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PILGRIMS' PROGRESS

It all started with a kernel of corn, and it turned out to be the biggest celebration the New World had ever seen. The year was 1621.

America's original immigrant population, the Pilgrims, prepared a large feast and invited their Native American neighbors.

There was much for which to be thankful, but in simplest terms, they were thankful to be alive, and thankful to have the friendship of the American Indian, who taught them how to survive. The kernels of corn yielded a harvest.

Today, some 380 years later, Thanksgiving remains a symbol for many Americans of an ideal world. It is a time of coming together, a time of strengthening the bonds of family and friendship, of working together for a common cause.

Please join us for two memorable experiences this November: our annual Thanksgiving Dinner Dance on the 24th (note the new location); and our luncheon on the 29th, featuring Mikael Andersson's moving and inspirational story of overcoming insurmountable odds.

In spite of all which has happened recently, we should not lose sight of the fact that we have much for which to be thankful. This is our strength.

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THANKSGIVING DINNER DANCE

Saturday, November 24, 2001

Note new location: Sheraton Stockholm Hotel

As proud Americans with proud traditions, in a world that seems to stir hostility around the globe, what better time to give thanks than this year. Please join us in celebrating a national holiday of our existence and friendship with not only the American Indians, but also our world neighbors in general.

RESERVATIONS BY NOVEMBER 19

6:30pm	Welcome Drinks (cash bar)
7:15pm	Buffet Dinner with Wine -- turkey and all the fixin's!
9:00pm	Coffee and Lottery
9:30pm	Dancing (cash bar)
1:00am	Closing

Non-members are most welcome to attend.

Door Prizes

Details and registration information on reverse side.

Mikael Andersson

"The Power of Thought – To Choose Life"
Self-perceived limitations or hidden possibilities?

November 29

Imagine a despondent man, ready to end it all. Then imagine another young man, who, through one random act of kindness, changed the first man's life forever.

This is a true story.

Mikael Andersson was born without arms or legs. He is the second man in the story.

Today he drives a car and works for Autoadapt-BEV AB, marketing equipment for adapting cars to people with physical handicaps. He is the proud father of two, and wields a mean bandy stick.

How can we, with another approach to thinking, achieve much more than what our surroundings or we ourselves believed was possible? This is the question which has faced Mikael Andersson all his life. Join us on Thursday, November 29, when Mikael shares his answers. This is one luncheon you won't want to miss.

Details and registration information on reverse side.

Events Calendar

Information on the events below can also be found on our website at www.amclubsweden.org

- November 24 Thanksgiving Dinner Dance
- November 29 Luncheon - Sergel Plaza Hotel
- December 13 Lucia Day Luncheon
Grand Hotel Hall of Mirrors
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Corporate tables available.
- January 30 Reception and dinner
in honor of U.S. Ambassador Charles Heimbold.
Nya Sällskapet.

Reserve tables now!

Lucia Day Luncheon

Save Thursday,
December 13.

Contact Ulf Ryde:
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THANKSGIVING DINNER DANCE

- When:** Saturday, November 24, 2001
- Time:** 6:30pm - 1:00am
- Where:** Sheraton Stockholm, Tegelbacken 6 (Due to current events, the dinner had to be moved from the Embassy.)
- Cost:** **Early bird** (payment dated by Nov. 9):
Member and 1 guest: SEK 395:- per person
Non-members: SEK475:- per person
Regular price (payment dated after November 9):
SEK 475 per person, members and non-members
- Payment:** Pre-payment via postgiro**
- Dress:** Dark Suit
- Inquiries:** Becky Persson
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Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis (dated by your payment date). Each American Club member may bring one guest at the member price. Non-members may attend. Please make your reservations by remitting payment (see prices above) to **Postgiro 53795-1 (Account Name/"Kontohavare": American Club of Sweden). Mark the giro stub "November 24" and **in very legible block letters, write your phone number and the names of the participants. Early bird prices end November 9!** Sorry, no refunds for cancellations after November 19.

THANKSGIVING DINNER DANCE SUBSIDIZED

Our costs for the Thanksgiving Dinner Dance this year are higher than they would be if we were still at the Embassy; however, we unexpectedly had a positive net result from our Solidarity Evening. We are using these monies towards defraying the higher cost of Thanksgiving and keeping the event affordable.

Mikael Andersson "The Power of Thought - To Choose Life"

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hidden possibilities?*

- When:** Thursday, November 29
- Time:** 11:45 AM - 1:30 PM
- Where:** Sergel Plaza Hotel,
Brunkebergstorg 6
- Cost:** SEK 200:- including lunch, beer/
water and coffee. Payment at the
door.

Reservations:
by Monday, November 26. **After
that date reservations are
binding and no shows will be
billed.** Contact Marianne Larsson
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