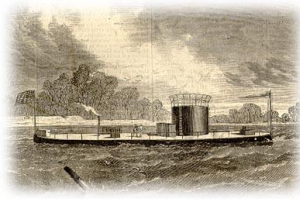


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February 2020

Gott Nytt År

Pea Soup & Pancakes was a delicious event. **Tack så mycket** to Peggy and Ken Carlson, Linnea Koze, Ed & Judy Netzel, DeeDee Dahlberg, Kurt & Eivor Pfannkuch, Andy & Alex Hopkins, Mark Delle, Gail Nemy and Siw Gormley for food prep, kitchen duty and overseeing the table decorations and settings. We concluded the evening with a fascinating genealogy presentation by Dick Baldwin which included not only tips & tricks but also a brief “in-person” presentation of his grandfather’s three years of experience as a non-Mormon emigrant in Utah in the late 1800s.

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):

- Tusen tack
- grattis på din stort dag
- Svensk dräkt
- Dalahäst

Upcoming Monitor events. Our meeting on Friday, **March 6th** will be a business meeting with Fika and a cultural presentation by Brian Horsfield. We will also start the meeting at 6:30 PM an hour later than usual.

We will have our **108th Anniversary** luncheon on **Saturday, March 14th** at the DoubleTree. Please make your reservations soon (see attached flyer)

We will have a very short business meeting on Friday, **April 3rd** at a location yet to be determined as we will be deeply involved with the annual **Scandinavian Festival** on Friday,

2020 Calendar of events

(dates subject to change)

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 16th – Saturday – **Sill Frukost**

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

June 12th – Friday - **Midsommar**

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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April 17th (setup) and Saturday, **April 18th** (festival) followed the following weekend with Monitor and Sierra Kronan hosting the Golden Gate District annual **convention** Friday through Sunday, April 24-26.

We will have our annual **Sill Frukost** (Swedish herring breakfast) on Saturday, **May 16th** which is currently planned to be held at Chuck Johnson's home.

Occasional contemporary Swedish news. Although Crown Princess Victoria's eldest is only turning eight years old on February 23rd, Princess Estelle (right) already has a big royal project, her very own foundation. The Swedish Royal Court announced on Tuesday, February 4, the launch of the (translated to Princess Estelle's Cultural Foundation). According to the court, the



purpose of the future Queen's foundation is to promote cultural activities in Sweden. The initial focus of the foundation will be to continue the sculpture exhibition at Kungliga Djurgården this summer. Meanwhile, Princess Leonore (left), Princess Madeliene's eldest and Princess Estelle's cousin turns six on February 20 and will reportedly start school this fall in Florida, where her family currently lives.

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.

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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 (lrea100@yahoo.com) for more information.

Did you know _____ about Monitor Lodge? This occasional section features interesting factoids about Monitor Lodge and VASA. This month we are featuring a “roll call” of current members who have served as Chairperson for Monitor Lodge in past years (we will publish names of those who have held other offices in future issues).

Arlie Veis	1968
Lennart Andersson	1976
Lars Ostlund	1978
Kurt Pfannkuch	1989 – 1990 and 2008
Myrtle Widmark	1991 - 1993
Ed Netzel	2003 - 2005 and 2009-2010
Dale Ingvarlsen	2006 -- 2007
James Netzel	2011
Jack Larson	2012
Karin Johnson	2013
Charley Rea	2014
Mark Delle	2015 – 2016
Chuck Johnson	2017 - 2020

Monitor has been around for a long time spanning several generations of the lives of many current members. As our records do not always provide good cross-referencing, we are asking to members to pass this information on to Chuck Johnson for recording in our history files. Two families we have already know that span three generations are:

- LaVerne Gullans, Lisa & Charley Rea and Annika & Emil Rea
- Arlie Veis, Karin Johnson and Adam Johnson

Annual Program book updates. The 2020 program book has been mailed to all our members in December and is also be available on our [website](#) where we also post updates throughout the year. It is a “living” document but we have no new changes in February.

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Grattis på födelsedagen to our **February 2020** birthday celebrants are: Ruby Hendrickson*, Chuck Johnson, Ethel Johnson*, Marty Parks*, Mindy Patterson, Kurt Pfannkuch*, Lisa Rea, Jill Stockham*, 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 February business meeting minutes are included as an attachment to this newsletter sent to members. **Please take note:**

Our next business meeting will be on March 6th, 2020 with a later 6:30 PM start time 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 – A reminder to practice 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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| • Tusen tack | a thousand thanks |
| • grattis på din stort dag | congratulations on your big day! |
| • Svensk dräkt | Swedish dress/costume |
| • Dalahäst | Dala horse (look in the upper left corner of this newsletter's header) |



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