Vasa Order of America Monitor Lodge Feb 10 1998 7:00 pm

1. OPENING OF MEETING

7:10 CHAIRMAN NIEMOLLER SHARED EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION FROM THE FAMILY OF VERA ANDERSON FOR THE MEMORIAL HELD BY THE LODGE. HE COMMENDED THE VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATORS & KITCHEN CREW FOR A VERY VERY SUCCESSFUL PEA SOUP & PANCAKE DINNER.

- 2. ROLL CALL: SEE ATTACHED
- 3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP: SECRETARY REPORTED 3 APPLICATIONS NOT YET VOTED UPON FOR MEMBERSHIP, 2 APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSFER, 1 NEW APPLICATION THIS EVENING AND ONE EXPECTED THIS WEEK FROM A REQUEST FOR APPLICATION AT LODGE DINNER FEBRUARY 6. VICE CHAIRMAN MARIANNE EK REPORTED SHE WOULD CALL THE FOUR APPLICANTS ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE AND ENCOURAGE ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING OF MARCH 6. SECRETARY BENSON WILL SEND A LETTER TO THE APPLICANTS, FORMALLY INVITING THEM TO ATTEND.

FRIENDSHIP: CHAPLAIN HELEN JENSEN REPORTED THAT SHE LATELY LEARNED OF HER ROLE ON THE COMMITTEE AND WOULD BE WORKING WITH THE MEMBERS.

SCHOLARSHIP-EVA ALLRED PRESENTED AN ISSUE RELATING TO AGE OF RECIPIENTS. IT WAS DECIDED THAT CURRENTLY, AGE WAS NOT PART OF THE CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION THIS YEAR.

CHILDREN'S CLUB - DIRECTOR IS LEAVING FOR SWEDEN. VICE CHAIR WILL FOLLOW UP ON THE CLUBS ACTIVITIES.

HISTORIAN - GAIL NEMY WAS ENCOURAGED TO CONTINUE THE DISPLAY OF OF PICTURES FOR LODGE MEETINGS.

FINANCE - CHAIRMAN NIEMOLLER WILL SEEK DIRECTION FROM THE MEMBERSHIP AT THE MEETING OF MARCH 7 FOR THE USE OF A \$1000 DONATION THAT WAS EARMARKED BY THE DONOR TO BE USED FOR A SPECIFIC PROJECT.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

DISTRICT AND GRAND LODGE ASSESSMENTS WERE RECEIVED. JANUARY INSTALLMENT DUE. TREASURER REPORTED HISTORY OF INCREASE. KURT PFANNCUCH REPORTED THAT PROPOSALS ARE BEING CONSIDERED TO DECREASE OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ASSESSMENT AND ELIMINATE THE ARCHIVES ASSESSMENT, PLACING EMPHASIS ON EDUCATION AND OTHER MATTERS. ELLEN HARROD GENERALLY REFLECTED ON THE BENEFITS RECEIVED FROM FROM THE VASA ORDER.

A RAFFLE PROPOSAL TO BE CONDUCTED BY SIERRA KRONIN AT SWEDEN DAY ACTIVITIES WILL BE REVIEWED BY KURT PFANNKUCH.

3 RESOLUTIONS THAT WILL BE A MATTER OF DISCUSSION AND VOTING AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTION WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER AND DISCUSSED AT THE LODGE MEETING OF MARCH 6 FOR PURPOSES OF GIVING DIRECTION TO CONVENTION DELEGATES.

THANK YOU NOTE FROM MILLY AND HERB JOHNSON FOR THE CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE WAS RECEIVED.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUESTED: (A) LETTER OF COMMENDATION TO MONITOR LODGE MEMBER, RUBY HENDRICKSON, FOR RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS CONTRIBUTION TO VASA ORDER. (B) NOTIFY DISTRICT LODGE OF CONTRIBUTION TO SALVATION ARMY BY MONITOR. (C) ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS TO SIERRA KRONIN AT THEIR LODGE MEETING, FRIDAY FEB 14.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BUSINESS MEETING- INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS. INASMUCH AS APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR SOME TIME TO BE INITIATED, IT WAS DECIDED TO VOTE NEW MEMBERS INTO THE LODGE ON THE SAME NIGHT AS THEY WOULD BECOME MEMBERS, ALONG WITH 2 RECENT APPLICANTS. KEY ISSUE - PRESENT A CEREMONY THAT WOULD BE A CREDIT TO THE LODGE AND HONOR THE NEW MEMBERS.

PRICE OF BAR FARE: KURT PFANNKUCH MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY ELLEN HARROD AND APPROVED TO CHARGE AS FOLLOWS:

CAN OF SODA \$ 1.00 BEER & WINE 1.00 MIXED DRINKS 1.50 IMPORTED BEER 2.00

GALE NEMY WILL CONTINUE TO POST PRICES.

SERVING LINES FOR MEALS: INGEGERD KENNEDY MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY KARIN DOREY AND APPROVED, TO SERVE BY TABLE, SELECTED BY DRAWING NUMBERS.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST PLANNING: INGEGERD KENNEDY WILL PRODUCE A SHEET OF TICKETS FOR COPYING. MEMBERS ÁRE REQUESTED TO WRITE THEIR NAME AND PURCHASER'S NAME ON THE TICKET FOR SECURITY REASONS. EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO ADVERTISE AND SELL. JOHN WRIGHT REPORTED APPROXIMATELY 100 ATTENDED WHEN PANCAKE BREAKFASTS WERE HELD OFF SITE. MARGARET CARLSON REPORTED A LOT OF HELP IS NEEDED. A SATURDAY PREPARATION DAY IS BEING EXPLORED..

ANNIVERSARY DINNER: IT WAS DECIDED TO NOT CATER BUT PROVIDE AN "ELEGANT BUFFET" PREPARED BY MONITOR COOKS. 2 MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR 25 AND ONE FOR 40 YEAR PINS THIS YEAR TO BE AWARDED AT THIS MEETING. (NOT ALL MAY BE WELL ENOUGH TO ATTEND) MARGARET CARLSON ANNOUNCED SHE WOULD SECURE ENTERTAINMENT.

MOOSE STEW DINNER: A BUSY MEETING, VOTING AND INITIATING NEW MEMBERS, A BUSINESS MEETING, A SHORT CULTURAL PROGRAM, AND PRESALE OF PANCAKE BREAKFAST TICKETS.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- * APPROVAL TO PAY DISTRICT AND GRAND LODGE ASSESSMENTS MOTION BY KURT PFANNKUCH, 2ND BY ELLEN HARROD, CARRIED.
- * APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS MOTION BY KURT PFANNKUCH, 2ND BY JILLIAN STANLEY, CARRIED.
- * MARIANNE EK MADE A MOTION THAT LODGE MEMBER DELEGATES TO DISTRICT CONVENTION BE GIVEN \$50 TOWARD EXPENSES, 2ND BY ELLEN HARROD, CARRIED.

 CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT THUS FAR 3 OF THE 4 DELEGATES HAVE AGREED TO ATTEND, GAIL NEMY AND INGEGERD KENNEDY WILL BE ALTERNATES.
- * THERE IS NEED FOR A SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL REP FROM THE LODGE. INGEGERD KENNEDY, SECRETARY TO FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION URGED MEMBERS TO TAKE AND POST FLYERS. THERE IS NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE DAY. ELLEN HARROD, PESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCED THE NEED FOR A PROGRAM CHAIRMAN.
- * SECRETARY BENSON WILL COMPARE THE MONITOR LODGE PRINTING OF THE PROGRAM BOOK AND THE DISTRICT PROGRAM BOOK. OFFICERS, CHAIRPERSONS, AND OTHERS RECEIVING DISTRICT BOOKS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF CORRECTIONS EITHER BY NEWSLETTER OR BY A DISTRIBUTED UPDATE.