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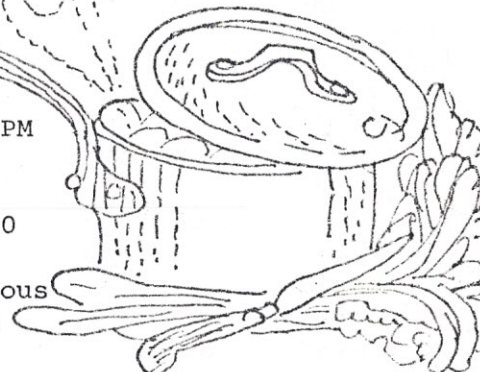
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LADIES ARE TO BE ENTERTAINED

Friday night May 4 - 6:30 PM
Bar open at 6:00.

Dinner \$4.00 - drinks \$1.00

The men always serve generous portions and delicious food. It will be HAM as usual. On the dinner committee is Roland Carlson, chairman, Ted Olson Co-ch Ed Dahlberg, Don Johnson, Kenneth Carlson, Gil Holm, Don Gustafson, Leo Krastins, Ernie Skorheim.



Arlie Veis is in charge of the program - be sure and come out this time the men always treat us royally and have a good program.

Regular business meeting at 7:30 PM. Scandia Lodge our honored guests. On the refreshment committee after the meeting is Emmie and Lars Oberg, Alice and Ted Olson, Maybelle and Don Gustafson.

THANK YOU NOTE FROM ELENA



Dearest Brothers and Sisters:

My sincere gratitude to everyone who helped in any way during the Camellia Festival. I especially thank those who came to see me in the parade. It was very comforting to see people I know while I was waving "hello" to everyone. I am very grateful to have had this experience. I made many new friends and learned more about other cultures at the same time. Thank you again.

Mizpah Shalom,

Elena Trnka

EVENTS:

Sweden Day at Mickie Grove Park on Saturday June 9th.

Audrey Fales, District Cultural Leader is in charge of the program.

Monitor with Fylgia Lodge must do the decorating. \$500 in prizes to be given away. Tickets on sale now...3 for \$1.00 get yours at our May meeting.



There will be a bus trip to Harrahs South Lake Tahoe on Sunday June 3rd. The cost is \$15.00 per person and you will receive back \$12.00 in cash and \$3.00 in food. Reservations and money in advance. Send checks to either Ruth Veis or Helen Forsty. Bingo on the bus for a fee. Complimentary coffee and do-nuts. Two pick-ups....first one at 7:30 AM at Cocos on Arden Way. Second one at Sears Sunrise Mall at 8:00 AM. Those of you who have the \$5.00 deferred coupon from our previous trip, bring it along.



BREAKFAST OF VIKINGS

SILL FRUKOST CHAMPAGNE FUN BRUNCH

Our annual sill frukost will be on May 12, in Ed and Lucy Dahlberg's garden at 3510 Del Paso Boulevard. The menu will include ham and scrambled eggs as well as sill och potatis - and champagne.

The cost is \$5.00, the time is 11AM. Ted Olson is chairman with a crew of able vikings.

Make up a party, bring friends and prospective members. Tables and chairs are provided but bring your own table service. We are planning on 60-70.

Note-this is a change from the program book. Erika's garden party will be rescheduled.

THE STUDY OF HISTORY-ESPECIALLY SWEDISH HISTORY

One purpose in writing the items on Swedish history is to stimulate interest in pursuing your own study. The articles are brief and Swedish history is long. So far we are only to the year 1611. Remember the English settlement at Jamestown was 1607 and the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers was 1620. The most fascinating part of Swedish history is still ahead.

Under Gustav II Adolf, Sweden became the great power of the north. There was territorial expansion at the expense of Russia and Poland and Sweden entered the Thirty Years' War in defense of the Protestant Reformation. There were military campaigns in Prussia, Saxony and Bavaria. Gustav was a brilliant general and was called "The Lion of the North".

Because Sweden became more prominent at this time there is much more available history. Some of this is contained in general European history books. I usually begin with these and with the Encyclopedia Britannica. This helps me to follow the story in Swedish in "Sveriges Historia" by Ingvar Andersson. The cross references in the encyclopedia help fill out the story.

You can begin your study with the excellent article on New Sweden in the April Vasa Star.

More on Swedish history next month.

Ted Olson



May Day

Mother's Day

We have been invited by the Finlandia Club to a dance at the Finnish Hall in Rocklin on May 5th from 8:30 to 11:00 PM. Music by Johnny B....donation at the door.

June Meeting is initiation of new members. If you have some one in mind....get their application in soon.

MONITOR'S SPRING GOLF TOURNAMENT

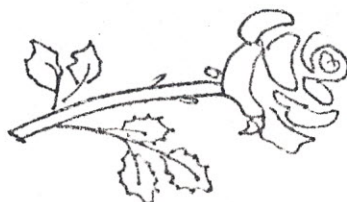
is being held May 19th (Saturday) at Hoffman Golf Course, Carmichael. There is only 8 starting times, starting at 12:00 noon. Happy Hour and Bar-B-Que dinner afterwards at Charlie and Margaret Linn's 3129 Wilkins Way. Carmichael. Golf is \$9.00, Cart \$14.00, if shared cart will be \$7.00 Dinner and Happy Hour is \$11.00. Hope to see you there....

THANK YOU!

District Spring Festival in Albany with our very own Audrey Fales District Cultural Leader in charge, was a huge success!! it was bigger and better than ever..... thanks to Audrey.

I hope you all went to the "Scandinavian Holiday" on April 14th. If not, you really missed out on some thing GREAT. Food was tops!! Outstanding entertainment!!! THANKS to every one who did all the baking and helped in the kitchen, and those who helped set up, and helped in any way. Did you see Ruth and Arlie Veis and Helen Forsty's picture in the paper? Come to our next meeting and hear how much money they made. We'll have to try that again.....

(Arlie reported the amount in his article)



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

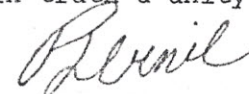
"The Scandinavian Holiday" was a great success and man thanks to our members who worked all day or part of the day and to all who came and brought goodies.

I heard from many people that they wish we would have more joint ventures like this. There was great co-operation from all four Scandinavian Clubs.

Remember next year we sponsor the Camellia Festival. Lets keep our stride in 1985!!

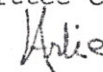
Members please support Monitor's social events for the month of May. See you at our meeting.

In truth & unity,



To all of the members who worked on our recent "Scandinavian Holiday", the committee wants to extend a great big THANK YOU for a job well done. From the bakers to the sandwich makers, the food pricers, beverage servers, ticket sellers, entertainers and all who spent any time and effort, you have contributed to a resoundingly successful day at the Fruitridge Recreation Center. Not only did we raise almost \$1000.00 for the joint Camellia fund, but everyone had a good time doing it. The approximate attendance was 400 to 450 people and we have had tremendous feedback from the Scandinavian Community. Once again..... THANK YOU.

Committee Chairman



SEE YOU AT THE CONVENTION IN STOCKTON.....

THANK YOU!

Ivar Axberg for the big job you have in collecting newspapers, cans etc: and turning them in for money. This is to help out on the "Camellia Festival Fund"

HOSPITALITY NOTES

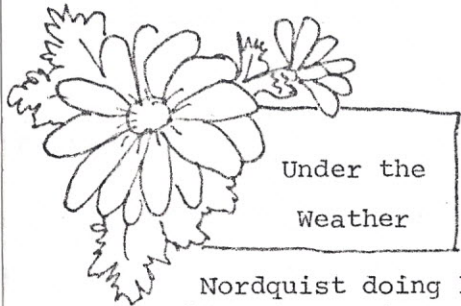
Thanks to the Peasoup and Pancake Dinner Servers....
Hank and Muriel Hjersman, Ken and Peggy Carlson, Don Gustafson, Ed Dahlberg, Ted and Alice Olson and Gordon Oleson. The dinner was extra tasty with a large turnout.

Thanks also to the Dessert Committee of Richard and Helen Forsty, Ivar and Alice Axberg and Ethel Hubbell.

You will want to be sure and attend the May Dinner Meeting when a group of the men will be preparing and serving the dinner for the special Mother's Day month.

We are in need of servers to sign up for the June Swedish Potluck. If we don't have enough sign-ups by the May meeting, we will have to cancel this June Dinner

Don & Joyce Johnson
Hospitality Chairpersons



Henry and Betty Bergman
having had the flu

Olga Fredrickson and Holgar
Nordquist doing better.

David Anderson is now at the Sacramento Convalescent Hospital at 3700 H Street.

Tony Thorsen is back at the Veterans Hospital in Martinez.

Ruth Lundberg's brother passed away last week.

A BIG THANK YOU to Peggy Carlson who straightened out and cleaned up our cupboard we keep our kitchen supplies in. Please put things back the way you found them. Thanks....

People who have not yet served or helped in the kitchen this year, PLEASE take your turn. We need some one to help out for our June Meeting, and that will be an easy one.

Let Don Johnson know immediately. Thanks.....



Happy Birthday!



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| May 3 | Deidre Dahlberg | 18 | Charles Nelson |
| 5 | Don Johnson | 24 | Leif Andersson |
| 9 | Lonnie Robbins | 25 | George Uffens |
| 12 | Charles Linn | 25 | Frances Misenti |
| 15 | Nancy Klasinski | 27 | Gordon Olesen |

Add to your program book.....

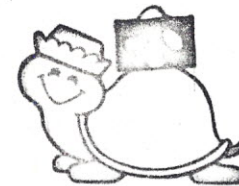
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Have You Heard?



Monitor's Secretary, Elizabeth Johnson and her husband, Harry are enjoying a months vacation traveling in China and Korea. Could they be following President Reagan?

The program books are in....come and get yours now. Remember they cost a dollar this year. If you can't make it to the meeting, let Margaret Carlson know and she'll mail one out for \$1.50.