

Monitor Lodge #218 Business Meeting (Zoom) Friday, March 5, 2021 6:30 pm

Chairman Johnson opened the meeting at 6:30pm which was preceded by a 6pm social hour. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the playing of America the Beautiful and a prayer by Chaplain William Hanley.

Introduction of guests:

• Ed Netzel, Golden Gate #12 District Master, Grand Lodge Executive Member, Western Region and a dual member of Monitor Lodge #218 and Sierra Kronan Lodge #737.

Members in attendance:

Andy Hopkins (and Lollie)	DeeDee Dahlberg
Anita Nord	Ed & Judy Netzel
Barbara Pattow	Eivor & Kurt Pfannkuch
Brian & Jill Stockham	Larry Woodward
Brian Horsfield	Peggy Carlson
Charley Rea	Will Hanley
Chuck Johnson	Yvonne Magneheim

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Reinstatement of Former members None
- 2. Application for Membership None

3. OPEN BUSINESS MEEETING.

 a. Minutes from the last business meeting, March 5, 2021, were included in the 2021 February newsletter.
Ed Netzel motioned to accept minutes as written, Kurt Pfannkuch seconded, all approved the minutes as written.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. <u>Membership</u> Yvonne Magneheim Nothing currently
- b. <u>**Cultural**</u> Charley Rea will be presenting small program at the conclusion of the meeting.
- c. <u>Scholarship</u> Reminder deadline for 2021 Monitor Scholarship applications is due April 1st. The District Scholarship applications have been extended to May 1st.

- a. <u>Scandinavian Festival</u> 2021 festival has been cancelled. April 9th, 2022 has been reserved at the Scottish Rite Temple.
- b. Children's club and Nål och Tråd have no recent activity.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Chairman Johnson will be contacting the Scholarship, Financial Management and Lodge Bylaws working committees to resume work on their current assignments.
- b. Gentle reminder: Dues are due April 1, 2021. Dues are \$35.00.
- c. The 3rd and final vote to approve Lennart and Britt-Marie Andersson as our Lodge's Honorary Life membership status was conducted. Ed Netzel made the motion to approve Lennard and Britt-Marie Andersson as Monitor Lodge Honorary Life Members, seconded by Kurt Pfannkuch, and approved by all present. Motion was carried. This was the third (3) and final vote.

6. Reading of Correspondence –

- **a.** The District Secretary, Mary Wahlberg is requesting the delegates to the 2021 DL Convention need to be selected by June 15, 2021. At our January DL Board Meeting, we voted to not require lodges to select delegates by the end of January as stated in the Bylaws since the DL Convention is planned for August 20-22, 2021. The convention will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel in Sacramento.
- b. Also, from our District Secretary, Mary Wahlberg. Change to the DL Bylaws must be received by the District Secretary no later than April 1, 2021. You can email your proposed changes to her at <u>walden08@aol.com</u> -- this is the preferred method. Or you can mail them to her at 1938 Benton Lane, Novato, CA 94945. She will then distribute the resolutions to lodges by mid-April so you will have time to review them prior to the August 2021 DL Convention. Each proposal for amendment needs to be submitted in typed form as follows:

- From a Local Lodge - bearing the Local Lodge seal and properly signed

- From individual member(s) in good standing, attested to by the Local Lodge Recording Secretary

- From a District Lodge Officer as a recommendation in their report to the District Lodge, if it involves a change in the District Lodge Bylaws.

c. Anniversary cards for Monitor Lodge's 109th Anniversary were received from the Jenny Lind Lodge in Turlock and Skogen Lodge in Redding.

7. Planning for Future Events

- a. Monitor's Anniversary celebration will be moved to Friday, April 9th as April 2nd is Good Friday.
- b. Ed Netzel announced that the Golden Gate District #12 has assumed responsibility for the 2021 convention. Reservations have been made for August 22=24, 2021 in Sacramento at the DoubleTree Hotel. However, additional dates will be explored in September or October because of COVID-19 concerns. Ed also mentioned that a Grande Lodge Delegate will be elected at the convention to attend the Grand Lodge convention in Philadelphia in 2022.
- c. Sweden Day celebrations have been canceled for 2021.

8. <u>Report from Financial Secretary – Anita Nord</u>

- a. Anita Nord, Financial Secretary reported that she has received most of the member dues.
- 9. <u>Report from Treasurer Brian Horsfield</u> Brian Horsfield reported that there were no changes to our income.

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	Yvonne submitted an invoice from the Grand Lodge for		
	ritual and Constitution inserts to complete some of the		
	little white books and 5 binders		
	TOTAL	\$90.00	

10. **Reading and Acting on Bills received** – Brian Horsfield.

Ed Netzel motioned that we pay the bills, Andy Hopkins seconded the motion, all approved, motion carried.

11.NEW BUSINESS

- a. Nominations for the 2021 Golden Gate District Convention which is scheduled for August 2021 will be taken at our February Zoom meeting. Delegates will need to be communicated to the District by June 15th.
- b. Charley Rea motioned that we donated \$100.00 each in memory of Joyce and Don Johnson from the General Fund to the Scholarship Fund. Motion seconded by Kurt Pfannkuch; motion passed unanimously.
- c. Helen Jensen will be 100 years old on March 21st. Sunshine Committee Will Hanley and Larry Woodward will follow up to send flowers. Ed Netzel would like to hand deliver if permissible.

d. A revised policy on the approval and disbursement of funds to pay bills at our monthly meetings was been distributed to all members for review with the March newsletter. No objections have been received. Kurt Pfannkuch motioned that we accept this new procedure, Ed Netzel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The new policy will be posted on Monitor's website.

12.GOOD OF THE ORDER

- a. April meetings will be conducted via Zoom on Friday, April 9th (please note date change).
- **b.** Will Hanley will be presenting a program on Swedish Sign Language at our June meeting.
- **c.** Peggy Carlson has volunteered to be our new Vasa Star correspondent. Thank you, Peggy!
- **d.** Chuck Johnson was approached by the Seattle Museum to join a focus group. It will provide access to more readily available cultural programs for our lodge.
- e. Ed Netzel noted that our sister Lodge, Sierra Kronan, will NOT be holding their next meeting on March 17th. However, they are excited to be holding their first "in person" meeting on April 21st at the Lutheran Church no food will be served, but members can bring their own food. Attendance is limited to 25 people.
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- **13.**<u>Closing of the Meeting</u> with De Gamla and a prayer by Will Hanley.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. Next meeting will be held Friday, April 9th, 2021 by Zoom. Please join us.

The cultural presentation started immediately after the close of the meeting. Charley Rea presented a truly interesting program on the history of the Bernadotte, Bonaparte and Beethoven families and their relationship to our Swedish history. This included Marianne Ek's research regarding Désirée Bernadotte's wedding crown, last worn by Princess Victoria. Marianne and Charley also recommended the 1954 movie "Désirée" starring Marlo Brando and Jean Simmons.

Respectfully submitted by

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Recording Secretary