

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

August 2014

CURRENT EVENTS

September Dinner – “Viking Feast”, Sept 5th – 5:30 Social Hour – 6:30 Dinner –IOOF Hall, 1831 Howe Avenue, Sacramento. Bring your friends and family to the Viking experience.

- Our dinner will be prepared by the Viking re-enactors (they were in the Viking village at the Scandinavian Festival last year), with an authentic Viking feast of Pork & Barley with onions, sautéed mixed green vegetables (worts), and other traditional Viking fare.
- Our cultural program will be a demonstration of life in the Viking world by the re-enactors in period costumes.
- There will also be a book exchange. We have accumulated a number of books and we are running out of storage space. Some of these books are in Swedish or about speaking Swedish, some are written by Swedish authors, and some are about Sweden. Come early to see if there are any books you would like to take home. Donations are optional.
- We will be having the nominations for the 2014 officers at the meeting. If you are interested in serving as an officer next year, please contact Charley Rea or Karin Johnson. Someone may be contacting you to fill an office. Last year we had difficulty finding officers. Please consider the need for active members to become involved as officers to keep this organization viable.

Reservations are required for this dinner. You can send your reservation to Brian Horsfield via e-mail (clc6000@aol.com) or you can call Violet DeBord at (916) 685-2908 or Lillian Stafford at (916) 487-4201. Reservations must be made by **Tuesday, September 2nd**.

FUTURE EVENTS

Scandinavian Festival – Please put the Scandinavian Festival, **Saturday, October 4th** at Divine Savior Catholic Church on your calendar. We have responsibility for many functions (food ticket sales, sandwiches and pancakes), so if you are able to work we will have sign-up sheets at the September meeting. If you won't be at the meeting, please contact Barry Moore at (916) 969-8904, Karin Johnson at (916) 482-3755 or Gail Nemy at (916) 481-0373 to sign up.

The Scandinavian Festival's printed program is subsidized by the sale of advertisements. The cost is \$25 for a business card, \$35 for half page or \$45 for full page. A bargain when you consider that hundreds of people will see the ad in the program when they attend.

Tell all your friends and family about the Festival, we are all part of the publicity.

November Meeting – There will be a business meeting on **Friday, November 7th at 7 PM** at the IOOF. We will have the election of officers, so if you would like to be an officer, please plan to be there. We will also be taking reservations for the annual **Smörgåsbord on Saturday, November 15th**.

FUTURE EVENTS (Con't)

Smörgåsbord – Our annual Smörgåsbord will be on **Saturday, November 15th**. The cost will be the same as last year, \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. We will start taking reservations for members at the September meeting. Non-members will be on a waiting list until the October meeting. We try to accommodate members before we sell tickets to non-members. We will also need people to help with the set-up and serving for this event.

Nål och Tråd

Nål och Tråd will have a table at the Scandinavian Festival on Saturday, October 4th. We will be setting up the schedule for the table at the September meeting. If you won't be at the meeting, but would like to help, please call Karin Johnson at (916) 482-3755.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2 - Yvonne Magneheim

9/6 - Carol Churkin

9/16 - Arlie Veis

9/23 - Britt-Marie Andersson

9/4 - Melody Lynn Friberg

9/12 - Peggy Carlson

9/18 - Ann Johnson

9/5 - Emily Carlson

9/15 - Rose Marie Westrup

9/21 - Dorothy Klosterman

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

Member News

Theresa Alberts had surgery in August. We hope she is recovered enough to come to our September Viking Feast. Other members who are recovering or convalescing are Myrtle Widmark, Ed Dahlberg and Linda Larson.

If you enjoyed the dancing at our Midsommar Celebration and would like to learn more dances, there will be dance classes on September 8th at 7pm at the Coloma Community Center. If you are interested please call Barry Moore at 969-8904.

Reminder – If you have not paid your 2014 dues, **\$35 per member per year**, please send them as soon as possible to Elizabeth Swenson at P.O. Box 22943, Sacramento, CA 95822.