



# Sveabladet

The monthly newsletter of Svea Lodge #348, San Jose, California. The lodge was organized on August 16, 1916, by Edward Anderson and is a member of Golden Gate District #12, the VASA Order of America. Programs are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at the Odd Fellows Hall, 1035 Emory Street, San Jose, California. Business meetings start promptly at 7:00PM with the social event immediately following. Home business meetings are held in member's homes on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month. See Sveabladet for time and location.

Visit the web site: [www.svea348.com](http://www.svea348.com), email: [svea348webmaster@gmail.com](mailto:svea348webmaster@gmail.com)

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**Friday 19 6:00PM Joint Installation of Officers with Lindbergh Lodge.  
The Odd Fellows Hall, 1035 Emory Street, San Jose.**

**Saturday 20 3:00PM Swedish Church Service. Los Altos Lutheran Church,  
460 S El Monte Ave, Los Altos.**

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Dear Svea Lodge members and Friends,

We held a wonderful and well attended JULBORD at the Hall on December 15, 2023. We had 50 people gather round to enjoy the excellent food and musical program given by T.C. Brewitz. Tusen Tack to Kikki and Jan Nordin for preparing the JULSHINKA for us! Kikki was ill and could not join us for the dinner but was with us in spirit. We appreciate everyone who made special dishes including the Janson's Temptation, Glögg, and potato sausages. We had members drive many miles to get the herring for the dinner! You can see photos of the event on our Lodge website: [www.Svea348.com](http://www.Svea348.com) or our Swedish Language Facebook page managed by our Cultural leader Henry Mulak.

At the end of the year we reflect on our many blessings. Our Svea Lodge Community is a special organization that has existed in San Jose for over 107 years. In Svea Lodge, we have many long time members and families all belonging too! This makes our connections very deep. We have a true community of people with shared interests in Nordic Culture, yet over time the friendships broadened. Members have travelled together, created the hiking and card groups, the Swedish Language group etc. Many people are looking for a "community"; we have that connection which we all must cherish and nurture. I encourage everyone to consider how they can help strengthen our Lodge Community as we go forward into 2024.

We received greetings for a God Jul och Nytt år from our sister Lodge, Braviken Lodge #751 and Maggie Thelin, District Master of Northern Sweden. We have their newsletter posted on our website [Svea348.com](http://Svea348.com) so that we can keep up with their activities. Please check it out!

We will be holding a JOINT INSTALLATION of OFFICERS with Lindbergh Lodge at our Hall on January 19, 2024. The Lodge will host a dinner and we will require reservations. Under separate cover will distribute a flyer with more information.

I wish everyone Gott Nytt år!

Warm Regards,

Victoria Fedor-Thurman, PDM DL 12  
Chairman, Svea Lodge #348



SVENSKA KYRKAN SF

*Swedish church service*

WELCOME TO SWEDISH CHURCH  
SERVICE ON SATURDAY JANUARY 20TH  
AT LOS ALTOS LUTHERAN CHURCH AT  
3 PM.

PASTOR JOAKIM WILL PREACH ON THE  
THEME "JESUS CREATES FAITH". WE  
WILL SING SWEDISH HYMNS.

AFTER THE SERVICE WE GATHER FOR  
COFFEE, PASTRIES AND COMMUNITY.  
THERE'S PLENTY OF PARKING AND A  
PLAYGROUND FOR CHILDREN.



JANUARY 20TH, 3PM  
460 EL MONTE AVE  
LOS ALTOS

# Svea Lodge #348 Swedish Christmas Dinner 2023





Svea Lodge #348

Meets on the Third Friday of the month at 1035 Emory Ave., San Jose CA

[www.Svea348.com](http://www.Svea348.com)

### **Program for 2024**

- January 19 Joint Installation of Officers with Lindbergh Lodge. Svea hosts the event and will provide dinner to all attendees, RSVP required. Dinner will be served at 6:30PM
- February 16 Meeting and Program at the Hall
- March 15 St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Meeting. RSVP required. Dinner prepared by Aurora Allen
- April 19 Valborgsmässoafton. No Business meeting. Musical Program by the Zaida Singers. RSVP required. Event Chairman is Zaida Hanson Binetti.
- April 26-28 District Convention
- May 17 No Meeting
- May 18 Picnic at Sveadal, 8220 Croy Rd., Morgan Hill, CA ; meet at Noon at the Sports Lawn. Bring your own picnic.
- June 21 No meeting
- June 22 Midsummer at Sveadal, 8220 Croy Road., Morgan Hill, CA 10 AM to 6PM. More information and tickets go to [www.sveadal.org](http://www.sveadal.org).
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast and Car Show at Sveadal. 9 am to 11 AM. Event Chairman: Victoria Fedor-Thurman, Car Club Liaison and Decorations Chairman Marylin Crawford, Kitchen and purchasing Chairman Aurora Allen. Tickets available at the Door, no RSVP required.
- July 19 Business Meeting and Program-----
- August 16 No Meeting
- August 17 Svea Lodge 108th Anniversary Celebration and Picnic at Sveadal, 8220 Croy, Rd. Morgan Hill, CA .
- September 20 Business Meeting and Program at the Hall
- October 18 Business Meeting, Election of Officers and Program at the Hall
- November 15 Business meeting and Program
- December 20 Julbord at the Hall, no business meeting.

### January Birthdays



- 9 Harold Nelson
- 12 Sara Frieberg
- 28 Margaretha Farina
- 28 Keith Hanlon
- 29 Mark Apolinar

### February Birthdays

- 7 Erika Michelle Canion
- 8 Craig Anderson
- 10 Larry Skarset
- 12 Yvette Frojelin
- 14 Maili Yates
- 14 Roger Barnes



## Members' Advertising Page

Business Card size ads, \$25.00 per business year or \$10.00 per issue.

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SVEA LODGE #348, San Jose, CA: Organized by Edward Anderson, August 20, 1916

Meets third Friday, 7:00PM at Odd Fellow's Hall, 1035 Emory Street, San Jose, CA [www.svea348.org](http://www.svea348.org)

### Svea Lodge Officers – 2023

Chairman Victoria Fedor-Thurman  
Vice Chairman Open  
Recording Secretary Aurora Allen  
Financial Secretary Erika Canion  
Asst. Fin. Secretary Jack Knutson  
Treasurer Bob Homer  
Cultural Leader Henry Mulak  
Asst. Cultural Leader Open  
Chaplain Kikki Nordin  
Master of Ceremonies Jan Nordin  
Assistant MC Belinda Bright  
Guard Belinda Bright  
Trustee 1 year Victoria Fedor-Thurman

Trustee 2 years Mette Leuthold  
Trustee 3 years Carolyn Fedor-Thurman  
Auditor 1 year Aurora Allen  
Auditor 2 years Henry Mulak  
Auditor 3 years Jack Knutson  
Membership Chair Erika Canion  
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### A note from the Svea Lodge Webmaster:

Please visit our webpage at <http://svea348.com> to keep up to date on activities and news. You will find a link to the Language Lessons Facebook page. A new link has been added to access new membership applications. The application can be found under The About page. Please email pictures or updates to [svea348webmaster@gmail.com](mailto:svea348webmaster@gmail.com) so they can be added to the website. Any suggestions to improve the website is welcome.

Carolyn Strong  
Svea Webmaster