



MONITOR LODGE
Minutes of the Meeting
Friday, September 6, 2019

Chairman Chuck Johnson opened the meeting at 6:05pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, “God Bless America,” led by Marianne Ek, and prayer given by Chaplain Will Hanley. Chuck said grace and the buffet was opened for our delicious, catered meal by Hannibal’s.

We resumed our business meeting at 7:02pm. The **Charter** was draped for long-time member and “First Lady” **Chris Bodelson**. Chuck shared Chris’ obituary, while Past Chairman Mark Delle and Chaplain Will Hanley assisted in the ceremony. Chris was fondly remembered as someone who always had a smile. Chuck expressed his gratitude to all the membership who have reached out to him during this time of loss and grief.

Joyce Willow, Assistant Financial Secretary, gave a brief financial report, sitting in for vacationing Anita Nord. Treasurer Brian Horsfield had only one bill to pay: reimbursement to Karin Johnson for convention expenses. Motion to pay bill was made by Alex Hopkins and was carried.

Regarding the **Scholarship Committee**, a motion was made by Karin Johnson to form a five person committee to develop guidelines (and/or bylaws) for said committee, seconded by Gail Nemy. With a 9 to 8 vote, the motion was carried and Karin will lead the committee, along with Gail Nemy, Marianne Ek, Chuck Johnson and another person to be named at a later date.

Several items of **New Business** were tabled until next month’s meeting, which included:

1. The 2020 Monitor calendar
2. Our Anniversary Luncheon
3. Future holiday events with Sierra Kronan
4. Donation towards the new stove & griddle being purchased by IOOF
5. More music being added to our meetings
6. Simplifying the bar to soda, beer and wine @ \$1 donations

Nominations for 2020 were briefly discussed. Chuck and Ed Netzel are willing to continue in their capacities as Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively. The only new nomination made this evening was for Karin Johnson to serve as an incoming Auditor. Karin agreed to serve. It is a three year term.

Mark your calendars for the next **Scandinavian Festival**, to take place **Saturday, April 18, 2020**. We will need many hands this year, so begin thinking of family, friends, neighbors and co-workers you might be able to recruit as volunteers. We anticipate a much larger turnout than in previous years at the Scottish Rite.

For the **Good of the Order**, we sang “Happy Birthday” to the August and September birthdays, with a special shout out to Arlie Veis (not present this evening) who turns 95 on September 16th. We will sing to Arlie next month.

Chuck has free tickets to the Nordic Museum in Seattle, which are good from September – November 2019.

Lisa Widmark sends family greetings from Illinois.

Athena Eriksson has survived another hurricane in Daytona Beach, where she is in her 3rd year of college. She and Alex Hopkins spent some time kayaking on the American River over the summer.

Theresa Alberts’ mother, Kerstin Herrmann, suffered a fall and is recovering.

Best wishes to Co-Chaplains Larry Woodward and Will Hanley, who are getting married in Hawaii.

Jack and Linda Larson celebrated 60 years of marriage on September 5th. Congratulations on this awesome milestone!

Please remember we have on-going Swedish language classes, led by Dick Baldwin, and folk dancing on Monday evenings, led by Barry Moore and Ginny Lee.

Two **Guests** were introduced and welcomed. Carole Scibienski is one of the Scandinavian dancers from Barry’s class and is interested in becoming a member. Elizabeth Witdoeckt brought a long-time friend, Anahaita, visiting from Tehran, Iran.

Special thanks to Marianne Ek and Gail Nemy adding a little music on the piano for our enjoyment.

Our meeting closed with “Du Gamla” and prayer by Chaplain Will. We adjourned at 8:05pm. Past Chairman Mark Delle asked for **all** to help clean up. Tack sa mycket.

Respectfully submitted by Gail Kinkennon, Master of Ceremonies
(filling in for Secretary Yvonne Magneheim)