



NEWSLETTER

COMING EVENTS

DROTT'S 35TH ANNUAL BAZAAR

**THE BAZAAR IS ONLY FOUR WEEKS AWAY.
HELP MAKE THIS YEAR'S BETTER THAN EVER!
AS YOU SEE, WE NEED LOTS OF WORKERS.**





PLEASE CONTACT JULIE OLSON AT (571) 224-6044 or julie.lynn.olson@gmail.com TO GET INVOLVED.

PUBLICITY

All our efforts will be for naught unless we are successful in getting customers to come! We have a number of materials that **you** can help distribute. There are door magnets for your car, business-size cards, a full-page flyer (attached as the last page of this Newsletter), and of course word of mouth. Consider getting your organizations to include the Bazaar in their current notices. Put it on your Facebook page if you have one. Contact Eric Randolph to obtain materials, or get them at the October Meeting. You may contact him at (202) 558-0175 or at drott-lodge@drott-lodge.org.

OCTOBER LODGE MEETING, OCTOBER 12, 2:30 PM (new time)

The meeting will begin with a presentation by Eric Randolph discussing his family connections to Sweden.

A business meeting will follow. We will be initiating several new members. We also will be draping the Charter in memory of two members who have passed away: Member **Patricia Pearson** who joined the Lodge in 1987, and **Sten Runius** who joined the Lodge in 1973.

Bazaar planning will be on the agenda as well.

BAKING WITH EVA, OCTOBER 25, 10 AM

Eva Dunhem has again agreed to sponsor a day of group baking for the Bazaar at her home in Virginia. It's a lot of fun, in addition to being a very productive way for Drott to provide yummy home-baked goods in quantity. If you have not yet signed up, contact Eva at (703) 847-0940 or edunhem@verizon.net to let her know you will be coming.



VICE-CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

Sisters and Brothers:

Earlier this summer I changed my computer's desktop image to Carl Larsson's *Cray Fishing with the Family*, painted in 1897, and as I sat down to write this month's message in Julie's absence, it was a fitting image to contemplate... Centered on the table sits a mound of crayfish garnished with dill, a young girl dressed in green, gazing innocently at those garnet-red jewels that crown the Swedish summer experience, and the remainder of her family enjoying the laziness of a bright summer day. This romanticized image pulls together all the emotions we each feel as summer concludes once more and we prepare ourselves for the colder months ahead. Our travels during the summer months visiting far off places or just local journeys to visit family and friends, give us a sense of warmth to sustain us in the darker days of winter. Our September meeting was pulled directly from Larsson, the Drott Lodge family and friends gathered to enjoy each other's company while sipping *nubbe* (snaps), intermingled with festive songs, enjoying the deliciousness of those beautiful garnet-red jewels, and other treats and savories. It was a modern-day capture of the fellowship Larsson conveys in the painting and a culmination of the tradition of fellowship within our Lodge.

Our second annual *kräftskiva* (crayfish party) was also a fitting kick-off to the busy Lodge calendar ahead. On September 26th, a delegation from Drott Lodge will journey to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania for the 56th Biennial Convention of District Lodge Pennsylvania No. 9, for what will be a busy weekend of District Lodge business and fellowship. Yet most importantly, we now enter Bazaar season. Our dedicated Bazaar leaders have been busy throughout the summer planning another amazing Swedish Bazaar – this year marking our 35th year! The Bazaar being our largest fundraising opportunity of the season, we are all critically aware how important advertising the event is. This year the Bazaar leaders expanded our advertising materials to include large magnets that can be placed on a car door; business cards that can be passed out to friends, family and neighbors; re-designed flyers, and the addition of a “QR” code, on all promotional material, that can be scanned by a smart phone app that will direct the user to our Lodge's Bazaar page on our website. We

encourage everyone to pick up some of these materials at our October meeting. Of course, the next most important component of the Bazaar is you! We need volunteers to help throughout the Bazaar, to work at different stations, and to help bake. We hope each of you will consider helping with this fantastic event on November 1st.

Wherever your travels took you this summer, I hope you were able to capture memories that will sustain warmth in your heart for a lifetime. We look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events and meetings!

In truth and unity,

Eric Randolph
Vice Chairman, Drott Lodge No. 168

RECENT DROTT EVENTS

Welcome Back Crayfish Party and Potluck

Arne and Eva set the tone by leading us in one of many toasts throughout the afternoon.



The Alexis Family table took their turn leading one of the festive Crayfish Party songs.

Members Carol Carnahan (10 years), Marianne Diaz (50 years), and Ingalill Mason (25 years) were among those who were awarded pins for their long-term Drott membership.



DROTT MEMBER NEWS

“Vasa was Here”



Arne and Eva Dunhem recently visited the 17th Century Carlsten Fortress on Marstrand Island, north of Gothenburg.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Folkedans fra Danmark: Concert and Dance, October 17, 8:00, Silver Spring Civic Center, 1 Veterans Pl., Silver Spring, MD

The Nordic Dancers of Washington, DC, and the American Scandinavian Association are hosting a concert by a group of folk dancers from Denmark with music by the renowned fiddler, Kirstine Sand. Following the concert, the Danes will lead members of the audience in traditional Danish square dances. The group consists of dancers from several different dance associations in Denmark who have come together for this U.S. tour, which has been facilitated by the Danish-American Exchange, based at Berea College in Kentucky. Washington will be the last stop on the tour. Their musician, Kirstine Sand, comes from a family of traditional musicians and dancers. She was educated at the Carl Nielsen Academy of Music in Odense as well as in Newcastle upon Tyne and has a degree in folk music. In 2007 she recorded a solo album called "Det dansende par," which was nominated for two Danish Music Awards. Sand has been touring around the world with her music. She also plays with "Fiolministeriet," a string trio that plays traditional Danish music and has toured in the United States and several other countries, and "Svestar," a trio that plays traditional folksongs and newly written songs in the old "vise"-style. In addition to playing concerts she also teaches the fiddle and folk dance.

The event will take place in the Spring Room of the Silver Spring Civic Center, 1 Veterans Pl., Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, on Friday, October 17, at 8:00 (the doors open at 7:45). Admission is \$5.00, but the event is free for ASA members. Children aged 12 and under are free. For more information, contact nordicdancers@aol.com or call [301-864-1596](tel:301-864-1596).

Until December 7, Exhibits at the House of Sweden

Facing the Climate, Swedish as well as international cartoonists and caricaturists offer amusing and alarming reflections on climate change. The exhibit also includes life and climate-saving Swedish Innovations and an exhibit on sustainable fashion.

Imagine Art in Nature, presents site-specific art works by Swedish and American artists, as well as films, models, photos, and sketches from the Wanås Foundation which produces international contemporary art in a unique setting. visit www.wanas.se

The Nordic Dancers of Washington, D.C., meet on Wednesdays, at 7:30 at Highland View Elementary School in Silver Spring, Maryland, and, with the exception of the weeks of Thanksgiving and Christmas and New Year's Day, will meet regularly on Wednesdays until June. Come any Wednesday and learn traditional folk dances of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. Newcomers are welcome; no prior dance experience is necessary. For more information, contact Chris Kalke at [301-864-1596](tel:301-864-1596) or ckalke@verizon.net<<mailto:ckalke@verizon.net>>, or see the website: <<http://sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc/> .

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

There will be sign-up sheets at the October meeting where you can indicate how you wish to help at the Bazaar. Don't forget to save the dates— October 31 in late afternoon to set up and November 1 for the event.

Can you bake something? Our customers always look for homemade products. If we have to purchase items to resell, our profits are much reduced. Try something new and give your family members a surprise treat! If you want to talk about ideas, call Linda Smith at 240-912-7120.

Submissions for the November issue of the newsletter will be due to Linda Smith no later than October 26.

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**Swedish
Bazaar**

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Drott Lodge No. 168
Vasa Order of America

Saturday, November 1st
11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

St. James' Episcopal Church
11815 Seven Locks Road, Potomac, MD

Swedish Gifts & Foods • Swedish Baked Goods • Smörgåsbord Lunch
Pea Soup • Swedish Meatballs • Open-Faced Sandwiches • Desserts
Princess Cake • Live Music • and Much MORE!

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