

Friends of the Karl Oskar House

News about our mission of: Preserve, Share and Celebrate Swedish Immigration and Culture

29061 Glader Blvd., Lindstrom, MN. USA

June/July 2023



Picture above is the Nya Duvemåla Folkmusiklag after playing for the Summer Solstice celebration on June 21st. Left to right: Marilyn Wahlstrom, Rod Strenke, Tom & Kristi Sullivan, Barbara Yotter, Gloria Peterson, Karl Ruser, and Nick Barr. Thank you for the wonderful entertainment!

We enjoyed a lovely evening under the Astrakhan tree, good food from the potluck supper, fun dancing and visiting.



PRATSTUND



Sven Sjöstedt is continuing to host the **Pratstund**. **Zoom Swedish speaking** conversations on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm. Anyone wanting to chat in Swedish is welcome. Join the conversation and make new friends. Meeting ID: 815 2431 9160 Password: NWW2021

KARL OSKAR DAYS 2023

Nya Duvemåla
KARL OSKAR HOUSE
Saturday, July 8 and Sunday, July 9



Where the Karl Oskar Story began....
29061 Glader Boulevard, Lindström



Saturday, July 8, 11am-4pm

- Tours and Family activities all day
- Lindstrom Mayor Judy Chartrand will greet Swedish Saxon Tour visitors at 1:45
- 2-3pm Music by Värkspelmän -The Spargo Family Performing Swedish folk music



Sunday, July 9, Noon-4pm

The party's not over!!

- Tours and family activities noon - 4pm
- Music by Nya Duvemåla Folkmusiklag (the Karl Oskar House, "house band")

This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the East Central Regional Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.



Watch for this ad created by Jeff Norton from the Chisago County Press for our Karl Days promotion.

Hosts are still needed for Karl Oskar Days, Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th as we will have many visitors.

Saturday 11-2pm = Carla & _____, _____

2-4pm Marilyn C., _____, _____

Sunday Noon -2pm Janet T, Carla & _____

2-4pm Marilyn C., Corliss & _____

UPCOMING DATES:

Sunday, July 2nd KUBB with Craig & Boni

Ian & Becky will host. All are invited to play KUBB with Craig & Boni. Thank you to the Stockels!



Upcoming hosting dates:

July 20th Chisago Lakes Rotary will hold their monthly meeting at the Karl Oskar House

August 10th Chisago Lakes Chamber of Commerce will hold their monthly meeting at the Karl Oskar House

September 19th Girl Scout Troop Tour @ 6pm

We will welcome back the Chisago Lakes 2nd graders the first week of October (4 days)

Volunteers welcome for all the above.



A June day with Sven's friend Urban from Sweden

SaxenTours Karl Oskar Days Visit

Our friends Crister and Maria from Saxen Tours in Sweden will be at the Karl Oskar House on Wednesday, July 5th at 10am. All are welcome to come and greet the 16 visitors and share FIKA. Please let Carla know if you plan to be there.

They will return to Lindstrom and the Karl Oskar House on Saturday, July 8th to be welcomed by Mayor Judy Chartrand at 1:45pm before the afternoon music begins.

There will also be a reserved spot for them to view the parade.

Thanks to all who were able to come and help with spring cleaning on May 8th. We had a great group.



(Missing from picture – early morning window washer Marilyn C.)

Thank you to Peter Lindberg for restoring a bench at the Karl Oskar House.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Sunday, July 16th 1-4pm Peggy & [REDACTED]

Sunday, July 23rd **Twin Cities Nyckelharpalag**
[REDACTED] & [REDACTED]

Sunday, July 30th 1-4pm Corliss Swedish Lesson
& [REDACTED] & [REDACTED]

Sunday, August 6th KUBB with Craig & Boni
[REDACTED] & [REDACTED]

Sunday, August 13th **Twin Cities Hardingfelelag**
Gary & Marty

Sunday, August 20th 1-4pm Ian & Becky

Sunday, August 27th **Kristi & Tom Sullivan** Janet & Corliss

Sunday, September 3rd 1-4pm Corliss Swedish Lesson &
[REDACTED] & [REDACTED]

Sunday, September 10th **Laula Aika**
Gary & Marty

Sunday, September 17th 1-4pm [REDACTED] & [REDACTED]

Sunday, September 24th **Nordic Folk Music Jam**
Carla & [REDACTED]

We need at least two people on all Sundays.

Email neilcar@frontier.com to sign up for your preferred dates. **Tack så mycket**

Thank you to Marilyn Wahlstrom & Sven Sjostedt for being at the Karl Oskar House for every musical presentation.



*Chisago County
Historical Society*

Plan to visit the Chisago County Historical Society in downtown Lindstrom soon. The "High School Years" exhibit is a look back at the six high schools in Chisago County from the 1900's-1992: Chi Hi, Chisago City, Chisago Lakes, North Branch, Rush City and Taylors Falls.

East Central Regional Arts Council Grant Update

Work is underway on the ECRAC grant. The new chairs arrived and were used at the Summer Solstice evening. Corliss, Gary & Carla have met with Alyssa Auten on the design of the Kiosk which will be installed near the entrance of the Karl Oskar House to allow visitors to learn about the history when the house is not attended.

Another team has met to review the artist's first draft of the mural depicting Karl Oskar and Kristina on the shed wall. Funds from the grant will also go towards our summer musical programming. We are very grateful for the opportunity this grant is giving us to enhance our visitors' experience. Below is the logo and statement that will be included in all our activities related to the grant. Please thank your state representatives when you see them for supporting the arts in Minnesota.



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Thanks to all who have made donations or paid annual dues (Individual \$20 & \$30 family). PayPal may be used at any time for any donation.

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THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS and ...



Thank you to Greg Radefeldt from Lindstrom who recently donated this Thomas Edison Victrola (patented 1898) and box of music cylinders. It would be so fun to have it playing in the yard on days we don't have music. Please let Carla know if you or someone you know works on these so we could have it in good working order.



Thanks to Jim from Pleasant Valley Orchard for the pruning of the Astrakhan apple tree.

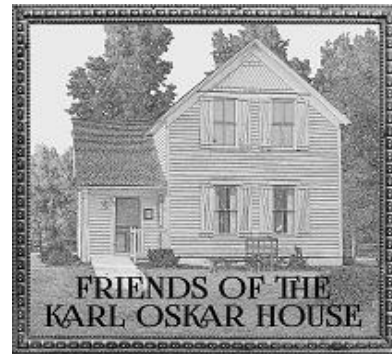
Thank you to Dean, Pam & Denise who recently realigned the Verkstad door to make locking easier.



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For more photos of all the events, check our Facebook page. Friends of the Karl Oskar House

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