



Nordic News

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CNS 2013 Dates to Remember

Speakers' Events

Wednesday, May 1, 2013

Luncheon Dates

Monday, May 6, 2013

Monday, June 3, 2013

Special Events

CNS Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, May 29, 2013

SPEAKERS' EVENTS

May Speaker Wednesday, May 1, 2013

Traditions in Finno-Ugric Shamanism

Dalva Lamminmaki

Centre for Finno-Ugric Shamanism, Finland

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- Shamanistic worldview
- Shamanistic time
- Upperworld, middleworld and lowerworld
- Spirithelpers
- Connecting to nature
- Shamanistic rituals
- Shamanism and traditional healing
- Drum meditation
- Learning to journey and connecting with your spirit guides/helpers
- Mythology of Finno-Ugric area: the worldegg and worldtree

Dalva will be visiting Thunder Bay and Ottawa from Finland to share the ancient wisdom and healing traditions of the Finno-Ugric shamanism and Finnish folklore that continues to this day. She traces her lineage to the ancient practices of the Karelia area of Finland, where she has ancestral ties.

Dalva has been recognized as having an extraordinary personal gift in shamanic healing by the founders of the Centre for Finno-Ugric Shamanism, Susana Aarnio and Johannes Setala.

For more information please contact Eric Bawden, 613-821-2157, or email him at bawden@storm.ca , or visit www.suomalaisensamanisminkeskus.fi, www.facebook.com/dalva.lamminmaki , or <http://dalvalamminmaki.wordpress.com>

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 7:30 pm

Location: Main Dining Room, Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street W. (off Elgin), Ottawa
Coffee will be available

A poster promoting this event is included in the attachments to this newsletter.

Thanks to Eric Bawden for organizing this event.

CNS LUNCHEONS

The next luncheon will be held on Monday, May 6, 2013, at the Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street W. (off Elgin), Ottawa. The last luncheon for the season is June 3.

Thanks to Capt. Kathleen Tipton (CNS Councillor) for booking these luncheons for us.

Lennart Nylund, Vice President

OTHER CNS INFORMATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is extremely important that many of our long-time members renew their membership in the Canadian Nordic Society at the earliest opportunity. In doing so, they will ensure that they will continue to receive notices of events being sponsored by CNS such as our Speakers' Series and our monthly luncheons. Only members can participate in the business of the Annual General Meeting.

Membership in the Canadian Nordic Society is \$20.00 a year; \$30.00 for a family membership. We have not raised our dues for almost twenty years.

This year CNS has hosted several well-attended Speakers' event, the most recent being one featuring the Finnish Ambassador that drew some 55 people just prior to a holiday weekend. Some of our Speakers' events have been cited in the national media. So clearly CNS continues to succeed in its objective of reaching out to the greater Ottawa community to promote a better understanding of social and political events taking part in each of the five Nordic countries. In coordinating our Speakers events, the CNS is in some ways doing better than ever. Last year, the Norwegian Ambassador thanked us in writing for assisting her embassy in two additional events that suddenly came up.

However, it is your membership fees that pay for the cost of the rental of the Army Officers' Mess for most of the events featured in our Speakers' series and for film evenings. Since its inception in 1963, the Canadian Nordic Society has been an independent organization solely dependent on the support of its members. Unlike other organizations promoting one of Canada's many ethnic cultures, the Canadian Nordic Society receives no outside funding. While CNS continues to need new members, many of whom have been attending our recent Speakers functions and asking questions, we also need the renewal of many of our long-time members.

The situation is urgent.

You will find a membership application/ renewal form on the last page of this Newsletter.

Lennard Sillanpää
President, Canadian Nordic Society

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Nordic Society will be held Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at the Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street W. (off Elgin), Ottawa, at 7:30 pm.

This is a call for nominations of persons as candidates to the executive of the Canadian Nordic Society. The nomination form is attached to this newsletter. Closing date for acceptance of nominations is April 20, 2013, in accordance with Clause 25 of Bylaws.

Unfortunately, the form below is not fillable and submittable electronically. It must be printed out and completed by hand.

Also attached is material relating to an item that will be brought up at the AGM. A new law, the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act, requires CNS to make some changes to its governance as is explained in the attached from the Council. The first is a draft explanation, and the other is the form on the Articles of Continuation to be submitted.

Report on March Speakers' Event

As Finland Approaches Its Centenary, Finland's Way in World Affairs



H.E. Charles Murto flanked by his wife Ritva and Lennard Sillanpää, CNS President

required to provide ships as reparations to Soviet Union, leading to a significant metallurgical industry today.

H.E. Charles Murto, Finland's new ambassador to Canada, gave an informative, thoughtful outline of the role of Finland in world affairs as part of the CNS Speakers' Series to over 40 members last March 27. He joked that if our invitation had been a week later, his mind would have been on how well Finland's team was doing in the Women's World Hockey championships.

His speech was organized in three parts – Finland today, Finland in world affairs, and Finland-Canada relationship.

Under the topic of Finland today, he presented a concise summary of its history, geographic siting, and impact of events in the 20th century. For instance, Finland was

Post war, Finland had a policy of neutrality but in 1995 it joined the European Union because it shared the values underlying the EU. Unlike the other Nordic countries, it adopted the Euro, an advantage in trade.

He mentioned that the President is heavily involved in foreign and security affairs but the prime minister is responsible for involvement in the European Union.

Current issues facing Finland today include the need to restore competitiveness; part of that is a reduction on corporate taxes at the expense of raising the VAT. There is an effort to reduce the number of municipalities; much consolidation has been done but there are more consolidations likely coming.

Like many other countries, Finland has an aging population, so it is providing incentives to keep people working longer, such as a rise in the retirement age.

On the economic side, Finland still has a top economic rating, a high quality of education, and a high level of innovation. However, the global economy is a problem as some 40% of GDP involves foreign trade. This GDP is down slightly, but the unemployment rate, while high at 7.7%, is lower than throughout southern Europe.

Under the topic of foreign relations, H.E. Murto said the emphasis was on defense, security, safeguarding basic values, and supporting the well-being of the nation. He described the “tools” in use to meet the objectives. These include diplomacy (bi-lateral and multilateral), some participation in crisis management and peacekeeping (such as contributing to training in Mali), and development aid, some 0.58% of GDP. Finland sees membership in the EU as strengthening its security.

Ambassador Murto mentioned the rise of cyber-attacks as a developing threat, and Finland has adopted a cyber-strategy in response.

He went on to discuss the involvement of Finland with its Nordic neighbours and observed that there is a new trend, that of co-operation between the 5 Nordic countries and the 3 Baltic countries. Finland is a participant on the Arctic Council.

On the topic of relations with Canada, he observed that we shared common winters, common values, and a love of ice hockey. There are 132,000 Canadians sharing Finnish ancestry, with some 17,000 still speaking Finnish in the home.

Canada will be chairing the Arctic Council 2013-2015, with Finland taking over for 2017-2019.

Ambassador Murto has a 43 point action plan for Finland-Canada relations; he expressed enthusiasm in the foreign relations between Finland and Canada, and is happy to see the large Finnish contingent here.

There followed a lengthy question and answer period, with many questioners thanking him for the quality and content of his presentation.

Peter Macnaughton, Newsletter Editor

OTHER NORDIC EVENTS OR ITEMS OF INTEREST

Canadian Friends of Finland

CFF Ottawa Spring Trivia Night April 26th!

Friday, April 26th at 6pm
Perkins Restaurant, 1130 St. Laurent Blvd (at Ogilvy)
Order dinner and form teams from 6 to 7 pm;
engage in a battle of trivia wits 7-9 pm!
Tickets: \$5 (at the event)

There is nothing trivial about the fun you'll have at the CFF Ottawa's Spring Trivia Night! Following last fall's dramatic trivia showdown, CFF Ottawa wants to crown more Kings and Queens of the Quiz. Join us at Perkins on April 26th for food and fun!

Once again, prizes for the winning team will be supplied by Lakomka European Delicatessen (1127 Baxter Road) - your one-stop shop for Finnish chocolate and other goodies!

RSVP to Chelsea (chessahvee@hotmail.com) if you're planning to attend. Hope to see you there!

Finnish School of Ottawa

Please find the Finnish School of Ottawa newsletter for spring 2013 by following this link:
<http://ottawa.finnish-schools.org/uutiskirjeet/kevat2013/OSKUNewsletterApr2013.html>

You are invited to two fun OSKU events this spring:

Traditional OSKU 1st of May Party (Saturday April 27th, 10AM at the Hopewell Avenue PS)

OSKU 30th Birthday Cruise on the Ottawa River (Saturday June 1st, details in the newsletter)

Please see the newsletter for details!

For further information, please contact Anu Lindeman anulindeman@hotmail.com

Norwegian Embassy

MUSIC

May 21: Norwegian rock band Kvelertak has had huge success in Norway, and play shows in Montreal during this spring's North American tour: http://www.emb-norway.ca/News_and_events/event/Kvelertak-Punckrock-Metal-to-Toronto-and-Montreal/

FILM

May 10: Norwegian Oscar nominated adventure movie Kon-Tiki will be released in Canada, and will be showing in select Canadian theaters in May. In Montreal:

<http://www.cinemamontreal.com/movies/25128/Kon-Tiki.html>

OTHER

June 15 & 16: Norwegian tall ship Sørlandet will be part of the Great Lakes Tall Ships Challenge this summer as the largest ship in the fleet, and will make port in Brockville on June 15 & 16.

http://www.emb-norway.ca/News_and_events/event/Norwegian-Tall-Ship-Sorlandet-to-sail-the-Great-Lakes-Summer-2013/

Swedish Club in Ottawa

The Real Group in Ottawa!

May 8 - Algonquin Commons Theatre (Algonquin College, Woodroffe Avenue, south of College Square on the corner of Baseline and Woodroffe)

Concert - 7pm - Early Bird tickets: \$40 adult - \$35 senior - \$25 student

for more details see website at: <http://www.trgottawa.ca/>

Mark your calendars: THE REAL GROUP is performing in OTTAWA on WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th !!

WHO IS THE REAL GROUP? In the last few years Ottawa has been host to some of the world's top professional *a cappella* groups, including: The Swingle Singers (England), Naturally7 (USA), Rajaton (Finland) and Kongero (Sweden). But there is another ensemble admired and revered by all of these groups: THE REAL GROUP from Sweden, who are at last coming to sing in Ottawa for the first time.

Check out the website at www.trgottawa.ca to see how you can get tickets to what will be a fun, amazing and impressive concert with these established masters of unaccompanied singing from Stockholm. Their style contains music for all tastes, including vocal jazz, occasional folk flavour, contemporary pop, as well as some wonderful and entertaining original songs.

At the website you can also learn about a **vocal workshop** with the Real Group on the afternoon of May 8th.

TICKETS! The May 8th concert will start at 7pm in the fantastic new auditorium at Algonquin College and **advanced tickets (\$25 for Students, \$35 for Seniors or \$40 for Adults)** are available online (<http://trgottawa.eventbrite.ca>), or from some local retail outlets or from members of some of the local singing groups involved. We are able to offer tickets at these reasonable prices thanks to generous sponsorship from organizations such as: The Swedish Institute, Canterbury High School Music Dept and Parent Support Group, The Embassy of Sweden, Volvo St Laurent, Quintessence, Harmonic Generation and The Harmonia Choir of Ottawa.

Please take advantage of this unique opportunity to see and hear first-hand these top class exponents of the art of *a cappella* in the 21st Century. You will not be disappointed!

Click here: www.trgottawa.ca

(See note in Editor's section below)

Swedish Embassy

Doors Open Ottawa

Embassy of Sweden is taking part in the City of Ottawa Doors Open event on Saturday, June 1. The public areas of the Ambassador's residence will be open to the public for viewing between the hours of 10:00-4:00 pm. Embassy staff will be on hand to answer questions about the residence and about Sweden.

June 7 and 10: Jenny Lind Concert 2013 in Ottawa and Toronto

The concert in Ottawa takes place on Friday June 7 at 7 pm, at Venturing Hills in Luskville, Québec, and is part of the Festival Pontiac Enchanté.

The concert in Toronto takes place on Monday, June 10 at 7.30 pm, at St. Lawrence Hall. Organizing the event is Swea Toronto.

This year the Jenny Lind recipient is Soprano Magdalena Risberg accompanied by pianist David Huang.

For more information about the events and about tickets, see the Embassy's homepage: www.swedishembassy.ca

EDITOR'S SECTION

Algonquin Commons Theatre (site of the REAL GROUP performance)



Recently I was privileged to have a tour of the new Algonquin Commons Theatre and found it fantastic. There are 700 seats in the auditorium plus another 130 on chairs in the orchestra pit. Everyone is close to the stage, and the acoustics are wonderful. It is built to the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act(AODA) so the rows are wide spaced and the ramps are gentle. Here is a view of the seating from the stage.

You should be able to park for free in Lots 8 and 9 in the evening. The theatre is in the Student Association Building just west of

Parking Lot 8. For a parking lot map, see: <http://www.algonquincollege.com/parking/map.html> (Building E is the Student Association Building)

Request for stories

If you are making a visit to the Nordic area this summer and have a little story and a picture or two that you would like to share with other members of CNS, please forward it to me for consideration in the Fall Newsletters.

In the Shadow of Alfred Nobel (or this Editor's adventures in researching sources)

In 1888, Alfred's brother Ludvig passed away. As Kenne Fant¹ puts it, "One French newspaper thought it was Alfred, not Ludvig who had died. Knowing that the inventor of dynamite had also been somehow involved in the weapons industry and had invented a new gunpowder for cannons, the obituary characterized Alfred as a "merchant of death" who had built a fortune by discovering new ways to "mutilate and kill." Alfred was in his laboratory in Sevran [near Paris France] when he read this, and it pained him so much that he never forgot it. Indeed, he became so obsessed with his posthumous reputation that he rewrote his last will, bequeathing most of his fortune to a cause upon which no future obituary writer would be able to cast aspirations."

¹ Fant, Kenne, Alfred Nobel A Biography, Arcade Publishing, New York, 1991 (translated from the Swedish by Marianne Ruuth, and published 1993)



At the time I read of this story (February) in Wikipedia, I was thinking of doing a summary of the Nobel Laureates from the Nordic Countries, and the item really caught my attention as a great lead-in. But I wanted to go a little further, and provide my readers the name of the magazine. It should have been so easy.

But it's not so easy. The only hit on the Internet relating to the magazine with the original posthumous obituary said the article was:

"12th April 1888 - the premature obituary was published in the Paris newspaper "*Ideotie Quotidienne*" ("daily nonsense") under the headline "Le Marchand de la Mort est Mort" ("drummer of death is dead" and/or "the merchant of death is dead")."²

I'm skeptical about the veracity of this information, "Daily Nonsense" doesn't seem real (no other hits on *Ideotie Quotidienne*.) And the date of Ludvig's death was April 12 and it is unlikely that a newspaper would get the information out on the same day.

Alfred read the world's papers such as *Le Figaro*, *Le Matin*, *The Times*, *Times Literary Supplement*, *B.Z. am Mittag* and more. It is hardly likely that he read *Ideotie Quotidienne*, if it existed at all. So I'm still looking for the name of the newspaper. I even contacted the Nobel Foundation and received the following response:

"Dear Peter Macnaughton,
There have never been found any documentation about this story despite all the research conducted.
Yours sincerely,
Nobelprize.org Team"³

But the Encyclopedia Britannica is convinced that it the premature obituary part is true⁴, and it is mentioned in a number of other biographies which I have been wading through, with more to come. However, I do not feel that it was his premature obituary that caused Alfred to create the prizes for which he is famous.

I plan to do a little write-up for future newsletters on Alfred's interests and inventions, some of his notable quotes, a bit on his life and character, and on events in his life that influenced his legacy. Then perhaps I'll do that summary that got me started.

Peter Macnaughton, Newsletter Editor

² <http://www.funtrivia.com/askft/Question124950.html>.

³ Email February 5, 2013.

⁴ But the mistaken obituary is not mentioned in my 1977 Edition of the Encyclopedia!

NORDIC RESOURCES

Just a reminder that there is a list of Nordic Resources located on our website

<http://www.canadiannordicsociety.com/resources.html>

including the Nordic Embassies, the Ottawa based social organizations, and links to newspapers and museums in Nordic Countries. The list is on the Nordic Resources tab on the general web site, or use the link above.

MEMBERSHIP

The CNS membership year is from April 1 to March 31⁵ which means that it is once again time to renew your membership for the 2013-2014 year. Our membership dues remain the same as they have been for a number of years: \$20.00 for an individual membership; \$30.00 for a family membership, \$15.00 for a student membership. Please fill in the form, enclose a cheque and mail it to our mail box indicated in our letterhead. Unfortunately, the form cannot be completed or submitted electronically.

It is the membership dues that enable us to have our Speakers' Series which has been one of the distinguishing aspects of the Canadian Nordic Society program since we were established in 1963. While we work in close co-operation with the five Nordic embassies situated in Ottawa, CNS does not receive any financial support from any embassy or other organization.

We depend on our membership to enable us to continue carrying out a program of activities that promote a better understanding of the societies and cultures of the Nordic countries.

⁵ I've just been informed that the fiscal year was changed during the 2007 Annual General Meeting. Editor.



Canadian Nordic Society

If you are already a member, please pass this on to a friend!

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone (home): _____ Phone (work): _____

email: _____

To reduce costs, the newsletter will be sent electronically to those with email addresses unless otherwise advised.

Family Membership - \$30, Individual Membership - \$20. Student Membership - \$15.

As a Member you:

- will receive the Society's Newsletter
- are invited to participate in all CNS events
- are encouraged to become actively involved in the life of the Society
- receive discounts on tickets to CNS events

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Peter Macnaughton - Newsletter Editor, (not a board member) 613-224-8527 peter.macnaughton@sympatico.ca

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact one of the Board Members. Membership dues can be given to any Board member or you can mail your payment to:

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hosted by
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NOMINATION FORM For ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF May 29, 2013

We the undersigned, hereby nominate _____
to serve on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Nordic Society for the year 2013 – 2014.

Signature of Nominee _____
(to confirm willingness to serve on the Board of Directors if elected).

Signatures: (3 signatures required)

Nominated By: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Date: _____

A brief bio of the Nominee attached to this form would be appreciated.

All signatures on this form must be members in good standing with dues fully paid.

Closing date for acceptance of nominations will be April 20, 2013.

Please submit this form to Chairman, Nominating Committee, Lennard Sillanpää, in person, or mail before April 20, 2013 to Canadian Nordic Society, Box 55023, 240 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P1A1.

CHANGE IN CORPORATE STATUS OF THE CANADIAN NORDIC SOCIETY

The founders of The Canadian Nordic Society in 1963 chose the legal status of a federally incorporated corporation. The Society has functioned under the Canada Corporations Act for the last fifty years. A new Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act (NFP Act, S.C. 2009, c. 23) has recently come into force and establishes a new set of rules for federally incorporated not-for-profit corporations in Canada. Our existing by-laws define the Society as a not-for-profit corporation and it therefore falls within the scope of the new NFP Act.

This new law requires us to take certain actions to make the transition to the new Act. The NFP Act and its Regulations state that corporations which do not make the transition by the deadline of October 17, 2014 will be assumed to be inactive and will be dissolved.

Considering the complexity which generally surrounds corporate law, the process for not-for-profit corporations is relatively straightforward.

In order to make the transition, we are required to file “Articles of Continuance” with Corporations Canada before the deadline in 2014. A meeting of members needs to be held as part of the transition process. This meeting must be held in accordance with the existing by-laws since those are the rules governing the affairs of the corporation until a Certificate of Continuance is obtained.

Regardless of any voting rules in the existing by-laws, the NFP Act requires that the articles of continuance be approved by two-thirds of the votes cast by members voting at the meeting.

The Council is therefore proposing the attached draft articles of continuance for approval by the upcoming Annual General Meeting of the Society on May 29, 2013.

Corporations Canada will review the articles of continuance adopted by the Society. If they meet the requirements of the NFP Act, Corporations Canada will issue a “Certificate of Continuance” with the articles of continuance attached. These two forms together will become the Society’s new constitution and replace the letters patent issued on November 13, 1963.

After we receive the Certificate of Continuance, the board of directors (which, up until now, was called “Council”) is required to draft new by-laws of the Society and to submit them to a meeting of members for approval. Because the NFP Act spells out a number of default rules, it does not specify a deadline for drafting the new by-laws. It is, however, Council’s intention to submit the new by-laws for adoption by the Society at its Annual General Meeting in May 2014.

Unlike the old Act, the NFP Act does not require Corporations Canada to review and provide Ministerial approval of the by-laws. The benefit to the Society is that the by-laws come into effect immediately when they are made. The only requirement is that by-laws be filed with Corporations Canada within 12 months of their being confirmed by members.

(From the Council)

Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act (NFP Act)

Form 4031

Articles of Continuance (transition)

To be used only for a continuance from the Canada Corporations Act, Part II.

1 Current name of the corporation	
The Canadian Nordic Society	
2 If a change of name is requested, indicate proposed corporate name	
3 Corporation number	4 The province or territory in Canada where the registered office is situated
0 3 4 8 7 7 - 5	Ontario
5 Minimum and maximum number of directors (for a fixed number, indicate the same number in both boxes)	
Minimum number	Maximum number
7	7
6 Statement of the purpose of the corporation	
<p>The objects of the Society are to encourage and promote intellectual and social relations between the people of Canada and the people of the Nordic countries with the principal activities being: the study of Nordic life, languages and cultures; lectures, conferences, exhibitions and demonstrations in Canada; travel; and an interchange of cultural opportunities.</p> <p>The Society shall co-operate with other organizations having similar objectives and shall assist, whenever practical, organizations encouraging similar activities in the Nordic countries and relating to Canada.</p>	
7 Restrictions on the activities that the corporation may carry on, if any	
<p>The Society is non-sectarian and non-political and shall not have any religious or political affiliations.</p>	

Form 4031
Articles of Continuance (transition)

8	The classes, or regional or other groups, of members that the corporation is authorized to establish
<p>Honorary Members: The Ambassadors to Canada of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden shall be honorary members of the Society. Honorary Members are not required to pay membership dues and do not have the right to vote at meetings of members.</p> <p>Members: Persons who are 18 years of age or over and who pay the annual membership dues prescribed by a meeting of members.</p>	
9	Statement regarding the distribution of property remaining on liquidation
<p>The board of directors shall, after discharge of liabilities of the Society, make an unrestricted gift of the remaining property of the Society to one or more organizations carrying on activities compatible with and complementary to those of the Society. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing, examples of such organizations might be those teaching Nordic languages or promoting academic study of the Nordic countries.</p>	
10	Additional provisions, if any
<p>The directors may appoint one or more additional directors who shall hold office for a term expiring not later than the close of the next annual general meeting of members, but the total number of directors so appointed may not exceed one-third (1/3) of the number of directors elected at the previous annual general meeting of members.</p>	
11	Declaration
<p>I hereby certify that I am a director or an authorized officer of the corporation continuing into the NFP Act.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Signature</i> _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Print name</i> _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Phone number</i> () - _____</p> <p><small>Note: A person who makes, or assists in making, a false or misleading statement is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term of not more than six months or to both (subsection 262(2) of the NFP Act).</small></p>	