

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY & YEAR BOOK



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Our 96th Year

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IN 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.

PAST PRESIDENTS

N. P. MALMBORG	1882-1891
OLOF F. NELSON	1892
FRED R. FRANSON	1893
OLOF F. NELSON	1894
EMIL BERGSTROM	1895
OLOF F. NELSON	1896
FRED R. FRANSON	1897
A. W. JOHANSON	1898
CHARLES ESBJORN	1899
FRED R. FRANSON	
CHARLES J. ERICKSON	
FRED R. FRANSON	1900-1904
OLOF F. NELSON	1905
FRED R. FRANSON	1906
OLOF F. NELSON	1907-1909
JOHN A. SANDGREN	1910
OLOF J. OHLSON	1911
ERIC E. HALL	1912-1913
JOHN E. ERICSON	1914-1917
JOHN P. FRIEDLUND	1918-1919
JOHN A. ANDERSON	1920-1921
T. B. SWANSON	1922
C. A. CARLSON	1923-1924
JOHN E. SHELLSTROM	1925-1926
JOHN A. LIND	1927-1928
ERNST CARLSON	1929-1931
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JOEL S. SODERLUND	1938
CARLE E. BECKER	1939
GROVER A. PETERSON	1940-1942
ERNEST A. JOHNSON	1943
HAROLD A. SCHOTT	1944
SWEN G. WEBNER	1945
HENRI ELMUND	1946
HAROLD F. GREVIN	1947
HUGO W. MORTENSON	1948
HERBERT A. DAHLQUIST	1949-1950
GUNNAR A. BLOOM	1951
DUDLEY L. ECKHOLM	1952
SEYMOUR G. CARLSON	1953
ARNOLD D. JOHANSON	1954
WALDEMAR HULTGREN	1955
HAROLD R. FAGERSON	1956
EVERETT W. WESTMAN	1957
EVERETT S. CARLSON	1958
ELTON C. ANDERSON	1959
E. B. LEE BERGSTROM	1960
SEYMOUR G. CARLSON	1961
WILLARD O. NORBERG	1962
MARTIN AHLM	1963
HAROLD G. MAGNUS	1964-1965
CARL W. ERICKSON	1966
HAROLD J. ERICSSON	1967
LENNART N. BLOOM	1968
EDWIN T. OSCARSON	1969
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GUNNARD O. HAGEN	1972
RALPH W. OSTROM	1973
ROBERT E. MAGNUS	1974
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*HAROLD J. ERICSSON	*GROVER A. PETERSON
*HAROLD R. FAGERSON	*WALTER C. SCHEEL
*HAROLD F. GREVIN	*HAROLD A. SCHOTT
H. M. CARL XVI GUSTAF	*ARTHUR R. STROBECK
King of Sweden	*SWEN G. WEBNER
*GUNNARD O. HAGEN	*EVERETT W. WESTMAN
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TORE HOGSTEDT
Consul General of Sweden
FREDERICK C. NIEMI
Consul of Finland
PAUL S. JOHNSON
Consul of Iceland
BENGT G. JOHNS
Consul of Denmark
B. M. RIISE
Consul General of Norway

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