

MONITOR MINUTES - March 1, 1996
Wisteria Hall

Arlie Veis updated us on District activities prior to the business meeting.
Birthday wishes to those having March birthdays.

Opened at 19:52

ROLL CALL

Absent:

Louise Amundsen

Neil Hogue, District Deputy in attendance.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

To be voted on:

Michael Churkin, Jr. (sponsored by Carol Bjork Churkin, spouse)
Candidate has been accepted for initiation.

Initiation of the following members took place :

Gary and Helen Baker

Michael Churkin, Jr.

MINUTES

Audrey Fales pointed out that the 2nd 50-year history of VASA is being gathered. Mis-reported as 2nd 5-year history.

Minutes accepted as corrected.

FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE

Dorothy Scherer - called on Millie Johnson - compound fracture and broken shoulder.

Martha Fredrickson will be having surgery this next week.

Myrtle and Dorothy went to San Anselmo to visit Dorothy Erickson.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Program scheduled but presenter was unable to show due to opening night of play.

Would like to display historical regalia at convention.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Two more applications.

VASA STAR

No report

CHILDREN'S CLUB

Christi Kagstrom - looking for more children. Thanked Nål och Tråd for gift of crafts to sell at Lucia. Gave thank-you card to Myrtle Widmark.

SCHOLARSHIP

Committee was in charge of decorating tonight. Jewel Wright has one application for scholarship that hasn't been returned. Apps need to be returned by 3/15/96 for selection. 3rd member of committee, Ericka Lewis, asked to resign due to injuries and she is moving to Southern California.

SINGERS

Valley Viking Singers will be singing at Scandinavian Festival -- looking for more singers.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Helen Tura had donated a number of books, some of which were sold to our Swedish language students. Money is being used for library supplies (labels, etc.)

SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL

(Myrtle) Coming up April 14th. Need lots of workers, also need bakegoods. Hopeful that Syrie Eliason, Swedish Woman of the Year will attend.

(Arlie) Bakegoods are a very important part of this, to help make up for income from Smorgasbord that we no longer have. Puppet show, Pippi Longstocking may be taking place to entertain children.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TV project - stand may be donated. After we know about stand, Birgitta Ostland will purchase TV. **NOTE: We now have the stand and it was donated.**

Storage shed project - ongoing - (Don Stafford and John Wright emptied the old shed and moved it to the shed that John and Jewel have rented. Don also has some books from the shed in his garage). We will rent a 5x5 unit for permanent storage. Viola would like to see the old shed torn down. Don Stafford may take the old shed materials for his own use and reimburse the lodge. **Christi Kagstrom (Children's Club) would like some room in this storage unit for children's club stuff.** We may need a 5x10 unit to accommodate this. **LODGE NEEDS TO KNOW IF ANY OTHER MEMBERS ARE STORING ANYTHING THAT NEEDS TO GO IN THIS SPACE.**

Audrey Fales made motion that we allocate money for a larger unit (and closer). Christi Kagstrom seconded - **motion carried.** At least \$20 is now being *saved* by Children's Club meeting at Christi's home.

Budget-tracking book has been set up for input to '97 budget.
Scandinavian Afternoon - (See future events).

CORRESPONDENCE

Announcement from Camp Norge for Folk Dance Class March 29 in Alta, Ca.

Thank you note from Donna Niemoller.

From District - new resolutions:

96-01 - regarding attraction of more members of Scandinavian heritage to celebrate Centennial Year.

96-02 - regarding Sweden Day changes.

96-03 - regarding traveling expenses - increased from 10 cents per mile to 15 cents.

96-04 - regarding District General Fund leftover funds.

From Kurt Pfannkuch - update - congratulations to '96 officers. Also announced Tore Kjellgren of Svea Lodge as the District Newsletter Editor. Still have vacancy for Assistant District Secretary - Patty Hogue is hanging in there in the meantime. also need replacement for District Cultural Leader.

Information on world tours from travel agency.

Past District Masters Club sent announcements for our delegates.

FUTURE EVENTS

Scandinavian Afternoon in Davis scheduled for 3/16/96. At the International House, 10 College Park, in Davis from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Myrtle, and 3 others went to see how house is laid out. Need help for serving refreshments, kitchen preparations, etc. We'll have a video running on Sweden. Will have activities to entertain children, too. This event is being well publicized. Please attend.

Bus trip - shopping trip to Bay area Scandinavian shops - Nordska Boutique, Nordic House, Bakery, and Scandia Imports in Albany. Bus is available 2nd Saturday in July for \$527.10. \$20 for non-members. Free for paid members. First-come, first served. Marianne made motion that we do this, Eivor seconded - **motion passed**. Need \$10 reservation (to Marianne). If you show up, you get the money refunded. Margaret Carlson will work with Marianne Ek to finalize this trip.

April 5th, potluck at next meeting (Anniversary meeting).

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Arlie Veis in which he proposed honorary life-membership for Viola Hallen for having the storage shed in her yard for so long -seconded by Audrey Fales - **motion passed**.

Motion that we buy gift for Kurt Pfannkuch, not to exceed \$150, as he leaves his office as District Master - seconded by Astrid Horyza - **motion passed**. Arlie to chair group to purchase gift.

4 Delegates to convention - Marianne moved that we send at least \$50 per room (two rooms) to help delegates defray cost of convention + 15 cents per mile for person driving - seconded by Arlie - **motion passed.**

BILLS

Read by Marianne Ek. Audrey Fales made motion to pay bills and Ethel Johnson seconded - **motion passed.**

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Noel Hogue - Pleasure to be here. Lodge is "home" to Noel and Patty. Welcomed new members. Invited anyone who even *thinks* they have leadership qualities to get involved.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY & TREASURER

Read by Gail Nemy and Betty Schoepf.

Meeting adjourned at 21:20

Brian Stockham
Assistant secretary