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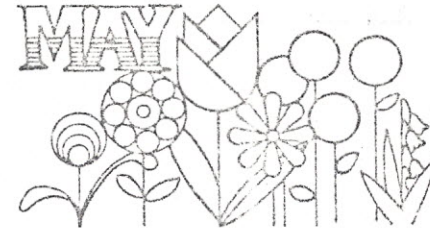
Wisteria Hall
3830 "U" Street
Sacramento, CA.

THE MONITOR

LADIES TO BE ENTERTAINED

Friday night May 2 at
6:30 PM. Bar opens at 6:00

Dinner \$4.00 Drinks \$1.00



The men always serve a delicious dinner. This year it is going to be beef instead of ham.

On the main dinner committee is Roland Carlson, Ed Dahlberg, Ivar Axberg, Ernie Skorheim, Leo Krastins and others helping to serve etc.

Our Cultural Leader, Eva Allred, has a special program for us....we'll be entertained royally. Marge Skicklig has a surprise for all the women. So besure and come out for this dinner meeting. It would be a good time to bring prospective members.

Scandia Lodge is our honored guests and the regular business meeting will start at 7:30. On the refreshment committee after the meeting is Bernie and Ruth Lundberg, Wendy Strand, Stanley and Jeanne Hagstrom.

BREAKFAST OF VIKINGS

Champagne Brunch

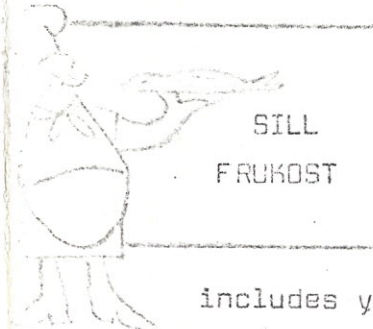
May 31 - 11:00 AM in Ed and Lucy Dahlberg's Garden at 3300 Del Paso Blvd. (look for the Dalahast on the mailbox) Price is \$5.00

includes your champagne. Full bar open at 10:30

Where else can you get fried herring, pickled herring, ham, an egg dish, new potatoes with cream sauce, sauteed onions in butter, pickled beets, limpa, herdtack and champagne for only \$5.00. You can't afford to miss.

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Our April meeting was crisp and efficient. Our only controversial item regarding our scholarship committee guidelines was withdrawn and went back to the drawing board. We think we have worked out the problems. This item will be presented again at our May meeting.

Congratulations to Mindy Wright who will receive our 1986 Monitor scholarship.

Congratulations also and "tusen tack" to every one who worked on our dinner and program for our 74th anniversary and made it an appropriately festive affair. We re-wrote the program book for April and had a wonderful dinner from the committee chaired by Peggy Carlson. My wife, Alice, commented Peggy was a very efficient manager and she also had the advice and help of Margaret. Marge Skicklig was responsible for the beautiful anniversary cake.

We have had many favorable comments on the program "Down Memory Lane" in which members passed on the remembrances of parents who came to this country from Sweden and made a new life. I think we all have some of these memories and should record them for the future as well as passing them on to our members. We will do this again. When it is fun, why not do it again? We owe thanks to our cultural leader, Eva Allred, and activities chairman, Thelma Badgley. Our meetings should be fun.

It is late April but the temperatures in Stockholm are still in the 30ths. In Celsius that means 0 to 5 degrees. Is it any wonder that the Swedes enjoy the outdoors when the weather warms up in June? We also have a number of outdoor events coming up: our Sill Frukost on May 31, Sweden Day on June 1 and Midsummer on June 22. Enjoying the outdoors is part of our heritage so let us make the most of it. These events are occasions where we can invite visitors and prospective members.

Ted Olson

A VERY STRANGE GENIUS

This was Emanuel Swedenborg, regarded as the most learned man of his time. He was a scientist, philosopher, and theologian. He was born in Stockholm in 1688, educated at Uppsala, and travelled for five years (1710-14) visiting England, Holland, France, and Germany in pursuit of scientific knowledge in mathematics and astronomy. Latin was the universal language of science so he was able to exchange ideas with others such as Edmund Halley in England.

After his return to Sweden Charles XII appointed him as assessor of mines. For thirty years he devoted his talents to development and improvement of Sweden's metal mining industry. Sweden at that time was an important producer of silver and copper and became important in iron.

Swedenborg, however, continued his other interests. In 1718 he published the first work on algebra in the Swedish language. His other works were in Latin. He turned his attention to the nature of matter and in 1734 he published his theories. Purely by inductive reasoning he arrived at conclusions that are very similar to modern nuclear physics on the nature of the atom. Swedenborg distrusted experimentation fearing that he would manipulate it to support his conclusions and worked purely by inductive reasoning. At that time there really were no instruments to test his theories.

He next turned his attention to anatomical and physiological research. By much the same process of inductive reasoning he came to conclusions far ahead of his time and which were not verified by others until much later.

However, he is principally remembered if not understood for his theology. He claimed a divine vision of the relationship of God and man and good and evil. He wrote of this in great detail. He did not regard this as contrary to his Lutheran religion. He never preached nor founded a church. After his death in London in 1772 some of his followers established the Church of the New Jerusalem.

Ted Olson

DUES. This is an anniversary for some members whose dues are payable in MAY. This is NOT a list of paid/unpaid dues. If those listed have paid, consider yourself congratulated for remembering your anniversary month in advance. For the others, please bring your dues to the May meeting or mail to Harry C. Johnson, Financial Secretary, 4332 T Street, Sacramento, CA 95819. Checks should be made payable to Monitor Lodge No. 218. Dorothy and Roland Erickson, Astrid Horyza, Berthill and Charles Nelson, Eivar and Kurt Pfannkuch, and Thelma Range. (This reminder list has made the job of Financial Secretary much easier, saved the Lodge postage, phone calls, etc. Thanks! HCJ.)

CHANGES IN PROGRAM BOOK. Andersson, Leif and Kathleen phone 967-1935. Delete Johnson, Esther (transferred to Sierra Kronan #737). We hope to have 15 more Program Books by May meeting. All 85 have been taken by members except for two; 1 for file, and 1 incorrectly assembled. That shows interest in the Monitor Lodge and what we are doing! Another change: Robin Aurelius Phone 447-3557.



Thanks to all you good people for coming to help us celebrate our 74th Anniversary at our last meeting. We had a real good turn out....our dinner was DELICIOUS thanks to Peggy Carlson, our chairman and her committee.

"Tusan tack" to Eva Allred, Viola Hallen, and Henry Hjersman for their generous donations to the Dist. Scandinavian Bazaar.

"Sveriges Jazz Band" will be at John Ascuagas Nugget July 4, 5 and 6 in Sparks Nevada. They will be in Sacramento July 7 thru the 13th, playing at various locations. For more information call Judy Borcher evenings only 961-8657. They are doing this instead of playing at the "Jazz Festival".

Parents, Grandparents or any adult relative of children ages 5 to 14 (or younger) are cordially invited to the home of Elizabeth and Harry Johnson, 4332 T Street, Sacramento on June 6 from 4:30 PM to 6:15 and then on to Wisteria Hall for our regular lodge meeting and Pot-luck supper.

The purpose is to interest parents, grandparents and other adults, of course the children too, in children's club activities. Don Carlson our Children's Club Director will assist us. Mr. Carlson and the children already in Monitor's Children's Club will be present and perform for us.

Satellite groups could increase the size of the children's club and make it possible for many more interested children and adults to get to functions in cluster groups closer to home. The entire children's club would combine for Lucia, Sweden Day, Midsummer etc; and for summer or Saturday recreational fun.

The success of the satellite groups depends on YOU as parent or grandparent. So let's get the youngsters started with interest to learn the Swedish and Scandinavian culture, the songs, dances and games. So please attend this meeting at "The Johnson's" on June 6.

BIRTHDAYS

happy birthday to.....

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

Burglars had just entered the house when suddenly a chair was knocked over.

Larson jumped out of bed and said, "Vat's going on!"

"We're looking for money," came the reply.

"Vell, turn on de light," said Larson, "and I'll help ya look."

LADIES NOTE

September 5th is our Country Store and Handicraft sale, so plan now to make that special item, that we can sell and other people enjoy. We can use anything. Remember this is a money making project so we need your help and co-operation.

Happy Mother's Day !

Please remember her



Feather River Nordic Lodge will be celebrating their 10th Anniversary May 17th with swimming, sight seeing, fellowship, cocktails and B.B.Q. Dinner. If anyone is interested in going please see Margaret Carlson at meeting.

Mrs. Lindbloom was talking to her husband about their new neighbors: "De man next door is so tawful and attentive to his wife. He brings her flowers and candy and gives her a big kiss ven he comes home from verk. Now, vy can't you do dat?"

Her husband answered, "But I hardly know de voman."

Many of our members will be attending the District Convention in Concord this week-end

EVENTS COMING UP

Scandinavian Festival May 10th at Fruitridge Community Center.

May 17th Swedish Festival at Kingsburg

May 31st "Sill Frukost" at Ed and Lucy Dahlbergs

June 1st Sweden Day at Mikey Grove Park

June 22nd Midsummer festival at Elk Grove Park



CONGRATULATIONS to Linda (Bogensted) Johnson and her husband upon the birth of a boy on March 11....his name is "Michael"

LADIES.....don't forget to make some thing for our Scandinavian Festival May 10. For more information please call Arlie Veis 489-5729.



A BIG thank you to Russell Ellis for doing our address labels.....and Hank Hjermsen for taking care of that job.

The sick committee has nothing to report so everyone must be doing well.

Some of our members have already started traveling for the summer.



to Mindy Wright our Scholarship recipient



Won't you help us establish our "Talent Bank" to give Monitor variety and fun in programs, people, and projects?

Please fill in our "bank deposit" and bring to our next meeting and turn in to the secretaries desk

YOUR HOBBIES

make a ✓

Out of Doors and Sports

1. Snow Trips
2. Skiing
3. Cross Country
4. Family Play in Snow
5. Picnics/Swimming
6. Hiking weekends
7. Camping
8. Golf
9. Bowling
10. Tennis
11. Other _____

YOUR WISH LIST

make a ✓

The Arts And Crafts

1. Folk Music
2. Instrumental
(what instrument)
3. Vocal
4. Group singing
5. Chorus
6. Painting Scandinavian motifs
7. Tole painting
8. Knippling (bobbin lace)
9. Embroidery Patterns
10. Woodwork, Wood Carving
11. Oils/or water color painting
12. Scandinavian cooking
recepte exchange etc;
13. Scandinavian drákt (native
costume-make your own)
14. Other _____

Other Interests

1. Photography
2. Geneology (roots)
3. Folk Dancing
4. Other _____

Will assist

Committee Wish List

- Help set for dinners
- Help set up meeting room
- Do "clean up" before meeting
- Do "clean up" after meeting
- Help Hospitality Chairman
- Help Membership Committee
- Please update our Monitor list
- NAME _____
- ADDRESS _____
- PHONE # _____