Vasa Order of America Monitor Lodge No. 218 7, No. Vol.



Sons of Norway Hall 770 Darina Ave., Sacramento

AUGUST

5-PICNIC AT HOWE AVENUE PARK. Plan to come at 6:30 P.M. and enjoy the happy hour. Bring your own meat to barbeque and a salad or hot dish (to share). Bring your own table service, table and chairs (if you have). Beer & soda will be available to purchase. To reach the park take North I-80 to El Camino Ave. Take the East El Camino off-ramp. Go about 1 mile to Bell, turn right (south) to the north side of the park. It will be across the street from Arlie Veises. Following the potluck dinner we will go to the Veises backyard for slides or movies followed by home made ice cream. Veises address is: 2116 Bell St. Phone: 489-5729.

20-ANNUAL CRAYFISH PARTY AT HOME OF TOM & BEE DILLARD. Social hour begins at 6:30. Ladies are asked to bring Swedish sandwiches or salad or dessert. Bring your own table service, tables and chairs. The Dillard's address is: 3940 Silver Spur Way, Phone: 482-7214. Take I-80 to Watt Avenue. Take Watt Ave. to Auburn Blvd. Proceed to Bridge Rd. or Park Dr. until you reach Silver Spur.

June 26th certainly was a great day at the Valley Vasa Midsommardagsfest. Britt Andersson did a very outstanding job of organizing this event. The weather, games, program, all were great. Thanks to Elena Trnka for being our maid. She was presented with a gift. Lynn Lundberg's poster was the only entry so she was given a prize also. Thanks to Regina & Palle Hansen, Joyce Trnka, and Ted Olson for taking care of the games. They were fun.

At our last meeting Henry Hjersman was elected as our Golden Gate Resort Center representative.

Ted Olson and Carl Larson were elected as delegates for 2 years to the Valley Vasa Festival.

It was nice to see Lars Oberg walking so well at the picnic. We heard our other sick members are doing well which is good to hear. ****

At our June meeting we initiated the following:

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Kerstin Anderson Phone: 967-2426 5801 Birdcage St. #348 Citrus Heights, CA 95610

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Palle & Regina Hansen 8854 Nimbus Way Orangevale, CA 95662

Frank Lindahl 1601 32nd Ave. Sacramento, CA 95822

Gunnar Vestergaard 4429 Bishop Way Sacramento, CA 95842 Welcome to Monitor! SWEDEN AND DENMARK

August 5, 1983 1387-1814 By Ted Olson

Much of the history of Sweden for more than four hundred years up to the time of Napoleon involved constant war with Denmark. To understand this period we need to know something of the history of Denmark.

During this time Denmark included the German provinces of Holstein and Schleswig and the Swedish provinces of Skane, Halland, and Blekinge. Denmark was also a joint kingdom with Norway which included the province of Bohuslan. This gave Denmark control of the Sound connecting the Baltic with the North Sea. She was able to control commerce and collect tolls for passage through the Sound. Denmark also controlled the herring fishery. This was important when all of Europe was Catholic and ate fish on fast days. The long common border and disputes over fisheries and commerce caused many conflicts.

On several occasions Sweden, Norway, and Denmark were a joint kingdom under the Danish Crown. During these times the Swedes found themselves exploited for the benefit of Denmark. This led to several rebellions including that led by Gustav Vasa in 1520-23.

Bohuslan, Skane, Halland, and Blekinge did not become officially Swedish until 1658. ************ JULY BIRTHDAYS

1-Regina Hansen 2-Patricia Nylander 5-Martha Fredrickson 5-Gladys Mendelsohn 7-Robin Aurelius 7-Herb Johnson 8-Hildur Benson 10-John Forsberg 10-Eivor Pfannkuch

11-Ernest Skorheim 16-Camella Holm 18-Ivar Axberg 18-Ellen Johnson 20-Lillie Blanchard 22-Mary Orr 24-Joyce Johnson 29-Donald Gustafson 31-Valdemar Krastins

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1-Carl E. Larson 2-Alice Swanfeldt 3-Michael Barney 5-Robert Erickson 5-Sigrid Thorsen 6-Peter Engberg 7-Harry Swanson 7-Bertil Wessman 9-Patti Metzner 10-Lars Oberg 11-Sue Bergman

13-Mary Anderson 14-Maude Engberg 15-Lars Ostlund 16-Jon Peterson 17-Martha Olson 19-Charles Badgley 22-Jennie Sea 26-Birgitta Wright 27-Regina Ryan 31-Mitcheal Metzner 31-Rita Owens

Happy Birthday!

I have information about a Swedish company who would like a company or individual to distribute their products. Please contact me if you are interested as I have their brochures etc. (Various kinds of saw blades)

Chairman's message By Bernie Lundberg

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer thus far and hope to see you at our social events in August and then at our September meeting at the lodge.

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