

No. 168 NEWSLETTER

COMING EVENTS

CALLING ALL BAKERS- Baking with Marjorie and Eva , October 13, 8 AM, 17 Old Creek Court, Potomac MD

It's that time of the year again—time to bake for the Christmas Bazaar. Marjorie Morris has agreed to sponsor a day of group baking at her home to prepare for the November Drott Bazaar. This is a good way to enjoy the company of other members while also contributing to Drott's annual fund raiser. It's a great opportunity to learn more about baking – no need to be experienced. We always have a lot of fun and laughter, never a dull moment.

Please come as early as you can. We will start at 8 am and continue until we are done or you have to leave. Please stay and help as many hours as

you can. Marjorie and Don will serve a light lunch.

We will bake raised yeast items primarily because, in previous years, they are what our customers looked for first. We will produce a variety of buns in a kind of assembly line. Marjorie has plenty of table-top space. Please bring an apron if you



have one, extra baking sheets, maybe a rolling pin, and any other tools you can think of. Marjorie has most of what we need, but as we hopefully will have several people, we might need more than one of each item. We will have two KitchenAid mixers. All baking supplies will be provided.

Contact Eva Dunhem at edunhem@gmail.com if you can come. Or call her at 571-230-4647 and leave a message.

If you like to bake but can't make it to the Group Baking, please consider baking something "Swedish" on your own. See page 7 of this newsletter for hints on how to package your items. Our Bazaar baked goods table is a popular destination for our visitors. We wouldn't want to disappoint our customers so we're looking for a great supply of tasty treats. No recipe? Not a problem! Marjorie has some to share with you. To sign-up or for more information call: Marjorie Morris at (301) 503-6298. Let's get baking!

LODGE MEETING, OCTOBER 14, 2:30 PM, St. James' Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Potomac, MD

We will begin with a business meeting, the first of this season. Following that will be a much-anticipated opportunity for coffee and conversation. There will be time to get to know your "sisters and brothers" along with a bit of fun in the form of a Swedish Trivia Quiz.

SWEDISH BAZAAR, NOVEMBER 3, **11 AM to 2:30 PM**, St. James' Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Potomac, MD

In its 39th year, our only big fund-raiser is four weeks away. Help get the

word out! We have a number of publicity items that you can help distribute. There are door magnets for your car, business-size cards, a full-page flyer (the last page of this Newsletter), and of course word of mouth. Enlist your other organizations to include the Bazaar in their event notices and put it on your Facebook page if you have one. Contact Marit



Knollmueller at 917-482-1899 or mknollmueller@yahoo.com to obtain materials. You also may copy the attached flyer, pick up materials at the October meeting, or send an email to info@drott-lodge.org.

We still need workers on Friday afternoon, November 2, to load supplies at our storage area in Rockville and unload them at the church hall in Potomac. If you can help, call Joann Moretti at 301-438-1940 or email to joann.moretti@hotmail.com. Our kitchen staff needs help prepping on Friday and final preparations starting early on Saturday. Contact Margaret Schueman at 703-734-0319 or margaret@schueman.com. Joann Moretti needs an additional helper at the Imported Gifts Table.

Lots more jobs exist. Help make this year's Bazaar a fun and enjoyable event for our members as well as our customers. Please contact Arne Dunhem at 703-624-8042, adunhem@gmail.com or Carol Whitley at 202-686-6214, Carol4600@verizon.net to volunteer. You may also sign up at the October 14 meeting.

ACTIVITIES YOU MIGHT HAVE MISSED



Ten Lodge members went for a sail in August on the tall ship Kalmar Nyckel, a replica of the 17th century ship that brought settlers to the New Sweden Colony. It was a lovely hot day!

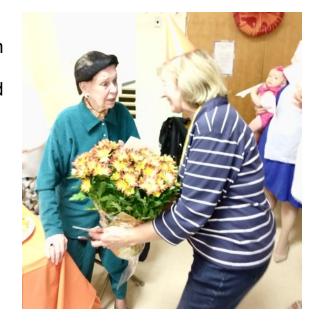
NOTE: For those interested in ships, a reminder that the Norwegian Viking Ship, the Draken Harald Hårfagre will be in DC at the Transit Pier at the Wharf, 960 Wharf St, SW on Oct. 5 - 15. Tickets online at www.drakenhh.com/washington

MEMBER NEWS

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO DROTT LODGE: From May-Britt Alexis and her Family, Karin Alexis Frenz and Chris Frenz

"We convey our gratitude to Drott Lodge for celebrating **May-Britt Alexis'** 95th birthday at the crayfish fest in September. May-Britt was greatly moved by being honored in such a generous and joyous

manner. We thank Arne Dunhem for being such a gracious master of ceremony and all who participated in the little parade, lending their voices in Swedish song and merriment, and presenting May-Britt with beautiful flowers, a birthday card, and a MAGNIFICENT CAKE. We thank Eva Dunhem for the cake --elegant, delicious, and very Swedish. We extend our gratitude to all who worked so hard in the parade and behind-the-scenes, and to all who attended the fest for making May-Britt's 95th birthday very festive and very Swedish.



May-Britt was born on October 4th, 1923 at Fjärkulla, the family farm in northern Skåne, not far from the border to the densely wooded province of Småland. She was baptized Maj-Britt Ingegard Svensson at the local parish church, where her family, including her parents, are buried. Later, she and her siblings changed their last name to Lennerup, a distinctively Skånska name, because there were so many Svenssons. The "j" in Maj-Britt became a "y" when she later became an American citizen. While May-Britt has spent over 70 years in the United States, far longer than she lived in Sweden, she has always remained close to her family in Sweden. Drott Lodge has provided a wonderful and very Swedish community for her for many years.

Thanks again for helping us celebrate May-Britt's "95 Years Young," and for creating such a lovely occasion for her that we will always remember. "

Ashley Mullinax sent us this wonderful news!

"About four years ago, one of our monthly newsletters cited an opportunity to be on a Swedish reality TV show called Allt för Sverige. The show was looking for adventurous Americans with Swedish heritage that were interested in discovering their roots. I decided to apply because visiting Sweden and learning about my ancestry has always been a dream of mine. This year my dream came true. I was selected to be on the show's 8th season and spent a month in Sweden traveling all over the country. During my time there, I was able to visit the home of my great-great-grandmother and learn new details about my family history. When I wasn't traveling, filming, and competing for the show, I spent a lot of time in Stockholm, immersed in the culture. I had the most incredible adventure in Sweden, and I have Drott Lodge to thank for this once in a lifetime opportunity and these unforgettable experiences."

NOTE: The show airs every Sunday this Fall in Sweden and can be seen in the United States on Youtube, just search for "Allt for Sverige". Two episodes are now available; Ashley appears in both. Her grandmother, Drott member Karla Dirst, appears in Episode 1. The link to the show is; http://www.sverigeinfo.eu/alltforsverige/index.htm



Cast members of Allt for Sverige, Season 8
Drott member Ashley Mullinax is in the front row on the left

OTHER EVENTS

October 13-January 13, Nordic Impressions: Art from Åland, Denmark, the Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden, 1821-2018, Phillips Collection, Washington, DC. Featuring works by 53 artists. Special exhibitions ticket cost, adults -\$12, student/senior (62+)- \$10, 18 and under FREE. Information about an optional Drott group outing to this exhibition will appear in the November newsletter.

October 7, 4 pm, **Swedish Classical Trio: Ulf Wallin, Torleif Thedéen, Roland Pöntinen**, Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St NW, Washington, DC

October 16, 7 pm, Film Screening & Artist Talk: Hold Me Down, House of Sweden, Washington, DC

October 21, 3 pm, Cornelis, House of Sweden, Washington, DC

October 21, 11 am, **Cloud Boy**, American Film Institute Silver Theatre and Cultural Center, 8633 Colesville Rd, Silver Spring, MD

November 11,3 pm, **Bergman Island,** House of Sweden, Washington, DC

February 13 - 16, 2019, **World Stages: NeoArctic**, Kennedy Center, Washington, DC. Tickets on sale September 12

Inputs to the November Newsletter will be due to Linda Smith no later than October 15. Send to leslieandlinda2@comcast.net.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR DROTT BAKERS

Thank you for volunteering to bake for our 2018 Bazaar. Your time and efforts are truly appreciated.

- 1. In deciding what to bake, consider how well the items will travel. Frosted or very fragile items damage easily. Also, be sure your baked items will not spoil if left unrefrigerated.
- 2. It would be helpful if your baked items, such as cookies, breads, or cakes, are packaged in either sealed plastic bags, in plastic see-through containers, or secured on cake boards to prevent damage after purchase.
- 3. Anything you can do to make your packaging "Swedish" or "Holiday" themed will make our products more appealing to our customers. Be creative, and have fun being a Swede!
- 4. Please label each item with its name, such as "ALMOND APPLE CAKE", and list the ingredients. Your name identifying you as the Swedish baker would be a bonus.
- 5. Please bring your baked goods to the bake table **before** the Bazaar opens at 11:00 am on Saturday so the items can be logged-in, priced, and displayed attractively. Once the doors open it gets very hectic. On the other hand, if you plan to be at St. James Friday evening for set-up and your items do not require refrigeration, you can bring them then.
- 6. Lastly, a gentle reminder -- please keep all prep surfaces, utensils, and your hands super clean while baking.

Thank you, again, for contributing your talents to our Bake Table. We couldn't do it without you!

QUESTIONS?

Please contact: Marjorie Morris (301) 762-3340, or lone Linke (301) 299-8477



Drott Lodge No. 168
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Saturday, November 3rd 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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

Imported Swedish Gifts & Foods • Homemade Swedish Baked Goods Smörgåsbord Lunch

Pea Soup • Swedish Meatballs • Open-Faced Sandwiches • Desserts Swedish Pancakes • Live Music • and Much MORE!

For more information: www.drott-lodge.org • info@drott-lodge.org

Proceeds support Drott Lodge's preservation of Swedish-American Culture and assistance to those in need in the Washington, DC Metro Area.