

November 2015

Golden Valley Lodge #616 Newsletter



Next meeting: Thursday, November 19, 2015 6:30pm

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GVL Happenings

Happy Thanksgiving!

- Our GVL November meeting is always the **third Thursday**.
- Children for the Lucia Holiday Program are needed!
- The application deadline for the District Scholarships is December 10.

Christmas Donations

This is your chance to clean out your closets and cupboards. We need your donations, re-gifts, and white elephants for the Christmas party! Please bring them to the next meeting!



Lucia Program Participants

Our Golden Valley Lodge's Christmas celebration and LUCIA program will be on Saturday, December 19th.

For those of you who are new and are not familiar with the program you can find out more about LUCIA on:

<https://sweden.se/culture-traditions/lucia/>

All interested children are welcome to participate.

Please let me know if your children or grandchildren want to be a part of this program and we will send them a CD with the words and music so they

can practice. They should learn to sing the traditional Swedish songs - in Swedish. We will choose a Lucia at a rehearsal gathering sometime in December. At that time, we will also assign their gowns.

As soon as possible, please send me their name, age, address, and telephone number.

This will be a memorable experience for them.

Dorothy Burns 818-340-6465

Happy November Birthday!



Joshua Wendt	2nd
Natalie Taylor *	7th
Per Forslund	8th
Rut Eneberg	8th
Inga Kozell	9th
Richard Heinstedt	9th
Jennifer DeHart	9th
Ingrid Thomsen	10th
Stephanie Keys	12th
Sonja Andonian	15th
Rolf Gustavsson	16th
Anna La Carr	19th
Ruth Wilkening	25th
Laurie Taylor	29th

* Denotes youth group member

If you have any pictures or stories to share, please send them to laurietaylor@hotmail.com!

December Pin Ceremony



Here is a list of members scheduled to receive pins in December. Please let us know if your name was somehow overlooked and should be here too.

50 Year Pin

Margit Bennett
Isabella Muscarella
Frank Muscarella

20 Year Pin

Lage Engblom
Kerstin Engblom

15 Year Pin

Monica Carabas
Lars-Ove Nilsson

10 Year Pin

Britt-Marie Potter
Per Forslund
Eva Forslund
Johan Forslund
Michel Hamaoui
Emily Wendt
Daniel Wendt
Berit Stenhøj
Monica Waton
Joshua Wendt
Andrea Tabanelli

5 Year Pin

Dorothy Burns (pin late)
Delphine Trowbridge (pin late)
Gunilla Lingstrom-Polutanovich
Amanda Polutanovich
Inga Francis
Laurie Taylor
Lindsey Wendt
Larry Polutanovich
Rebecka Thorsen
Amanda Holstein

Roster Changes

There will be a new Member Roster going out at the end of December. Submit any changes to name, address, or e-mail prior to the end of December. Please use the form located on the lodge's website:

goldenvalleylodge.org

It can be mailed or brought to the December meeting.

Additionally, I am requesting that GVL members **please send me your pictures** from the past year for the end-of-year newsletter and the historical book. Thank you!

email: LaurieTaylor@hotmail.com



Cruisin' GVL Style

The group shot on page 1 was supplied by Berit Stenhoj. Most of the other pictures were supplied by Kerstin Wendt. Thank you for the pictures!

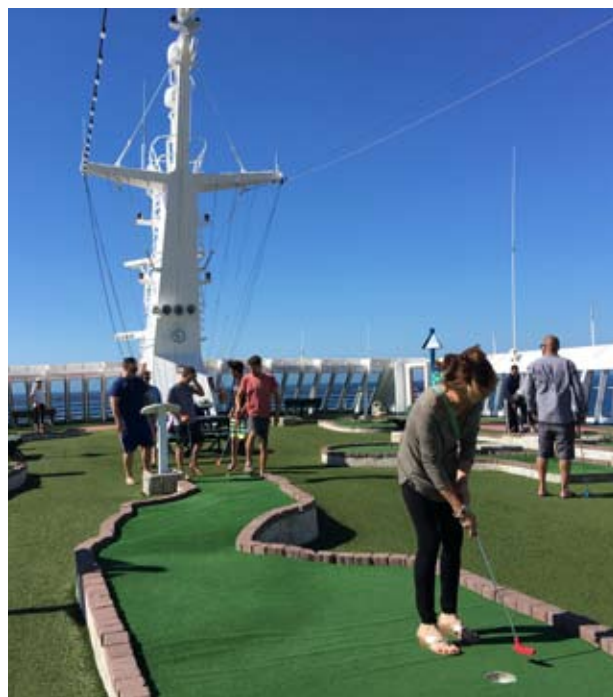


Shown above: Birgitta Glad and Kerstin Wendt with the cruise ship dancers: Kerstin and Birgitta were invited up to the stage with the dancers from Sunday night's program.

Thank you to Tommy Eneberg and Berit Stenhoj for pulling together such a wonderful adventure for the Golden Valley Lodge.



Every night, the housekeeping crew would come in and turn our beds down for us and leave new towels shaped like animals.



The ship had everything!





Natalie Taylor and Richard Heinstedt both celebrated their birthdays on our cruise.



Some of us got off the boat in Ensenada and went bargain shopping, and/or wine tasting.



Ruth Wilkening suggested this holiday musical play for our members!

RUTH WILKENING
(818) 633-0306
A "GREAT" MUSICAL

Jingle Bell
JUKEBOX

Rockin' Around
The Big Oak Tree
with Christmas Cheer
from Yesteryear!

Starring
Debbie Briggs • Katie McGlynn
Minta Mullins • Dave Mussen

• General •	\$22
• Seniors •	\$20
• Under 12 •	\$20

JOIN US AT 2PM.
12/5 • 12/6 • 12/12 • 12/13

→ **TICKETS: 818-998-0185 - AVENUEACT1@ATT.NET**
WWW.BIGOAKTHEATRE.COM ←

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CALL, BEFORE ITS TOO LATE!
22200 CHATSWORTH ST., CH.



Golden Valley Lodge #616 Holiday Party

December 19, 2015 - 5:30 PM

Sons of Norway Hall

14312 Friar Street, Van Nuys, CA

Lucia program - Swedish Food - Glögg - Raffle with many wonderful gifts - Music & Dancing around the tree

Reservations: Adult Members... \$15.00

Guests..... \$30.00

Children under 12 -- free

Please make the check out to **Golden Valley Lodge #616** and send to:

Delphine Trowbridge

21308 Jimpson Way

Canyon Country, CA 91351



NAMES: _____ \$ _____

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Telephone: _____ TOTAL: \$ _____

GVL Membership Update

Delphine is in charge of membership renewals. Memberships for 2015 that are not paid by the end of 2015 will be closed. She has a new address that is different from last year so please make a note:

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21308 Jimpson Way
Canyon Country, CA 91351
818-482-6146
dtrowbridge36@gmail.com*

District Scholarship Update

Our District has a substantial scholarship program that is in addition to the program available at the Golden Valley Lodge. The District application deadline is December 10. More information can be obtained at the following website:

www.vasaDL15.org/scholarship.php



Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others.

- Cicero

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