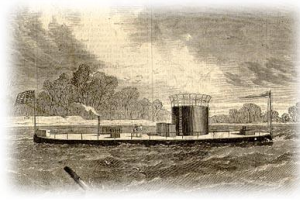


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October 2019

Tack så mycket to everyone for their help setting up and cleaning up at our October meeting where as always our potluck was delicious> The cultural presentation by Eivor and Kurt Pfannkuch – “It’s no longer your grandparents’ Sweden” was a fascinating look at how Eivor’s family and their farm have changed over the past 100 years. Plus we got to sample some cheeses home made by Eivor from old family recipes.



2019 Calendar of events

November 1st – Friday-
Kaffekalas and elections

December 7th – Saturday –
Julbord & Jul Glögg Party

December 13th – Friday –
St. Lucia celebration

2020 Calendar of events
(tentative dates)

January 3rd – Friday- Dinner
and installation of officers

February 7th – Friday - **Pea
Soup and Pancakes**

March 6th – Friday – **Corned
beef and cabbage dinner**

April 4th – Saturday – 107th
Anniversary luncheon

April 18th – Saturday - 37th
**Sacramento Scandinavian
Festival** at Scottish Rite

April 24-26 – Friday thru
Sunday – Golden Gate
District #12 convention

May 9th – Saturday - **Sill
Frukost**

June 5th – Friday –
Midsommar potluck

June 6th – **Sweden Day** –
Golden Gate #12 - Micke
Grove Park, Lodi

July – no meeting

August 8th – Saturday -
Kräftskiva (crayfish party)

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How good is your Swedish vocabulary? Here are a few simple phrases you can use on a regular basis (you will find translations on the last page of this newsletter):

- God Jul och Gott Nytt År
- Underbar
- Grattis på födelsedagen
- Hej alla
- Puss och kram

Gentle reminder. 2020 Dues are due on January 1, 2020. 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. We also 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 fund. 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.

Upcoming Monitor events. . Our next meeting will be on Friday **November 1st** at the IOOF Hall where we will eat lightly – just KaffeKalas – as we address several items of business. And in **December** we have two get -togethers: **Julbord** on Saturday December 7th followed by our **St. Lucia** celebration on Friday, December 13th.

Did you know _____ about Monitor Lodge? This occasional section features interesting factoids about Monitor Lodge. In 1985 the Scandinavian community was the host for the International Camellia festival in Sacramento. The parade floats entered by Dania, Finlandia, Sons of Norway and Monitor lodges took all top honors. Dick Forsty and Ivar Axberg (both Monitor members) created the basic float designs (photos on next page).

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Children's Club. Monitor's Children's Club started rehearsals for our St. Lucia celebration at their Sunday, October 13th meeting. We welcome all children interested in participating in this traditional Swedish celebration, they need not currently be members of Monitor lodge. Contact Lisa Rea (lrea100@yahoo.com) for more information.

Annual Program book updates. We have no known changes to the **2019** book this month.

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

Scholarships. It is not too early to start thinking about pulling together the paperwork to apply for Grand Lodge, Golden Gate District and Monitor Lodge scholarships. Note that the Grand Lodge deadline will be mid-January 2020 while the District's and Monitor's deadline will be April 1st, 2020.

Grattis på födelsedagen to our **November** birthday celebrants Diane Brownell, Susan Edelmayer, Russell Ellis*, Richard Eriksson, Sr*, Kathy Matthews*, Donna Niemoller*, Karen Sandberg, Elizabeth Swenson-Miura, Loren Weatherly and Larry Woodward.

If we missed listing you on our monthly listing, it is most likely because we do not have your birthday listed in our database. Please let us know if we inadvertently overlooked you. (* denotes member 75 years of age or older)

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Sunshine (Friendship) Committee: We have several members and their families currently dealing with health issues or unable easily travel to Monitor events and they appreciate receiving your cards, phone calls and visits. 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. Our October business meeting minutes are included as an attachment to this newsletter sent to members. **Please take note:** Our next business meeting will be in November 2019 and will include election of our 2020 officers.

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.



And for the good of the order - a reminder that we have [Swedish cookbooks](#) on our web site which you can share with family, friends and co-workers when you are chatting with them about Monitor Lodge and Swedish activities in Sacramento.

Translations of some common Swedish phrases you can use every day:

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| • God Jul och Gott Nytt År | Merry Christmas & Happy New Year |
| • Underbar | Wonderful! |
| • Grattis på födelsedagen | Happy birthday |
| • Hej alla | hello everyone |
| • Puss och kram | hugs and kisses |



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