

September 2024

Golden Valley Lodge #616 Newsletter



Suburban West Coast

To many, the west coast of Sweden is primarily known for its vacation homes and busy summers. But of course many people also choose it as their permanent home. This suburban dream is located between the Swedish city of Gothenburg and Norway's capital Oslo.

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Welcome Brothers and Sisters,

Our first dinner for the fall season will be hosted by our new member, Susanne Guerra. Thank you so much for volunteering.

Our dinners are one of the wonderful activities that our lodge offers. Another awesome event our lodge offers is our yearly trips and events. For 2025, we offer five choices which Maggie and I will discuss at our September meeting.

We will answer questions and decide which one we want to have. The options are: Cambria/Paso Robles wine tasting, Kingsburg Swedish

Festival, Zion, Bryce Canyon and rim of the north Grand Canyon, South Lake Tahoe or July 4th at the Hollywood Bowl.

December 14th will be our Christmas Dinner and Lucia event. We are asking for donations for our Christmas raffle. Please bring items that people will want to take. Bring them to the September, October and November meetings. I am looking forward to seeing all of you again.

Delphine

If you have not paid your membership dues, they are due.

Questions? Ask: akanling20@yahoo.com

Please send your checks to:
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Reimbursement for an expense:

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or
gladegal2003@yahoo.com

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Meeting: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church | 9440 Balboa Blvd | Northridge, CA 91325

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GVL Happenings

Happy September/October Birthday!!!

SEPTEMBER (9)

Sylva Pitters	1
Stefanie MacDonald	2
Lars-Ove Nilsson	6
Mark Landstrom	7
Dawn Mathews	7
Larry Klein	9
Kevin Dewey	11
Cecilia Elisabeth Danhi	12
Iulian Lundberg	12
Jason Bloom	19
Sandra Pehrsson	20
Birgetta Glad	26
Annika Buck	28
Bertil Winther	30

OCTOBER (10)

Gayle Landstrom	1
Hildur Banhart	1
Jana Gasior	2
Gun Marianne Olin	2
Lilian Cropper	3
Annili Anderson	5
Yvonne Klintare	5
Laila Weitz	7
Delphine Trowbridge	7
Larry Pulatanovich	7
Rut Eneberg	8
Wenche Eklund	8
Lillemo Possecker	10
Heidi Klintare	12
Conny Klintare	13
Maggie Connelly	14
Daga-Karin Lindquist	15
Ingela Sorensson	15
Stephen Osmond	16
Ann Heinstedt	16
Alex Klintare	19
Alexander Richards	21
Emma Rose Chiarelli	21
Lisa Eklund	23
Katarina Holstein	24
Bradley Richards	25
Gunvor Sabo	25
Dios, Saga	27



2024 Golden Valley Lodge Board & Service Positions

Chair: Delphine Trowbridge
Vice Chair: Jason Trowbridge
Past Chair: Maidie Karling
Recording Secretary: Dorothy Burns
Assistant Secretary: Cecilia Danhi
Membership Secretary: Danielle Sommer
Financial Secretary: Ann-Kristin Karling
Treasurer: Birgitta Clark
Chaplain: Beth Bunnell
Master of Ceremonies: Stig Eneberg
Assistant MoC: Lucas Taylor
Cultural: Susanne Moreland
Trustee Chairman 1 yr: Maria Jacobs
Trustee 2 yr: Kerstin Wendt
Trustee 3 yr: Bertil Winther
Auditor chairman 1 yr: Ann Heinstedt
Auditor 2 yr: Britt Potter
Auditor 3 yr: Linda Trowbridge
Events Co-Chair: Maggie Connelly
& Delphine Trowbridge
Scholarships: Beth Bunnell, Hubert Pitters
Financial: Hubert Pitters
Historian: Laurie Taylor
Vasa Park: Dorothy Burns, Richard Heinstedt, Linnea Heinstedt
Alternate Ann-Sofi Holst
Bar: Valerie & Dylan Olson
Newsletter: Laurie Taylor
Youth Group: Cecilia Trowbridge
Vasa Star: Laurie Taylor

Welcome back from the summer break. Now it's time to start thinking about "CHRISTMAS". As usual, we will be having a raffle at our Christmas party.

Do you have any very nice items you are willing to donate? If so, please bring them to the September, October or November meetings. Delphine will announce where the box is located in the meeting room.

Please do not bring anything to the Christmas party, as it will not be displayed.

Kerstin Wendt

Social Choices

Golden Valley Social Event for 2025

TRIP 1: Cambria/Paso Robles bus tour 3-day trip

- Day 1 LA to Cambria and spend afternoon with choice of Hearst Castle tour (afternoon or evening), Moonstone beach board walk and explore tide pools or wine tasting.
- Day 2 Cambria to Paso Robles. Visit the Pioneer Museum to view historical relics. Wine tasting at a choice of several wineries. (Eberle, Justin, Pear Valley) Good economical lodgings Paso Robles Inn, Marriott off 101, Quality Inn on 46. Dinner at winery or restaurant.
- Day 3 Return to Los Angeles.

TRIP 2: Kingsburg Swedish Festival May 2025 3-day trip

- Day 1 Leave Los Angeles and drive to Kingsburg. Dinner
- Day 2 Enjoy the activities
- Day 3 Breakfast and bus trip home

TRIP 3: Zion, Bryce Canyon and rim of Grand Canyon bus trip June 15- 21, 2025 6 day trip

- Day 1 Los Angeles to Springdale Utah 420 miles
- Day 2 Tour Zion
- Day 3 Visit Bryce Canyon
- Day 4 Drive to north rim of Grand Canyon
- Day 5 Drive to St George, UT for the night
- Day 6 Home

TRIP 4: So. Lake Tahoe 4-day trip

- Day 1 Leave Los Angeles early for an 8-hour drive to Tahoe
- Day 2 Stay in a resort.
- Day 3 Explore Lake Tahoe and visit a casino.
- Day 4 Return to Los Angeles

TRIP 5: Hollywood Bowl for July 2025. Picnic and fireworks.

GVL June Social Meeting





SCANDINAVIAN AUTUMNFEST & HÖSTMARKNAD CELEBRATION



- ▶ Annual Swedish Meatball Contest
- ▶ Vendor Opportunities
- ▶ Swimming
- ▶ Vasa Gem Mining
- ▶ Alpine Tube Slide*
- ▶ Lingonberry Pie Eating Contest
- ▶ Swedish Field Games
- ▶ Rock Climbing Wall*
- ▶ Children's Play Structure
- ▶ Opportunity Drawings
- ▶ Interactive Inflatables
- ▶ Bingo with Great Prizes
- ▶ Swedish Folk Dancing & Music
- ▶ Swedish Food
- and more!

* Closed-toe shoes required

INTRODUCING THE FRITHIOF FAMILY

who will perform and be our Master of Ceremonies. They are a Swedish family who are descendants of Gustav Vasa.

ANNUAL SWEDISH MEATBALL CONTEST

If interested in entering the contest, contact info@vasapark.org by September 6th.

AUTHENTIC FOOD AND SKILLED ARTISANS

Enjoy the tastes of Sweden and traditional foods such as varmkorv med bröd, Svenska köttbullar, and kakor. Beyond the great foods, you will also be able to buy beautifully crafted gifts and souvenirs.

WE ARE A MEMBERS ONLY PARK

- ▶ Must be a member of Vasa Order of America
- ▶ Parking for all Members \$10 per car
- ▶ For Membership information: membership@vasapark.org

OCTOBER 6, 2024 | SUNDAY

9AM - 5PM

VASA PARK



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Vendor Opportunity: vpaeventcoord@gmail.com

Visit us at: www.vasapark.org



NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL*, NO SMOKING OR VAPING*

NO BBQ, NO DOGS

(except ADA compliant service dogs)
* Per Los Angeles County requirements