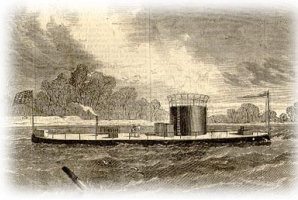


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January 2020

Gott Nytt År

Tack så mycket to everyone for a delicious selection of dishes at our January potluck following the installation of our 2020



officers (Darin Freeland presiding) and the initiation of three new members – Annika and Emil Rea and Carole Scibienski.



2020 Calendar of events
(dates subject to change)

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

March 6th – Friday – Fika and business mtg

March 14th – Saturday – 108th **Anniversary** luncheon

April 3rd – Friday – **Fika** and business meeting

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

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

May 1st – Friday – **Mothers' Day** celebration

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

June 13th – Saturday **Sill Frukost**

July – no meeting

August 8th – Saturday - **Kräftskiva** (crayfish party)

September 11th – Friday - **Ham** dinner

October 2nd – Friday - **Swedish Taco bar**

November 6th – Friday - **Pie Social** and election of 20201 officers

December 5th – Saturday – **Julbord** and Glögg 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):

- Kräftskiva
- majstång
- Sill Fruköst
- Varsågod
- Tjena, läget?

Upcoming Monitor events. Our next meeting will be at the IOOF Hall on Friday, February 7th and will be our annual Pea Soup & Pancakes. We will have a short business meeting on Friday March 6th and have our **108th Anniversary luncheon on Saturday, March 14th** at the DoubleTree.

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.

Scholarships. It is not too early to start thinking about pulling together the paperwork to apply for the Golden Gate District and Monitor Lodge scholarships. The District's and Monitor's deadline will be **April 1st, 2020**. Information and application forms can be obtained on our [scholarship web page](#) or by contacting the Scholarship committee.

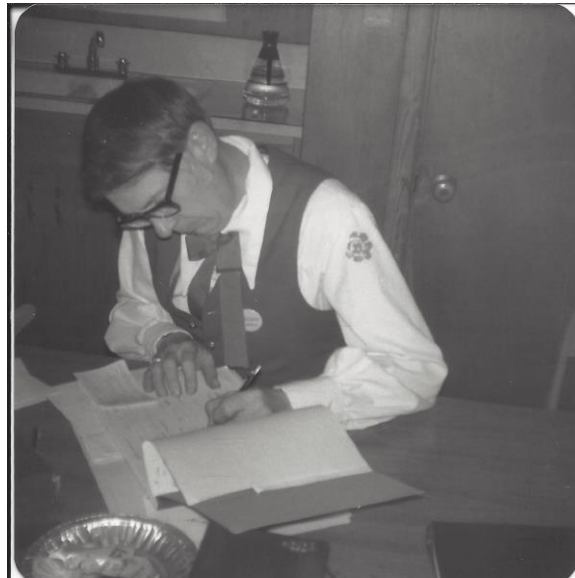
Children's Club. The club meets monthly throughout most of the year. The children recently presented a wonderful St. Lucia celebration and are now moving on to explore other Swedish culture activities and crafts. We welcome all children interested in participating in traditional Swedish craft, dance, music and literature activities. They need not currently be members of Monitor lodge. Contact Lisa Rea (Irea100@yahoo.com) for more information.

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Did you know _____ about Monitor Lodge? This occasional section features interesting factoids about Monitor Lodge and VASA. This month we are featuring a couple of pictorial “blasts from the past” featuring Arlie Veis and our Children’s Club dancers over forty years ago:



Children dancing around the majstång
June 13th, 1980



Treasurer Arlie Veis balancing the books
March 7th, 1975

Annual Program book updates. The 2020 program book has been mailed to all our members and is also be available on our [website](#) where we also post updates throughout the year. Of course, it is a “living” document and we already have some changes (in yellow):

Page 6: Britt-Marie and Lennart Andersson (no change of phone and email)
150 Sutton Way, Apt #221
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Page 11: Rea, Charles & Lisa (no change in address or email)
(916) 696-7980
Charley cell (916) 600-4492, Lisa cell (916)-233-8321 cell

Page 11: Scibienski, Carole .. (530)-661-0803

Grattis på födelsedagen to our **January 2020** birthday celebrants are February birthdays – sing birthday song for Ruby Hendrickson*, Chuck Johnson, Ethel Johnson*, Marty Parks*, Mindy Patterson, Kurt Pfannkuch*, Lisa Rea, Jill

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Stockham*, Stephanie Strazdins, Orville Voxland* and Susan Weber (* denotes member 75 years of age or older)

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 January business meeting minutes are included as an attachment to this newsletter sent to members. **Please take note:** Our next business meeting will be in February 2020 and will include the election of our convention delegates. The February meeting will include status reports from our Governing Documents and our Scholarship Program working groups.

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 – Please start practicing your baking skills as we will need a lot of delicious offerings for the Scandinavian Festival baked goods table!

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

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| • Kräftskiva | crayfish party |
| • majstång | maypole |
| • Sill Frukóst | herring breakfast |
| • Varsågod | you are welcome |
| • Tjena, läget? | Hey there |



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