



## Monitor Lodge Meeting Minutes November 7, 2025

- Opening of Meeting – Ed Netzel starts at 6:00 PM
- Pledge of Allegiance – Ed Netzel
- God Bless America – All
- Prayer – Will Hanley
- Introduce Grand and District Lodge visitors if present – Welcome!

**Reinstatement of Former Members** - Hans Fors unanimously installed and welcomed by all the members in attendance.

**Application for Membership** - Susan Youngquist –

Chuck Johnson read Susan’s application – Jeffrey Brodd motioned to accept Susan’s application, seconded by Johanna Benker, motion passes unanimously. Installation postponed until January 2026.

**Introduce & initiate new members, present Passports & pins – N/A**

**Open Business Meeting** - Note that Minutes of October business meeting were emailed with the November newsletter. Motion to approve minutes made by Alex Hopkins, seconded. Second by Andy Hopkins, motion passes unanimously.

**Drape the Charter** – in memory of Norris Anderson. Obituary was read to the members by Secretary Yvonne Magneheim, Draping and prayer was conducted by William Hanley, Chaplain, and Chairman Ed Netzel.

### **Committee Reports**

- Membership -- Chuck Johnson reported he had two more people who have shown interest in joining, more information to follow.
- Cultural – Charley Rea – excited to report that we have Swedish dancers performing for us tonight.
- Scholarship – Joyce Willow –W No report. Chuck added that deadline for scholarship applications is April 1, 2026. See our website for more details.
- Sunshine Committee – Will Hanley & Larry Woodward. It is with much sadness to report the passing of two members:
  - **Tom Willows (Joyce Willow’s husband)**
    - Monday November 10<sup>th</sup> – viewing 9:30am and service at 10:30am followed by lunch at Our Lady of Assumption in Carmichael.
  - **Norris “Gene” Anderson**
    - Wednesday. November 12<sup>th</sup> – visitation 4-7pm
    - Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – Funeral at 10am in Gridley, Ca.
  - Cards have been sent to the families from Monitor Lodge.

- Other Member concerns:
  - Meribeth Bean is still recovering from surgery.
  - Ken Carlson has been in and out of the hospital.
- Get well cards have been sent to Meribeth and Ken from Monitor Lodge.

### **Old Business**

1. 2026 nominations. Nominating committee members are Chuck Johnson (JR Past Chair), Johanna Benker (Trustee) and Mark Delle (Past chair).

All the incumbents agreed to serve again in 2026

Ballots will be sent out soon with a voting return date of **Wednesday, November 26, 2025.**

2. We still need a couple more members to get their Responsible Beverage Service (RBS) certificates so that we can offer alcohol at our events. See William Hanley for more information. The training requires 2 hours of online training. The cost is \$12.00 which will be reimbursed by the lodge.

3. Chuck Johnson updated us on the dissolution process for the Scandinavian Festival association. IRS has been notified, notification to State in progress.

### **Reading of Correspondence of note –**

- From Mary Wahlberg: The District will be emailing a Membership Survey to all lodge members with an email address in the next few days. It will be sent from Membership Chair Rick Wahlberg's email [rickwahlberg@gmail.com](mailto:rickwahlberg@gmail.com) and will have a URL to the survey that they can copy into their browser, fill it out and submit it by December 1st. Please let your members know to expect this email so they know it is not spam. The survey will be mailed to members without an email address.

### **Planning for Future Events –**

- **December 6, 2025** - Julbord and St. Lucia celebrations (still need volunteers). A motion was made by Kellie to change the Julbord event to more of a potluck with not as many items. Motion seconded by Larry Woodward, motion passed unanimously.
- **December 12, 2025** – St. Lucia celebration. Lisa Rea reported we will have 6 children performing for us. Chuck to send out a reminder flyer.
- **January 9, 2026**– Installation of 2026 officers
- **February 6, 2026** – Pea soup & pancakes
- **March 6, 2026**– Corned beef & cabbage
- Liquor Licenses for our upcoming events:
  - December: Lisa Rea motioned to offer alcohol at the Julbord, seconded by John Hingtgen, motion passed unanimously.
  - January: Chuck Johnson motioned NOT to offer alcohol at the January meeting, seconded by Andy Hopkins, motion carried.
  - February: Peggy Carlson motioned NOT to offer alcohol at the February meeting, seconded by Kellie Parades, motion carried.

- o March: Yvonne Magneheim motioned to offer alcohol at the Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner, seconded by John Hingtgen, motion passed unanimously.

**Report from Financial Secretary** – No report

**Report from Treasurer** – Dan Eriksson

Dan presented the pros and cons of various electronic platforms and strongly suggests we use The Square in addition to check and cash. Dan Eriksson motioned that we begin using The Square, seconded by Alex Hopkins, motion carried.

	General Fund	Children's Club	Nal och Trad	Scholarship	Totals
As of 9-30-25	\$9,852.75	\$93.77	\$5,189.37	\$9,054.62	\$24,190.51
Scholarship payment					\$ -
Transfer to scholarship fund					\$ -
Nal och Trad expense transfer					\$ -
INCOME thru Oct 31, 2025	\$ 63.00				\$ 63.00
Expenses thru Sep 31, 2025	\$ (591.74)				\$ (591.74)
Balance	\$9,324.01	\$93.77	\$5,189.37	\$9,054.62	\$23,661.77
correction					
<b>Balance Oct. 31, 2025</b>	<b>\$9,324.01</b>	<b>\$93.77</b>	<b>\$5,189.37</b>	<b>\$9,054.62</b>	<b>\$23,661.77</b>

**Reading and Acting on Bills Received**

Johanna Benker	Flowers for anniversary Luncheon	\$49.03
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Motion to pay the bills was made by Ed Netzel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alex Hpkins, motion passes unanimously

**New Business:**

1. With the demise of the Scandinavian Festival, we need to explore other opportunities to raise monies to support Monitor’s activities and scholarships.
  - a. As a suggested opportunity, Sierra Kronan has a pancake breakfast event and earned \$500 in revenues. All fund-raising ideas are welcomed.
2. Will Hanley nominated Marianne Ek for a lifetime membership, seconded by Peggy Carlson.
  - a. Honorary Life Member nominations must be presented one more time at the January meeting for the final vote.
3. Chuck Johnson reminded members that we have lots of books, please help yourselves. Left over books will be taken to the Sacramento library.

Closing of Meeting at 7:30 pm followed by the singing of Du Gamla and closing prayer by Will Hanley.

Cultural activity – Scandinavian dance history and techniques – John Hingtge shared fabulous dancing with his troop and thoroughly entertained everyone, thank you!

Respectively submitted by

/s/ *Yvonne Magneheim* Recording Secretary (Sekreterare)