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## THE MONITOR

### BINGO FOR NOVEMBER

Regular Business Meeting  
starts 7:30. November 7th

If you have a special hobby and  
would like to do a show and tell,  
PLEASE bring it.

The Scholarship Committee will have "Turkey Bingo" as  
a money maker, and they will continue with their raffle.  
They have many nice things to raffle off.

Refreshments afterwards.....



Don't forget SMÖRGÅSBORD  
November 1st

The Smörgåsbord should be  
a big success this year....  
we have a sell out crowd...every  
body wants to come, so I know we  
will have to have two seatings.  
We have lots of good food and we  
won't be putting out everything  
at one time....so let's be gra-

acious and let the people who won't be staying for the  
dancing to eat first, and those of you who do eat early,  
please don't stay at your table too long...let the others  
have a chance to sit too. Get up and walk around (I'm  
sure you'll need to by that time) have an extra drink...  
Sven and Ollie our friendly bar tenders will take care of  
you. Let's hope it don't rain and I'm sure we'll all have  
a good time

There will be a short program and we have some nice door  
prizes this year and the band will be playing early too  
so we'll all get to hear the music while we eat.

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



We are moving into our festive season. We have our gala smorgasbord and dance in November. We will have our Lucia Fest in December. These are occasions where we should invite guests and prospective members.

We should increase our exposure. There are many prospective members who do not know that we exist. Let us all work on that. Invite friends.

We elected new officers at our last meeting. I am grateful that some of the key officers will serve another term. That is essential to continuity. However, we can always use new blood and new ideas. If you have new ideas let us know.

We publish a program so we will have a scheme to follow. We made several deviation the past year and we can always make adjustments.

If you sponsored a new member please follow through. Introduce new friends, remind them of our special events, and make them feel at home with us. Visitors at our open meetings have remarked that we are a friendly group. Let us keep it that way.

Along with our smorgasbord we will have our annual country store. Bring the results of your craft and skill and the results of your produce so we will be able to share.

Muriel Hjersman, vice chairman and chairman elect will chair the November meeting. Alice and I will be unwinding from jet lag in Hong Kong.

GUSTAV III 1771-1792

King Adolf Frederick died in 1771. The crown prince, Gustav now became king. He was in Paris at the time of his father's death but returned to Sweden with all speed.

Adolf Frederick never had any power as king. He was an outsider with only a very distant Vasa lineage and had been imposed on Sweden by Catherine of Russia. The royal council requisitioned his signature seal so his name appeared on royal decrees in which he had no involvement.

His Prussian Queen, Louisa Ulrika, sister to Frederick of Prussia had her own ideas of rulership. She attempted some court intrigues to increase the royal power but these were unsuccessful. She then spent her attention on the upbringing of the crown prince.

She was passionately devoted to the arts and Gustav received a very thorough artistic education. This interest extended throughout his life. She also imbued him with her ideas of how a king should rule.

The new King Gustav apparently had laid plans. He attempted to reconcile the ruling faction but then resorted to direct action. His agents had prepared uprisings in Finland and Skåne to support more royal power. These were delayed by poor communication so on August 19, 1772 he directed the Royal Guard to arrest the members of the ruling council. The Riksdag (Parliament) was summoned and approved a new constitution restoring much of the royal power.

(To be continued)

Ted Olson



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# BIRTHDAYS

- 10 Henry Bergman
- 13 Joy Carlson
- 17 Olga Fredrickson
- 19 Alice Axberg
- 23 Kathy Goldsberry
- 24 Lillian Stafford
- 30 Thelma Range

November 4 Viola Hallen  
 7 Wendy Strand  
 10 Joyce Trnka

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!

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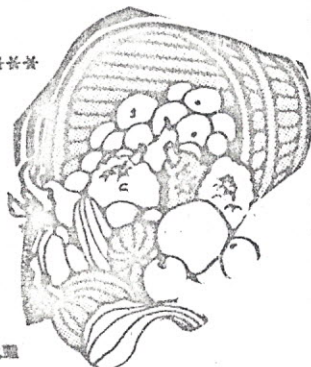
SPECIAL Birthday greetings this month to Olga Fredrickson who will be 85 young and feeling great. Congratulations!!

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Ivar Axberg will be having surgery Oct. 27th and he will be at the American River Hospital....PLEASE keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Esther Beihler is now feeling fine after a slight heart attach.

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## COUNTRY STORE

Ruth Lundberg is in charge and she wants to have it at the Smorgasbord. Those of you who did not participate at our September meeting please do so now.....even if it is just a jar of jam or some home made cookies, breads or what have you. I'm sure some of you men have hobbies, women too...now is the time to show them off and help the Lodge out too.

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FROM SMÖRGASBORD CHAIRMAN

Margaret Carlson

Wants you to know if you haven't been called to bring something.....please phone her or just bring a salad we can always use that. And PLEASE, PLEASE volunteer to help some way.

DUES ANNIVERSARIES: Alice & Ivar Axberg, Ellen Herting, Olga Jensen, Kirsten Olesen, Harry and Sophia Swanson, Larry and Marjorie Skicklig, and Harriett Yager. Please make checks payable to Monitor Lodge No. 218 and bring to the next meeting or mail to the Financial Secretary Harry Johnson, 4332 T St., Sacramento, CA 95819. Thank you!

NEW MEMBER. Be sure to give a cordial welcome to our new member and add her to your Program Book. Mrs. Katherine Brucker, 8181 Folsom Blvd. #36, Sacramento, CA 95826, Ph. 383-7773.

ANNUAL REPORTS. An early reminder that reports should be filed with the Secretary by the January 7th meeting. Those committees which have Blue Books be sure to enter your report and make a copy to file in the permanent file with the Secretary. These reports should include members of your committee, date of the activit(y)(ies), what type of activity (dinner, bus trip, etc.), the cost of performing the functions, the amount taken in, and the profit (if any). This provides a cumulative file for the committee and one for all the committees in the permanent Secretary's file. This latter file is useful for the planning committees for annual programs, for the considerations necessary for approximate budget-forming, and to make certain the same people are not burdened with the same jobs every year. Please cooperate! Thank you!

ADDRESS CHANGES. Mrs. Sue Bergman, 2310 Arrowhead Rd., Duluth, MN 55811, Ph. (218) 728-1903. Mrs. Darlene Plamer, 5908 Maxwell, Paradise, CA 95969, Ph. 872-2028. Dale & Mary Ingvarlsen, 2999 Cambridge Dr., Cameron Park, CA 95682, Ph. 677-6303. Brian & Susan Buscher, 3233 L St., Sacramento, CA 95816, Ph. 442-2060. (Congratulations Brian and Susan on getting your very own first house!) Leif & Kathy Andersson, 9508 Bedington Way, Sacramento, CA 95827, Ph. 362-3314. Mrs. Linda (Bogenstedt) Johnson, 1241 Impala Ct., Santa Rosa, CA 95405.

If you haven't done so, please change Birgitta Wright's name to Birgitta Persson.



NEW FUN AND FORTUNE CLUB  
For Vasa Members and Lodges Only

1990 Grand Lodge Convention Fund Raising Sweepstakes.

Sponsored By:- Past District Masters Club.

DONATION:- \$25.00

Starting January 1987 there will be (5) five monthly Sweepstake drawings and a final Grand Sweepstake drawing at Sweden Day, June 1987.

Each month there will be (10) ten prizes awarded. You will have (60) sixty chances of winning as your name is reentered for each monthly drawing. The total amount of these prizes will consist of 60% of the total donation figure. More donations--higher prizes.

EXAMPLE:- If there are 100 donors the total figure would be \$2500.00. Of this then \$1500.00 will be returned in prizes.

Monthly drawings would then consist of:

1st prize	\$75.00	6th prize	\$10.00
2nd prize	\$50.00	7th prize	\$10.00
3rd prize	\$25.00	8th prize	\$10.00
4th prize	\$15.00	9th prize	\$10.00
5th prize	\$10.00	10th prize	\$ 5.00

For a total of \$220.00 each month.

Grand Sweepstake drawing would be:

1st prize	\$150.00	6th prize	\$15.00
2nd prize	\$100.00	7th prize	\$10.00
3rd prize	\$ 50.00	8th prize	\$10.00
4th prize	\$ 25.00	9th prize	\$10.00
5th prize	\$ 20.00	10th prize	\$10.00

For a total of \$400.00.

These figures will be revised according to how many donors there are, in the same percentage amount.

In advance , the Past District Masters thank you for your support.

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Please return your donation to: Arthur Olsson  
5523 Columbus Ave.  
Hilmar, Calif., 95324

Donator:-----

Address:-----

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