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## THE MONITOR

HONORING OUR MEN

with a SWEDISH

"POTLUCK"





Friday, June 3rd at 6:30 PM. Each lady is to bring a generous size dish (to serve

at least 10-12 people) of your favorite "swedish" dish you like to make.

The bar will be open at 6:00.

Let's see if all you women can out do the men this time. The dessert will be served right after the dinner like last time.

Dede Dahlberg has a special program planned this time on Carl Larson. We will be practicing and learning the midsummer dances that we will be doing this year.

Our scholarship winner and family will be honored - guests.

Remember you must be there to get in on the capsule drawing.

BRING A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

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SWEDEN DAY JUNE 4th Micke Grove Park, Lodi (all day)

Flag Day in Sweden is an important celebration . Here we call it "Sweden Day". Let's all be there! Share a picnic lunch. It's a family affair.... games and fun for the children. There is always a nice program with the children club dancing . Kim Carlson is our "Maid" this year.

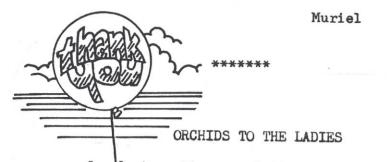


## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE:

Buy your Sweden Day tickets and win \$500.00 or ??

Tickets available from all Monitor officers...one ticket \$1.00 packet of 6 for \$5.00

Officers let's sell out!!! All money and stubs must be brought to our June meeting. These moneys finance Sweden Day and Monitor will receive a percentage.



Our last meeting was Ladies night. It was fitting that we honor the special ladies who contribute so much.

We presented an orchid to Marge Skicklig who has served as hospitality chairman. She has decorated the tables for our meetings and provided the many gracious touches that add so much. We only wish that Larry could have been there to do the pinning.

We also presented an orchid to Margaret Carlson. Besides chairing our smorgasbord and editing the Monitor, she is always helping in the kitchen. We men needed her supervision and advice in preparing the Ladies night dinner.

I presented a personal orchid to Alice who did much of the work for which I received credit.

We never say Thank You enough. My special thanks to Don Gustafson, Ernie Skorheim and Ed Dahlberg who did the kitchen duties and to all the men who served the ladies.

## BARON WRANGEL OF SKOKLOSTER

On our visit to Sweden last fall our host took us to Skokloster, the mansion palace built by Karl Gustav von Wrangel during the 1600's. The Wrangel family was originally from Esthonia and branches of the family settled in Sweden, Germany and Russia. It was a military family and there have been generals of that name in the armies of all these countries.

Karl Gustav von Wrangel was a general in the army of Gustav II Adolf. He had risen rapidly. He became a major general at the age of 25. He held important commands during the final years of the 30 years war and was promoted to field marshal. He not only commanded armies but at times he commanded a fleet at sea.

At the end of the war he became governor general of the conquered Swedish possessions in Germany. It was at this time he was given the estate of Skokloster and began to build an elaborate palace. He really did not need the palace, he had eleven other castle residences in Germany and Sweden.

As it was constructed he furnished it with art and furniture from Germany. It was designed to upstage all the other nobles. As governor general he received the honors of royalty. He incorporated this into the furnishing. Louis of France was reputed to receive official guests in bed. Wrangel had a bed for that purpose. It had an elaborate canopy and coverings but no mattress-only a wooden platform.

Wrangel remained in Germany and directed the construction by correspondence. There were frequent changes of plan which resulted in rebuilding. The palace was never finished. Wrangel's fortunes changed. The incomplete section shows the massive stone walls and huge beams used in the structure.

Wrangel entertained a few times in the palace. Banquets lasted for hours but the food was always cold since the kitchen was in a distant separate building and the food was served on silver plates.

## SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL REPORT:

For all who could not attend the May meeting. We had a very successful festival with 1200 people in attendance. about double last years total. Our income was \$3370. and our profit was \$2188. We have held a reserve for next years festival (which is already set for April 8th, same place) and have made a split to the five lodges participating in the amount of \$350.00 each. Monitor also realized a profit on their craft table of \$129. for a total of \$479. Many, many thanks to all who have helped out in any way .... to all the bakers that brought baked goods (we were sold out by about 1:30 so they must have been good)...to all who worked on crafts for our craft table...and to the 38 Monitor members that came and worked the many and varied jobs that made for such a successful day. We had many strangers asking about our lodges and happy to find such a Scandinavian event going on. Thank you all again .... we couldn't do it without you. Arlie Veis, Festival Chm.

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BASEBALL BUS TRIP

Saturday August 6th

Want to see an Oakland A's game? Want to see 750 Swedish Gymnasts perform in the pre-game show?

COST: \$15.00 per person (includes bus fare and tickets to the game) We need 45 to fill the bus. We have almost half at this writing. Open to members and friends. We need to have committments by June 20th so we can reserve the bus. Contact Arlie at 489-5729.



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Nord Lodge (Stockton) to entertain Monitor Members Friday June 10 at an "All American Dinner" Let's double up in cars and anyone wishing to go please contact Muriel.

We need to let them know how many of us are coming. Their new meeting place is at the Sciots Hall, 525 Fulton St. Stockton



Vi gratulerer Pa Fodelsedagen!!!

## June 1 - June Brown (Anderson) 2 - Audrey Olson-Smith 2 - Ruth Uffens 6 - Iris Ostlund 8 - Gilbert Holm

- 10 Ingrid Smith
- 12 Eleanor Johnson

15 - Sandy Taylor

15-Elizabeth Johnson 17-Edmund Nelson 20-Frank Stengl 22-Margaret Linn 24-Erika Barrows

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Sick Committee Report

Roland Erickson is doing great after his surgery

Larry Skickig had a stroke is home now after a month in the hospital.

Ethel Hubbell had major surgery and is recupperating at home.

Ethel Hoffman's son was in a terrible automobile accident and had broke his neck.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you.

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to Jenise Axberg who was our Scholarship winner. She is the

grand-daughter of Ivar and Alice Axberg. She will be at our June meeting.

Also Kim Carlson who is our Maid for Sweden Day. We are pleased and honored to have such talented and lovely women representing Sweden and the Monitor Lodge in what ever they do.

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That which is loved is always beautiful-Swedish proverb

AN UPDATE FROM "NEW SWEDEN '88 SACRAMENTO JUBILEE CITY" COMMITTEE. In order to save time and help shorten the Monitor Regular Meetings, we shall use this media to communicate from time to time the remaining months of 1988.

Many of you wanted to hear of the Reception by Consul General of Sweden Margareta Hegardt for His Majesty Carl XVI Gustaf and Her Majesty Silvia held April 26th at the Consul General's home in Beverly Hills. Harry and I, Elizabeth Johnson, were invited, and we were honored to be quests at such a lovely occasion. The Reception was held in the lovely garden. About 300 guests were there, we believe. The Receiving Line was Consul General Hegardt, U.S. Ambassador Gregory Newell and wife. We visited with friends, acquaintances, and made several new acquaintances and ate "heavenly" Swedish hors d'oeuvres served by girls in Swedish native costumes and further supplies were on many small tables. The Royal Band gave a magnificent concert. They were partially reflected in the swimming pool with a backdrop of trees and shrubs. We took a gift from Monitor, Nord, and Sierra Kronan Lodges represented by your Sacramento "Jubilee City" Committee which was a small, but lovely sterling silver camellia medallion engraved "Sacramento, California -- New Sweden 1988". Шe also took a letter of greeting from the Capital City of Sacramento written by Vice Mayor David Shorr, in the absence of Mayor Anne Rudin, The moment arrived! Their Majesties appeared and soon an informal line approached them. Receiving were our hostess, Consul General Hegardt, King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia, U.S. Ambassador to Sweden Gregory Newell and his wife. We greeted each. Their Majesties were very gracious and attentive to each quest. Security did not encourage taking pictures, and pictures up close of the King and Queen was forbidden. A few people slipped cameras by the "seemingly" lax security; however. we are sure there was very adequate security.

Lecture by Ambassador Per Anger on "Raoul Wallenberg" at the Comstock Club luncheon May 23 was very wellattended and many Monitor members were able to be there and enjoy the Ambassador's well-delivered and informative talk. Ambassador Per Anger was attended by his hostess. Consul General Siri Eliason. The Sacramento "Jubilee City" Committee thanks Eva Allred for taking reservations of the Comstock Club luncheon and Mr. Don Johnson of the Comstock Club for helping coordinate all matters relating to this event.

MIDSUMMER guests (39) from Halsingland, Sweden. will arrive in S.F. the evening of June 16, and in Sacramento the afternoon of June 17th. They will be our quests June 17-21. They will perform for us in Old Sacramento on the green on Front Street near the Old School House. For further information of activities see back of flyer enclosed. TUSEN TACK to those who will be hosts to our guests. Their hospitality and generosity is FULLY APPRECIATED. They are: Eva & Howard Allred, Deidre Dahlberg, Bee and Tom Dillard, Jack & Estrid Doscher, Paul & LaVerne Gullans, Astrid Horyza, Harry & Elizabeth Johnson, Ronny & Christi Kägström, Gibson & Dorothy Kingren, Margaretha Logus, Ted & Alice Olson, Wonn, and Kurt & Eivor Pfannkuch, and Arlie & Ruth Veis. Lillian Backup hosts: Roland & Margaret Carlson, Vicki Lydecker. Nord Lodge are taking 8 quests. Sierra Kronan hosts are: Naomi Kennedy and Barbara Lutz. Backup hosts: Alex Freeland and Charlie & Margaret Linn. If there are any omissions. please let Eliz. Johnson know (452-2470): or. if you would like to be included, 'phone Elizabeth. THANK YOU!!

## JUNE 7, 1988

ANN-CHARLOTTE HARVEY & KJELL HANSSON in "SWEDEN & AMERICA 1638-1988", a collage of song, poetry, and humor, at Calif. State University, Music Bldg., 6000 J Street, at 7:30 P.M. with parking available in Lot 8 near the Stadium (look for the tall light standards), no sticker needed. \$4.00 adults. \$3.00 students, and \$2.00 children to 12 yrs. A truly wonderful evening with artists who come well-recommended at a most reasonable price of admission. Dr. Harvey in an instructor of Drama at CSU, San Diego, and she has spent 20 years researching Scandinavian songs, etc. She has recordings out. Kjell Hansson has written songs and made recordings in Sweden. Bishop Hill asked them to collaborate again for "New Sweden '88". This is something you do not want to miss. Parking will be no problem; Summer Session has few night classes and the 7th is only the second day of Summer Session.