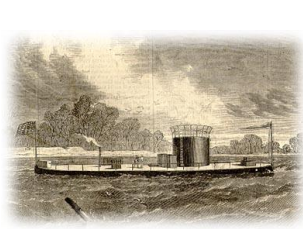


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January 2019

January 4th saw the installation of our 2019 officers by our District Deputy, Craig Peterson, and the initiation of new members followed by a delightful Swedish book teaser presentation by our librarian, Ginny Lee. We ended the evening with a delicious dinner catered by Hannibal's Catering using Swedish recipes provided by Monitor. In addition, we had the opportunity to visit with two past Monitor scholarship recipients, Athena Eriksson and Nicole Hopkins, both home on winter break from college.



Officer installation



Member initiation

Upcoming Monitor events. Friday, February 1st will be yet another opportunity to loosen our belts a notch as we indulge in Pea Soup and Pancakes and learn a bit of New Sweden's history. We then continue our indulgence of good food and good company with our Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner on Friday, March 1st.

A Couple of Scandinavian items of general interest. FIRST - Remember your high school and/or college literature reading lists? While they covered the spectrum of authors, poets and playwrights, it is almost certain that your playwrights list included Henrik Ibsen, the late Norwegian playwright (well, he was a Swedish neighbor!). We all know the end of A Doll's House - theater's great feminist icon, Nora walks out the door of her home, leaving her husband and children behind to embrace an uncertain future, but a future that she controls. But what if she came back? **A Doll's House Pt. 2** imagines just that scenario. Celebrated playwright Lucas Hnath's Tony nominated play imagines the continuing story of Henrik Ibsen's legendary protagonist. In this fascinating and brilliant play, presented by [B Street Theatre](#) from

2019 Calendar of events

February 1st - Friday - **Pea Soup 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

April 26-28 - Friday thru Sunday - Golden Gate District #12 convention

May 4th - Saturday - **Sill Frukost**

June 7th - Friday - **Midsommar**

July - no meeting or events

August 3rd - Saturday - Kräftskiva (crayfish Party)

September 6th - Friday - **"Make your own Smörgåsar"** and nomination of 2020 officers

October 4th - Friday - Potluck dinner and nomination of 2019 officers

November 1st - Friday - **Kaffekalas** and elections

December 7th - Saturday - **Julbord** & Jul Glögg Party

December 13th - Friday - **St. Lucia** celebration

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February 26th through April 7th you will see the cost of Nora's decision and investigate further the ideas set forth in Ibsen's original. What price do we pay for control of our own destinies? If you enjoy theater, put this performance on your calendar and enjoy!

SECOND – UC Davis Design Museum is showcasing **Weaving & Woodwork: A Scandinavian Design Partnership** from January 21, 2019 through April 21, 2019. This exhibit celebrates the long and distinguished careers of UC Davis design professor emeritus Helge Olsen and his wife Birgitta Olsen. The exhibition combines Helge's wood furniture design with Birgitta's woven wall tapestries, which reflect their Scandinavian upbringing, training and design aesthetic. More information is available at: arts.ucdavis.edu/exhibition/weaving-woodwork-scandinavian-design-partnership.

2019 Dues were due on January 1, 2019. The yearly dues are still \$35.00 per member 14 years of age and older. Dues are delinquent on March 31st. Please make checks payable to Monitor Lodge #218 and mail your dues to:

Anita Nord, Monitor Financial Secretary
6435 Palm Ave.
Carmichael CA 95608.

Tack så mycket in advance for your diligence in getting payment in early.

Annual Program book updates. We mailed out the printed 2019 Annual Program Book at the end of December 2018 and we already have our first update (☺). Please make the following change to your book:

On page 12 - Elizabeth Swenson-Miura - new address and phone number:
5001 Helen Way, Sacramento, CA 95822. (916) 429-5949

You can always find the most current information in our on-line [directory](#) on our website. You need a password to access this page so please contact Chuck Johnson if you cannot log into the page.

2019 scholarship applications. It is not too early to start thinking about scholarships!! Applications for Monitor Lodge's 2019 scholarships are due by April 1, 2019 !! Applications for Golden Gate's scholarship are also due by April 1 but the Grand Lodge Scholarships are due by February 15, 2019. You will find more information on Monitor's [scholarship web page](#). Members are reminded that contributions to the Education/Scholarship Funds of local lodges, districts and the Grand Lodge are tax deductible under Internal Revenue Code 170(c) (4) as no goods or services are provided in return for these contributions. We ask that you consider making a donation to our scholarship fund in honor or in memory of a loved one or just because... If you include a donation in your dues check, please include a note so that Anita knows to allocate the monies to the appropriate funds.

Monitor's web site and Facebook page. 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

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[current news items](#) pages. We now post the most [recent newsletters](#) and will be posting meeting minutes in the near future. Please contact Chuck Johnson, Andy Hopkins or Brian Horsfield if you find anything on our [web site](#) that needs updating/correction or if you have something that you think merits being shared. Contact Chuck or Sarah Cuthill if you find anything on our [Facebook page](#) that needs updating/ correction. **Tack så mycket** in advance for your input for both sites.

Grattis på födelsedagen to our birthday celebrants for January: Jim Shoemaker, Don Baldwin, James Netzel, Brian Stockham, Birgitta Ellis, Hank Stoffel, Johanna Benker, Judy Netzel, Ed Netzel, Charley Rea, Judy Smith, and Liesma Krastins.

Sunshine(Friendship) Committee: We have several members and their families currently dealing with health issues. Please keep Ethel Johnson, Dale Ingvarlsen, Chris Bodelson, Marianne Ek, Yvonne Magneheim and Karin Johnson in your thoughts and prayers. We do know that Chris, Marianne, Yvonne and Karin are on the road to recovery and expect to see most of them at our February meeting. Please contact Larry Woodward or Will Hanley, our Sunshine committee members, if you know of a member in need of our assistance in some manner.

Lodge business meetings schedule. The short January business meeting minutes are attached to the end of this newsletter. **Please take note:** Our next business meeting will be in February 2019.

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.



Courtesy of a Facebook posting