

DEAR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF SCANDINAVIAN PARK INC., NFP

April 4, 2020



We are living in very crazy times. Please adhere to the social distancing guidelines, staying at home and always washing your hands. We will get through this.

Scandinavian Park, Inc. NFP must adhere to all government mandates regarding the covid-19 pandemic. Because of the constantly changing nature of these directives, we have made the difficult decision to cancel our annual Dinner Dance, which had already been rescheduled to Sunday June 7, 2020. **Next year's Dinner Dance is scheduled for March 20, 2021.** We all need to stay safe even after we've gotten a handle on the virus.

We know many of you have purchased Dinner Dance tickets. Because of the covid-19 pandemic, we cannot hold any events or rent Vasa Park until governmental social distancing restrictions are lifted. Given that the guideline dates keep getting pushed further back, no one knows when we will be able to hold gatherings of people at Vasa Park again. This puts us at a great disadvantage operationally and financially. We are looking at all the ways we can possibly economize, but it will still be a challenging season for Vasa Park.

The Scandinavian Park, Inc. NFP Board of Directors is asking for your help. We are asking you to donate your Dinner Dance ticket fees to Scandinavian Park, Inc. NFP. This funding will help sustain Vasa Park operationally, until we can once again hold events and rentals.

We have a matching gift offer from David Anthonsen and his wife Annette Seaberg. David is the Vice President of Scandinavian Park, Inc. NFP. They will match any of your donations to Vasa Park up to \$3,000. This is incredibly generous, but is dependent on everyone joining the effort to ensure the park's sustainability during these challenging times. If any of our members or friends would like to create an additional matching donation, like David and Annette, please let me know. That would be wonderful! My home phone number is 815-895-2102. Email address is [GroverDKB1@comcast.net](mailto:GroverDKB1@comcast.net)

Additionally, it has been brought to my attention that with the Covid-19 Relief Package, up to \$300 of charitable contributions can be deducted by taxpayers, even if they do not itemize. If you are able to donate to Vasa Park, please do. We will desperately need funds to keep Vasa Park operational. Please make checks out to Scandinavian Park, Inc. NFP and send them to Johannes Smits, 315 Chatham Lane, Roselle, IL 60172.

If you are unable to donate your Dinner Dance ticket fee, please let our Treasurer Johannes Smits know at 630-935-4074 or [smits.scanpark@gmail.com](mailto:smits.scanpark@gmail.com) and we will return your check.

We will be still be holding our Dinner Dance raffle. The raffle tickets will be chosen on **May 21, 2020**. You still have time to purchase additional raffle tickets! We will notify the winners.

Thank you so much!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Cleveland'.

Tom Cleveland

President – Scandinavian Park, Inc. NFP