



**Monitor Lodge #218
Business Meeting Minutes
Friday, September 8, 2023**

Opening of Meeting – Chuck Johnson start at 6:05 PM

- Pledge of Allegiance – Chuck Johnson
- God Bless America –
- Prayer – William Hanley

2. Introduce Grand and District Lodge visitors:

- Ed Netzel, PDM, PMC and his wife Judy Netzel
- Charley Rea, PMC and his wife Lisa Rea

3. Installation of New Members – Monitor Lodge members are delighted to welcome the following applicants to our lodge. Ed Netzel, PDM, PMC conducted the initiation along with chairman, Chuck Johnson, chaplain William Hanley and secretary Yvonne Magneheim.

- Cheyenne Bart
- Stuart Steene-Connolly

The initiation was concluded with a round of applause and welcome from the members in attendance.

4. Open Business Meeting - The minutes of the last business meeting (June 2023) were included in the newsletter. Ed mentioned a correction to the minutes: October's meal will be Swedish Taco Night. After no other corrections were made, Ed Netzel motioned to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Andy Hopkins, motion passes unanimously.

5. Committee Reports

- Three new member applications have been received from Kellie Parades, Roberta “Bobbie” Watson and Jeffrey Brodd.
- Cultural – Charley Rea.
 - October's presentation will be made by one of our newer members, John Hingtgen – Swedish Energy.
 - November's presentation will be presented by Dr. Marjorie Wade on the Gothic Bible's Journey and how it arrived in Sweden.

- Marianne Ek is busy preparing Swedish music for our listening enjoyment and would love some assistance in getting the musical presentation prepared. All members are welcomed to assist Marianne, please give her a call if you can help her.
- Scholarship – Joyce Willows, chair – the committee needs one more person to assist both Joyce and Sarah Cuthill. Please call Joyce if you are interested.
- Scandinavian Festival – Festival will be held on Saturday, April 20th at the Scottish Rite Center. In 2023, each lodge participating in the Festival earned \$1500 for their lodge – a great money make for the lodges.
 - Will need a lot of assistance this year and every year to make this a successful festival. Please contact the Floor Managers, William Hanley and Larry Woodward if you and/or family members and friends can help.
 - We also need volunteers to prepare Swedish crafts for sale. Please contact Peggy Carlson or other members of Nål och Tråd for more information. They are seeking new craft ideas
 - Chuck would like to step down as Chairman of the Scandinavian Festival, please let him know if you are interested in taking over the position.
 - Peggy Carlson and DeeDee Dahlberg will be heading up the Food committee and would appreciate as much assistance, call Peggy or DeeDee if you can assist.

6. Old Business

- The Executive Committee voted by email to authorize the Treasurer to automatically pay the new monthly hall rental fee of \$250.00 per meeting as of June 1, 2023. Vote was 11 in favor, 3 no reply and the chairman abstaining. Elizabeth Witdoeckt motioned that we approve the automatic payment of the hall rental, monthly, seconded by Ed Netzel. No discussion, motion was approved unanimously.
- Reminder that the District Lodge convention will be in Sacramento from April 26-28, 2024 at the DoubleTree Hotel Sacramento. We will select our two (2) delegates and one (1) alternate in November 2023.
- Report on Kräftskiva: 33 attendees (due to the high heat) which included a couple of prospective members.

7. Reading of correspondence – New member pamphlets were received from our District Secretary, Mary Walberg.

8. **Planning for Future Events** –

Friday	October 6th	**Swedish Taco Night – Nominations continue
Friday	November 3rd	FIKA and closing of 2024 nominations. Elections will be by email/mail closing November 22 nd .
Saturday	December 2nd	Julbord and Jul Glögg Party
Friday	December 8th	St. Lucia celebration

**Swedish Taco Night: the following members have agreed to help with the Dinner headed up by chair person, Ed Netzel. Remember to bring your receipts with you to the October meeting for reimbursement.

Taco meal	Judy Netzel
50 Taco shells	Barbara Pattow
2 bags shredded lettuce. 10 tomatoes, chopped. 10 Avocados, chopped	William Hanley Larry Woodward
3 bags shredded American cheese. 2 bottles salsa Verde	Yvonne Magneheim
2 bottles red sauce	Susan Edelmayer
Chips and Salsa	Lisa Rea
Swedish Beans	Joyce Willows

11. **Reports from Financial Secretary** – Anita Nord

August, 2023		
Kraftskiva Dinners: Potluck Dinner		\$120.00
Drink Donations		\$60.00
TOTAL		\$180

12. **Report from Treasurer** – Brian Horsfield - balances as of the end of August:

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Children’s Club</u>	<u>Nål och Tråd</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
\$11,541.53	\$ 232.73	\$6,144.70	\$4,668.89	\$7,261.86	\$29,849.77

13. **Reading and Acting on Bills Received**

• Accruing for July- Sept rental:		\$750.00
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Ed Netzel motioned that we pay the bills, seconded by Joyce Willows, motion passed unanimously.

14. **New Business:**

1. Ed Netzel motioned to move \$100.00 to the Scholarship Fund in honor of Catherine Green, seconded by Andy Hopkins, motion passed unanimously.
2. Chairman Chuck Johnson announced that the Nominating committee – Mark Delle, Johanna Benker and Dan Erickson will be preparing a slate of candidates for 2024. Chuck reiterated that he will not be running for chairman.
3. It has been suggested that the Executive Committee meet via zoom one week prior to the monthly meetings. Zoom meeting invitations will go out to all members so that they can attend. The hope is that this will allow for more social interaction at the monthly meetings. Further discussion to follow.

17. **Good of the Order**

- Don't forget to periodically peruse our website, it has links for scholarship information and applications, calendars of event, Swedish receipt books, helpful links for doing your Swedish genealogy and more.
- Arlie Veis turns 99 in a few days. Monitor Lodge will send flowers to Arlie.
- Links for the 50th Anniversary for King Carl Gustav and the 500th anniversary of the Swedish Monarchy are noted on our website.
- Joyce Willows mentioned the Polish Festival September 9th to be held in Roseville at the Polish American Hall.
- Dan Erickson talked about the Greek Festival October 6-7-8 at 616 Alhambra Boulevard.

Closing of Meeting – 7:10pm

- Du Gamla –
- Prayer – William Hanley

Respectfully submitted by

/s/ *Yvonne Magneheim*

Recording Secretary

We were honored to have Ken Johnson speak to us about his Swedish heritage and tips on using Genealogy. Ken is a specialist at the Ek Grove California Family Research Center. His talk was enjoyed by all.