Monitor Lodge, #218

Sacramento, California Meets at I.O.O.F. Hall, 1831 Howe Ave







July-August 2018

On Saturday, August 4th, we enjoyed good food, dancing and games at our annual **Kräftskiva** (crayfish party) at James and Melissa Netzel's home in Loomis. **Tack så mycket** to Melissa and James for providing such a pleasant setting and comfortable weather despite the wildfires. Barry Moore and Ginny Lee continued providing fun instructions for all of us "two left feet" people and Cami was a great MC for the Kubb "competition" – Ryan and Alex were definitely intense but no match for Nicole. And Peggy and Ken Carlson outdid themselves with the quality of the kräftor.



Cami enjoying the Kraftskiva offerings



Everyone focused on the food



Just another happy member



Karftskiva - August 4, 2018

2018 Calendar of events

September 7th -Friday "Make your own
Smörgåsar" dinner and
business meeting

October 5th – Friday – Potluck dinner and nomination of 2019 officers

November 2nd – Friday-**Kaffekalas** and **e**lections

December 1st – Saturday – **Julbord** & Jul Glögg Party

December 7th – Friday – **St. Lucia** celebration

2019 Calendar of events

January 4th – Friday- Dinner and installation of officers

February 1st - Friday - Pea Ssoup and Pancakes

March 1nd – Friday – **Corned beef and cabbage** dinner

March 30th – Saturday - 36th Sacramento Scandinavian Festival at Scottish Rite

April 6th – Saturday – 107th **Anniversary** luncheon

May 4th – Saturday – **Sill Frukost**

June 7th – Friday – **Midsommar**

July - no meeting or events

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Cami MCing the Kubb game

Upcoming Monitor events. On Friday, September 7th, we return to the IOOF Hall for a "Make your own Smörgåsar" meal, business meeting and cultural presentation.

Did you know _____ **about Monitor Lodge?** This occasional section features interesting facts about Monitor Lodge. This month we want to provide an update about another recent Monitor scholarship recipient. Our 2015 scholarship recipient **Nils Austin Brown** (Birgitta and Lars Ostlund's grandson) recently completed his AA in Computer Science and will be attending Sac State this Fall. He has been working at VSP as a Computer Tech while working on his coursework.

2018 Program book updates. We mailed the 2018 program books in mid-December and, of course, regularly get changes submitted by members. Please make the following change to your book:

Page 8 –add reinstated member: Lars-Erik Hammarin

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Monitor's web site. We regularly update the web site (www.monitorlodgesacramento.org), date stamping the bottom of each page so you have a better idea as to the currency of each page's information. We always have content to update but we are dependent on our members to tell us when useful information is missing on our calendar and current news items pages. We post regular updates to the membership's annual Program Books. We will be posting current newsletters in the near future.

Please email Chuck Johnson, Andy Hopkins or Brian Horsfield if you find anything that needs updating/correction or if you have something that you think merits being shared on the website. We will be launching a Monitor Facebook page to complement the web site in late August or early September with sarah Cuthill at the helm. **Tack så mycket** in advance for your input for both sites.

Member of the Month. Being a bit sidetracked with other activities we are deferring this section until the August newsletter. **Heads up,** Chuck will soon be sending out a new call for short member bios **plus** a request for updated pictures of our members. The bios will be placed in the

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newsletter queue for periodic future publication while the pictures will be used by Chuck and Brian Horsfield, our annual Program Book editor, to provide a long overdue update to our Members picture directory last published in November 2014.

Grattis på födelsedagen to our birthday celebrants for July: Meribeth Bean, Dan Eriksson, Lars-Erik Hammarin, Andy Hopkins, Joyce Johnson, Linda Mitchell, Eivor Pfannkuch and Elizabeth Witdoeckt. And for August: Theresa Alberts, Elizabeth Bushnell, Walter (Craig) Johnson, Carl Larson, Gail Nemy, Birgitta Ostlund and Lars Ostlund.

Lodge business meetings schedule. We did not meet in July and we did not have a business meeting at the Kraftskiva so we have no minutes for July or August. Please take note: In anticipation of several agenda items needing membership discussion at the September meeting, we will be sending out documents in advance so you have time to review and also to provide input if you are unable to attend the meeting. Some of the items will be suggested changes to Monitor's lodge's governing bylaws and the scholarship committee bylaws, updating our policy regarding our meals and events charges and nominating Monitor's two official delegates for the 2019 Scandinavian Festival committee. We are not voting on any of the discussion items at the September meeting but we will need to act on many of these items before the end of the year. If you have other items you wish to bring up to the membership, please forward the information to Chuck Johnson (Chair), Ed Netzel (Vice Chair), Mark Delle (Past Chair) or Yvonne Magneheim (Recording Secretary). Again, tack så mycket in advance for your input..

New Members. Members are encouraged to invite friends, family and co-workers to our activities. In addition, if you think sending someone our newsletter for a couple of months will pique or sustain their interest, please provide their email to Chuck Johnson so they can be added to the distribution list. Don't forget to let folks know that we always have Legos on hand at our meetings for the kids and the young at heart and remember to refer them to Monitor's web site (http://www.monitorlodgesacramento.org) for information.