

Golden Valley Lodge #616 Newsletter

Glad Midsommar



Chairman's Message

Melke Dahlstrand Nature Reserve Imagebank.Sweden.se

Cannot believe that so much of the year has passed. It seems like we just started.

It was nice to see Pastor Staffan Edlund and his wife Maja one last time before they return to Sweden for their next assignment. They will be missed. Hopefully, their replacements, Pastor Hans Bratt Hernberg and his wife, Viveca, an educator, will be

great friends of the lodge as well.

The culture presentation on Maj Blomman was quite interesting. Like many of the lodge members, I also sold those flowers in school. However, I never knew the story behind it. Now it has more meaning.

I wish all of you who are going to the camp



GVL Happenings

(Chairman's Message continued)

in Sweden a great time. Come back and teach the young people at Viking Village some new things. To the campers, have a truly wonderful experience with lots of memories.

To all graduates, wedding parties, fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers have a wonderful "special day."

I wish all of you a wonderful and safe summer break. See you in September.

In Truth and Unity,
Inga Francis, Chairman

Trip Update

It was decided at the Financial meeting Friday, June 2, that we do the trip to Solvang on Nov 3-5. We will stay at Andersen's Pea Soup Hotel in Buellton. We will not have a bus so people will be free to drive to different destinations. Our Cultural event will be a trip to La Purisma Mission State Historical Park on Saturday and enjoy their Village days.

GVL will pay for the lodgings and Mission. This will include breakfasts and picnic lunch at the mission. People who sign up will pay their own transportation and 2 dinners. There will be a \$50 deposit per family to reserve a room and money will be returned. Discussion will be at the meeting on June 8.

May Meeting 2017

Dinner Hosts



MELISSA STEFFEN-COOMBES... she was visiting from Utah with her adorable baby, Brooklyn.

May Meeting



Happy June & July Birthdays!

JUNE

Lars-Ove Nilsson 6 Gary Andonian 20

Thomas Anderson 6 Jessica Osman 29

William Osman 7

Hanna Olson 9

Christina Poe 12

Daniel Wendt 13

Robert Linfors 15

Cheryl Haggerty 16

Victoria Zdor 16

Lindsey Wendt 17

Nathan Coddling 18

JULY

Gunilla Thelin 2

Anette Richards 4

Daniel Buck 5

Jake Durbas 7

Mark Hanson 7

Jens Kevin Mikkelsen 9

Dorothy Burns 10

Andrea Tabanelli 14

Tiffany Storch 17

Britt Anderson 18

Inga Francis 18

Joyce Gaynor 26

Ruzenna di Benedetto 30



Ha en trevlig födelsedag!



Inga, the Swedish Church Pastor, and his wife sang for us.



Cultural Presentation - Mayflowers



Midsummer at Vasa Park

Swedish American Central Association of Southern California 97th Midsummer Festival

Sunday, June 25, 2017

Ages 13 and above - \$5.00 / Children 5 to 12 - \$2.00 / includes parking

Park opens at 8:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Breakfast

12:00 Noon - Raising the Midsummer Pole, Ring Dancing

2:00 p.m. Stage Program

Dancing to the music of Västkustens Spelmanslag

Food, Swimming, Water Slide, Folk Dancing

Vasa Park

2854 Triunfo Canyon Road, Agoura Hills

Exit 101 freeway at Kanan Road Turn West (Left)

It is about 3 miles to Triunfo Canyon Road, turn right.

Vasa Park is on the right just past stables.

Viking Village will begin following Midsummer!

Upcoming Lodge Anniversaries

Viking Lodge No. 256 will celebrate their 104th Anniversary Party on June 10, 2017 at the Ports O' Call Restaurant, Berth 76 in San Pedro. The social starts at 12 noon with lunch scheduled for 1 pm. Reservations required. Cost: \$37.00 per person. Contact Kristine Hofve at 310-796-6026.

Nordic Lodge No. 660 will be celebrating their 56th Anniversary on July 8th at Marie Callender's, 9829 La Serna, Whittier. There will be a social at noon and luncheon at 1 pm.. Cost \$28. For information contact Cynthia Lindgren 562-441-5281.