

Uppsala, March 15 2016

Dear Family and Friends,

This is an easy way to thank you all for remembering my increasing age!

Thank you so much for cards, e-mails, flowers and all good thoughts. – Especially the flowers Annli got for me from YOU.

We had a good celebration at Lars and Monica Arvidsson's home in Ekerö. I was glad to have Annli with me as my driver, since my car isn't so perfect, and one can never know what the weather is like in late February.

Well, as you know we dropped in on Barbro's celebration, and this was on my day, so I got a good share of the attention, too. We called Meta from Ekerö, so everybody got to say a few words to her. All the five kids of Mary and Rangar Ljungquist were there, even Gittan, who lives in a home for the elderly, since she has so many health problems. It was good to see her. It is a long time since she could join the group. Her son Arne and his wife were also there, but left early when it was time for Gittan to leave.

Monica had prepared salmon and cake and a lot of goodies. Lars sang for us and Lennart gave a talk about his adventures in his young years. Barbro laughed as usual and Leif cracked his jokes. Barbro's daughter Lena and family were there as well. Lena is a grandmother since about four years, to a sweet girl with lots of red hair. We also met Lars and Monica's one son and their daughter. The other son up in Hälsingland could not come owing to his wife's health problems. Berit is back into work, teaching refugees Swedish! She loves it!

Well, we all had a merry time – and are amazed that we all are so old. Of course the really old ones are Barbro and me!!!

I felt quite fortunate to escape from Uppsala and to avoid a lot of commotion on my day. This was a very good – and perhaps a little cowardly way to escape putting on a big celebration of my own!!

On Sunday Annli, Olivia, Pascal and I met Ralph and Noel and Clara in Stockholm. We first went to the Far Eastern Museum and then, of course, had Chinese food!! The museum has had an exhibit of findings from the Silk Way – some excavated as late as in the 1980'ies. They have a wonderful cave in the rock for these extra exhibits. We had a very efficient guide, but she was more interested in the sexual way of life among the nobles of that time and culture than of the things on the shelves!!

Now, I hope you aren't to cross with me for not inviting you to a Princesstårta this time. I will when I turn 100 years old!!!

Love to all of you – and thanks again!

Lally



Berit is talking to Meta



Try to identify them all!



The “adult table”. – The children and grandchildren had a separate table!



You can only see the back of Gittan’s head here, but you can see Lars and Monica’s daughter and some others that you may know.