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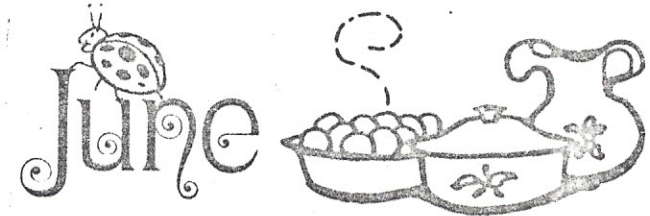
THE MONITOR



Honoring our Men

with a Swedish

"POTLUCK"



POTLUCK DINNER

This Friday June 7th at 6:30 PM. is our annual Potluck honoring our men. Each lady is to bring a generous size dish (to serve at least 10-12 people) of your favorite food you like to make.

The bar will be open at 6:00. On the dinner committee for this time is Vickie Lydecker, Bernie and Ruth Lundberg and others to help serve. Eleanor Vine doing the decorating etc;

Our dessert committee following the meeting is Don and Joyce Johnson, Merge and Larry Skicklig, Cecile Spencer and Evelyn Anderson.

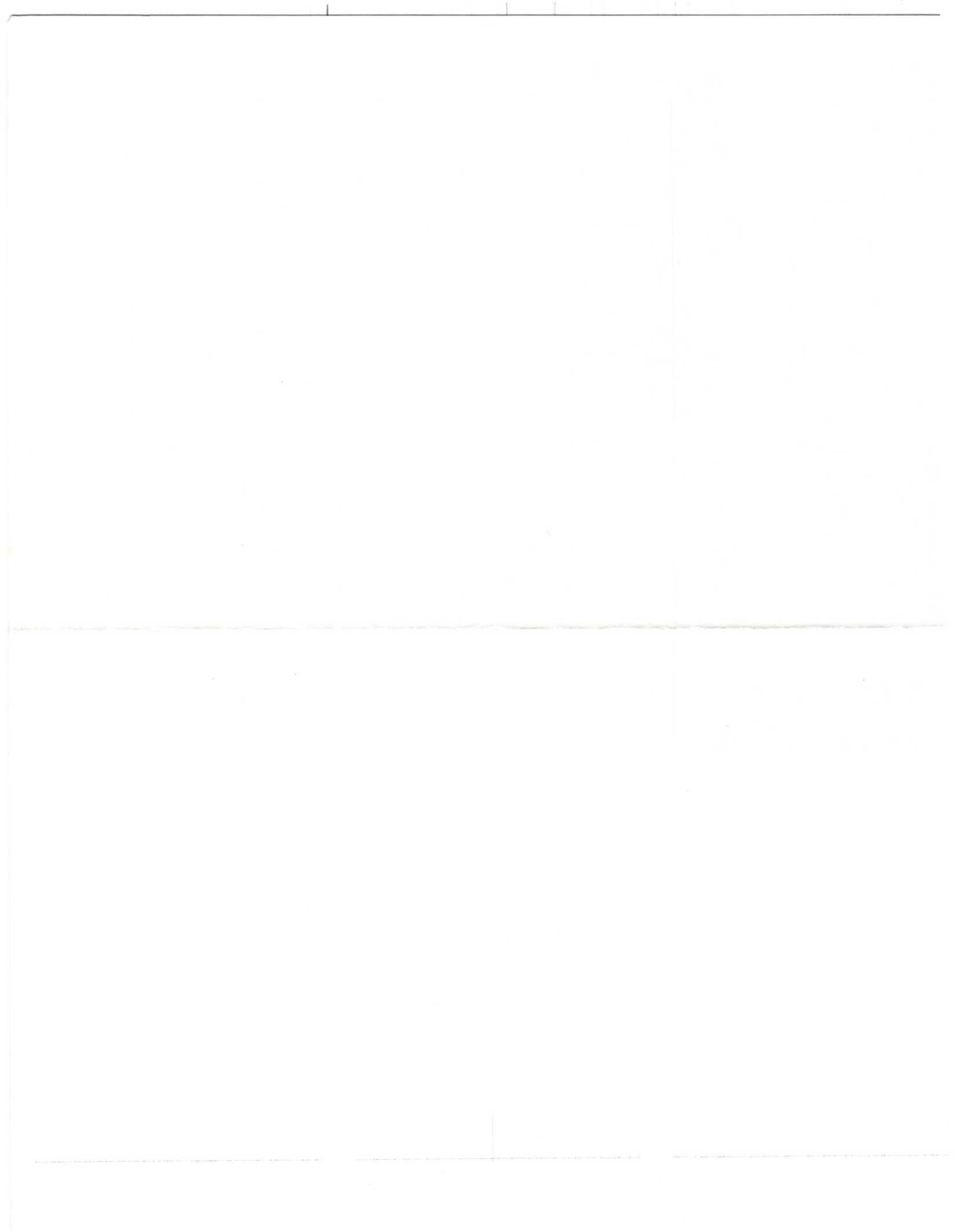
At 7:30 our regular business meeting will start with initiation of new members. Don't miss this meeting and dinner.....the women have a nice program planned to entertain the men.

HOSPITALITY NOTES

Thanks to the many men who put on a fantastic Ham dinner last month for the women. It was really good as usual, so if you missed it you really missed out.

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Because of the timing of our trip to Israel and Egypt I missed the last two meetings. I am very grateful to Vice Chairman Muriel Hjersman for filling in.

Alice and I did get back to give some assistance and to enjoy the sill frukost. The breakfast of Vikings was exceptional. We owe thanks to so many who worked on this. We can not recognize everyone but we certainly thank Ed Dahlberg who offered his yard, erected the shade and secured the chairs and tables as well as preparing the sill. We also owe thanks to Lucy for the use of her kitchen and to Deidre for the table and yard decorations.

We never say thank you enough. Our lodge would not function if it were not for willing volunteer help. There is a place for everyone to help on our social and other committees.

We were happy to greet our new DM Mel Lundberg and Zena at the sill frukost. They enjoyed it. PDMs Margaretha and Walter Sullivan joined us also. They had enjoyed the frukost so much last year and wanted a repeat. There was room and food for a few more. See you next year.

The June 7 meeting will begin with a Swedish Potluck dinner at 6:30 when the ladies honor the men of Monitor Lodge. Nord Lodge will be our guests--this has been rescheduled from March. On June 14 we are invited to Nord Lodge for their regular meeting and to celebrate flag day with an All American chicken dinner at 6:30.

In the meantime--remeber Sweden Day and Midsummer. These are coming up on June 16 and 23.

*See you there
Ted Olson*

KING CHARLES XII 1697-1718

When his father died in 1697, Charles was only fifteen years old. A regency had been stipulated but the nominated regents remembered the penalties that had been imposed on regents in the previous reign and declared him of age. This was the age of absolutism and Charles was the first and only king of Sweden born into absolute power. His reign was to be one of the most eventful but not the most profitable for Sweden.

Charles had been carefully prepared. His father had included him in military and governmental affairs from the age of eleven. He also had excellent tutors and advisers but showed himself as strong willed.

Charles had only a little time before Sweden was involved in war with a coalition of Denmark, Saxony-Poland, and Russia in the spring of 1700. This was the beginning of the Great Northern War which continued until 1721. The coalition had expected Sweden to be weak at this time but under Charles' leadership Sweden reacted quickly. With the protection of the English and Dutch fleets he invaded Denmark which was forced to make peace in August 1700. In November the Swedes under the personal leadership of Charles defeated the Russians at Narva in Estonia.

In the summer of 1701 Charles moved south and invaded Poland. The objective was to depose Augustus II of Saxony who was also King of Poland and place a more friendly king in Poland. Charles campaigned in Lithuania and Poland until 1705 when Augustus was dethroned in Poland and Stanislaus was elected as King of Poland. Peace was then concluded with Poland. Augustus, however, remained as King of Saxony and the war continued.

(to be continued)

Ted Olson

JUST FOR DAD

- 4 years: My Daddy can do anything!
- 7 years: My Dad knows a lot....a whole lot.
- 8 years: My father does not know quite every thing.
- 12 years: Oh well, naturally Father does not know that either.
- 14 years: Oh, Father? He is hopelessly old-fashioned.
- 21 years: Oh, that man - he is out of date!
- 25 years: He knows a little bit about it, but not much.
- 30 years: I must find out what Dad thinks about it.
- 35 years: Before we decide, we will get Dad's idea first.
- 50 years: What would Dad have thought about that?
- 60 years: My Dad knew literally *every-thing!*
- 65 years: I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more.

-Danbury News-Times



June 2 Ruth Uffens
6 Iris Ostlund
8 Gil Holm
10 Ingrid Smith
15 Sandy Taylor
15 Elizabeth Johnson
17 Edmund Nelson
20 Frank Stengle
22 Margaret Linn
23 Kathryn Cederquist

CONGRATULATIONS TO ELENA TRNKA. She was our Scholarship winner this year both locally and district. I'm sure you will put it to good use with a 4.0 grade average.

editors note.....

Those of you who missed the Sill Frukost REALLY missed out. Ed and Lucy's back yard was beautiful as usual and the food was TOPS.

If you want a place in the sun you have to expect blisters.

