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DINNER MEETING FOR MARCH

REMEMBER!! Corned Beef and
Cabbage dinner on March 2nd
Bar opens at 6:00 - dinner served
at 6:30. Generous and "Smaksam"
servings for only \$4.00.

On the dinner committee is
DeDe Dahlberg, chairman and
Ed and Lucy Dahlberg, Gordon
Oleself, Leo Krastins, Ted and
Alice Olson, Gil and Camilla Holm.

Our dessert committee following the meeting is
Ethel Johnson, Jean Anderson, Lennart and Britt Andersson
and Alex Freeland.

At 7:30 SHARP our regular business meeting starts.
We're trying to make our meetings shorter this year.
PLEASE BE ON TIME.

HOSPITALITY NOTES

Thanks to the many workers who served the Kåldolmar
dinner and the Valentine refreshments last month.

Those of you who have not been at the meetings to
sign the "sign-up list", please call us so we can
plan on having the dinners and refreshments as scheduled.

For Dinners we are in need of servers for the June
Swedish Potluck and the September Swedish Smorgasor and
Salad Potluck. We also need a few more Men servers to
help on May Ladies Nite Supper, and a few more servers to
help on the April Peasoup and Pancake Supper.

Thanks for serving. PLEASE CALL US.



Don and Joyce Johnson
Hospitality Chairpersons
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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

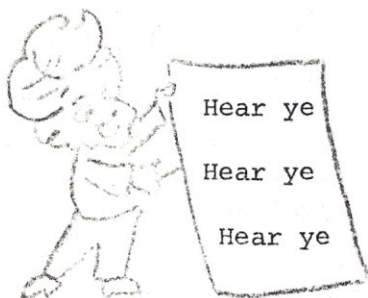
A special thanks to Lennart Andersson for Conducting the officer's training session and to all the officers for coming to our home on Saturday.

I personally want to thank the committees that were elected and appointed that have been working hard for the benefit of our Lodge for their great co-operation thus far this year.

My thanks to Ted Olson for conducting the March meeting in my absence. Ruth and I will be attending the Convention in Culver City, of the Southwest District and we will bring greetings from Monitor.

In Truth and Unity,

Ronnie



There will be a bus trip to Tahoe on Sunday March 18th. Camellia Committee Sponsored. The cost is \$15.00 and you will receive back \$14.00 cash on arrival plus a free buffet (worth \$5.25) plus

a \$5.00 deferred bonus. Your reservations and money must be paid in advance to Ruth Veis. Don't delay, the bus is already starting to get filled up. There will be Bingo on the bus (for a fee) complimentary coffee and donuts. And there will be two pick-ups. First one at 8:00 AM at Coco's Arden Way and the 2nd one at 8:30 AM at Sears Sunrise Mall. For more information contact Helen Forsty at 967-1830.

A NOTE FROM IRIS OSTLUND

Thanks so much...it's just like you to be so nice and thoughtful too. Thank you for the beautiful flower. I had a nice visit with Ruth and Arlie. I received so many cards and visits, always seemed to come when I needed a boost. I'm feeling better and stronger every day but I still need your support, and keep me in your prayers.

iris

continued.....

Sigismund did not abdicate and continued as King of Poland. On Johan's death in 1592 he also inherited the throne of Sweden. Karl was determined to resist Catholic influence and forced the new King to agree not to interfere in religious matters. Sigismund spent little time in Sweden. He did move the capital of Poland from Crakow to Warsaw to be in closer communication.

His uncle Karl continued opposition while Sigismund was absent. He began military operations in 1597. There were initial defeats but by 1599 Sigismund had retired to Poland and all of Sweden-Finland was under Karl's control and Sigismund was declared deposed. His former followers received harsh treatment and many were forced to flee to Poland. Sigismund continued his claim to the Swedish throne and Sweden and Poland waged an almost constant war over this issue for many years.

to be continued.....



Anton Thorsen has been in the hospital in Martinez but is suppose to be doing better.

There is a lot of flu and coldes going around, every one you talk to is sick or has been sick.

There is no such thing as a free lunch



If your membership dues are due in March, please pay \$14.80 (\$14.00 annual dues and 80¢ back dues because of recent increase) Pay your dues at the meeting or mail them to the Financial Secretary.

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Thank you Bernie and Ruth for having us officers to your place last Saturday, for a delicious potluck dinner, and training session. It was GREAT!!!

The continued story - King Johan III (1569- 1592)

Johan also had ambition. When the throne of Poland became vacant in 1573 Johan offered himself as a candidate but was rejected in favor of Henry Valois of France. Henry abandoned the Polish throne in 1574 when he became King of France. Johan offered himself again as a candidate but the husband of his wife's sister, Stephen Bathory, was selected instead. Johan had a constant conflict with his brother Karl who had very independent status as Duke of Varmland, Narke, and Sodermanland. Karl opposed most of Johan's religious and political positions.

Sigismund - King of Poland, King of Sweden (1592-1599)
by Ted Olson

The son and heir of Johan III had been reared in Polish and Catholic traditions by his mother, Catherine, and by the Jesuits. Upon the death of Stephen Bathory in 1587 he was elected King of Poland. He had a difficult time with his new subjects and his father suggested he abdicate and confine himself to Sweden. The Swedish council of nobles opposed this idea as meddling in foreign affairs. Johan, in turn dismissed a number of the members and cancelled many of the ducal privileges of his brother Karl.

Happy Birthday!

3/1	Astrid Horyza	3/15	Ruth Lundberg
3/2	Eleanora Wessman	3/17	Kenneth Carlson
3/2	Harriett Yager	3/20	Helen Jenson
3/5	Ellen Herting	3/23	Harry Taylor
3/6	Bertell Nelson	3/24	Faye Powell
3/8	Jack Doscher	3/29	Kjell Hakanson
3/8	Eugene Sholl	3/30	Norman Cedarquist
3/13	Hank Hjersman	3/30	Frank Lindahl
3/15	Linda Johnson	3/24	Gerda Anderson
3/17	Donn Stafford		

Our sick committee for this year is Marge Skicklig, Darlene Palmer, Harry Johnson, and Lennart Andersson, also our chairman, Bernie Lundberg and our Vice Chairman, Ted Olson and our Recording Secretary, Elizabeth Johnson, are on the Committee. PLEASE if you know of any one sick or some one going to the hospital or what ever.... notify some one on the SICK Committee immediately.

March 3rd and 4th is the beginning of the Camellia Festival. We will be having an exhibit at the Community Center and we do need people to help in our booth Sat. the 3rd from 3:00 to 9:00 PM and on Sunday the 4th from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Please contact Audrey Fales immediately and if you have some thing of interest to exhibit, PLEASE see that Audrey gets them. THANKS!!!!

MURPHY'S LAW: If something can go wrong, it will

BIRD'S LAW: There is never enough time to do it right,
but there is always enough time to do it over.

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