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**Photo Caption:** After a long, cold winter of cutting railroad cross-ties in the national forest around Dubois, Scandinavian tie hacks guided completed ties down the Wind River to the railroad yard in Riverton. Dubois will celebrate the legacy of the Scandinavian tie hacks at the 2010 Swedish Smorgasbord on Saturday, June 19.

**Photo Credit:** Dubois Museum

### **Annual Swedish Smorgasbord celebrates Dubois' tie hack heritage**

**Dubois, WY**— Celebrate the legacy of the Scandinavian tie hacks who once cut railroad cross-ties in the national forest around Dubois at the community's annual Swedish Smorgasbord on Saturday, June 19. The Smorgasbord continues a long tradition that celebrated the beginning of spring and the long tie-drive (float of ties) down the Wind River to the rail yard in Riverton.



A community-wide Smorgasbord was first held in 1948 by the St. Thomas Church Guild, and it continued as an annual event until the 1980s. The Smorgasbord tradition was revived in 2004 by the Dubois Museum Association as part of Dubois' 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

The buffet-style smorgasbord, featuring traditional Scandinavian food, will be served at 5 and 6 p.m. in the Headwaters Center at 20 Stalnaker St. in Dubois. Local musicians will provide entertainment. This year's Smorgasbord will honor former tie hacks and their families as well as the people who have helped with the community Smorgasbord in past years.

Tickets for the 2010 Swedish Smorgasbord are \$12 for adults and \$8 for children. They will go on sale

June 2 at the Dubois Museum, Dubois Chamber of Commerce, Two Ocean books, Water Wheel Gifts, Headwaters Center and National Bighorn Sheep Interpretive Center.

For more information about the Smorgasbord or ticket availability, phone the Dubois Museum at 307-455-2284, <http://www.duboiswyo.org>  
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