

**Vasa Order of America  
Monitor Lodge, No. 218  
Sacramento, Ca Division  
Business Meeting Minutes  
May 16, 2000  
Ms. Ellen Harrod's Residence**

- I. Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order. Present at the meeting were the following members:
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| * Don Carlson, Vice Chairman            | * Joanna Benker, Financial Sec   |
| * Gail Nemy, Treasurer                  | * Carol Churkin, Cultural Leader |
| * Myrtle Widmark, Trustee-2             | * Elizabeth Swenson, Auditor-3   |
| * James Woodstrom, Trustee-3            | * Ellen Harrod, Auditor-2        |
| * Margaret Carlson, Kitchen Coordinator | * Art Niemoller, Past Chairman   |
| * Ingegerd Kennedy, Monitor Editor      | * Arlene Ericson, Secretary      |
| * Dorothy Mogford, Chaplain             |                                  |
- II. Reading of the Minutes:** Minutes were not read, since it was published in the May Newsletter.
- III. New Membership Applications:** Applications received and dues paid for the following members: Helena E. Hendricks, Anne-Marie Helga Reber, Willis "Bill" E. Johnson, and Marianne Mildred Lomax. Installation of membership will take place in June.
- IV. Vasa Star:** Names of new members and deceased members with a write up need to be submitted to the Vasa Star by June. A \$5 per member fee needs to be sent in for the mention of the deceased members to Vasa Star.
- V. Shut Inns:** The names of the shut inn members were read and a list provided to the acting Chairman. The shut inns at this time are: Ellen Herting, Estrid Doscher (has Alzheimer's and will not recognize people), Lucy Dahlberg, Gerda Anderson, Marjorie Skicklig, Laurine Coplen, and Ruth Volkoff. Lodge members are encouraged to visit the shut inn members, please call before paying a visit.
- V. Reports:**
- A. Secretary:** Red off the congratulation card that Reno Lodge sent to Monitor for its 88<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- B. Cultural Leader:** 1- Announced Sweden Day will be on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a petting zoo for the children, horseshoe, volleyball, Rosemaling, wheat guilders, speech, children's songs and ring dancing. 2- Mid Summer event will take place on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Members are encouraged to bring a bunch of flowers when they come to decorate at 2:00. There will be music and dancing at 4:00 p.m., potluck at 6:00 p.m., followed by singing. 3- Crayfish party will take place August 19<sup>th</sup>. Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. 4- Film Night on Ellis Island will take place May 19<sup>th</sup> at Violet De Bord's residence. 5- Fall Program will include a talk on Swedish Immigration to the U. S. by Lorna Nordendale of Oakland. A Cultural Seminar will be forthcoming for any one interested in attending. 6- September 19<sup>th</sup> is a Cultural Planning Meeting. Members are encouraged to attend and provide ideas for next years-Cultural Programs. 7- Members need to come and support the different groups at the lodge, or else they will be cease to exist in the future (e.g. Language Club, Video Club, Nal Och Trad, Choir, Children's Club, etc). 8- Nordic Day Raffle Tickets is on sale for \$1 a ticket or \$5 for a book of 6 tickets.

- C. **Lodge Meetings:** The discussion of eliminating Business Meeting at the Lodge was brought up again. After further discussion the decision was made to keep the standard quarterly Business Meeting at the Lodge.
- D. **Chaplain:** The Chaplain Reports was turned into the Secretary. If interested in reviewing, please contact the Secretary.

**VII. Unfinished Business:**

- A. **Storage Issue:** David Benson and James Woodstrom are in the process of fixing up the storage room in Wisteria Hall and transporting storage items from Public Storage to the Hall. Mr. Woodstrom will be in charge of closing out the Lodges account with Public Storage and informing the Chairman and the Treasurer. The target closure date is May 31<sup>st</sup>. Some plastic storage containers are needed.
- B. **Lodge Newsletter:** Since Ingrid Kennedy is moving, 1- the past copies of the Newsletter need to be given to some one, or stored somewhere. 2-Gail Nemy is now the new Permit Holder for the Lodge Newsletter. Permit number is 771. 3- Member(s) are still need to take over the Newsletter. If interested please contact the Chairman.

**VIII. Bills- Reading and Acting of:** The bills, which were submitted, was read and acted upon. Payment of all bills *passed* unanimously. *Motion* was made by Elizabeth Swenson and *seconded* by James Woodstrom.

**IV. Good of the order:**

- A. **A word of Thanks:** Joyce Trnka thanked Vasa for being part of her life and wished all the ladies a Happy Mothers Day.
- B. **Donations:** 1- The Bake Sale raised \$ 82.69, the Rummage Sale raised \$178.00, Donations made after the Rummage Sale to the ~~Salvation Army~~ were about \$250.00 (receipt needed). The Scandi Fest brought in \$900.00. The total deposits from donations, per Treasurers Report were \$1,662. 2- Per the District Convention, the Lodge needs to choose a Charitable Hospice to donate to. Any member, who makes a donation on behalf of the Lodge, please obtain a receipt and contact the Lodge Secretary.
- E. **Sofie Swanson Fund:** \$447.37 was charged to this fund for the purchase of the Alter Cloth Material, CD Player and Bulletin Board.
- F. **Fars Dag Donations:** A *motion* was made by Elizabeth Swanson and *seconded* by Dorothy Mogford for members to make donations to the Fars Dag Dinner to Dorothy Mogford. Motion *passed*.
- F. **Convention Fund:** A suggestion was made to create a separate fund for the convention in order to cover expenses for the attending members. Myrtle Widmark is the current Vice District Master.

**X. Treasury Report:** Payments and Deposits were read off. A copy of the report was given to the Secretary.

**XII. Adjournment:** Elizabeth Swanson made a *motion* to adjourn the meeting. It was *seconded* by Ingrid Kennedy. The meeting was *adjourned*.

*Correction*

*were*

*Desert Industries \$200*



May 5, 2000

### Chaplain's Report

I'm pleased to report that the Easter Basket for our shut-ins provided \$80.50 total for cards and plants. Thank you so very much for your concern and compassion for these, our members. Gerbera daisies, or African daisies as they are called, were delivered to the following Lucy and Edward Dahlberg, Gerda Anderson, Ethel Hubbell, Henry Hjersman, Laurine Coplan, Viola Hallen, Ethel Hoffmann, Elizabeth and Harry Johnson, Sigrid Thorsen, Cecile Spencer, Thomas and Louise Centor, Millie and Herb Johnson, Marjorie Skicklig, Ruth Volkoff, Billy Nelson, Ellen Herting, David and Lee Benson, and Robert Anderson. Cards were included with the plants. Easter cards were sent to Ingrid Gilchrist, Violet deBord and Joyce Trnka. I received a telephone call from Joyce Trnka who said the only Easter card she received was from Monitor Lodge, and she was so pleased that she was remembered. If anyone lives near her, please visit her, she would be so happy



to receive you.

I would really like to thank those who helped in delivering these plants, namely Ethel Johnson, Myrtle Widmark, Eva Allred, Dorothy Scherer and Art Niemoller.

I regret having to report the passing of Evelyn Anderson, Sie Bergman ~~and~~ Charles Badgley, and Cecile Spencer.

If anyone is aware of a member who is ill, please call me and I will make an effort to call, send a card or visit.

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Respectively submitted,  
Dorothy Mogford, Chaplain

\* I received a card from Billye Nelson thanking us for remembering her at Easter with a card and plant.