MONITOR MINUTES - Feb. 12, 1995 Marysville

Margaret Carlson called meeting to order at 13:20

ROLL CALL

Dorothy Scherer - absent Liesma Krastins - absent Leo Krastins - absent

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Jack & Linda Becker - sponsored by Louise Center's daughter - submitted check for both with application for Linda, but application not yet received for Jack Becker.

Some discussion about notifying membership applicants about upcoming initiation.

MINUTES

Minutes in Newsletter showed rent check of \$110. Actually \$55 was for meeting, plus \$55 for language club. They had paid \$55 to Monitor, so only one check needed to be written.

150 people at (128 tickets) at the Art Soppa dinner last week. \$584.50 profit!!

FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

None reported

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

SWEDEN DAY Delegates - Myrtle Widmark and Audrey Fales.

Minutes from last year's meeting approved. New bylaws relating to the Sweden Day Picnic. Picnic to be held at Half-Moon Bay this year. Talk of discontinuing it entirely. Bylaw resolutions will be presented at Convention in Eureka. Different prizes being discussed for future instead of cash prizes. Park is 4 miles from highway 280. Bring your own picnic lunch but there will be hot dogs for sale. Entrance fee of \$3.00 per person, but no parking fee.

Planning committee meeting in September instead of February for next Sweden Day.

Outgoing District Master has the choice of where the next Sweden Day Picnic is to be held.

Discussion of prizes donated by Monitor Lodge last year.

VASA STAR

Nice article about Monitor Lodge in last issue except they inadvertently changed "Swedish" to "Spanish" in one reference.

CHILDREN'S CLUB

Peggy would like to issue pins at Mothers Day meeting for children who are 5-year and 8-year members of children's group.

SINGERS

Arlie Veis spoke for the Valley Viking Singers - No invitation yet for singing at Scandinavian-Festival. Marianne Ek explained the flap over singing of the Finnish National Anthem. Representative groups from each country will sing their own Anthem. Valley Viking Singers sung the Finnish Anthem the way they were taught by a Finnish women at Camelia Festival some years ago.

Ellen Harrod-- said it's been blown out of proportion - just that some Finnish members thought it hard for average member to sing along.

SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL

Ethel Johnson (Monitor representative for the Festival) mentioned that volunteers are needed to sign up for duties. Sign-up list was passed around. Our lodge (Christine Bodelson doing sandwiches) doing pancakes and sandwiches.

Calling Committee Chairman needs to initiate calling of members for volunteers.

Discussion about supplying gifts for door prizes at Festival -- Arlie Veis moved to have Lodge buy gifts for door prizes. - seconded by Audrey Fales.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Arlie Veis - regarding raising the dues -- is it really necessary? Arlie is willing to be on a Duescommittee to look into matter. Arlie, Kurt Pfannkuch, Gail Nemy and Betty Schoepf to be on committee.

Smorgasbord -- Peggy Carlson speaking - Smorgasbord has been chaired by Margaret for years -- her children feel she should not chair it again -- she works from August through November on it.

We took in ('94) (204 tickets a total \$4,266. Paid out \$3405.41 in expenses.

Suggestion that for '95, it be combined with Glögg Party in December just for our own members for a decent price. Won't be so much work if everyone brings a dish. Won't have to rent church, band, etc. Maybe a fish table, cheeses, bread meatballs and salad - buffet-style.

Ethel suggested still having it at church but scaling down the dinner dishes.

Decision to have it at Glögg Party in December for this year.

No bus for Convention in Eureka.

April Anniversary Meeting -- Someone to cater -- Ethel talked about the Texas Barbecue that will cater a barbecue anywhere. We will have at Hall at regular meeting. Lodge will subsidize

this for paid-up members -- will cost about \$10.00 per person. Probably charge about \$5 per person.

Peggy Carlson made a motion (seconded by Audrey Fales) to take vote at the next meeting on price, etc for barbecue. Motion was passed.

Farmer Bob's Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Sept. 30.

Audrey Fales mentioned that we need more "worker Bees" - When one sponsors a new member, they should also be there to give guidance to new member and get them involved in committees, etc.

CORRESPONDENCE

Marianne Ek showed Swedish Press magazine mailing.

Marianne asked that she be copied on any letters sent on behalf of Monitor Lodge for her files.

Grand Lodge of Indiana has asked for our Cultural Leader to complete a report on our lodge. He wants to put a book together on all lodges, that would be available to all lodges. Audrey Fales mentioned that she did one of these books 12 years ago.

Marianne Ek showed samples of three Swedish-style forms that are invitations to potential members; also samples of Swedish Clipart that might be used in Newsletter.

Ingrid received ad from someone from Lund who makes Swedish folk-costumes (for \$208) -- Ingrid has order forms for anyone interested.

FUTURE EVENTS

What to serve at March meeting -- (Business meeting) -- Semlor was suggested.

BILLS

Paid in Feb.
Cal. State Grange \$55 for hall rent.
VASA assessment \$1,536.25
\$18.12 to Marianne Ek - supplies
\$85.00 USPS for postage
Jewel Wright \$19.00 for misc. supplies for Art Soppa Dinner.

Audrey moved to pay bills. Ingrid Kennedy seconded motion.

Marianne Ek recommended that all raffle-ticket money go through financial secretary and treasurer.

Arlie mentioned that, as an auditor, they've been asked to approve payments prior to a vote being taken. Must have receipts for what is paid out, or recipient could get charged with it as INCOME.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Historian report (by Eleanor Vine) sent to Eric Johnson (District Historian) - very nicely done.

Ericka Lewis to receive a pin for 25 years, and Lillian Stafford for 50 years.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Audrey moved that we offer two scholarships to the Language Camp. \$4,907.32 in scholarship fund. To be referred to Scholarship Committee. Would be a one-time thing. Should be some interest shown on part of potential recipient.

Scholarship checks should be made out to college/institution, not to the scholarship recipient (per District).

FINANCIAL SECRETARY & TREASURER

Gail Nemy read letter from Erika & Thor Barrows - they're resigning since they're going to be traveling for awhile, then moving to Oregon.

Gail and Betty gave financial reports.

Meeting adjourned at 14:55.

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