

Scandinavian



Happenings in the Greater Jamestown Area

October 2006

What a Great Scandinavian Folk Festival!



3 Scandinavian beauties share the Norwegian Fjord horse.

Our 5th successful event was held at Jamestown Community College in July. This was the BEST festival according to most everyone who attended. The number of attendees was up, totaling 3200, which means people are returning year after year and bringing friends and family! Amazingly, there were over 400 children (under 16 years old) who came to "Behold Scandinavia!" That makes us all very happy since one of the goals is to pass on our culture and traditions to the next generation.



The midsummer pole, decorated with flowers, was raised at the festival. Young and old danced around it to welcome summer.



Cynwyl MacDaire, known as the "man with a badger on his head", came to the festival with the SCA (Society of Creative Anachronism). This group set up camp and demonstrated Viking lore.

Another of the goals for the festival is to raise funds for college student exchanges with Sweden. The committee expects to have some resources to add to that fund once the festival finances are settled. Connections have been made recently with a college in Sweden with the help of North Park University, Chicago, IL. The festival and its sponsors are doing great work toward making these exchanges a reality once again.

THANK YOUs are in order for EVERYONE who worked so well together making the festival wonderful. This includes the committee lead by Don Sandy, the JCC staff (especially Greg, DeeDee and Nelson), our many faithful sponsors (thank you so very much), the volunteers (all 256 of them!) and of course the performers, lectures, workshop leaders, exhibitors, vendors and, not to be forgotten, the Vikings! Congratulations go out to everyone who participated and made this possible; we hope you'll do it again in 2007!



Dr. Charles Myers from Warren, PA, known in the SCA as Master Charles Le Serene, shows one of his many intricate woodcarvings.

Dates have already been reserved with the college for July 27-29th, 2007. Mark your calendars and let your out-of-town guests know. Check

the website: scandinavianjamestown.org for photos from 2006 and details for 2007. The committee is always interested in new programming ideas and could use a few more members who have time, talents and/or energy to give. Contact Don Sandy, the festival coordinator at 484-0415, if you'd like to help.

photos by Andrew Macrae



Jeanne Widman, Ingrid Olsson and all the musicians we could find, lead the festival's midsummer parade.



Adrina Jones of Gjallarhorn (Finland) and Sarah Granskou (Canada) are on stage for an impromptu collaboration.

The Swedish Hour Goes Worldwide

The Swedish Hour, broadcast on WRFA (Radio for the Arts) here in Jamestown, is now available on the Internet as well as on the radio. Anybody in the world with a computer can now tune into the station. It is very rare that Swedish folk dance music is heard on Swedish radio stations. Now, people in Sweden can hear their Swedish music and it will be broadcasted from Jamestown, NY!

The web address to access the station is www.wrfalp.com. The Swedish Hour will continue to be broadcast on Sunday nights at 7 PM (EST) 107.9FM. Because of the time difference in Sweden, the program will also be broadcast at 3:00 AM (EST) on Sunday mornings so that people in Sweden can listen to it at 9:00 AM on Sunday morning (Swedish time). We have already heard back from a person in Sweden who has tuned into the station. This also means that family/friends anywhere in the United States can listen if they make appropriate allowances for the different time zones.

The Swedish Hour has been back on the air since November 2004 and is hosted by Gerd Brigiotta. She has the gift of the Swedish language since she was raised in Sweden and also taught school there. For several years the Swedish Hour was hosted by Gerald Heglund. People can send email to the show at swedishhour@wrfalp.com; ideas and music are always welcome.

Many thanks go to Dennis Drew, WRFA and the Arts Council for Chautauqua County for this wonderful service for our Scandinavian community. Tune in! Pass the word! Let the world know about the Swedish Hour from Jamestown.



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Festival Contest Results

One the favorite activities for kid at the festival it playing Kubb, the Viking lawn game. Here are the results from the tournaments they played.

Novice Level: 1st Place: Brad Peterson, 2nd Place: Quinn White, 3rd Place: Joshua Kindberg.

Advanced Level: 1st Place: Chris Polowy, 2nd Place: Trevor Hallquist, 3rd Place: Andrew Greeley. Congratulations winners, and hope to see everybody enter again next year.

At this years festival we had a new Information Booth were you could sign up for raffle drawings, amongst other things. The raffle helped raise \$875, which helped support the festival. Here are this year's winners and their prizes.

Elsie Wall from Jamestown, scroll cut wall plaque donated by Roger Sprague

Marty Furlong from Bemus Point, gift basket donated by Peterson Farms

Ulla Larson of Jamestown, Kosta Boda glass bowl

P. Highhouse, Russell, PA, felt hat donated by Roger Spague.

Netta Saulsgiver, Jamestown, chip carved clock made and donated by Gunnard Erickson

D. Larson, Lakewood, Swedish crystal

Julie Pickett, Falconer, Swedish basket donated by The Viking Trader

Kip Olson, Mayville, goodie basket donated by The Coffee Cup

Karleen Brown, Fredonia, iron candleholder from The Viking Trader

Elyabeth Rawkin, Jamestown, rug from Scandinavian Specialties

Sandy Ross, Medina, OH, Rosemaling clock from Ellen's Rosemaling

Brad Peterson, Warren, PA, Kubb Game donated by The Viking Trader

P. Highhouse, Christmas candelabra from The Viking Trader

Tilor Ann Hultquist, Jamestown, glass fishplate from The Viking Trader

Lucia Doyle, Erie, PA, Swedish figurine

Ortha Georgakis, Jamestown, wine and cheese basket by Scandinavian Folk Fest

Julie Charles, Jamestown, Carl Larsson figurine from The Viking Trader

Louise & Bob Anderl, Faribanks, Alaska, Swedish tablecloth

Thank you to the businesses and people who made donations, they were beautiful and much appreciated! Many thanks, also, to the 200+ people who bought a chance and helped the festival raise funds!

Scandi Calendar

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7th - Culture Day at JCC, Hamilton Collegiate Center, 9:45am. Free and open to the public.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 20th - ASHF Harvest Dinner, Holy Trinity Church. Call 487-1849 for more info. Open to members and those interested in joining.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 21st - Thule Lodge Harvest Dinner, 5-8pm, VASA Park, Pancake Hill Rd, Bemus Point. Call 665-3077 for more info.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 28th - Scandinavian Studies Award of Merit Reception honoring Moira Lindsley. Sheldon House, 5-7pm. Friends and family welcome.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4th - Culture Day at JCC, Hamilton Collegiate Center, 9:45am. Free and open to the public.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5th - Thule Lodge Buffet Dinner, 12-3pm, VASA Park, Pancake Hill Rd, Bemus Point. Call 665-3077 for more info.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2nd - Culture Day at JCC, 9:45am. Holiday Market in the Hamilton Collegiate Center all morning. Scandinavian Christmas Smorgasbord at noon, donations accepted.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2nd - Scandinavian Christmas Market Day in Jamestown. Start out the Holiday season right by visiting local businesses that carry Swedish products. They'll have specials and/or samplings that day.

Culture Days 2006-2007

Culture Days will begin in October and will be held the first Saturday morning of each month until May. The purpose of Culture Days is to pass on Scandinavian traditions from one generation to another. All events are free and open the public and are held in the Hamilton Collegiate Center at Jamestown Community College. The daily schedule is as follows: 9:30 AM - Coffee and Lingonberry Drink, 9:45 AM Call to Order - Announcements, Swedish Word for the Day, Norwegian Primstav calendar event of the day, 10:00 AM Session 1 and 11:00 AM Session 2.

All workshops will occur at both the 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM Session unless noted.

October 7, 2006

Kubb
Hnefatafl
Hardanger Embroider
Chip Carving
Knitting - Mittens or Hats - 10:00 AM Only
Cooking - Apple Cake
Video - Magnus Martensson as Victor Borge
Swedish Language - 11:00 AM Only
Weaving
Swedish Weaving

November 4, 2006

Kubb
Hnefatafl
Hardanger Embroidery
Chip Carving
Knitting - Mittens or Hats
Cooking - Korv Making - Norm Owen
Video - Lecture from Folk Festival
Genealogy
Craft - Small Hanging Braided Straw Mobile
Swedish Language - 11:00 AM Only
Weaving
Swedish Weaving

December 2, 2006 - Scandinavian Christmas Market Day in Jamestown

Kubb
Hnefatafl
Hardanger Embroidery
Chip Carving
Knitting - Mittens or Hats
Genealogy
Cooking - Pickled Beet Salad 10:00 AM Only
Video - Christmas in Sweden 10:00 AM Only
Craft - Christmas Ornament - 10:00 AM Only
Christmas Ring Dancing 11:00 AM Only
Swedish Language 11:00 AM Only
Weaving
Swedish Weaving

The December session will be followed by our Scandinavian Christmas Smorgasbord Sampler beginning at 12:00 Noon. Donations accepted to assist in covering the cost of this unique luncheon.

Scandi Calendar cont.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 10th - ASHF Lucia Fest, Zion Covenant Church, 3pm. Public Invited, no charge. Traditional refreshments following the program. Info: 487-1849.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 16th - Thule Lodge meeting and Doppi Gryta, 2pm. VASA Park, Pancake Hill Rd, Bemus Point. Call 665-3077 for more info.