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THE SPIRIT OF AMERICA

New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, when asked what people could do to help New York recover from the recent terrorist attack on the World Trade Center, said, "Come to New York! We need your business!"

If one could advise us here in Stockholm what to do in our recovery efforts, I would echo that by saying, "Believe in America, and believe in yourself! Get on with your life, and do not let terrorism win."

Psychologically, economically, spiritually, we cannot afford to be afraid. Terrorism wins through sheer intimidation.

We also cannot afford to mirror the fanatical hatred of our enemies, for then terrorism wins through corruption of our values.

The American Club's "Solidarity Evening" on September 20th did much to heal the gaping wounds left by the tragedy of September 11th.

We are deeply grateful for the cooperation and support of all who helped this event achieve its purpose—particularly the U.S. Embassy and the American Club Board and club members who gave so selflessly of their time during this crisis.

We also thank the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce for granting us a venue when the Embassy became off-limits, and our corporate sponsors Coca-Cola, E & J Gallo, and American Dockside for their generosity.

The challenge is now on us to pick up the pieces of our lives and go forward, sadder, but wiser. We will never be the same. Perhaps that is good.

In the words of William Schulz, Executive Director of Amnesty International USA, "We have work to do."

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NEW U.S. AMBASSADOR STRENGTHENS SOLIDARITY

The Honorable Charles A. Heimbold, newly sworn in as the United States' Ambassador to Sweden, made an unexpected guest appearance at the American Club's "Solidarity Evening" on September 20th at the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce. Over 170 people from Stockholm's five American-oriented clubs attended the event.

Ambassador Heimbold was accompanied by Gillian Milovanovic, Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy. The two made a joint presentation about the current state of affairs in the aftermath of the September 11th terrorist attacks on the United States. Ambassador Heimbold had flown in just days earlier from the States in order to be in Sweden during this time of crisis.

With a minimum of prepared remarks, he and DCM Milovanovic fielded questions from the audience on topics ranging from safety and security issues to ex-pat citizen registration via the internet.

30-year Background in Business

Ambassador Heimbold is the former chairman of Bristol Myers Squibb, a major U.S. pharmaceutical company, and studied law at the University of Pennsylvania. He brings a strong business background to the post of Ambassador. His wife is Swedish-born, and Sweden was his first choice when he was asked by President George W. Bush to serve as an ambassador.

American Solidarity

Following the Ambassador's remarks, representatives from each of the five clubs gave brief profiles of their respective clubs.

A NIGHT AT NALEN

featuring **Ronnie Gardiner**

Saturday, October 20

Join us at Nalen on October 20th for an evening of jazz hosted by the inimitable **Ronnie Gardiner** in *Ronnie's Room*, his cozy jazz club at Nalen. Sit back and enjoy the smooth jazz of *The Sliding Hammers*, starring the virtuoso female trombone sisters Karin Hammar and Mimmi Pettersson Hammar, with Ronnie on the drums, Mathias Algotsson, and Tommy Johnson on bass. Their critically acclaimed CD "A Place to Be" (Gazell) has established them as one of the most popular Swedish jazz groups. The second act begins at 10:30PM and features the *Mats Åleklint Trio*.

An American Club member, Ronnie Gardiner is one of the most prominent jazz drummers in Europe, having played at such jazz festivals as the Nice Jazz Festival, the Helsinki Jazz Festival, and the Monterey Jazz Festival. He's played with jazz greats Dizzie Gillespie, Benny Carter, and Dexter Gordon, to name a few. In addition to directing *Ronnie's Room* and maintaining an active performance schedule, Ronnie has pioneered an innovative method of rhythm therapy for stroke victims. In May he was awarded the Medal of St. Erik -- a rare distinction for an American -- in recognition for his tireless work in this field.

Added Value: Big Band Ballroom Dancing and Cabaret -- Ticket includes admission to Nalen's other rooms, where you can "cut the rug" to the sounds of a big band in the *Stora Salen*, or catch a cabaret-style performance in the *Harlem Room*.

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

October 20	An Evening of Jazz with Ronnie Gardiner Nalen
October 25	"To Be, Not to be Seen" Jerry Hagström, author Hotel Diplomat
November 24	Thanksgiving Dinner Dance
December 13	Lucia Day Luncheon Grand Hotel Hall of Mirrors

TURKEY TIME!

Thanksgiving Dinner-Dance

Details coming soon!

Save Saturday,
November 24th.

A NIGHT AT NALEN - The Details

WHAT:	A NIGHT AT NALEN, featuring "Ronnie's Room"
WHERE:	Regeringsgatan 74, Stockholm
WHEN:	Saturday, October 20 th , 7PM - on
COST:	SEK 225:- includes discounted ticket and welcoming drink with Ronnie Gardiner
RESERVATIONS:	by October 12 th . Please reserve your tickets in advance by phone, fax, or email to Marianne Larsson; no shows will be billed. American Club members and their guests are welcome.
CONTACT:	Marianne Larsson at Tel; 08/61 4 30 58, or fax 08/611 78 17; marianne.larsson@vinge.se
PAYMENT:	Postgiro 53795-1 (Account name/ "Kontohavare": American Club of Sweden). Mark the giro stub " October 20 " and in very legible block letters , write the names of the participants . Bring your receipt to the ticket office at Nalen.

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who contributed to our
Solidarity Evening on
September 20th.
We couldn't have done it
without you!

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TO BE, NOT TO BE SEEN - The Mystery of Swedish Business

An Evening with Author Jerry Hagstrom

Jerry Hagstrom's book, "To Be, Not to be Seen - The Mystery of Swedish Business" was one of former Ambassador Lyndon Olson's favorite books on the topic of understanding the Swedish people. Now, meet the author and hear his insights on what makes Swedes tick.

This event is sponsored by AmCham. Reservations are limited to 50 people. No shows will be charged.

When:	Thursday, October 25 th
Time:	6 - 8PM
Where:	Hotel Diplomat, Strandvägen 7C, 2nd Floor
Cost:	SEK 285 + VAT (You will be invoiced.)
Reservations:	by October 18th. Helena Mellberg, AmCham Sweden (T) 506 126 10 (F) 506 129 10; helena.mellberg@chamber.se



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