

LETTER FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Dear Vasa Members:

Happy New Year to each of you! My year as your Chairman is now almost over and this is my last issue.

I wish to thank you for the honor of serving Monitor Lodge this past year as your Chairman. It has been a very gratifying experience. And to all of you who made the year a pleasure, a great big Thank You!:-

To officers and those who graciously took an office when someone was ill or unable to attend the meeting (you are all special jewels to do this);

To Muriel and Hank Hjersman (Muriel for putting out this newsletter and Hank for seeing that we always had coffee, cups to put it in, etc., for our meetings).

And to Ruth Volkoff and Helen Forsty for our music. (We just can't do without music at our meetings)

Eugenie Sholl, thank you for your many, many hours of work with our "Children's Club". They are the future of our Order.

Also to those who took pictures and wrote articles for The Vasa Star. It is so nice to find articles of our events in The Vasa Star.

To all who served Monitor Lodge in any way this past year, such as Chairman of an event, and all the delicious food we have all had for refreshments.

Special thanks must go to Anna Lewis who decorated the dining tables so beautifully each meeting, and to Maude Engberg who was my "calling girl". (She was the kind lady who called to remind members when it was their turn to serve.

And a Special Thanks to Helen and Richard Forsty, Ruth & Arlis Veis, and Eleanor & Kenneth Vine. These fine people helped me so many times and are real hard workers for the good of our Order.

I'm so happy that so many members were willing to spend evenings in the meetings. It is very gratifying to see a large proportion of the membership in attendance. You really lived up to the intent of the wording of the Ritual, "... to give encouragement to your Officers, strengthen our fraternal brotherhood, and make more secure the future of our Order."

I would like to extend to all of you my very best wishes for a year rich in all the good things of life: family, friends, good health and good cheer.

May you have merriment unchecked, and may the new year bring you joy and peace and a multitude of memories that you will want to save forever. And, may all your good deeds be returned to you many fold.

In Truth and Unity

Thelma Badgley, Chairman

P.S.—

Members, if any one of you have a child or grandchild who will be graduating from high school this year, please get your application for Monitor's Scholarship. The completed forms must be in by the 1st of March, so there is no time to waste.

J. B.

Jan. 6 - Regular business meeting, to be followed by wine and cheese tasting, and dancing.

Jan. 14 - Joint Installation of Officers of the Valley Association in Oroville, will be conducted at the Prospector's Village Inn, 580 Oroville Dam Blvd. No host cocktails at noon, luncheon at 1:00 pm, installation beginning at 2:00 pm, co-hosted by Gold Nugget and Feather River lodges. If you do not have your \$5.00 tickets already, it will be necessary to call one of the officers of the Feather River Nordic Lodge (see your 1977 program book for telephone numbers).

Feb. 3 - Potluck dinner at 6:00 pm, followed by the Regular Business Meeting, followed by Swedish Bingo and card games.

1978 Program

- JANUARY 6 - Wine and Cheese Tasting
Dancing
- (14) 7 - Installation of Officers.
- FEBRUARY 3 - Pot-luck Dinner
Swedish Bingo and Card Games
- MARCH 3 - Business Meeting
Camellia Slides
- 4 and 5 - Camellia Festival - Ethnic Display
- 11 - Camellia Friendship Luncheon
- 18 - Casino Night
- APRIL 7 - Pea Soup and Pancake Supper
61st Anniversary
- 16 - Spring Golf Tournament
- ~~22-23. 29 and 30~~ - District Convention - Redding
- MAY 5 - Mothers' Day Program
Scandia Lodge our Guests
- 8 and 9 - Rummage Sale, 614 12th St., Sacramento, CA
- 12 - Monitor Members are guest of Nord Lodge
- 28 - Sill Frukost
- JUNE 2 - Pot-luck Dinner - Fathers' Day
- 4 - Sweden Day
- 25 - Valley Vasa
- JULY 7 - NO MEETING
- 8 - Miniature Golf
- AUGUST 4 - Meeting - Picnic at Cottage Park
- 19 - Cray Fish Party
- SEPTEMBER 8 - Pot-luck Dinner
Noninations of Officers
- 17 - Gambling Bus Trip

1978 Program

- OCTOBER 3 - We visit Scandia Lodge
6 - Election of Officer's - Heritage Night
21 - Smörgåsbord - DANCE
- NOVEMBER 3 - Swedish Bazaar
Nord Lodge visit us.
- DECEMBER 1 - Glögg Party.
10 - Lucia

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!