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OCTOBER

7 - 7:30 P.M. EARLY. Regular business meeting. Election of officers. Swedish Costume Party - Hexa's Punch. Prizes.

We learned at our last meeting that Sue Bergman had bypass heart surgery and is doing fine.

We were sorry to hear about Thelma Badgley's fall.

Our chaplain, Ted Olson has now had surgery, sorry we reported the wrong date in last Monitor. He is doing fine.

A note of thanks from Ted:

"I want to thank everyone who remembered me with cards, plants and kind thoughts before and after my surgery. I don't think I deserved so much attention, but I am grateful for all this support from fellow members of Monitor".

Audrey Fales received two new granddaughters this summer which really gives her a grand total of ten I believe.

REMINDER: Program Book Committee meets at Dillards on Monday, September 26th at 7:30. Please give your ideas of programs to Linda Johnson, Lowell Carlson, Margaret Carlson, or anyone else on this committee before that date.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE By: Bernie Lundberg

Please bring aluminum cans and newspapers to each meeting for our fund raising project for the 1985 Camellia Festival.

Next meeting of this Camellia Festival committee will be held on November 15th at 7:30 P.M. at Norway Hall. It would be nice if a few more of our members would come out and support this venture.

Sons of Norway Hall 770 Darina Ave., Sacramento October 7, 1983

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

3-Kerstin Anderson 3-Doreen Carlson 3-Lowell Carlson 3-Bernie Lundberg 4-Eva Allred 5-Karin Johnson 6-Hilma Tvede 7-Clifford Anderson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

7-Charles Campbell 8-Barbara Lutz 9-Ellerie Campbell 14-David Anderson 14-Emmie Oberg 16-Juanita Skorheim 18-Robert Powell 20-Ethel Hoffman

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SWEDEN AND FINLAND (Part I) By:Ted Olson

Despite the great ethnic and language differences, the relations between Sweden and Finland have been very close and continue to this day. The relationship began with Swedish missionaries in the eleventh century. Parts of Finland began to be annexed to Sweden by Birger Jarl in the middle 1200's. Because of the domination of Denmark in the west and the ease of water transportation, there was considerable Swedish immigration into Finland and Swedish institutions were established. In 1362 the Finns were granted the right to participate in the election of Swedish kings. Finland became an integral part of the kingdom of Sweden under Gustav II Adolf in 1611.

As the eastern border of the kingdom Finland became the theater of constant border wars with the Russians, As Russia became unified and stronger these conflicts became more serious and are a major element of Swedish military history.

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Your editor entered the Gold Country Fair in Auburn this year. I baked 16 items (breads, cookies and cakes). I was very happy to find that I won 13 prizes. I received seven first, five second and one third ribbon. I was elated to receive the Sweepstakes award (first place) and the first place in the C & H Sugar award. This is my second entry into baking for a fair. My last time was 34 years ago in southern California. It was gratifying to find out I could still do it.

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