Vårblomman
Children's Club

Calendar
of Events

1986

BIRTHDAYS

1 Susan Swanson 1974
22 Joel Overby 1979

February

Februari

Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
						1 9:30 am Regular Prac 10:30 am Adult Swedis Max
2 Kyndelsmässodagen	3 Disa	4 Ansgar	5 Agata	6 Dorotea	7 Rikard	8 9:30 am Reg. Practice 10:30 am Adult Swedish 11am Booster Club Berta
9 Fanny	10 Eugénia	11 Yngve	12 Evelina	13 Agne	14 Valentin	15 9:30 am Reg. Practic 10:30 am Adult Swedish Sigfrid
16 Julia	17 Alexandra	18 Frida	19 Gabriella	20 Hüldandra	21 Hilding	22 9:30 am Reg. Practic 10:30 am Booster club Martina
23 Torsten	24 Mattias	25 Sigvard	26 Torgny	27 Lage	28 Maria	

BIRTHDAYS

1 Christine Ijams 1971
3 Suzy Nelson 1969
18 Sharleen Uddenberg 1973
19 Angie Ferina 1975

March

Mars

F	Sun	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat
							9:30 am 1 Reg. Practice 10:30 am Adult Swedish Albin
2	1-3 pm. SWIMMING PARTY Portage Park Pool 4100 N. Long, Chgo Ernst	3 Gunborg	4 Adrian	5 Tora	6 Ebba	7 Ottilia	8 9:30 am Reg Practice 10:30 am Adult SWEDISH 11 am-Booster Clu Filippa
9		10 Edla	11 Edvin	12 Viktoria	13 Greger	14 Matilda	15 9:30 am Reg. Practice 10:30 am Adult Swedish 11 am Booster clu Kristofer
16	Herbert	17 Gertrud	18 Edvard	19 Josef	20 Joakim	21 Bengt	22 9:30 am SHORT Practice PERFORMANCE-50th Anniversary Child, Da Ambas. Banq. Hall, Nort & York, Elmhurst Viktor
23	Palmsondagen Gerda	24 Annandag Pask Ester	25 Marie Bebadelsedag	26 Emanuel D.	27 Rudolf	28 Långfredagen Malkolm	29 NO PRACTICE Jonas
30	Paskdagen Holger	31 Gabriel					

BIRTHDAYS

1 Jennifer Green 1973
7 Susanne Persson 1968
14 Krister Suter 1980
15 Mary Jane Armstrong-Hough 1981

April

April

Sun	M	T	W	TH	F	Sat
		1 Harald	2 Gudmund	3 Ferdinand	4 Ambrosius	5 9:30 a.m. Reg. Practice 10:30 am Adult Swedish 11 am-Booster Cl Nanna
6 Vilhelm	7 Ingemund	8 Hemming	9 Otto	10 Ingvar	11 Ulf	12 9:30 am Reg. Practice 10:30 am Adult Swedish 11 am-Booster Clu Julius
13 Artur	14 Tiburtius	15 Olivia	16 Patrik	17 Elias	18 Valdemar	19 DRESS REHEARSA Mayfair Luth Ch 4335 W. Lawrence Chgo, Ill Olav. Petri
20 Amalia	21 Anselm	22 Albertina	23 Georg	24 Vega	25 Markus	26 9:30 Reg.Pract MERRIMAC PARK 6343 W. Irv. P Chicago,Ill Teresia
27 SPRING CONCERT Nat. Polish Alliance Cicero & Peterson Engelbrekt	28 Ture	29 Tyko	30 Mariana			



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SPRING IS IN THE AIR!

Spring is in the air! We can see it on the new buds on the trees and bushes, we can hear it it the happy song of the birds, and we see it in our children's faces! (Spring vacation is soon upon us!) This is an extremely busy time for Varblomman with our fund raising activities--pancake breakfast selling candy and stamps, and other activities; our spring concert with all of its preparation; along with getting ready for our own family's celebration of the Blessed Easter. I pray that God will give us the strength, courage and guidance to get thru these dificult and busy days so that we can work together toward our shared goal. "Varblomman" means spring flowers and as they are begining to grow now, let us also bloom and develope to our best potential and live up to our name!!! May you each have a blessed Easte

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PLEASE READ AND KEEP FOR YOUR INFORMATION

April	3, 1987	7:30 pm	Set-up for pancake breakfast Mayfair Lutheran Church, 4335 W. Lawrence Ave
"	4, "	8 am to noon	Pancake Breakfast, Mayfair Lutheran Church
"	4 "	9:30 am	PRACTICE*Gompers Park 4222 W. Foster(for childre
"	11, "	9:30 am	EASTER PARTY for all children Gompers Park Celebrate the Easter the Swedish way! The regular practice will follow. Booster Club meeting
"	18 "	9:30 am	PRACTICE** Song and Dance only
"	21 "		STEN STURE FRIHET Varblomman will be serving A Dinner (all ticket money will go to Sweden Fund) pg.3 of Newsletter
"	25 "	1:30 pm	DRESS REHEARSAL Norwood Park, 6016 N. Nina, Chicago. Near Raven and Northwest Hwy.
May	2 "	10 am	Rehearsal and Luncheon at Polish National Alliance
		6 pm (Doors Open)	SPRING CONCERT-Polish National Alliance 6038 N. Cicreo (near Peterson)
"	9 "		PANCAKE BREAKFAST Mayfair Lutheran Church, 4335 W. Lawrence, Chicago
	15 "	5:30 pm	PERFORMANCE Field Museum, Roosevelt Rd and Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (con't)

May	16, 1987	9:30 am	Practice--Gompers Park
"	23 "		NO Practice--Memorial Day Weekend!
"	30 "	10 am	Clean-up day at Vasa Park.
June	6, "		Practice--Gompers Park, Ill
June	7, "	1:30 pm (set-up)	SWEDISH FLAG DAY PERFORMANCE North Park College Program 3 pm **BRING BAKREY GOODS
"	14, "	9 am (gates open)	VASA BARNEN'S DAG Vasa Park, Route 31 So. Elgin, Ill Children perform in afternoon
"	16 "		Kronon Lodge PERFORMANCE Ashland & Foster, Chicago

Please note--Some of these dates may vary a little, but in an effort to keep you informed, we are listing them as they stand now. As they are confirmed, correct times will be given to you.

SWEDISH EASTER!!

Join us at our Easter Party and celebrate Easter the Swedish way! Children should dress up like Easter witches (Påskkäring). Please see the attached information about Easter. Bring your brooms, coffee pots, a treat to share with the other children(jelly beans, raisins, sm. candy etc.) and a Easter letter for each child(this is a hand drawn Easter picture which says Glad Påsk (Happy Easter) till (to_____) and från (from)___ Easter games will be played and everyone will enjoy flying off to Blåkulla Occasionally the Påskkäring also have black cats so you may want to bring them also (Stuffed!). The Easter party will be April 11, at 9:30 am at Gompers Park. Children also wear make-up on their faces.

SPRING CONCERT

We will be setting up the morning of the concert, May 2, promptly at 10 am. Please bring your items for the Bake Sale, Bazaar, and also if you have anything for the raffle. While the parents are settingup, the children will be practicing. Also please bring a batch of Spritz cookies for the Refreshment table (to go with the open face sandwiches).

HELP NEEDED FOR THE VIKING SHIP!

We would like to have a viking ship for the little children to use in the program. It will be made of cardboard and be big enough for 16 children (8 pairs of 2 each). It will have to be formed and painted and is needed by April 18th. This will be a very cute addition to our Spring Concert, But, if no one is willing to made it we won't have it. Won't you please help, contact Joy if you are willing!



YOUR INVITATION TO LUNCH!!

Saturday, May 2, 1987

at approximately noon

POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE HALL

given by

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Overby, Mr. & Mrs. Karl Persson

Rev. & Mrs. Kendrick Suter



VASA PARK CLEAN UP

We will be going out to Vasa Park in So. Elgin Ill on Sat. May 30 th to helpclean up. We will be painting and scraping the kitchen or cleaning it or painting picnic tables. We need your help and so does Vasa Park. It is important that as many come out as possible, to help get this work done. We can all bring a potluck lunch or each family their own.

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

1. The fund raising committee is in the process of planning something each month of 1987. The candy can be an ongoing item and gives us a good profit. Please try to sell atleast two cartons a month if not more. Turn your money into Ruth Uddenberg. The Moky's have the candy bars. Some families have barely sold one box and others have sold 14! Let's all try our hardest to sell these--they are delicious (ask me!--I ate so many that I joined Weight watchers!!) Bring them to work, and leave a sign and envelope on the box. I sold 10 to 20 without even trying! Some have taken them to stores or their church or anywhere there is a gathering of people.
2. Also, a reminder that we are taking orders for address stamps and order forms are available from the Swansons. These are available with a monogram, 3 Swedish crowns or a "Norwegian" Viking ship next to the name and address. Consider giving these for a birthday, Mother's Day or Father's day present!! It is hoped that each family will be able to sell at least 10. The profit on the candy and stamps is 50%--a good margin!!
3. A dinner at Sten Sture Frihet on April 21, dinner to begin at 7 pm and Varblomman will be supplying thefood. Tickets will be sold (probably $5.00) and reservations taken by Marion Johnson so that we have an idea how many will be there. The 17 Swedish Students will perform after dinner. Menu probably will be--Relishes, Meatballs, Baked hash brown potatoes (by Ester Moky) jello, Salad and/or veg. rolls, hard tack, deserts,etc. We will ask you to each sign up for something. All of the profits will go to the Swedish fund.
4. Remember each of you are important and neededto reach our goal, and that everyone will benefit from their effort! Either a trip to Sweden or the Wisconsin Dude Ranch for the children!! Also a sincere thank you to everyone for the work up to the present!!

SWIMMING PARTY

A sincere thank you to Sherri Magnuson for her effort in organizating the Swimming Party last Sunday, March 28--Its too bad not more were able to enjoy it. There were 10 child en and 5 adults. Again Sherri thank you!!

GRATIS PA DIN FODELSEDAG!

APRIL 1 Jennifer Green (1973)
14 Krister Suter (1980)



RECIPE OF THE MONTH**SPRITZ

1 Cup butter	1 egg
3/4 cup sugar	½ tsp salt
2 ¼ cup flour	¼ tsp baking powder
1 tsp almond or vanilla flavoring	

Heat oven to 400°. Cream butter and sugar. Add other ingredients. Press thru cookie press. Bake 6 to 9 min or until set but not brown. About 5 doz.
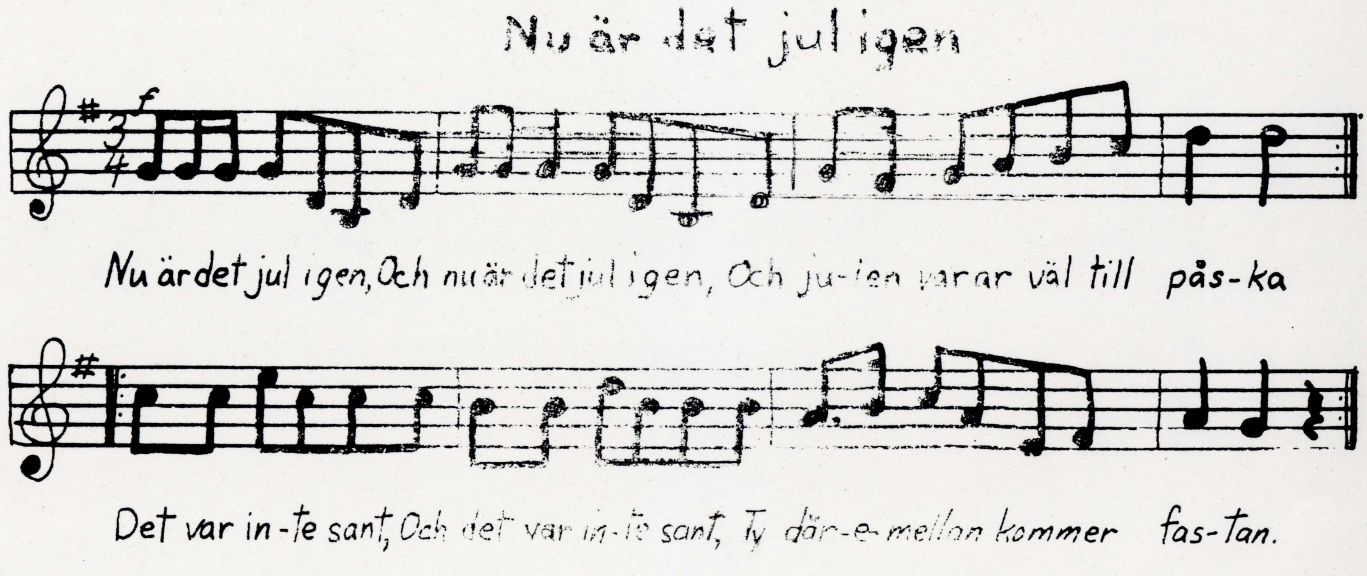


The legend is that witches were astir around Maundy Thursday. One had to keep the doors and windows closed because the witches were looking for glowing embers for their fires and butter and coffee for their elaborate feasts with the devil himself.

Stina is dressed up like an Easter witch (påskkäring) to remind you of the fact that witches have always been associated with Easter in Sweden. During Easter it is a custom for sooty-faced little girls to trot around astride a broom stick with shawls over their heads like old ladies of the past, shouting Glad påsk (Happy Easter).

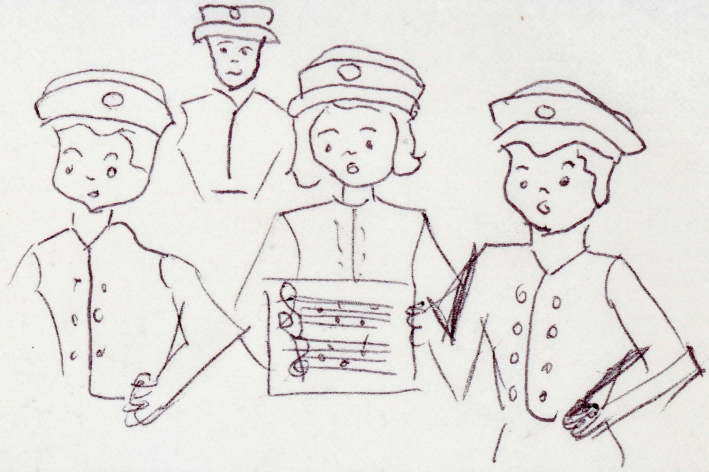
PÅSK VISA.

Nu är det Påsk igen,
Ja, nu är det Påsk igen
och Påsken firar vi med äggmat.
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Ja, nu är det Påsk igen
och Påsken firar vi med äggmat.
Å häxor får vi se
som sitter på en kvast.
Till Blåkulla dom far med katten.
Å häxor får vi se
som sitter på en kvast
De flyger nog mest hela natten.

Sing to the tune of: "Nu är det jul igen".



"Sköna Maj Välkommen!"



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 2, 1987	10 am	Set-up and practice for the Spring Concert with Luncheon following. Polish National Alliance 6038 N. Cicero, (near Peterson), Chicago
" " "	6 pm (Doors open)	Arrive for Spring Concert (Program begins at 7 pm.)
May 8, 1987	7:30 pm	Set-up for pancake breakfast**Mayfair Lutheran Church, 4335 W. Lawrence, Chicago
" 9, 1987	7:30 am	Pancake Breakfast (8 till noon) at Mayfair Luth. Church. Children will PERFORM at 11 am.
" 9, 1987	9:30 am	PRACTICE FOR CHILDREN--Gompers Park
" 15 "	5:00 pm	PERFORMANCE --Field Museum, Roosevelt Rd. & Lake Shore Drive, Chicago.
" 16, "	9:30 am	PRACTICE FOR CHILDREN--Gompers Park
" 17 "	12:30 pm	SYTTENDE MAI PARADE--Talcott and Cumberland, Park Ridge, Children will be in parade.
May16,17"		Vasa Order of America, District Convention in Milwaukee, Ruth Uddenberg will represent Varblomman
" 23,		NO PRACTICE--Memorial Day Weekend
" 30	10 am	CLEAN-UP DAY at Vasa Park, So. Elgin, Ill.
June 6 "	9:30 am	PRACTICE--Gompers Park
" 7	1:30 pm (set-up)	PERFORMANCE--SWEDISH FLAG DAY North Park College, (Program at 3 pm) ****BRING BAKREY GOODS & BAZAAR ITEMS)
" 14	9 am (gates open)	VASA PARK CHILDREN'S DAY PERFORMANCE Varblomman will have the pancake stand
" 16 "		PERFORMANCE--KRONAN LODGE Ashland & Foster, Chicago
3rd weekend in June????		PERFORMANCE???? Andersonville Midsummer
3rd weekend in August		PERFORMANCE???? Norwood Park Home Picnic
Oct. 7, 1987		Botanic Gardens--Kick-off for New Sweden 1988! PERFOR

*****Please see the attached family questionaire to be returned to Joy by May 2 on the back of this newsletter!!!!!

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TACK SA MYCKET!!

Hearty thank you's are in order to the following for their help to Vårblomman!!

To Astrid Strom and Irene Strom for their instruction of the children in the language classes!!
To Ester and Wayne Moky for all their work on the Viking Ship and on the fund raising committee!!
To all of you who contributed food for the dinner at Sten Sture!!
To those of you who worked so hard to serve the food!!
To those of you who obtained ads for the ad book and
To Carol Carlson who worked so hard to put the ad book together!!
To Joy Hamrin for her time and unselfish work with the children (and the parents)!!
To Mette and Wayne Spies and Virgina Lindroos for their instruction of the children--without you, we would not have a program!!
To Diane Overby for her leadership and organizational qualities of all of us!!
To Ruth Uddenberg for her devoted work as treasurer!!
To all of you who have worked so hard this past year--a sincere THANK YOU!!!!!

FAMILY QUESTIONAIRE

At the end of this newsletter you will find a questionaire which we hope you will fill out and return to Joy. Thank you for your cooporation!!!!!

PRACTICES

Please come for practices at 9:30 am from now till June. There will be no language classes and practices will be over about 10:30 or 11 am!! The little children will be done before the older children. There will be no luncheon served. If the children know their words and dance steps, we will be done this early. If we have everyone's cooporation we will be done and can enjoy the lovely weather of spring.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUB!!

Joy recieved a Easter greeting from Sylvia, and she says that she misses everyone terribly and that she hopes that the children will write to her (possibly as part of their studies). She sends best wishes for a happy Easter!

Travelers since January include the following: The Uddenbergs went on a lovely trip to Jamaca; The Bob Swanson's to Florida; The Douglass's to California; Astrid and Gus Strom to Hawaii--a desire for quite some time; and a dream of a life-timefor the Datz's--they won a trip to Hawaii; Irene Strom went to warmer weather also in Texas.; The Overby's went to Hayward for Easter. We are glad that you all had safe trips and have now returned home!

Kristen Magnuson sang at her grandmother's instalation as Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star. Her song was "Little Candle", and she also sang several other songs at Svithoid's Julmiddag in Dec.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

We will set-up May 8 at 7:30 and again ask each family to bring a gallon of batter. The children will perform about 11am at the breakfast.

SPRING CONCERT

We are asking each family to bring something for the bake sale; spritz or swedish cookies for the kitchen(coffee and); and something for the bazaar. Also if you have anything for the raffle, it would be appreciated.

The following is the work schedule for the concert:

FEED THE CHILDREN: Carol Carlson

KITCHEN: Marlene Callaghan, Lou Infelt, Sue Leimberer, Carol Hofler, Joanne Asplund

BAZAAR: Judy Giovannelli, Mary Jane Guth, Ann Datz, Ester Moky

BAR: Charlie Giovannelli, Mike Callaghan, Wayne Moky (buy supplies)

BAR TICKETS: Valorie Green (also help set-up Bakrey)

RAFFLE: Sherri Magnuson, Penny Swanson

COAT ROOM: Durward Hofler, Bill Guth, Rev. Carl Freedlund, Rev. Chuck Infelt

FISH POND: Terri and Bob Douglass

TICKETS: Ruth Uddenberg

BAKREY: Sue Garfinkle, Betty Ferina, Linnea Pearson, Valorie Green (help set-up)

SET-UP SOUND EQUIPMENT: Terrry Uddenberg, Forrest Green

TABLE AND CHAIR SET-UP: David Palmer, Lyle Garfinkle, Bob Swanson, Wally Magnuson, Dan Leimberer

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP!!!!!

CHILDREN'S DAY PICNIC

Vårblomman will again have the pancake booth at the Vasa Barnen's Dag Picnic, June 14. A schedule will be set up for the booth and for bazaar items. Gates open at 9 am so the pancakes will begin early. The children will have a short performance, in the afternoon. There will also be a group from Sweden at the picnic who will perform folk dances.

FAMILY QUESTIONAIRE (Complete by May 2)

NAME _____

CHILDREN & AGES _____

JOINED VARBLOMMAN IN _____
MONTH YEAR

WILL YOU BE TRAVELING WITH VARBLOMMAN TO SWEDEN IN 1988 IF:

1. THE TRIP IS PAID BY THE CLUB? _____
2. THE TRIP IS PARTLY PAID BY THE CLUB? _____
3. WILL ONLY THE CHILDREN BE GOING? _____
4. WILL PARENTS BE GOING ALSO? _____
5. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PLACES TO SEE _____

IF YOU ARE NOT PLANNING ON GOING TO SWEDEN, DO YOU PLAN ON SENDING YOUR CHILDREN TO THE DUDE RANCH IN WISCONSIN? _____

DO YOU FEEL THAT FUND RAISERS SHOULD CONTINUE AS WE HAVE BEEN SINCE JANUARY? _____

DO YOU FEEL THAT WE SHOULD EACH PAY OUR OWN WAY FOR THE TRIP? _____

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUND RAISERS? _____

ANY OTHER SUGGESTIONS _____

***PERFORMANCES HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR THE 3rdWEEDEND IN JUNE AND THE 3RD WEEKEND IN AUGUST. WILL YOU BE AVAILABLE FOR THESE?

THE 3rd WEEKEND IN JUNE (ANDERSONVILLE MIDSUMMER) _____

THE 3rd WEEKEND IN AUGUST(NORWOOD PARK PICNIC) _____

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THIS BE FILLED OUT BY EACH FAMILY SO THAT WE KNOW WHERE WE STAND. PLEASE COOPORATE AND RETURN THIS TO JOY BY MAY 2, 1987.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

23 Lisa Ferina
27 Kristin Callagha

CONGRATULATIONS!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 30, 1987 10 am Children practice while adults paint picnic tables. at Vasa Park, Rt 31, So. Elgin

June 6 " 9:30 am Practice Gompers Park (Will not last long-- only till 10:30 or 11 am)
Election of officers**
Booster club meeting

June 7 " 1:30 pm Set-up for SWEDISH FLAG DAY (program begins at 3 pm) Bring BAKREY GOODS**Swedish butter cookies** and BAZAAR ITEMS
CHILDREN PERFORM !!

June 13 9:30 am Short Practice Gompers Park

June 14 Vasa Children's Day PERFORMANCE
Pancake Stand opens at 9:30 am We will be in charge of this stand and everyone is needed to work this booth, at Vasa Park, Rt. 31, So. Elgin, Illinois

June 16 7:30 pm Kronon Lodge PERFORMANCE

June 20 Midsummer in Andersonville--Children will pass out flowers. Call K Mathison 283-8775 if coming.

HAVE A NICE SUMMER AND SEE YOU ON--

August 15 9:30 am Short Practice--Gompers Park

August 16 PERFORMANCE--Norwood Park Nursing Home
6016 N. Nina, Chicago (near Raven and Northwest Hwy)

August 29 9:30 am Short Practice--Gompers Park

Sept. 12 9:30 am Practice--Gompers Park

Sept. 13 PERFORMANCE--Scandinavian Day Picnic, Vasa Park, Route 31, So. Elgin, Ill

Sept. 19, 1987 9:30 am Regular practice--Gompers Park

Sept. 26, 1987 9:30 am Regular practice--Gompers Park

Oct. 3, 1987 9:30 am Regular Practice--Gompers Park

Oct. 4, 1987 PERFORMANCE--Botanical Gardens--Fall Kick-off for New Sweden 1988!!

Oct. 10, 1987 BAKE SALE--Evanston Farmers Market

Oct. 24, 1987 FUND RAISER** Wine and Cheese Party, South Park Field House, Park Ridge, Ill

(Please note that these are tentitive dates and because of two performances this fall there will be an increase number of practices. Additional practices may be called if needed or they may be changed if we have to practice with other clubs, as they are singing with Varblomman at the Botanical Gardens.) Also please note that every effort will be made to keep you informed--just read your newsletter!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!!!!!

Congratulations to our three eighth grade graduates!!--Erik Suter, Jenny Green and Sharleen Uddenberg. Sharleen graduated with National Honor Society honors and will be honored at a special dinner June 4th and will receive a special pin and plaque. Erik and Jenny have also graduated with high honors. Congratulations to all of our special young people!! We are very proud of you! Congratulations to Nancy Green on her recent confirmation--May God continue to bless you through out your life!!

SJOLUNDEN CAMP

The following will be attending Sjolunden this summer--4 week session--Sharleen Uddenberg, Karen Leimberer, Kristy Guth; and the 2 week session--Lisa Infelt, Heather Moky, Carrie Spencer. Others are Erik Suter and Angie Ferina, there may be others also.

SWEDISH FLAG DAY

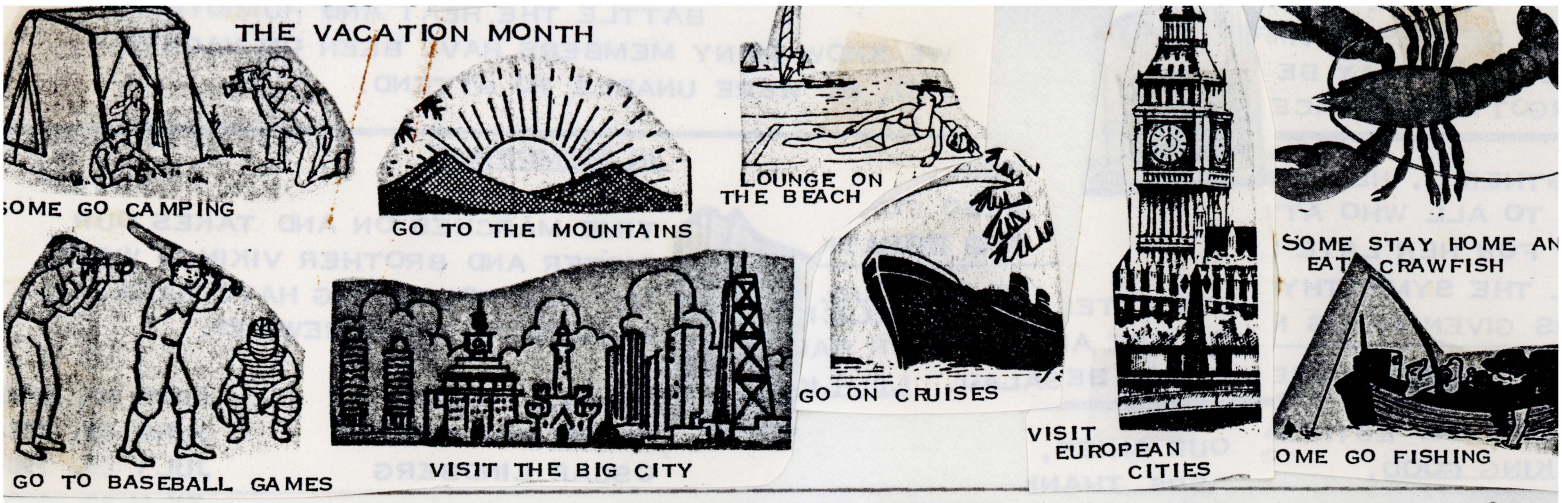
Please remember to bring Bakrey items and any bazaar items to Flag day. We will begin setting up at 1:30 pm. Please avoid any chocolate cookies or things that will "melt", as it can be warm on Flag day and we have no refrigeration available.

VASA CHILDREN'S DAY

We will again be having the pancake booth and we hope that everyone will be able to work. If you come late, there is always the clean up committee! We also need coffee cakes for the Kaffe Stuge and we will have a bazaar booth. Pancake booth will open at 9:30 am so initial workers will have to start about 8:30 am. People will be needed to fry sausages also.

Botanical Gardens

This will be the fall kick-off for New Sweden 1988 and promises to be a very nice affair. We will also have a booth there.



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Editorial Note

Enclosed with this newsletter you will find a Fall schedule and additional notes about it. PLEASE READ IT AND KEEP IT! We will discuss it at the August booster meetings. If you have any questions feel free to call Diane or myself. (Joy will be in Sweden in August). I hope that you are having a wonderful summer filled with life's best!!

SCANDINAVIAN DAY

Exciting news for Scandinavian Day--The Prime Minister of Sweden, Ingvar Karlsson and his delegation, including Bjorn Borg, the Swedish Ambassador and new Chicago Consul General, opera star Birgitta Svendin, as well as 20 to 40 members of the Swedish press--will be attending the picnic. It is likely that Gov. Thompson will be attending the event as well. And our children will be performing for them in addition to the 300 to 400 people that will be in attendance. This is one reason for the additional early practices in the fall. See other notes about Scandinavian Day that follow also.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

	CHILDREN CLUB	BOOSTER CLUB
PRESIDENT	Eric Overby	Diane Overby
VICE-PRESIDENT	Erik Suter	Judy Giovannelli
SECRETARY-Recording	Karen Leimberer	Marlene Callaghan
" -Correspondence		Carol Carlson
TREASURER	Alisa Overby	Ruth Uddenberg

The election was held at a June meeting. Our sincere congratulations to the new officers. I'm sure this will be an exciting and busy year as we plan for our 1988 trip. May God bless you all.

NILS LARSSON DEPARTS CHICAGO

The Vinland Newspaper reports that Nils Larsson, our Consul General left Chicago because of ill health. He will be replaced by Håkan Wilkens, the new Consul General, who will begin his new post Sept. 1. This was announced by the Swedish Foreign Service.

Notes on Fall Calendar

New items will have to be added and revisions will be made as they come up, but, in an effort to keep every one informed, we are sending this fall schedule out to you now. PLEASE DO NOT DISCARD THIS SCHEDULE! As you know, not all of the Lucia Performances are known at this time, but you will be notified as soon as new requests come in.

1. Practices will be held at Gompers Park unless otherwise noted. Short Practice means that no refreshments will be served and language class will not be held and they will be over about 10:30 or 11 am. Regular Practice indicates that the children will have a snack and language class will be held and practice will be over about 12:30 pm. There are more practices earlier because the club has been asked to perform for Scandinavian Day and Oct 4th therefore the practice for the Lucia becomes alittle delayed, thus more practices than usual.

2. Scandinavian Day We will have the Pop Stand, a Bazaar table, Pea Soup and Rice Pudding. Also the children will be performing and it is important that they do well as many people will be there to see them--this includes potential members, etc. A work schedule will be made out and all families will be asked to bring one recipe of rice pudding. Flyers will be passedout for our Wine & Cheese; Lucia Concert; and Inv. to join Varb.

3. Oct. 4th--Botanic Gardens--We will be having a recruiting booth with literature about Varblomman, possibly some old and current photo Tapes of the children singing, Flyers about Wine & Cheese,& Lucia also We also will have A Bskrey table and Bazaar booth. Again the club will be performing to a large number of people. This is the kick off for New Sweden 1988.

4. Farmer's Market--Oct 10,--Evanston. We will be selling homemade baked goods. Possiblysome other baked items that we purchase, e.i. limpa, pepparkaka, We will need everyone's help as this is a highly attended event and sales are reportedly excellent! We will also have coffee,et We will need alot of baked items as well as everyone's help! NOTE--no practice!

5. Oct 24, Wine & Cheese--Again we will need help setting-up at 6:30pm and the Wine & Cheese starts at 8 pm so be there promptly! Items will be needed for the silent auction, door prizes, also cheese and appetizers.

6. Lucia--Dec 5. Items will be needed for the bazaar--it's not too early to start sewing, knitting, etc.! We have two lovely raffle prizes a Orefors bowl value 125.00 and a Dala Hast--Large--donated by Hagard and Marion Johnson!

7. Pancake Breakfasts--will be planned for September and November.

VARBLOMMAN CHILDREN'S CLUB
FALL SCHEDULE
1987

August	15, 1987	9:30 am	Short practice and Booster meeting (over about 10:30 or 11 am)
	16	1:30 pm	PERFORMANCE Norwood Park Nursing Home 6016 Nina (Near NW Hwy & Raven) Chicago
	29	9:30 am	Short practice & Booster Meeting (over about 10:30 or 11 am)
September	12	9:30 am	Reg. practice & Booster Meeting
	13		SCANDINAVIAN DAY--Children perform Booster club has Pop stand, Bazaar, Rice Pudding, & Pea Soup
	19	9:30 am	Reg, Practice & Booster Meeting
	26	9:30 am	Reg. Pracitce & Booster Meeting
October	3	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster meeting
	4	9:30 am	PERFORMANCE Botanic Gardens in Glenco Booster Club has Information & Recruitment Booth, Bakrey Goods & Bazaar.
	10		NO PRACTICE BUT Booster Club has BAKE SALE in FARMERS MARKET IN EVANSTON (Nr. Mars. Field (begins early am)
	17	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster club meeting
	24	9:30 am	Reg. Practice
		6:30 pm	Set-up for Wine & Cheese South Park Field house, Talcott & Cumberland, Park Ridge
		8 pm	WINE & CHEESE PARTY Begins
	31	9:30 am	Short Practice (No Language)
November	7	9:30 am	Reg. Practice
	14	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster Club meeting
	21	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster meeting
	28		DRESS REHEARSAL
December	5	10:00 am	Practice for Lucia--Am. Serbian Hall Adults set-up for Lucia
	5	6:00 pm	Arrive for Lucia Program--Am Serbian Hall
	12	1:00 pm	PERFORMANCE--Mus. of Sci. & Ind. Christmas around the world program.

THE LANDING OF THE SWEDES

The Past District Masters Club of the Vasa Order of America have asked Mr. Bertil Winstrom to write a play for the Friday evening before the 1988 convention. It will be held May 20, 1988 and the convention will follow on May 21 and 22. It will be hosted by the Past District Master's club and will be a Historic Tableau depicting the immigration of the Swedes to America in honor of the 350th anniversary of the arrivial of the Swedes. Mr. Bertil Winstrom will write and produce the play and Joy Hamrin has been asked to be the coordinator for the children's clubs. Mr. Winstrom, of Milwaukee, has asked that each children's club participate in his play. This will require extra practices for those who participate. It will be a three episode pagent and each club will get one of them, with everyone in a grand finale. Please call Joy as soon as you can to let her know if your child will participate. Mr. Winstrom perfers children over 8 but Joy will also use her discretion. Practices will be in our area, but the play will be in Willowbrook, Ill.

WITH SINCERE THANKS Nels Emil Nelson 1906-1987

On behalf of my family, I would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of you. The love and caring that was shone to us upon the death of my Father was overwhelming and very much appreciated by my entire family. The flowers which were sent to the funeral home were lovely. All of your gifts of time, friendship, cards, sympathic words, baked items, and monitary gifts were so very much apprectiated. My Dad was very proud of our involvment with Varblomman and really enjoyed talking with all of you and being included in seeing the children perform, going to the picnics, lodges, etc. I know that he will be missed by many. We were very happy that Scott Uddenberg was able to sing at Dad's funeral, I know that Dad enjoyed hearing him sing the last time we were at a picnic together--Children's Day, 1987. I know that he will continue to be with us in spirit whenever the club performs. Again please accept our gratitude for all that you have done--it will never be forgotten! Peace be to Dad's memory. May god bless you all!

GRATIS PA DIN FODELSEDAG!

July 20 Julie Green (1978)
23 Kirstin Magnuson(1981)
25 Lisa Infelt (1975)

August 3 Erik Suter(1973)
6 Christina Giovannelli (1979)
13 Irene Strom
13 Edward Persson (1971)
22 Nancy Green (1974)
25 Alisa Overby (1974)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 26	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster Meeting
Oct, 3	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster Meeting
4	11 am	New Sweden 1988, Botanical Gardens, Glencoe
	1:30 am	PERFORMANCE at Botanical Gardens We will have a information booth, bazaar, Bakery booth,
4		ALL CANDY MONEY TO BE TURNED IN BY TODAY OR SOONER!!!
10	6:30 am	NO PRACTICE but Booster Club has BAKE SALE in FARMERS MARKET IN EVANSTON (near Marshall Field's)
17	9:30 am	Reg. Practice and Booster club meeting
24	9:30 am	Reg. Practice and Booster club meeting
"	6:30 pm	SET-UP for WINE & CHEESE PARTY, South Park Field-house, Talcott & Cumberland, Park Ridge
"	8 pm	WINE & CHEESE PARTY BEGINS
31	9:30 am	SHORT Practice (No Language)
31		ALL ADS TO BE TURNED IN BY THIS DATE
Nov. 7	9:30 am	Reg. Practice
14	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster meeting
21	9:30 am	Reg. Practice & Booster meeting
28	1:30 pm	DRESS REHEARSAL Bethesda Home, 2833 N. Nordica Ave. Chicago, Ill
Dec. 5	10 am	Practice for Lucia--Am. Serbian Hall, 5701 Redwood Dr,Chgo. Booster Club--Set-up for the program
"	6 pm	Arrive for Lucia Program (Concert begins 7pm)
6	2 pm	Svenska Kulturförbundet, Julmiddagen, Robert & Allens Regency Inn, 5319 W. Diversy, Chgo (Dinner 12 noon)
"	4:30 pm	PERFORMANCE Mayfair Luth Church, 4335 W. Lawrence Ave. Chicago
12	1:00 pm	PERFORMANCE Mus. of Sci & Ind. Christmas Around the World, Chicago
13		PERFORMANCE Ebenezer Luth Church, 1650 W. Foster, Chicago.
15		PERFORMANCE Sten Sture-Frihet Lodge, 5516 W. Lawrence Chicago, Ill.

NOTE *****This is a tentitive schedule and will be up-dated as the time draws nearer for each practice and/or performance. Additional items will be added as decided.

TACK SÅ MYCKET!!

A big thank you to all those of you who baked, worked and helped at Scandinavian Day and at Sten Sture's dinner. As we work toward our goal, please know that your help does not go unnoticed or unappreciated!

OCT. 4th--SWEDISH CULTURAL FESTIVAL 11 am to 4 pm

As you know we will be having 3 tables at Botanic Gardens in Glencoe, for memorabilia, bazaar items, Bakery goods. Also we will be having the raffle items for the Lucia there in addition to the Viking ship, Horse, and Snowman. Children should be in their costumes by 1:30 pm. We will need everyone's help that day to take turns in the booths. Diane and Judy will be coordinating this. Joy is incharge of the children's performances.

Oct 10--FARMER'S MARKET BAKE SALE

The Farmer's Market begins early--6:30 am--and sells out early! We will need everyone to bake a large amount and also to work that morning at the booth. Marcella Carlson a nd Joanne Asplund are the coordinators of this. Let's all give them our support! We will be purchasing some items for sale in addition to what we bake. You will still be able to enjoy your 3-day weekend as you should be done early! NOTE** No practice that day!!

Oct 24--WINE AND CHEESE PARTY

It is unfortunate that our three fund raisers are in Oct., but we must again ask you for help. This is the MAJOR Fund Raiser for the Fall and to make it a success, we need everyone's help!! We have no pancake breakfasts so that we can put all our effort into this event. We will need Appetizers--3 lbs. of cheese or an equivent--from each family. Please remember if you make a "spreadable" to bring crackers, bread etc.to go with it. Marlene Callaghan and Esther Moky are coordinating this event and will accept items for the silent auction, raffle. Set-up is scheduled for 6:30 pm and everyone is asked to be there then. Please sell all of your tickets and turn in your money to the Moky's. We will have a fall theme. We will also have a bazaar so bring any items that you may have.

AD BOOK

Everyone is asked to sell about 5 ads. If you do not want to sell ads to stores, business, etc.--think of taking an ad yourself! What better way to congratulate our Lucia that a personalized ad!!! My family has taken an ad--full page--every time. The money goes to our children!!!! Ads are needed by Oct. 31!!!! Carol Carlson will be coodinating this with the help of Sue Garfinkle and Marijane Guth.

FUND RAISERS--CANDY MONEY --Deadline Oct. 4, 1987

Just a comment about fund raisers, esp. CANDY SALES, to thank all of you who have helped. Thank you to our committee--the Moky's, Swanson's, Callaghan's & Carlson's, We need all outstanding candy money to be turned in by Oct 4th. We are losing the interest on this money and indirectly hurting ourselves by not turning it in.

ELECTION OF VARIOUS OFFICES

The following offices were held over from the last election in June to be completed this fall--Publicity, Historian, Children's Day Committee (3), Vasa Park Annual Meeting (1), Auditors (3). Please give your consideration to accepting these offices as you are called upon to do them. Your help and input is needed!

NEWS FROM AROUND THE CLUB

Overseas travelers this past summer include the Spieses to Norway and the Hamrins to Norway and Sweden. Joy and Erik were able to attend a Norwegian wedding and Joy's Gradmother's 100th birthday!!

Closer to home, the Garfinkle's went toMacinac Island and around Lake Michigan, abd the Guth's to Eagle River. The Giovannelli's also took a few days in Wisconsin to relax. The Magnuson's enjoyed going to Florida.

Recently, the Uddenberg's were notified by their son, Scott, that he will have the lead in "Guys and Dolls" at DePaw Univ. in Indiana. Scott, who is a former "Varblommanite", is a sophomore at De Paw who is also involved in the school radio show and church choral director. Guy Masterson (alias Scott) can be seen during Alumni weekend, Oct. 23-25. Congratulations, Scott!

Sylvia Heed, our past dance instructor, has permanently moved to Sweden. She was at Norwood Park Home in August and many of us enjoyed seeing her there! She would love to hear from the children and families in our club!

LEIF ERICKSON'S DAY

What better way to celebrate the disorvery of North America than by going to a Leif Erickson Fest! It will be held Sat. Oct. 10 at 6:30 pm at the Scandinavian Club in Arlington Hts. Info 364-5654. Or celebrate at the fest in andersonville the same day!

Svenska Kulturförbundet (from the Svenska Am. Tribunen)

Per Hugo lists the following programs which are open to the public:
Oct. 11, Victory Hall, Irving Pk Church, Belle Plaine &Harding Sandra Bergqvist, Soloist. 3 pm.
Nov. 1, Gustav II Adolfsfest, Irving Pk Church 3 pm, Swedish Consul General Hakan Wilkens, welcome; Margie Karl, soloist.

Birthday Congratulations to:

SEPTEMBER
12 Christina Carlson (11yrs)
21 Erika Maj Williams(6 yrs)

OCTOBER

1 Karen Leimberer (17 yrs)

