

Golden Valley Lodge #616 Newsletter



Chairman's Message

By Frank Muscarella

We had a wonderful day at Vasa Park on Sunday the 29th of September. The weather was perfect and there was quite a crowd. We had a lot of our members present and they all pitched in and helped where they were needed. The best part of the day was the 5th Annual Meatball Contest which is a very popular event. We (Golden Valley Lodge) had three booths. The *Rydberg Family* manned by Dagmar and her daughter and granddaughters, *The Golden Girls* manned by Delphine Trowbridge and Maidie Karling and the *Youth Group* manned by Jason Trowbridge, Lars Heinstedt, and Nikki and Natalie Taylor. WOW! What a surprise when the winner was announced, our youth group took home first prize.

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL!!!

We are so proud of you.

Maidie was at the Park early and set up the Tombola, then she did the Meatball Contest and danced with the folk dancers. There is no slowing down with her. Kerstin Wendt and Birgitta Clark were selling tickets. Inga Francis and Laurie Taylor were serving mashed potatoes and lingonberries. Ann Heinstedt and Dorothy Burns were on the Meatball Committee. Our Lodge's assignment was to take care of decorations and that was handled by Delphine and Jason Trowbridge. A big, warm thank you to all who helped make this day a success!



USS Iowa Outing with Mayflower Lodge

Mayflower Lodge is having an outing to see the USS Iowa in the Harbor Saturday, October 19th at noon in San Pedro Port's O'Call. It is going to be an interesting event and everybody is welcome to join. The price is \$13.00 for the entry and \$13.00 for lunch that will be served in the mess hall. If you are interested, please send a check for \$26.00, made out to Mayflower Lodge to Ann Hellgren at 15004 S. Saint Andrews Place, Gardena, CA 90247, before the 9th of October.

If you want to go but there is no time to get the money there on time, call Ann at 310-329-5427 and reserve and send your check. Mayflower has to commit by the 9th. Here is the lunch menu and you have to tell what you want. Turkey and Swiss on whole wheat, Roast Beef on Rye, Ham and Cheese, Chicken Caesar Wrap, California Strawberry and grilled Chicken Breast salad, Cobb Salad, and grilled veggie salad. If you have questions, please call Isabella at 805-491-8231.

Happy October Birthday to You!

Monica Carabas	Oct. 2
Gun Olin	Oct. 2
Eugene Paulin	Oct. 3
Lisa Rosenquist	Oct. 5
Yvonne Klintare	Oct. 5
Anneli Anderson	Oct. 5
Wenche Eklund	Oct. 8
Delphine Trowbridge	Oct. 7
Larry Polutanovich *	Oct. 7
Nils Possecker	Oct. 8
Lillemo Possecker	Oct. 10
Heidi Klintare	Oct. 12
Conny Klintare	Oct. 13
Daga-Karin Lindquist	Oct. 15
Ingela Sorensson *	Oct. 15
Ann Heinstedt	Oct. 16
Stephen Osman	Oct. 16
Bertil Ohlsson	Oct. 17
Katarina Holstein	Oct. 24
Gunvor Sabo	Oct. 25
Brad Richards	Oct. 25
Rickard Siwerson	Oct. 26



GVL Happenings



Buffet Buzz

There was a slight buffet host change last month. Thanks go out to Ann Heinstedt, Delphine Trowbridge, and Dorothy Burns for a delicious meal of cabbage rolls, salad, various vegetables and pumpkin pie.



October Meeting

Our Thursday, October 10th meeting will feature a Halloween theme. All members are invited to dress in costume. Dinner will feature home-made lasagna prepared by Andrea and Birgitta Clark, baked chicken, and all the fixings. There will be prizes awarded for the best costumes.

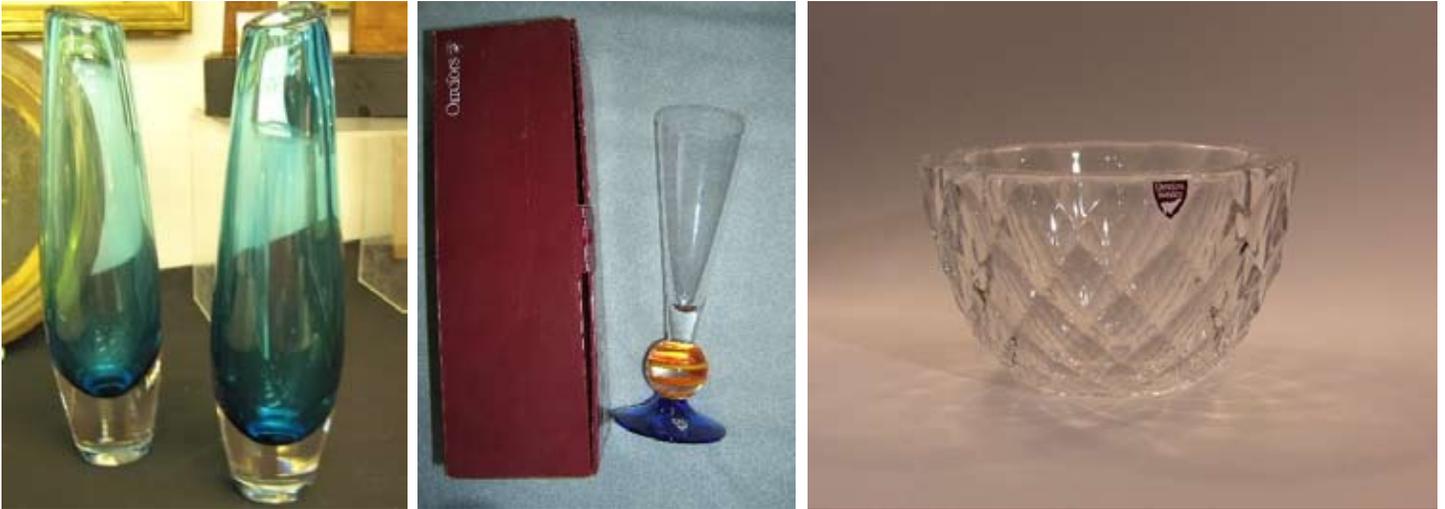
Come and enjoy your friends in costume.

Steve & Andrea Tabanelli



Culture Corner

The famous Swedish Glass making company, *Orrefors Kosta Boda*, producer of exclusive products for the manufacturing of glass has closed



Orrefors Glassworks (also known as just Orrefors) was a glassworks in the Swedish village Orrefors in Småland that recently closed two factories and laid off 130 employees.

Orrefors manufactured high-quality crystal glassware and art glass. The range consists of crystal stemware, barware, vases, and sculptures. Orrefors also has a collection of lighting products in crystal.

History

The Orrefors glassworks were founded in 1898 on the site of an older iron works. Up until 1913, the company produced mainly window glass and bottles. When Consul Johan Ekman bought the factory in 1913, Orrefors started to produce drinking glasses, vases and other houseware items. Ekman hired the brother Eugen and Knut Bergkvist, whom had worked at Kosta before, as well as Fritz Blomqvist and Heinrich Wollman. Woll-

man originated from Bohemia, which had a long tradition in glassmaking. The first attempts at art glass making were in the style of the at the time famous French glassworks such Daum and Gallé.

A similar technique was devised in 1936 which trapped air within the walls of the glass. This was known as Ariel, a name of a character in Shakespeare's play *The Tempest*. A major influence of theirs was the Art Nouveau work of the French artist Émile Gallé. Their designs use characteristic clean lines of brilliant crystal that suggests a frozen liquid. Their work was greatly admired when it was displayed to a wide audience at the Paris Exhibition of 1925.

In addition to individual pieces of crystal, the company made crystal stemware. The glass house came to be a leading producer during the interwar period. In more recent times the factory had also become noted for its chandelier-making.

2013 Meatball Contest Winners!



Golden Valley Youth Group: Lars Heinstedt, Jason Trowbridge and Natalie Taylor (Not pictured: Nikki Taylor.)



*Their friends from Viking Village joined in at the booth.
Left to Right: Natalie, Lucas, Aaron, Jason, Lars, and Sheldon*

Favorite recipe? Upcoming event happening?
Send your newsletter submissions to laurietaylor@hotmail.com.



Dates to Remember

Mayflower Lodge Trip..... Oct. 9

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GVL October Meeting.....Oct. 10

Trip to Magic Castle.(full).....Oct. 27

GVL November Meeting - Meets the 3rd

Thursday November ONLY.....Nov. 21

(usually meets 2nd Thursday)

Annual Christmas Dinner and

Lucia Program.....Saturday, Dec. 7



Please bring unwrapped gifts for the holiday raffle to Sonia at the October and November meetings!

Gifts can be suitable for kids of all ages: 0-103 years old.

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District News

Susan Primo, the District Deputy, invited Golden Valley to a Saturday night party at the 2014 Convention given by the Past District Masters that are sponsoring the convention, which also celebrates our 100th Anniversary. Please wear your folk costume if you have one. There are also 100th anniversary pins available for sale at \$5.00 each, a fund raiser for the Convention.

