



**28 APRIL**



**Come celebrate Valborg with us at Ambleside Beach**

We hope to see you on April 28th at Ambleside Beach for this year's Valborg Celebrations. We will get started at 6pm with a large bonfire, spring songs and a spring speech. Bring your studentmössa (graduation cap) if you still have yours and hot dogs/sausages for roasting on the fire. We hope to see you there!

**CALENDAR**

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

**April**

28 Valborg, Ambleside Beach  
28 Swedish Church Service,  
Danish Church, 4 PM

**May**

6 Norra bokklubben, 7 PM  
11 Work Party, Scandinavian Centre  
28 Södra bokklubben, 7 PM

**June**

8 National Day of Sweden Celebrations  
9 Open House on Swedish Heritage  
21-23 Scandinavian Midsummer Festival

**11 MAY**

**Spring Work Party!**

Our annual spring cleaning/work event will be held again on May 11th and is a great way to meet others and learn more about the community centre. We start at 8:30am and go to around 3pm. Breakfast will be provided by the generous help of the Finnish War Veterans and lunch by the Danish House Society. Please confirm in advance if you will be able to attend to allow for meal planning – and if you will be present for breakfast, lunch or both. Confirm by phoning the centre at 604-294-2777 or email [info@scandinaviancentre.org](mailto:info@scandinaviancentre.org).



If possible, bring rakes, leaf blowers, buckets, rags and vacuums. There will be jobs both indoors and outdoors, and for all ages, sun or shine. We appreciate all the help that we can get. Thank you in advance!

**This year's most sought after swag bag can be yours!**

This is something that is worth owning and can be yours for a cost of only \$8. It will be available for purchase at our events, book clubs, the Swedish School, our language classes or one of our committee members.



**Have you paid your membership fee?**

If you have forgotten, it is time to do so. The annual fee is \$30 for family and \$25 for individual. We accept payment by cheque, made payable to the Swedish Cultural Society, mailing address 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby, BC V5B 4P9. Or by e-transfer to [scstresury@gmail.com](mailto:scstresury@gmail.com). Please also let us know of any change of address too.

**Annual Meeting for Swedish House**

The annual meeting for the Swedish House Society was held on March 19th and there is ongoing need for practical help with taking care of our venue.

The following individuals were selected for the committee: Paul Andreassen/Solvi Stokholm, Scandinavian Business Club; Annabelle Kergan, Runeberg Social Club; Brandon Bung, Swedish Cultural Society; Carina Spencer, Swedish Cultural Society; Dianne Kilback, Runeberg Chorus; Dorothy Carlson, Swedish Canadian Rest Home Association; George Nelson, Finlandssvenska Klubben; Jan Nordin, Wallenberg Sugihara Civil Courage Soc; Maria Lakes/Rebecca Keckman, SWEA; Ron Spence, North Shore Floorball Association; Magnus Ericson, Honorary director.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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All members are welcome to attend the Swedish Cultural Society's monthly meeting held every second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby BC.

For more information about our society, activities and events, please visit our website at [scandinaviancentre.org](http://scandinaviancentre.org)



## The Scandinavian Midsummer Festival is happening soon – we need your help!

The Scandinavian Midsummer Festival will take place from June 21-23. This year's theme will be Scandinavia's Splendour, where in the Swedish Tent and led by Carina Spencer, will touch on how Sweden is working to preserve this splendour for future generations. This will require a lot of volunteers and we would appreciate knowing your availability at the earliest convenience. We will be soon sending out our Sign-up Genius requests and are hoping to fill our volunteer roles by the end of April.

## Important Dates for the Calendar

### National Day of Sweden

**Celebrations**, Saturday June 8th at 11:30 AM. As was done last year, we will celebrate with the Swedish School.

**Open House on Swedish Heritage**, Sunday June 9th.

## Do you enjoy reading? Come and join us in the Södra bokklubben!

The Södra bokklubben welcomes new members. You can email [piachilton@gmail.com](mailto:piachilton@gmail.com) if interested

## A well valued author visit

Children's author Martin Widmark who is known for titles such as LasseMaja's Detective Agency, along with his wife, had a great visit at the Swedish School on April 6th. It was an interesting and intriguing reading where Martin engaged nearly 50 children and their parents.



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