \$2.50 will finance the greatest day we have ever had on this continent.

New orders will be filled for cash upon the same terms.

You are the key-man.

Please select your salesman immediately and carefully. A word of cheer from you will help a lot.

Even the current depression shall not stop Swedish-Americans!

Watch the Swedish-American press for announcements of the program as it develops and the progress made from time to time.

Now, all together for our day, June 19, 1933.

Respectfully, for the honor of our race.

W. J. Armstrong

H. R. Hedman

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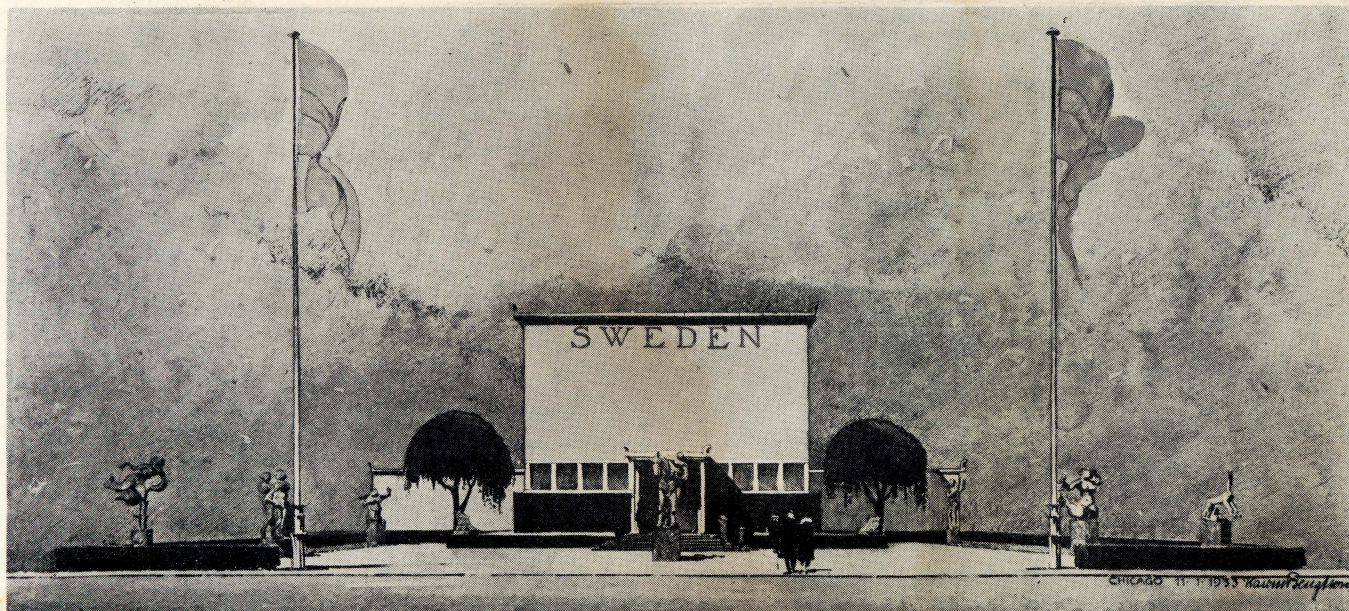
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