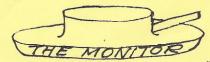
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Sons of Norway Hall 770 Darina Ave., Sacramento May 6, 1983

COMING EVENTS

May 6 - 6:30 P.M. Ladies Night Dinner. There will be a delicious ham dinner with mustard sauce, new red potatoes and peas, cole slaw, rolls and butter. All this for \$3.50. In charge of the dinner will be Roland Carlson and Arlie Veis will be in charge of <u>surprise</u> entertainment. At 8:00 o'clock we will have our regular business meeting. Scandia Lodge are our honored guests.

May 14 - Herring Breakfast at the home of the Linn's (3129 Wilkins Way, Carmichael) Note the change of date. Breakfast will be served at 11 o'clock. Please bring your own plates and table service, tables and chairs. The cost of the breakfast will be \$5.00. Britt Andersson is the chairman.

<u>May 21</u> - Valley Golf Tournament in Stockton. (Change of date due to the rain in April)

Leif and Kathy Andersson are the proud parents of a baby girl born on March 23rd. Her name is Tiffany Elizabeth. Congratulations to the happy parents and grandparents!

We extend our sympathy to Barbara Lutz upon the death of her father, also to Sigrid Thorsen whose brother died in Norway.

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE By Bernie Lundberg

Members remember May 6th when the men honor the ladies of the lodge.

May is when you can enjoy the Sill Frukost (herring breakfast) which is a special treat. It is a great time to visit and enjoy the fellowship of other Monitor members and friends. See you there.

3-Deidre Dahlberg 5-Donald Johnson 9-Lonnie Robbins 12-Charles Linn 14-Loraine King 15-Nancy Misenti 18-Charles Nelson 24-Leif Andersson 25-Frances Misenti 25-George Uffens 27-Gordon Olesen

Happy Birthday Just learned that Anna Lewis passed away and her memorial service will be at 6 P.M. Friday

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THE THREE CROWNS By Ted Olson

The coat of arms of Sweden consists of three crowns on a blue background. The traditional title of the King has been King of the Swedes, Goths, and Wends (Svear, Gotar and Vender).

The Svear were the tribe that lived around Lake Malaren where Stockholm is now located. The Götar were settled around Lake Vättern in Östergötland, Västergötland and Smaland. Svealand and Götaland are still mentioned in Swedish weather reports. These tribes were not always at peace. The subject of the famous Anglo-Saxon poem "Beowulf" is of the conflict between Svear and Götar.

The two tribes became merged under King Sverker (1134-55) and for one hundred years the kings were alternately from the Svear and Gotar tribes.

The Gotar left their name in "Ostergotland and Vastergotland but the Svear gave the name to the country: Svea-rike (Sverige) and to Svea as the poetic name of Sweden.

But who were the Wends? They were the Slavic tribes across the Baltic who were conquered from time to time and paid homage to Sweden.

Olf traditions pass. Sweden retains the three crowns, but under the new constitution the title of the King is now simply King of Sweden.

Our friends, Siv and Rush Shosted of Grants Pass, Oregon sent our lodge an invitation from their Scandinavian Heritage Club of Grants Pass, Oregon. They are having their third Midsummer Festival on June 25th at 4:00 P.M. at Rogue Community College.

They are welcoming anyone with talent who would like to perform to participate in their program. The committee would pay for the gas or help find you an overnight stay. They also welcome anyone who wishes to display or sell items.

If you wish more details about this please contact Ruth Lundberg.

The Bones of an Organization

THE WISHBONES - who spend all of their time wishing that someone else would do the work. THE JAWBONES - who do the talking, but very little else. THE KNUCKLEBONES - who knock everything that anybody else tries to do. THE BACKBONES - who get under the load and do the work. MONITOR LODGE HAS MORE BACKBONES THAN ANY OTHER KIND! Don't forget to attend Convention in San Jose this weekend April 22-24. C. B 10



night at the United Methodist Church 53rd & H.