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2022 Event Schedule

Lex. Chorale Concert featuring April 24, 5 pm percussionist See below for details Anders Astrand Syttende Mai May 14

Second Presbyterian Church 460 Main Street Lexington 40507 Shillito park, Shelter

The Lucia celebration was a great success. Thank you to everyone who participated in the preparations and in the event. The bakers outdid themselves and we had bags for everyone who wanted a treat to take home. Perhaps this year we will be able to resume the usual gathering after the presentation for refreshments and fellowship.

SHSKY is cosponsoring a concert by the Lexington Chorale which will take place at 2d Presbyterian Church on April 24 at 5 pm. Masks will be optional and parking is free. Enter from Ransom Street or by the handicap entrance at the rear on Vine Street. Tickets are normally \$22, but the Lexington Chorale is offering a group rate to our members of \$16. For members who volunteer to help there will be no charge. Please let me know if you would like to do this. Also, please wear the traditional costume if you have one. Here is a description of the final concert of their season celebrating the 30th anniversary of the group.

"For our upcoming and final concert of the season, A World of Music, we will celebrate our love of international contemporary choral music primarily from Ukraine, Estonia, Latvia, Sweden, Hungary and Brazil.

Renowned percussionist Anders Astrand from Stockholm, Sweden will be our special musical guest. Members of the Scandinavian Heritage Society of Kentucky will join us to highlight the international flavor of the evening. Please gather with us as we turn our voices to express unity and support peace for our precious world. You will not want to miss hearing the outstanding Lexington Chorale and gifted Anders Astrand. The percussion on the marimba last time was mesmerizing. Come for the joy and to support the Lexington Chorale which also celebrates the Scandinavian and eastern European culture!

Just today, my cousin from Sweden recommends two concerts to us that are available on line related to Ukraine. One is called Vi spelar for FREDEN. The other is Hela Sverige skranlar for Ukraina.My cousin said, "The first concert ended with Abba's "Freedom" under the leadership of Benny Andersson (ak: Swedish singer, musician, composer, producer and member of Abba and the second concert started with Bjorn Ulvaeus's speech about the situation of today with the completely insane war, the agression from Russia started by Putin. He said the real truth. Bjorn (ak: Swedish singer, songwriter, producer, composer, and also a memer of Abba) has become an intellectual person.

VispelarforFREDEN and Hela Sverige skranlar for Ukraina are on <u>WWW.SVT.SE</u>. I think you will find them listed elsewhere as well.

Did you know that Sweden offers free courses called Swedish for Immigrants? There are several tailored to different needs. I was hoping others could take advantage of them, but one must be registered in Sweden. It also covers EU and EEA citizens (EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.)

Sweden is now offering Active Learning. This an approach that tries to engage all of the student's senses. The classrooms may have very few chairs and students move around, and interact with a subject in different ways. One example was to take a field trip and ask the students to describe the experience eg. in German when back in the classroom. The idea is to introduce movement and collaboration among students. Many subjects can be taught outdoors as easily as indoors. Students seem to enjoy the approach. It sounds very appealing to me after spending so many years in a sedentary educational environment! I remember from an internship in Social Work that a teacher of children with learning disabilities taught the students to jump rope. They became expert in jumping forwards, backwards, switching the rope hands from right to left, and loved showing us how they could do it. Interestinglly, their reading improved!

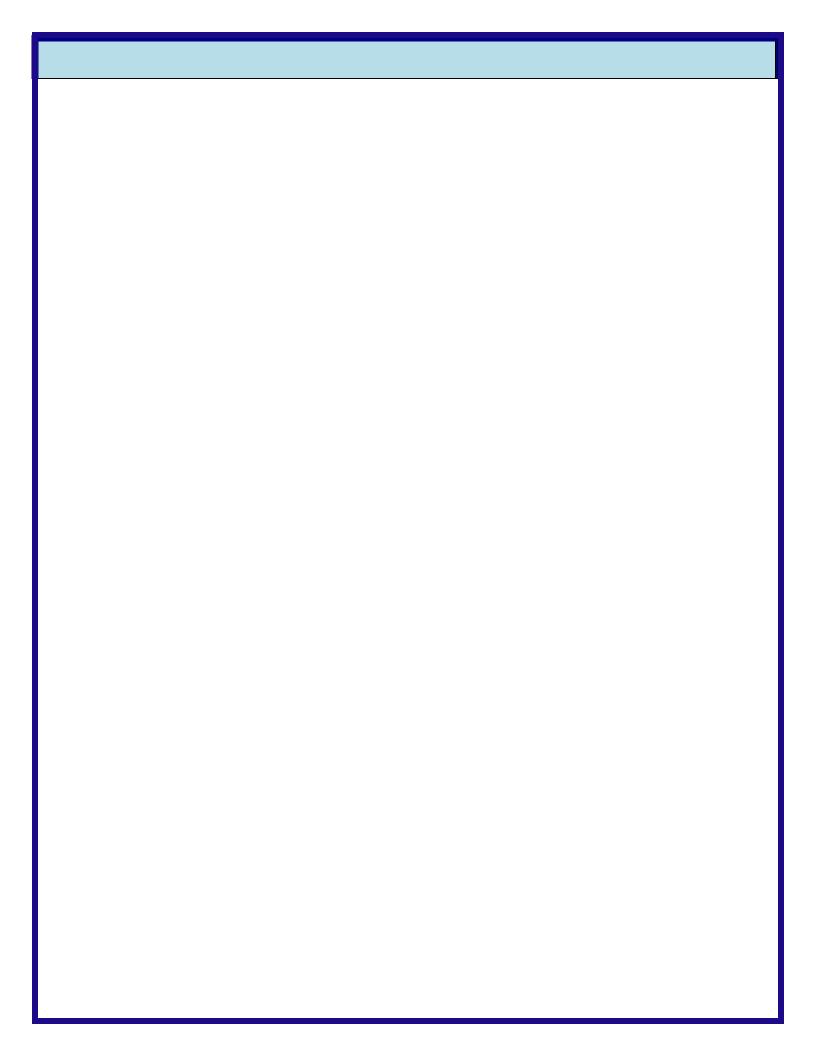
On May 14, SHSKY will celebrate Syttende Mai at Shillto Park, at Shelter 1. This on is next to a grass vollyball court, so bring your sport shoes if you would like to play.There is electricity at the shelter, and we hope to have a hot dish like meatballs available and members might like to bring side dishes or cupcakes. The reservation covers the shelter for the whole day. We suggest that the food be served at around 5 p.m. We will hope for good weather; it it is not too threatening, we could go ahead as there is a roof over the tables. If the weather is uncertain, I'll send out a notice.

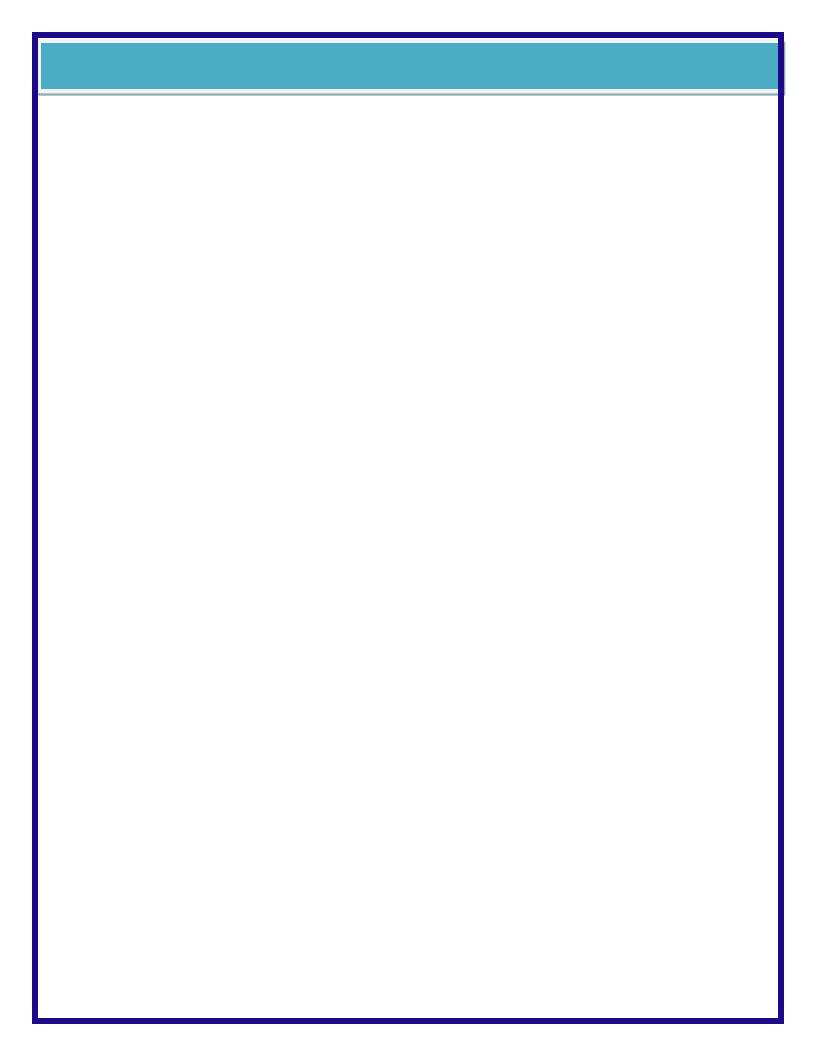
Marion Soule is now residing at The Lantern, located at Morning Pointe, 233 Ruccio Way, Lexington, 40503. This is across the street from the Meijer's shopping Center.

Suetta Paulson, wife of John Paulson is now residing at Ashton Grove, 115 Ashton Grove Path, Georgetown, Ky. 40324. Suetta had a fall that has required special care. Both would enjoy cards from members.

If you have news to share with our members, please let me know.

The Lucia celebration is on You Tube and can be accessed by typing in St. Lucia Celebration 2021at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Lexington, Ky. Thank you to Jaci and David Williams and friends for making this possible!





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