

Monitor Lodge #218
Minutes
Business Meeting

May 13, 1998

Roll Call:

Chairman, Art Niemoller
Vice Chairman, Marianne Ek
Secretary, David Benson
Asst. Sec., Jillian Stanley
Financial Sec., Karin Dory
Asst. Fin. Sec., Kennedy
Treasurer, Betty Schoef
Historian, Gail Nemy
Past Chairman, Margaret Carlson
Volunteer Coord., Myrtle Widmark

Other Members:

Elizabeth Swensen
Ellen Harrod

Actions

1. Minutes of April Board Meeting were approved as printed.
2. Approved for membership: Motion by Marianne Ek, second by Karin Dory.
Diane Curtis
Louise Johnson
Randy Johnson
Pam Johnson
3. Approved no charge for Fars Dag Dinner, June 5, 1998. Motion by Gail Nemy, second, Marianne Ek.
4. Approved a draw of \$200 for the Silkufrost for Murtlr Widmark. Motion Karin Dory, second Margaret Carlson.
5. Aproved payment of bills read by Asst. Secretary Jillian Stanley. Motion by Myrtle Widmark, second by Karin Dory.

Unfinished Business:

1. Elizabeth Swenson agreed to head up the sale of Raffle tickets at Silkufrost and Fars Dag Dinner.
2. Chairman Niemoller announced that Brian Stockham had purchased a VCR for the Lodge, greeted by enthusiasm by members present. No word yet on the cost of 2 mounted speakers.
3. Volunteerism - Chairman Niemoller continued to express concern about the lack of volunteers to carry on the activities of the Lodge. He would like the planning meeting to include the membership included to get buy in for volunteers.

Planning for future meeting and activities:

1. Chairman Niemoller announced that there would be no Ice Cream Social in August as there are no volunteers for hosting the event. If someone steps forward with a commitment to host and there are volunteers to set up and assist consideration will be made for scheduling this event.
2. Things are set for Silkufrost. Bring card table and chairs. If rain arrives, the patio will be crowded but friendly.

3. Myrtle Widmark, volunteer co-ordinator said she and Dorothy Scherer will handle setting up the Fars Dag Swedis Pot Luck.

Further, she feels good about the remainder of the meetings:

September, coffee and pastry
 October, Swdish Meatballs
 November, coffee and pastry
 Decemner, Christmas Party.

4. State Fair Booth. There are plans to combine the different Scandinavian groups to jointly operate a booth. Elizabeth Swenson will send in a form to indicate participation if other Scandinavian groups will sign on. There is a new and visible location. Dancers, displays, demonstrations can be held.
5. Margaret Carlson reported that she, Eivor Pfannkuch and another person will be demonstrating making bread and cheese at the Turlock Festival.

Reports:

1. Scandinavian Festival: Myrtle Widmark reported that even though attendance was down the proceeds to the Lodges was about the same as last year, about \$600. Other community activities drew many people and a large funeral at St. Ignacious resulted in a full parking lot at the time people coming to the feativel were trying to park. Comments were generally good. Some concerns about the sound system were received. Some problems due to the nature of the building probably can't be overcome. Swedish pancakes by Monitor Lodge is a big seller. Chairman Niemoller expressed appreciation for all the assistance from Monitor members. Ellen Harrod, chairman of the Scandinavian Festival shared that the lower attendance was appreciated by some as they could observe the dancers and musicians more easily.
2. Friendship committee. Marianne Ek reported that Sophie Thompson was ill. Chairman Niemoller asked the status of her work with the committee and how it was functioning. Currently, it remains in limbo.
3. Myrtle Widmark reported that the Nal och Tral group has closed shop for the year, but will be busy to open sales again in November with Christmas items.
4. Marianne Ek reported that the Viking Singers had declined the \$5 per member gesture of appreciation from the board members due to controversy raised concerning the payment.

Good of the Order

1. Myrtle Widmark reported a donation of books and periodicals from Monica Highland. The Culture Leaders will utilize them for programming. Some books could be available for sale. Pat Naggy, daughter of the late Audrey Fales, made a donation of a number of very saleabe items. Plans will be made to sell them at meetings in raffles or silent auctions. Notes of appreciation will be sent.

Correspondence:

Notes and cards of appreciation were received from the following:

Mindy and Rick Patterson, gifts, baby book, album and Certificate from Nal och Tal and the lodge for kristin.

Gladys Stangl for plant following surgery.

June Phillips and Mildred Jackson, daughters of the late Cecelia Segerstedt, for the flowers and attendance of members at the funeral.

Zena Lundberg, District Scholarship chairman - congratulations to Emily Margaret Carlson - \$500 scholarship.

Grand Lodge Secretary, hopefully all names and addresses of Lodge secretaries will be updated with new District secretary. No reports in since 1996. We are now on the books.