



THE
SCANDINAVIAN
CLUB of TOLEDO



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Our next meeting of Scandinavian Club of Toledo will be:

Friday, February 25, 2011

Gather at 6:00 p.m. Order at 6:15 p.m.

at **BJ's Hide-A-Way Steakhouse**, in Oregon, OH

Reservations :: This month, please phone in your reservation to our treasurer, Kris Johnson, at 419-836-7637. You may call her up until **Noon** on Friday, Feb. 25, leaving your name and number of people attending.

Menu :: We will be ordering individually off the menu.

Program :: **Scandinavian Fabrics.** We're having a Show and Tell this month, so bring your Scandinavian knit or woven objects to share. After dinner, we'll admire each other's Sweaters, Table Clothes, Shawls, Scarves, Gloves, or whatever you have.

Location :: BJ's Hide-A-Way, 506 S. Lallendorf, Oregon, OH, near Pearson MetroPark. From I-280, go **East** on Navarre Rd. (Rt. 2) for just over 2 miles, past all the businesses. At the stop light intersection just before Pearson Park, turn **Left** onto South Lallendorf. The restaurant is about a half mile up the road, on the **Left**, in the neighborhood across from the park.

Swedish Children's Prayer

Some members expressed an interest in having the most beloved Swedish children's prayer translated to English and published in our newsletter. "*Gud som haver barnen kär*" is a very old prayer by an unknown author. It appeared in print for the first time in 1780 in honor of the Swedish Prince Gustaf Adolf's 3rd birthday. He later became King Gustaf IV Adolf.

This prayer translation was submitted to us by **Margaretha Johansson Palmer**, who is Swedish, and a friend of club member **Chris Weisfelder** (who presented her Sweden to us last month) She says she found two versions of it on the internet and feels the one below is the best one to express the true meaning of the prayer.

Gud, som haver barnen kär,
se till mig som liten är.
Vart jag mig i världen vänder
står min lycka i Guds händer.
Lyckan kommer, lyckan går,
den Gud älskar lyckan får.
Amen

— translation:

God who holds all children dear,
tend to me his little one.
Wherever in the world I may wander,
my fortune is in God's hands.
Happiness comes, happiness goes,
Whoever loves God finds happiness.
Amen

.... Some people use another ending

Lyckan kommer, lyckan går,
du förbliver, Fader vår.

Happiness comes, Happiness goes,
you remain, Our Father....

Sunday Matinees

Hosted by Club Member **Dr. Jan Wahl**.

All movies are **free** and start at **3:00 PM**.

Sunday, March 20, 3pm

"How Green Was My Valley"

(1941) U.S., with Walter Pidgeon, Maureen O'Hara, Roddy McDowall and Donald Crisp. 110 minutes. Directed by John Ford. Tells of the hardship of coal-miners in Wales seen through eyes of a boy. Hosted by Dr. Jan Wahl.

Sunday, March 27, 3pm

"The White Sister"

(1923) Italy, with Lillian Gish and Ronald Colman. 140 minutes. Directed by Henry King. Silent with piano accompaniment. Hosted by Dr. Jan Wahl.

Sunday, April 3, 3pm

"Our Town"

(Sept. 19, 1955) Producer's Showcase television presentation of the musical version of Thornton Wilder's play, with Frank Sinatra, Eva Marie Saint and Paul Newman. 90 minutes. Directed by Delbert Mann. Also, "**In the Moment**" a short about the career of Eva Marie Saint. Hosted by Dr. Jan Wahl.

Sunday, April 10, 3pm

Buster Keaton Sound Era Comedy Shorts (1919 to 1952) "**Back Stage**", "**Grand Slam Opera**", "**The Taming of the Snood**", and "**A Paradise For Buster**". Presented by Dr. Ben Urish.

Sunday, May 1, 3pm

"Easy Living"

(1937) U.S., with Jean Arthur, Ray Milland and Edward Arnold. 88 minutes. Directed by Mitchell Leisen. A nutty "screwball" comedy. Also, "**The River**" a depression-era documentary about the Mississippi. Hosted by Dr. Jan Wahl.

In Memoriam

Virginia Rose (Burger) Kujawa, passed away peacefully from Alzheimer's, just before her 83rd birthday, in Pennsylvania, where she had been residing with her daughter for the past three years. Married for 54 years to Richard Kujawa, who preceded her in death, they also shared a common birthday of February 4th. Virginia and Dick were longtime, active members of Concordia Lutheran Church, Toledo, Ohio. She was a longtime member of our Scandinavian Club of Toledo, as her late sister, Janet Gjesdal, was the wife of our founder and first president, Olav Gjesdal.

Virginia is survived by her four children, Richard (Chin) Kujawa, Jr., Kenneth (AnnMarie) Kujawa, both of Texas, Lynn Rose (Russell) Seda of California, and Kimberly (Gregg) Schabel of Pennsylvania. She has eight grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter. She was preceded in death by her sister, Janet, and her brother, Robert.

Funeral Services were held at Concordia Lutheran Church. She was interred at Ottawa Hills Memorial Park. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Virginia's honor to Concordia Lutheran Church, 3636 S. Detroit Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43614.

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