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ur May 7th meeting will feature a Mother's Day Dinner prepared by the men and honoring all the women in our Lodge. (All men are asked to please volunteer to help!) The bar opens at 6:00 and dinner is served at 6:30. Ernie Skorheim is the chairman this year. Our usual good cooks will be on hand to serve a wonderful dinner free to all women (children are free, too). The men, however, must pay \$5 to help cover some of the expenses. A nice program is planned, we will have special decorations, and our scholarship recipient will be announced that evening. There will be no business conducted. See you all there!



ACTING CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

It was so nice to see a good turnout for our 81st anniversary meeting. Past chairmen were honored and Kathy Goldsherry received her 25-year pin. (Her

mother, Eleanor Vine, accepted the pin since Kathy was a bit under the weather.) Brian Dorey, one of our newest family members, received a gift from the Lodge. Our Honorary Life Member, Inez Norling, celebrated her 97th birthday. She was presented with a corsage and her own little birthday cake.

Eivor Pfannkuch, our always effective, informative, and entertaining Cultural Leader, provided a nice Easter program with Swedish decorations. And BIG THANKS for all the wonderful Swedish sandwiches we enjoyed so much at the end of the evening, along with a decorated anniversary cake.

The May business meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 12th, 7:00 pm, at Elizabeth and Harry Johnson's home, 4332 T Street. We urge you to come and hear the reports from our convention and help plan for future events.

In the meantime, our Chairman, Myrtle Widmark, is enjoying a three-month stay in Sweden, visiting friends and relatives.

*In truth and unity,
Margaret Carlson*

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 7 May | Mother's Day Dinner Social |
| 8 May | Bus trip to the all-day "Sweden in Bloom" Music Festival in Palo Alto |
| 12 May | Business meeting at the Johnsons', 4332 T Street |
| 13-16 May | Swedish Festival in Kingsburg |
| 22 May | Sillfrukost at the Olsons', 8780 Sunset Ave., Fair Oaks |

NÅL OCH TRÅD

There will be one meeting in May to review the Scandinavian Festival results and to plan for the future.

Tisdagen den 11 maj, kl. 19.00, hos:

Jean Anderson
126 Hibiscus Avenue
Sacramento
Telefon 682-7438

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

5/03 - Deidre Dahlberg
 5/04 - Debbie Nickless
 5/05 - Betty J. Schoepf
 5/05 - Louise Sims
 5/06 - Elizabeth Coleman
 5/11 - Christine Bodelson
 5/12 - Charles Linn
 5/12 - Myrtle Widmark
 5/14 - LaVerne Gilbertson
 5/15 - Nancy Misenti
 5/18 - Mirjam Auger
 5/18 - Charles Nelson
 5/18 - John Wright
 5/25 - Frances Misenti
 5/25 - George Uffens

ROSTER UPDATE

Corrected zip codes:

- For Thor and Erika

Barrows should be 95628.

- For Charles Johnson should be 95825.

Here is the new address for Britt-Marie and Lennart Andersson:

104 Clallam Bay Street
 Sequim, WA 98382-9389

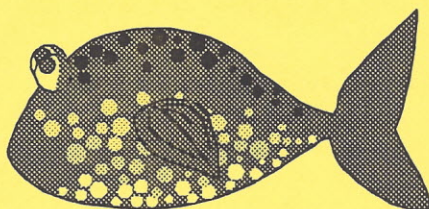
DEADLINE...

...for the June issue of *The Monitor* is **Friday, April 14**. (This gives the editor the weekend to work on the newsletter.) Please send input to Ingrid Kennedy, 10582 Apple Grove Way, Rancho Cordova.

SILLFRUKOST

Ted and Alice Olson are again graciously opening their home for our annual *sillfrukost*. It will be held on **Saturday, May 22nd, 10:00 am**, and the address is 8780 Sunset Avenue, Fair Oaks. If you don't know where it is, look for the Swedish flag.

Be sure to come and enjoy this "Feast of the Gods." It's not every day you can have a real Swedish brunch, nice weather (usually), beautiful surroundings, and wonderful companionship for just \$5 (no charge for children under 12). Anyone willing to help that morning, please let Ted and Alice know.



MAY DUES ANNIVERSARIES

If you have already paid, please disregard this reminder and thank you for your promptness.

David Anholm
 Christine Bodelson
 Kerstin Doze
 Marianne Ek
 Dorothy Erickson
 Jeanne Hanson
 Mimi Hjersman
 Astrid Horyza
 Charles Johnson
 Jeanine Kaiser
 Kathleen Lagomarsino
 Eivor Pfannkuch
 Kurt Pfannkuch

Thelma Range
 David Swanson
 Durl Van Alstyne
 Peter Wardlow

Dues are \$14 a year, payable to Monitor Lodge No. 218. You can pay your dues at the May meeting or by mail to Gail Nemy, 4239 Daybreak Lane, Sacramento, CA 95821

CONGRATULATIONS TO ED NELSON!

Ed is our Member of the Month. However, he has been out of town and has not been able to write something down about himself. Perhaps by next month, Ed? We really do want to get to know you better.

HEADS UP

Make sure you have our annual crayfish party (kräftskiva) on your calendar. It will be at the home of Lars and Birgitta this year on Saturday, 21 August. We will have a special flyer soon with directions on how to get there.

AND SOME SWEDISH PROVERBS

from Margaret Carlsson:

- When it rains soup, a poor man has no spoon.
- Midsummer night is not long, but it sets many cradles rocking.
- No one becomes a good doctor before he fills a church yard.