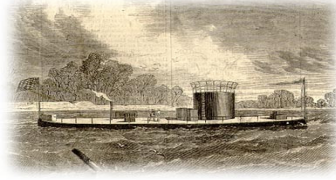


MONITOR LODGE NO. 218 CHARTERED APRIL 8, 1912

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MONITOR

Jack Larson, Chairman—**Yvonne Magneheim**, Vice Chairman -**Arlene White**, Secretary—**Charley Rea**, Assistant Recording Secretary,
Kurt Pfannkuch, Financial Secretary—**Gail Nemy**, Assistant Financial Secretary—**Craig Johnson**, Treasurer

UPCOMING EVENTS

October
5th @ 5:30
Dinner Meeting
Team 1

October
6th 10AM-4PM
Scandinavian Festival

November
2nd @7:00
Pumpkin Pie
(furnished by Lodge)

December
7th @5:30
Annual Julbord
And
Lucia

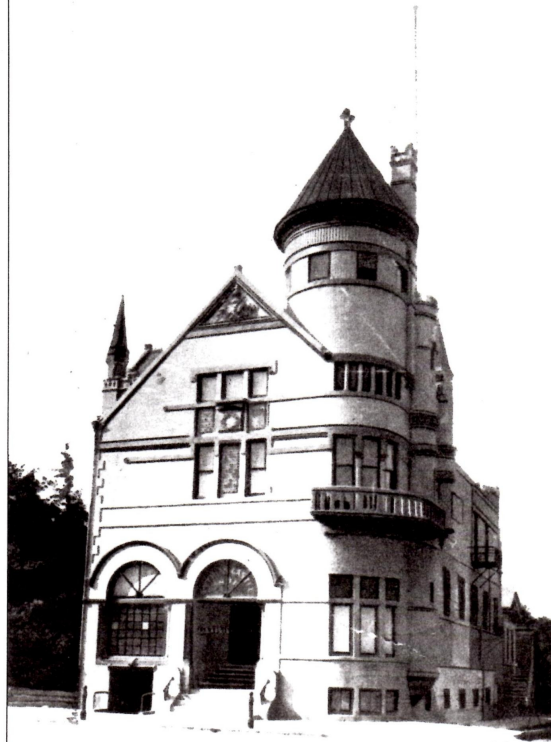
January 2013
6th @5:30
Dinner Meeting
(Put on by 2012 Offi-
cers)
Installation of 2013
Officers
(The joint installation is
not confirmed)



PYTHIAN CASTLE

Special thanks to Arlie Veis for this picture which sparked some serendipity on my part to learn information about the Pythian Organization.

But first, according to Arlie as shared in the Centennial History Booklet, this was the first location of Monitor Lodge. The "Castle" was located at 9th and I streets where the Post Office now stands, and he shares that the presence of bats, "lent genuine excitement to the rituals."



THE PYTHIAN STORY

The Order of Knights of Pythias is a great international fraternity which was founded in Washington, DC, February 19, 1864, by Justus H. Rathbone, and embraces more than two thousand subordinate lodges in the United States and Canada, with occasional lodges having been formed elsewhere. The primary object of fraternal organizations is to promote friendship among men and to relieve suffering. Each organization adopts some outstanding principle as its objective. The individuality of an order is determined by its ideal sentiment. The distinguishing principles of the Order of Knights of Pythias are "FRIENDSHIP, CHARITY and BENEVOLENCE".

The Fraternal Order of Knights of Pythias and its members are dedicated to the cause of universal peace. Pythians are pledged to the promotion of understanding among men of good will as the surest means of attaining Universal Peace. We believe that men, meeting in a spirit of goodwill, in an honest effort of understanding, can live together on this earth in peace and harmony. We seek those who agree with this belief, and have a belief in a personal Supreme Being, to join our ranks in an effort to reach "Peace Through Understanding".

BORN IN OCTOBER

October 5th.....Karin Johnson
October 6th.....Dale Ingvarlsen
October 8th.....Barbara Erickson-Wickstrom
October 21st.....Marianne Lomax
October 24th.....Marianne Ek
October 29th.....Lincoln Leaman

OCTOBER 2012 BIZARRE, UNIQUE SPECIAL DAYS

- Adopt a Shelter Dog Month
- American Pharmacist Month
- Apple Jack Month
- Awareness Month
- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Clergy Appreciation Month
- Computer Learning Month
- Cookie Month
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- Eat Country Ham Month
- International Drum Month
- Lupus Awareness Month
- National Diabetes Month
- National Pizza Month
- National Vegetarian Month
- National Popcorn Popping Month
- Sarcastic Month
- Seafood Month



I asked where the Cruzes are in their quest for success and this is the reply:

Success indeed! We just picked up a rooftop carrier for our Volvo "combi" in preparation for the trek eastward. Taking off Thursday, will be gone until the week of Thanksgiving, then maybe driving down south to see the CA fam. The first of many trips to come. I've got my itinerary for next year. Half of the year is spoken for already. Hopefully Christel and Conrad can join me on some of those trips. Not too excited about leaving them behind. The job is going well though.

Conrad just turned 5 months. He had begun flipping over by himself and is beginning to grab at our faces. Fun times.

How have you been?

We'll have to touch base while in Oklahoma. Talk to you soon!

- Jesus o familjen



Husband of Kris Arnlund Wilson and former member of Monitor Lodge Matt Wilson is still battling blood clots on his legs. This condition has been going on for three months and keeps him off the job and in pain. Let's keep Matt and family in our prayers.

Brother Lars Östlund joins the ranks of many with stents in place. This should keep him on the golf course!!! We hope so.

**ALLT FÖR SVERIGE
ALL FOR SWEDEN**
(Suggested by Eivor)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLybYAaSBCU&feature=youtube_gdata_player
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Hälsa Everyone:

There is a Culture Event planned for Saturday October 20th to be held in beautiful Sveadal. Plans include member presentation that include flavoring Aquavit, Flowers of Sweden, establishing an EastBay Facebook of musicians, Making a Dala Håsta, talks on Early Swedish communities in the East Bay. The goal is to give every Lodge their time to make a presentation about culture events that have been successful.

Special rates for cabins have been made available to Vasa members. Call or email Julie Bowman jul2bow@aol.com or (650) 591-7964 for reservations and cost.

One flyer has been emailed. Please R.S.V.P if you are planning to attend and especially if you would like to present your Culture event. If you have questions - call (510) 482-3413 or email me. Cost to attend is \$10. It would be advisable to bring your own food. We will provide a light dinner and Swedish pancakes for those who stay over.

in Truth and Unity,
Marie-Ann Hill
District Culture Leader

(To share a ride call DeeDee)

SILL FRUKOST

Ken and Peggy Carlson opened their "new home" this year and hosted the Annual Sill Frukost. I quote the words 'new home' because it is actually a remodel of their old home. However, it is a FULL REMODEL, the place looking beautiful and nothing like it did before. Ken's craftsmanship is evident in the new home. There is much of Peggy in the place also, with her decorating ideas. It is obvious it is a joint effort on their parts and a beautiful result.

I think (I'm sure I will be chastised if this is not correct) that Monitor Lodge is unique in its annual event of fried herring with onions and many, many side dishes. No one goes away hungry and the fellowship over the well tended bar (this year member Emily Carlson) leads to great fun and reminiscences. Put this on you calendar for next year!

Sad to say, I have no pictures of the Sill Frukost. If someone does, please send them to Kris for the Website and not to me.

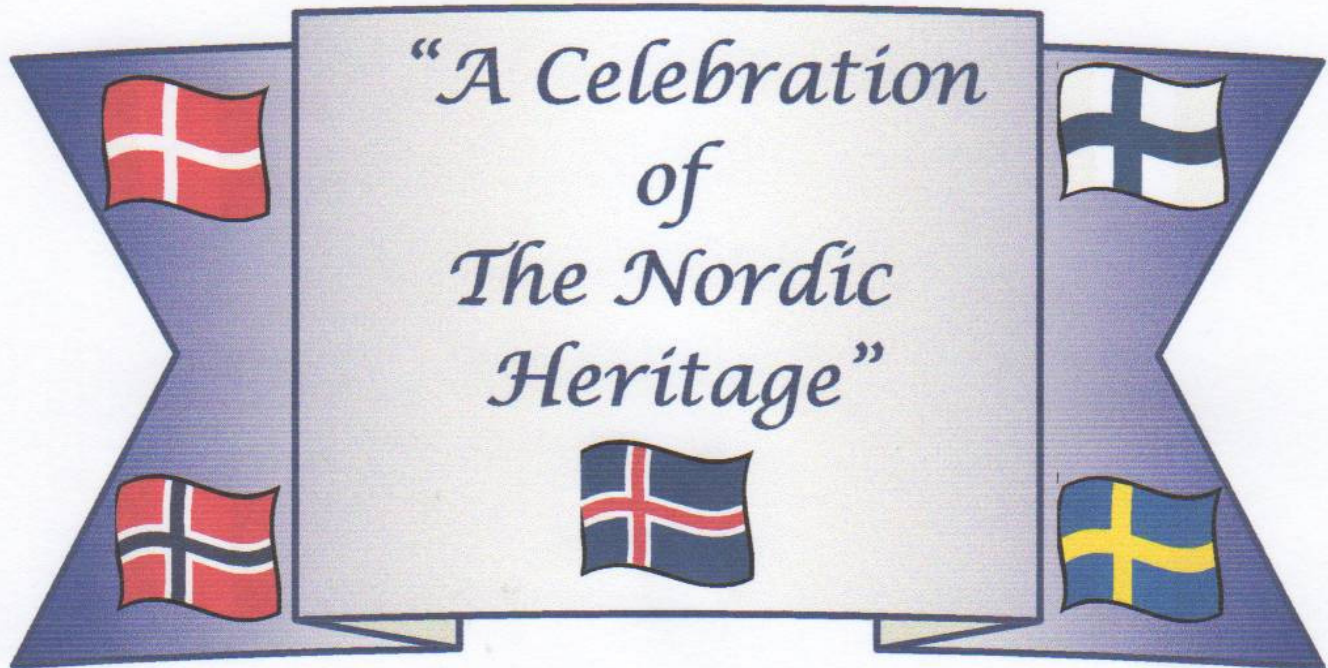
Again, tusen tack Ken and Peggy

PARAPHRASING NORDSTJERNAN EDITOR ULF MÅRTENSSON, I may be editing your newsletter but it is you, the reader, who "runs" it. I specifically thank Arlie for this month's suggestion/information on the Pythian Castle.

**29th Annual
Sacramento
Scandinavian Festival**

October 6, 2012

10:00 am - 4:00 pm



**Scandinavian food, baked goods, and merchandise for sale
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