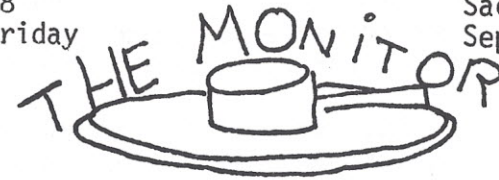
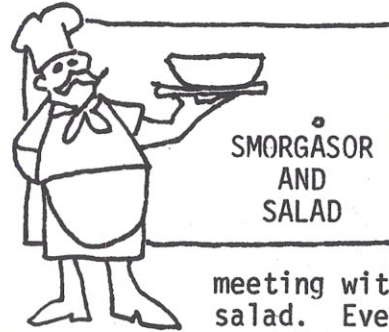


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We will start out our September meeting with Swedish Smorgåsor (sandwiches) and salad. Everyone bring a plate of your favorite sandwiches, and salads will be furnished by the committee.

Bar opens at 6:00...we will eat at 6:30 followed by our regular business meeting.

On the Smorgåsor Committee is Sue Bergman, Astrid Horyza, Martha Fredrickson and Ed and Lucy Dahlberg. For refreshments after our meeting we have Sophie Swanson, Martha Fredrickson, Evelyn Anderson and Cecile Spencer.

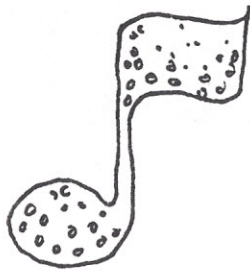
This is a real important meeting....we will have nominations of officers and initiation of new members. So plan now to attend.

A NOTE FROM EVA.....

Hi !

Sitter på hotelbalkongen och ser ut över Samarkand; population ½ million, 40°C (about 103°F) We've visited mosques, markets with lots of fruits and vegetables. Most people in Uzbekistan are Moslems. We stayed 2 days in Tashkent, where new buildings are going up every where. We spent 4 days on the trans-Siberian Railroad and looked out over a landscape much like Sweden. I was surprised, Many regards.....

Eva and Howard Allred



SCANDINAVIAN CAMELLIA CHORAL will have a meeting September 23rd - 1:00 PM at St. Johns Lutheran Church, 17th and L Streets

You must be able to read music.....but if you like to sing and if you are interested in singing at the *International Luncheon* of the 1985 Camellia Festival in March.

Please attend this all important meeting. For more information contact Ruth Veis.

Happy Birthday!

Sept.

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| 1 | Severin Johnson | 20 | Helen Forsty |
| 4 | Erika Lewis | 21 | Ethel Hubbell |
| 8 | Jean Anderson | 21 | Eleanor Vine |
| 10 | Tom Dillard | 22 | Esther Maria Johnson |
| 12 | Peggy Carlson | 23 | Britt Marie Andersson |
| 12 | Muriel Hjersman | 24 | Jean Hagstrom |
| 13 | Kurt Swanfeldt | 25 | Tom Johnson |
| 16 | Arlie Veis | 26 | Kenneth Andersson |
| 19 | Carl Larson | 27 | Vera Anderson Weiss |
| 19 | Anton Thorsen | 29 | Estrid Doscher |

NOTE: If there is anyone missing a nice serving spoon and fork from the picnic. Please see Elizabeth Johnson.

All you people who missed our "Crayfish Party" really missed a GOOD TIME and good food. The Crayfish was especially good this year.....not so many but really good. Our fishermen, Don Gustafson, Kenneth Carlson, George Uffens, and Bea Dillard's son, really worked hard this year to provide crayfish for the party. I guess everyone else is finding out how good they are too.

GUSTAV II ADOLF
(continued) The Thirty Years War 1618-1648

Since the war lasted for thirty years and had a profound effect on Swedish affairs, it deserves a few more paragraphs. I recommend that you read the account of the war in the Encyclopedia Britannica and look at the map of northern Europe and consider what the foot soldiers of the time endured marching and fighting from the Baltic to the Danube time and time again.

Sweden was a relatively poor country but an alliance was made with France which provided subsidies. The main source of wealth for Sweden at the time were the copper mines of Falun.

During this long period of war involving so many interests, there were changes of involvement. Some of the German princes became discouraged and made peace with Austria; France became more involved and battles were fought in Northern Italy, Alsace and the Netherlands.

In these shifting alliances, Christian IV of Denmark who had been once a leader on the Protestant side, turned against Sweden and declared war. The Swedish general Torstensson marched his force from Leipzig to the Danish border and conquered Holstein and Schleswig and invaded Jutland. Peace was concluded in August 1645.

Negotiations to end the Thirty Years war had been under way since 1641. These finally culminated in the treaty of Westphalia in October 1648. Sweden and France were the dominant parties. Sweden secured possessions in northern Germany which enhanced control of the Baltic. Sweden became recognized as a great power and the short-lived period of Sweden's greatness began.

Gustav's policy was "if we must fight a war, let us fight it on the other nation's soil". He was consistent in this policy.

(to be continued)

Ted Olson

NOTE

Elizabeth Johnson wants everyone to check their name, address, zip code, and phone number in the program book. If there is an error, please let her

know immediately. Plans for the 1985 program book must go in before October.



and time to think about our
SMORGÅSBORD on November 3rd.

Please come to our September

meeting and get signed up to do "your thing" and get your input in as to what we should charge etc:

KEEP COLLECTING YOUR NEWSPAPERS Ivar will be at our meeting to pick them up. The price is high now.

The "Nominating Committee" is working hard to come up with a slate of officers. If you would like to hold an office or help out in any way on committees etc: please contact Audrey Fales as soon as possible. It would be very much appreciated. PLEASE come to our September meeting .

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

I certainly want to thank the lodge members who worked so hard for the lodge socials in August.

Thanks to the Veis's for the use of their home for the ice cream social and to the Nelson's for bringing the ice cream. I don't know who should have credit for the good cookies....thanks a lot.

Thanks to "The Dillard's" for opening their home for our annual Crayfish Feed. Thanks for all involved in getting this all set for our enjoyment.

They were wonderful affairs!!!

Can't forget the beautiful slides of Sweden and other places shown by Arlie the night of the picnic.

Don't forget we come to the summers close and have our regular schedule of meetings starting in September. Come out and support our Lodge. There will be nomination of officers.

Bernie

It sounds like half of the Lodge went to Junction City, Oregon for their Scandinavian Festival. They all had a good time and came back with a lot of goodies. We'll have to have a report from everyone.

Faye Powell went with Ivar and Alice Axberg up there and she sends her greetings to all of us.



Gerda Anderson has been in the hospital for an angigram. She is home now, send her a card and wish her well, as she will be going to the hospital again.