



The Nordic News, 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2019  
Serving all Scandinavian-Americans in San Diego County  
Scandinavian Happenings in San Diego:

## Calendars:

Denmark: June 7-8 HoD Lawn Program (Grundlovsdag)

Finland: Ethnic Food Fair of our house was made with tasty meatballs and potato salad, salty salmon rye crackers, freshly baked waffles and delicious homemade pastries: pulla, Finnish donut and berry pie. With the help of our cheerful volunteers we managed to sell out everything! Thank you for everyone who was making this successful EFF with us!



Norway: HoN: 18 Mai Norwegian Constitution Day (syttende mai)

Den Norske Fiskeklubben , May 10 Dinner speaker will be Professor Dean E. Nelson, 1800 hours. RSVP to [fishKlub@yahoo.com](mailto:fishKlub@yahoo.com)

Sons of Norway, from Lodge of Vallhall: Susan Cody conducts a cooking class each month on the same day that the lodge has a social. Members of Valhall Lodge can attend the class at no charge, and other people can attend for \$10. The class is held at the lodge hall and runs from 10:00 AM until 12:00 M. The class on April 20 will include rhubarb compote and Oslo Kringle.

## Sweden

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| Apr 28    | Earth Day and all cottages are closed                                   |
| May 4     | Swedish Church Service at 1015  |
| May 5     | Member meeting and potluck 1600.<br>ABBA Show at Cinco de Mayo-Old Town |
| May 25    | Ukulele Jam, HoS, 12-1600   |
| May 26    | HPR Ethnic Food Faire   |
| June 2    | *Member business meeting and election                                   |
| June 6    | Swedish National Day celebration  |
| June 21   | summer solstice – celebrate the longest day of the year                 |
| June 23   | HoS Midsummer Lawn Program  |
| July 12   | Nordic Heritage Night at the Padres, game at 1910                       |
| August 23 | Nordic Night potluck on the HPR lawn                                    |

- Carl and Ingrid will provide a presentation on their book: THE HOUSE OF SWEDEN IN BALBOA PARK: The story of people, culture and traditions.

## Swedish Organizations:

HoS: Congratulations to Pat Coffey for ascending to the Presidency of the HoS and her new Board of Directors. Many thanks for a successful annual Äggsexa considered one of the best ever. A big thank you to Dieter Schoenherr and Robert Boriss for repairing the storage lockers on the patio. Kerstin Giannangenli has been very ill and is now recovering at home. Please send cards. See address in membership Directory. We wish her a speedy recovery.

With great sadness we announce the passing of longtime members Steve Nelson and Carole Renstrom.

Susan Hagstrom, Board Secretary has been spending April in Paris.

SACCS/D/T: Valborg, Mission Point, 1500, 28 April



Swedish Center: Next Board Meeting 1 May at HoS 10 AM.

SWEA:

This year it is 40 years since Agneta Nilsson started SWEA in Los Angeles. A big anniversary celebration will take place among the 7000 SWEA members around the world on either May 10, May 11 or May 12, 2019.

SWEA San Diego will host a Garden Party, combining the anniversary and our annual spring dinner, on May 11, 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm in Susan and Dean Turney's beautiful garden in Encinitas.

Svenska Skolan:

- **29 april** - 📖 Bibliotek
- **30 april** - Sista anmälningdag för HT 2019. **Anmäl här.**
- **6 maj** - Studiebesök hos **House of Sweden**, Balboa Park
- **13 maj** - Konsert med **Longkalsong** - Junibacken är också välkomna!
- **15 maj** - Sista betalningsdag för HT 2019
- **20 maj** - Loppis
- **27 maj** - Ingen skola (Memorial Day)
- **3 juni** - 📖 Bibliotek, återlämning
- **10 juni** - Skolavslutning
- **10 juni** - 📖 Bibliotek, återlämning




### News from Sweden:

These wind turbines make the surrounding trees look tiny. In 2015 there were over 3,000 wind turbines in Sweden, and about 7% of the electricity comes from wind power. Sweden managed to reach its goal of a 50% renewable energy share several years ahead of the Swedish government's 2020 schedule, already in 2012. But we're not stopping there - we are raising the bar for the goal. Now we aim for 100% of energy production in Sweden to be renewable by 2040 (Embassy of Sweden in U.S.).

By 2070 Sweden's population is expected to reach 12.8 million, most from from immigration due to global conflicts and instability in other countries, and person interest in living in Sweden. In 2018 almost a quarter of the Swedish population, between age 20-64 were born outside Sweden and by 2030s will grow to 30% of the population. This rate of growth is expected to decrease.

The new 73-point budget program will focus on increasing the number of people in work, climate change, schools and education by hiring more assistants, assisting women's shelters, reducing domestic violence and increases for those with disabilities, free museums admission, expanding broadband, and more money for security.

VM-GULD! #Småkronorna vinner det historiska U18 guld det efter finalseger mot Ryssland med 4-3! Lucas Raymond gör hattnick i finalen! se   
World Cup Gold! #Småkronorna wins the historic u18 gold after final game against Russia by 4-3! Lucas Raymond doing hattnick in the finals! se



#### News from Finland:

THE BIOPRODUCT MILL planned by Metsä Group in Kemi, Western Lapland, could complicate the coalition formation negotiations between the Social Democrats and Green League.

Antti Rinne, the chairperson of the Social Democrats, rushed to express his support for the 1.5 billion-euro construction project in [an interview on YLE TV1](#) on Saturday, affirming that it is possible to raise logging volumes to satisfy the needs of the plant in a way that is sustainable for the climate.

News from Denmark: LEGO is now piloting a new project that will use the bumps on their iconic bricks to help teach the Braille alphabet to blind and visually impaired children. LEGO “Braille Bricks” will be moulded with the same number of studs used for individual letters and numbers in the Braille alphabet, while remaining fully compatible with the LEGO System in Play. To ensure the tool is inclusive allowing sighted teachers, students and family members to interact on equal terms, each brick will also feature a printed letter or character.



News from Norway: Meet the largest Viking ship powered by oars and muscles from Sagastad:



The Myklebustskipet

News from Greenland: Greenland's ice sheet melt, caused by global warming, has gone into overdrive and is faster than any time in the last 400 years. The melt is predicted to cause a 3-foot rise in sea level.

News from Iceland: credit given to writer Anna Margret Björnsson

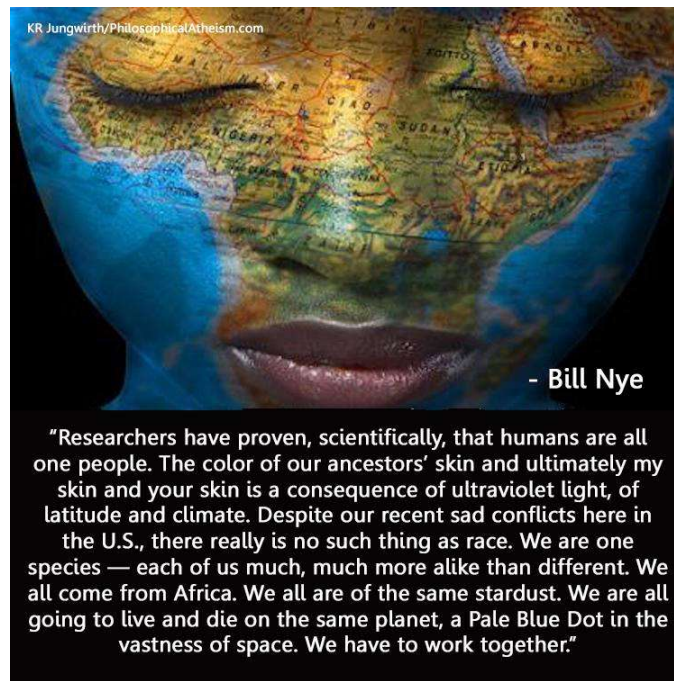
Húsavík, the "harbour of houses," is a pretty coastal town in the remote North of Iceland, less than an hour away by flight. Driving there from Reykjavík takes around nine hours and from Akureyri it's approximately one hour's drive.

Legend has it that the first ever home built in Iceland was that of Swedish Viking Garðar Svavarsson in the year 860. Húsavík is conveniently located for day trips to most of the major attractions in Iceland and is the starting point of the popular Diamond Circle.

Húsavík is also known as the town of whales, its main attraction being whale watching, as the likelihood of seeing various whale species, including the biggest whales such as blue whales, fin whales and humpback whales is great in the area, much more so than in South Iceland.

Also: Iceland has made it illegal to pay women less than men.

### World News:



Say it in Swedish/English (this section can also list Danish, Norwegian and Finnish items too):

Swedish word Likson, means 'in the same way as', 'just as', 'similar to'.

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