

**MONITOR LODGE # 218  
VASA ORDER OF AMERICA**

**FEBRUARY 2013**

**CURRENT EVENTS**

**March Meeting - Mar 1st –“Varmkorv” Dinner –**

**5:30 PM Social hour - 6:30 PM Dinner – Meeting and Cultural Program to follow –** Don't forget we will be playing Scandinavian Double Jeopardy. If you haven't played it before you will find it infectious and informative. The trick is to remember to answer in the form of a question.

The Telephone Callers will be contacting you for your reservation. If you missed their call or haven't received a call you should call one of the callers to make a reservation. We want to make sure we have enough food.

Violet DeBord	685-2908	Alberts – D. Dalhberg
Yvonne Magneheim	979-9501	Delle – C. Johnson
Lillian Stafford	487-4201	D. Johnson – E. Netzel
Dorothy Scherer	967-6809	J. Netzel – Winter

**Bartenders Needed**

Under the category of “many hands make the work light” we could use a few more bartenders at our dinners. James has graciously stepped in while his Dad, Ed, is out of town, but we still need a few more. It would be great to have at least two assigned for each dinner, so that the same person doesn't need to tend the bar for the whole evening. If you would be willing to serve for an hour or two for any of the dinners in the future, please call Mark Delle at 916-920-0262 or see him at the meeting.

**FUTURE EVENTS**

**Anniversary Dinner** – The Anniversary Dinner has been changed to **Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**. Please change your program books and note this date on your calendar. It will be at the Dante Club as in other years. If you have anything that you would like to donate to the raffle or silent auction, you can bring it to the March meeting. The proceeds of the raffle and silent auction are used to reduce the price of the dinner. Menu selections and reservation information will be sent under separate cover. If you would like to help with the raffle or silent auction or you have any questions call Yvonne Magneheim at 916-979-9501. You can also pay for the dinner at the March meeting.

**May Dinner** – We will celebrate Mother's Day in May with a dinner. We will also have a reunion of current, former or future members of children's clubs, especially Monitor's Children's Clubs. If you are or know someone who fits into any of these categories, please put May 3<sup>rd</sup> on your calendar or let them know. If you have contact information for someone who would be interested in a children's club, you can contact Karin Johnson at 916-482-3755. Children are our future.

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February 2013

### **2013 DUES**

Annual dues are payable at the beginning of each year. Every year we pay a per member fee to our District Lodge at the beginning of the year. It is important that we collect our dues for Monitor Lodge in order to have enough general funds to cover that payment. The payment to the district mainly covers the cost of liability insurance for the district and the individual lodges. Monitor Lodge has not raised dues in many years, so they are still **\$30 per person per year**. If you haven't paid your dues for 2013, you should send them to our Financial Secretary, Elizabeth Swenson at P.O. Box 22943, Sacramento, CA 95822. She will also be at the March meeting if you would like to pay at that time.

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

**Monitor Lodge Scholarship** – Applications for the Monitor Lodge Scholarship are due April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you know someone who is eligible for this scholarship, a member, child or grandchild of a member, you can request an application from either Marianne Ek at 916-371-7756 or Gail Nemy at 916-481-0373. The scholarship(s) will be awarded at the May meeting. Applications will be available at the March meeting.

### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

3/2 Dorothy Scherer  
3/29 Joyce Burns

3/17 Kenneth Carlson  
3/30 Art Niemoller

3/18 George Kantar

### **Nål och Tråd**

The next meeting of Nål och Tråd in 2013 will be on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at Karin Johnson's home, 4516 Pasadena Ave, Sacramento. We will be planning and making some simple craft projects, Christmas ornaments, etc. to be sold at the Scandinavian Festival in October or to make for your family. If you are interested in sharing or learning about Scandinavian handcrafts, please come. If you have any questions you may call Karin Johnson at 916-482-3755.

### **Book Exchange**

We had our book exchange at the February meeting. Fortunately or unfortunately we ended up with more books than we started with. Our storage space is very limited, so we would like to find homes for these books. We will have the books available at the March meeting and we will continue to have a book exchange occasionally. In the future when you are done with a book you can exchange it for another one.