

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

October 2013

CURRENT EVENTS

Annual Smörgåsbord –

- **November 1st - 5:30 Social Hour – 6:30 Dinner, IOOF Hall, 1831 Howe Avenue, Sacramento.**
- Hurry, hurry, hurry! The deadline for reservations is Monday, October 28th and reservations are mandatory. The cost is the same as last year, \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Make checks payable to Monitor Lodge #218.
- The previous newsletter indicated that your reservations and check should be sent to Gail Nemy. Due to her recent heart surgery, Gail will not be able to receive the reservations.
- Reservations should be made with Meribeth Bean and sent to 4121 – 67th St, Sacramento, CA 95820. If you need to talk to her, you may call her at 916-995-4965 (cell) or 916-456-7916.

FUTURE EVENTS

November Business Meeting – Tuesday, November 12th – 7PM at Karin Johnson's home, 4516 Pasadena Ave., Sacramento. We need to pay bills before the end of the year and we didn't want to do this at either the Smörgåsbord or the Jul party.

Santa Lucia Program & Children's Christmas Party – Friday, December 6th, (OOPS) typo in previous newsletter – **7 PM, IOOF Hall, 1831 Howe Avenue, Sacramento.**

This will be a traditional Jul party with Glögg and finger food/cookies. Bring your children, grandchildren and/or great grandchildren. If you are bringing a child and you would like them to receive a gift from Santa, place their name on the gift that you bring and the gifts will be distributed by Santa. We hope to be able to dance around the Christmas tree and sing some familiar carols.

We will have our first practice for the children who would like to perform on Sunday, October 20th at 3 PM at Birgitta Ellis's house at 501 Southgate Road, Sacramento. If you have any questions please call Birgitta at 916-920- 0696 or Karin Johnson at 916-482-3755. We will have additional practices on Sunday, October 27th, November 10 & 24, same time, same place.

We will also have a food collection for the Food Bank at the Jul party. Please bring a can or two.

Nål och Tråd

Nål och Tråd will have a table at the Smörgåsbord and at the St. Lucia program for your Christmas shopping convenience.

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/1 – Ruby Henrickson, Diane Brownell, Elizabeth Swenson 11/11 – Richard Eriksson
11/16 – Russ Ellis 11/19 - Christi Kagstrom, Alice Axberg 11/22 – Karen Sandberg
11/24 – Lillian Stafford, Kathryn Matthews

If your birthday has been missed, please contact Karin Johnson so that the list can be updated for the future.

Member News

The latest Sick Committee Report show that the following members have recently been in the hospital or have been ill: Linda Larson, Ed Dahlberg, Amy Winter, Joesie Hennig, Gail Nemy and Christine Bodelson. We should keep them in our thoughts and prayers. A card would probably be appreciated.