

**Opening & Welcome:** On Friday, September 13, 2019 our Lodge met at Luther Memorial Church. Officers absent: Linda Borsuk, Cathy Longo, Frank Csulak, Lynne Roemer.

Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Lillian Nemcik gave the Chaplain's message. The chairman welcomed District Deputy Evald Eskilson and his wife Barbara.

**Minutes:** Kathleen Evans, Assistant Secretary, asked for a motion to approve May's minutes. Duncan Peterson moved and Rose Olson seconded: minutes approved.

**Membership:** No report

**Friendship:** Connie Wild reported that Linda Borsuk, Ines Csulak, Jack Olson, Ingrid Carlson had been ill. Cards were sent.

**Remember to keep our VASA Brothers and Sisters  
in your prayers**

**Outreach Care Ministry:** There were no contributions today. Connie Wild asked everyone to please remember to be generous in bringing items to the November meeting.

**Unfinished Business:** Lynne Roemer had discussion with District Master Kristina Orlandi regarding the District Deputy position for Lodge Vågen. None of our members are able to assume that office - either by way of not meeting the criteria of having been a Lodge officer or because they cannot travel that far. Thus, 18-year old Max DiAlfonso and his mother Michelle DiAlfonso (current Vice District Master) have been appointed.

**Correspondence:** The District Master sent a letter accepting the invitation to the visit at Lodge Vågen next month. Lodge Vågen sent information regarding the aforementioned District Deputy Position. On August 22, District 6 Membership Chair Emily DeFeo provided a separate email address for any correspondence concerning membership.

**New Business:** The District Master's visit is scheduled for Sunday, October 20 at the Lodge Vågen meeting site in Waretown. Our Lodge and members of Lodge Lyckan are to bring desserts. Barbara Eskilson asked that we arrive between 1:05 and 1:30. Sandwiches, side dishes and beverages will be served before the meeting, with desserts afterward. The following volunteered desserts: Jack & Rose Olson = cookies; Duncan & Barb Peterson = dessert; Kristen Isaksen = dessert. Lynne has been asked to give a head count as early as possible to Barbara Eskilson. Kristina Orlandi requested that in lieu of gifts, a donation be made to either the District 6 Scholarship Fund or to her chosen charity, Guillain-Barre Syndrome and Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy. It was decided that Guillain-Barre Syndrome... would receive our gift. Rose Olson moved that we donate \$50; Barbara Peterson seconded; motion passed. In addition, a small gift will be given (Kathleen will provide).

We are still in possession of the Budkalvn which should be passed on to another lodge. Since we must do a formal presentation of some kind (ex., a skit or song, etc.) it was agreed that we don't have time to prepare anything in time for October.

**Financial Reports:** Financial Secretary Rose Olson had no report tonight.

**Treasurer Report:** Kristen Isaksen

Beginning Balance 5-31-2019	\$2,838.02
Receipts:	0
Disbursements:	\$322.40
Church= \$100	
Semi-annual Assessment: \$222.40	
Ending Balance: 8-31-19	\$2,515.62
Bills approved for payment at this meeting: District Master's Visit donation=\$50 Church Donation = \$50	

Duncan Peterson moved and Connie Wild seconded that the Treasurer's report be accepted and pending bills paid. Motion approved.

**Cultural Report:** Kathleen Evans shared experiences at the recent ScanFest to which she took a busload of senior citizens from Tinton Falls. As most of those attending had never heard of this place or event before, Kathleen had given them a brief history of the park and the organization and share this tonight. Connie Wild shared some of her knowledge and experiences of park and its history. Great weather, good food, lots of fine performances resulted in a very enjoyable afternoon. Kathleen thanked Barbara Eskilson for passing on the bus information to Lodge Vågen members and four attended. From our Lodge, Bo Carlsson, Christine Williams, Lillian Nemcik (and her husband Bill) as well as Harvey and Kathleen attended.

**Good of the Order:** No one had contributions.

**Birthday Celebrants recognized:**

Nathaniel Fiske - September 13 and Ed Peterson - September 28

**The next meeting will be on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 2:00** (please arrive NLT 1:30)

Site: Waretown United Methodist Church, 27 Bryant Road, Waretown NJ 08758

**Meeting close:** Lillian Nemcik read the Chaplain's closing message and Chairman Olson adjourned at 8:15 pm. We all enjoyed conversation and refreshments (provided by several members present).