

SPECIAL BULLETIN

The Lindsborg folkdancers are coming to California this summer! This is a really fun group of eager high school seniors that are great to watch as they strut their Swedish stuff. They will be in the San Diego area on June 28 and will work their way north through California until July 9th.

If you have an event that needs some entertainment, please contact this group. They will be happy to perform for you. They would really like to get together with other dance groups to teach and learn, so contact them! You won't be sorry!

Lindsborg's Swedish Folk Dancers - Kansas



Lindsborg's Swedish Folk Dancers continue to shine for their hometown community as Lindsborg's own young ambassadors, having traveled to perform in the U.S., Sweden, Denmark and Russia. In doing so, they are working for the real mission of this longtime group for Lindsborg and for Kansas.

This troupe of dedicated high school-aged students, make a four-year commitment to their Swedish heritage and their community by practicing and performing traditional Swedish folk dance and music. Their mission is to promote the study and appreciation of traditional Swedish folk dance; to preserve the Swedish heritage and encourage the continued recognition and observation of Swedish customs and folklore; and to provide community service to the people of Lindsborg and the surrounding area.

A trip to Sweden every four years keeps the ties to the homeland. This not-for-profit group pays for their travel by performing many fund-raisers throughout the year, mainly for the trip to Sweden, but for other travel destinations as well. In the summer of 2008, Lindsborg's Swedish Dancers took a 17-day tour of Sweden and Denmark. A professional dance group, the Skansen Folk Dancers, took time from their schedule to meet and teach the group several of their dances. Along with many performances during the tour, they shared and learned dances with other groups in Kalmar, Linköping, Mora and Våmhus. The student dancers had several opportunities to stay in host homes while in Sweden, learning firsthand about Swedish culture, food and family activities.

Hyllningsfest, St. Lucia Festival and Midsummer's Day are the core of Lindsborg's ongoing Swedish customs, and the Swedish Dancers play a very important role in these activities. Founded in 1963, this unique group has a history that spans five decades, and a heritage that carries centuries of culture and tradition.

Submitted by Julia Hudson, Director

Contact: jhudson@smokyvalley.org