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FROM THE SCS BOARD

The Board continues to meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The following is a summary of what transpired during our October meeting.

Board Members: Niklas Kviselius, Karmen Blackwood, Kristin Josephson, Riitta Huttunen, Pia Hilton, Carina Spencer, Monica Olofsson, Roland Strong, Linda Olofsson, Lana Löfgren, Karmen Blackwood, Pia Hilton, Monica Severinson

Guest: Erica Jonsson (Swedish School)

Discussion/Update:

Membership: - We are saddened by the loss of our Honorary Member *Irene Howard*, who passed away on Nov 2, 2023 (close to her 101st birthday). A memorial service for her at the Scandinavian Centre is planned.



Former Vancouver City Councillor Ellen Woodsworth and Auntie Irene, at the opening of Helena Gutteridge Plaza on a blustery day in March, 2018.

You can read about her in the [Mickleblog](https://mickleblog.wordpress.com/tag/irene-howard/) (<https://mickleblog.wordpress.com/tag/irene-howard/>) by B.C. journalist Rod Mickleburgh. (Nephew of Irene)

Our Honorary Member Birgit Cook turned 90 and was celebrated by the Board.



Birgit was celebrated with a bouquet of flowers

The *Swedish School* is starting to contact alumni to keep them connected to the Swedish community.

Adult Education: For information please go to swedishculturalsociety.com

2024 SCS Board Members Needed!

If you are interested in getting involved in our society, please contact Niklas Kviselius, niklas.kviselius@gmail.com.

A great way to connect with our organization is to volunteer at one of our many events or join our work party! Please check out our website for events and more: <https://swedishculturalsociety.com>

For more information & events, please visit swedishculturalsociety.com and [Scancentre.org](https://scancentre.org)

Calendar Nov-December

Unless otherwise noted, all activities and events will take place at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby.

November

- North Book-club meet at Kee Franzen's home
- Nov 30. 7pm, Lucia practice at the Danish Church

December

- Dec 3 at 6pm: Advent service at the Danish church.
- Dec 9: Lucia celebration

SHS SCCS (Carina Spencer):

- Fall clean up Oct 26. 3 Swedes showed up. May 11 is the next clean up.
- The Centre needs fundraising! Please contact Carina (majoshspencer@gmail.com) with your ideas.
- Everyone invited to the Scandinavian Family Christmas hosted by NHS, Norwegian House, on Dec 10 at 2-5pm.
- SHS needs new board members for next year. Please contact Carina majoshspencer@gmail.com.



1st of Advent Service at the Danish church, Dec 3, 6pm, everyone welcome.

Nov 18-19: Christmas Fair

On November 18-19 we had our annual Christmas Fair!

With over 25 vendors and 1700 visitors, it was a success. **Thanks to all volunteers** that helped make this such a wonderful event!

Below is a collage showing our vendors. More information about our vendors is available at swedishculturalsociety.com. Of course we had rice porridge, hot dogs and open-faced sandwiches.



Our new playground was put to good use during the Christmas Fair.

Dec. 9: Lucia Celebration



It's soon time for the Lucia celebration!

This year's Lucia 2023 is Alicia Bristow. All children age 6 and up, whose parents are members of the Swedish Cultural Society, are welcome to participate in the Lucia procession.

- First practice session: Nov. 30 at 7pm at the Danish church.
- Practice performance: Dec. 2 at Swedish Canadian Resthome.
- Performance at IKEA Richmond: Dec. 8
- Scandinavian Centre Performances: Dec. 9; two performances. Tickets available @ swedishculturalsociety.com!

For registration and more information please contact Catharina Wimpe: CatharinaWimpe@gmail.com

Nordic Baking Classes 2023

Nordic Baking classes are offered by the Scandinavian Centre. In-person classes are held at the Scandinavian Community Centre at 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby. Classes are open to everyone; no membership needed. Previous baking experience is not required. There are 8-10 spots per class. We have both in-person classes and zoom classes.

Contact Sandra at scanbake@gmail.com to reserve your spot!

SCS Board Contact Information

Chair: Niklas Kviselius,
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Secretary: Monica Severinson,
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All members are welcome to attend the Swedish Cultural Society's monthly meetings held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby (option to attend virtually).

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Our Swedish Library

We have recorded 1,500 books and 150 DVDs on our website, swedishculturalsociety.com. All members can search for book titles there. To borrow books or DVDs please visit the Swedish room at the Scandinavian Centre. Please do NOT leave books to donate, at the centre, without first contacting Pia Hilton. **Pia Hilton** is our Librarian. She can be contacted at piachilton@gmail.com. Thank you!