

Mayflower Lodge No. 445

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VASA ORDER OF AMERICA

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MARCH - APRIL 2010 NEWSLETTER

MARCH CALENDAR

Thursday March 4

LODGE MEETING

6:00 pm Social
6:30 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Meeting

Tuesday March 16

MAYFLOWER WOMEN'S OUTING,
LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART
Renoir Exhibit.

APRIL CALENDAR

Thursday, April 1

LODGE MEETING

6:00 pm Social
6:30 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Meeting

Thursday April 8

MAYFLOWER HOLDING CORPORATION MEETING

VIKING HALL, 526 ARBOR VITAE, INGLEWOOD
6:30 pm Refreshments
7:00 pm Meeting

MAYFLOWER LODGE HAS A NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER: (310) 329-5427

APPRECIATION

A hearty tack ska du ha to our Past-Chairman, Kjell Åke Hellberg and Thomas Jahn of Evening Star Lodge for all their hard work to organize the successful 2010 Convention. We deeply appreciate the time and effort it required of them to bring together this successful Vasa experience for the delegates to the 2010 DLPSW#15 Convention. We are fortunate to have such dedicated members as Kjell and Thomas.

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome to our newest members Donnika and Alan Wendell. Alan is the son of long time members Olaf Wendell and the late Lorretta Wendell.

David Holmes and his wife Stephanie are returning to the USA this summer. Both have been serving as foreign diplomats in New Delhi, India. They will be working in Washington D.C. for the next year. David is the son of Karin Holmes and grandson of Irma Wendell.

Please be sure to check the New Address column for the addresses of our newest members. These members are not included in the 2010 Vasa Handbook and Directory. Be sure to enter them in your Handbook.

In October Janell Brainard traveled with friends to Germany, India, Nepal, Tibet, China, Macao and Hong Kong. She spent Christmas at home and has recently returned from a trip to Buenos Aries and Antarctica. Janell is also a member of The Nordic Red Rock Lodge in Sedona, she says they are busy co-chairing with Prescott for their District meeting in October.

It is with sadness we report the death of Janell Brainard's (aka Janet Doven) husband of 27 years. He died last summer.

We are sad to report the death of long time member Gloria Wennerstrand on February 12th.

MAYFLOWER WOMEN'S CLUB

At the Pacific Southwest District #15 Convention this last week-end, Mayflower Women's Club Treasurer, Cheryl Hellberg presented the District with a check for \$500.00 for the Andrew Wendell Scholarship Fund.

Please join the Mayflower Women's Club and support our scholarship fund, even if you are not able to attend meetings or are only able to participate on a limited basis. The Mayflower Women's Club dues are used to award scholarships to the youth of Mayflower members. It is the goal of the Women's Club to encourage and support Vasa youth as they seek to learn the language and culture of their Scandinavian roots. The Club's annual dues are ten dollars.

March 16th we will meet at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art to attend the exhibit of Renoir's post impressionist period work. After touring the exhibit we will have lunch together. You must be a dues paying member of the Women's Club to participate in the Club's outings. For information regarding membership and the Renoir exhibit contact Cheryl Hellberg at (310) 378-2517.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S DREAM

I fell asleep the other night,
And while I had my snooze,
I dreamed each member stepped right up
And promptly paid their dues.
But when I found it was a dream
I nearly had a fit,
It's up to you to make it true
Please do, Please do **REMIT!**

If you have not paid your dues for the year 2010 please do so as they are now delinquent. Include your membership card. It will be updated and mailed back to you. **Mail your dues to: Thomas Crowe 15904 South Saint Andrews Place, Gardena, Ca. 90247-3632. Be sure to include the last four numbers of the zip code.**

OFFICERS ELECTED TO THE MAYFLOWER HOLDING CORPORATION 2009 TERM

President	Kjell Åke Hellberg	Vice-President	Kurt Olofsson
Treasurer	Cheryl Hellberg	Secretary	Ann Hellgren
Asst. Secretary	Carol Johnson		
Board Members:	Thomas Crowe, Lillian Dalsboe, Anita Hedlund, Cheryl Hellberg, Uno Kasperson, Britt Olofsson, Britt Potter, Lloyd Thornblad, Irma Wendell, Olaf Wendell.		

DISTRICT LODGE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST NO. 15
ELECTED DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR 2010-2011

District Master	Robert Salk
Vice District Master	Susan Premo
Past District Master	Mary Ethel Pierson
District Secretary	Arlene Lundquist
Asst. District Secretary	Nel Solt
District Treasurer	Bob Solt
Exec. Board Mem. - 2 yr.	Kevin Luft
Exec. Board Mem. - 2 yr.	Jerry Reylek
Exec. Board Mem. - 1	Siv Pierson
District Chaplain	Ulla Miller
Dist. Master of Cere.	Nathan Coddling
Dist. Asst. M of C	Jon Vikander
Distr. Cultural Leader	Maidie Karling
District Inner Guard	Russell Almquist
District Outer Guard	Jennifer Larson
District Auditor - 3 yr.	Kjell Åke Hellberg
District Trustee - 3 y	Isabella Muscarella
District Trustee - 2 yr.	Thomas Jahn

VASA FAMILY PICNIC

MAY 2, 2010

VASA PARK 2854 TRIUNFO CANYON ROAD, AGOURA HILLS

Join in this fun filled day. An exciting day of activities is planned for our Vasa youth. The kids will be kept busy and happy from the beginning of the day to it's end. The swimming pool and petting zoo will be open. There will also be games and other activities for them throughout the day.

For Vasa members the picnic is a wonderful opportunity to spend the day visiting old friends and new. There will be traditional music, folk dancers and lots of good food. Breakfast will be available in the morning and lunch in the afternoon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWEDISH CHOIR

The DLPSW#15 choir sang for the Convention Memorial Service. They were a joy to hear. The choir needs your voice. Choir director, LeRoy Anderson says if you love to sing and can carry a tune that is all that is needed to join the choir. Please contact Leroy at (562) 923-5828.

FOLK DANCERS

Looking for a fun loving group of folk dancers? Whether you want to learn the traditional dances or join a group with whom you can practice, this is the group for you. For more information contact Ken Murphy of Nordic Lodge at (562) 699-7005

NEW MEMBER ADDRESSES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

MARCH

1 Ollie Wendell
7 Kathryn Henderson
8 Mildred Roberts
9 Richard Wendell
17 David Holmes
18 Odd Plano
21 Doris Schurke
21 Carrie Lee Holton
22 Britt Potter
25 Karin Holmes
26 Sanford Johnson
27 Angela Henderson
31 Ann Hellgren
Scott Sandberg

APRIL

3 William Cooley
4 Mim Gibson
5 Cindi Eaton
6 Kristin Spaberg
9 Svea Karlsson
10 Gayle Stephens
12 Lennart Lovgren
12 Marianne Nunes
14 Nickolas Janssen
16 Dorothy Swenson Alexander
18 Vivian Gutierrez
22 Carl Swanson
29 Lisa Thomas
29 Lorraine Tone
29 Christopher Wendell
30 Christine Osterberg



DO YOU HAVE NEWS TO SHARE?

Lodge members are encouraged to submit items for the next newsletter to the Editor.
Please send your information by April 18th to Ann Hellgren to be included in the next edition.

E-Mail annkhellgren@yahoo.com or Phone (310) 710-5695
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Jens and Roberta Johansson send their greetings. They miss their Mayflower friends and enjoy receiving the newsletter. It helps them to keep up with what is happening at Mayflower Lodge and what our members are doing.

Jens, Roberta and their beautiful baby boy Jacopo

