

**OFFICERS for 2019**

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**Chairman**  
Jack Olson

**Vice Chairman**  
Duncan Peterson

**Secretary**  
Lynne Roemer

**Asst. Secretary**  
Kathleen Evans

**Financial Secretary**  
Rose Olson

**Treasurer**  
Kristen Isakson

**Master of Ceremonies**  
Harvey Evans

**Asst. Master of Ceremonies**  
Linda Borsuk

**Inner Guard**  
Barbara Peterson

**Outer Guard**  
Kurt Carlson

**Chaplain**  
Cathy Longo

**Cultural Leader**  
Ingrid Carlson

**Historian**

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**Friendship**  
Connie Wild

**Past Chairman**  
Duncan Peterson



*Dalahäst Lodge 742*  
*Meeting Notes for April 12, 2019*

Opening & Welcome

Chairman Jack Olson called the Friday evening meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Linda Borsuk led The Pledge of Allegiance and the Chaplain's message in Cathy Longo's absence.

We were pleased to have our District Deputy, Evald Eskilson and his wife, Barbara join us this evening.

Minutes - The April Minutes had been sent to members. Chairman Olson called for additions or corrections to the minutes; there being none, Ingrid Carlson moved to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Linda Borsuk.



Friendship – Connie Wild has sent get well cards to Evelyn Venberg, Barbro Barnes and Eric Lindquist.

Membership – Kimberly Abbes resigned.

Outreach Care Ministry – Connie Wild thanked us for our donations and will add our 45 food items to the church's food pantry.

**Unfinished Business** – There will no delegate from Dalahäst this year at the convention. I want to thank Kristen for giving it strong consideration.

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The position of District Deputy to Vågen is still unfilled. Deborah Hodge kindly volunteered but Kristina Orlandi, our present Vice District Master and soon to be District Master said she doubted that Deb would be acceptable since she is so new. She said that perhaps having an older member go with her might be acceptable and she would check and get back to me. I have not heard from her. The rules require that the District Deputy candidate be “a member of the district lodge” or “a Past Chairman, or holds the Past Chairman’s degree.” I suggested that perhaps I might be accepted as a candidate although I have never been the chairman but would need a ride as I cannot drive that far. Evald Eskilson said he would talk with Kristina about the need to change the requirements since some lodges do not have enough active members.

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As was discussed at the last meeting, the materials that have accumulated during our 31 years occupy more space than members can spare in their homes so the position of Historian has not been filled. I have talked with Kristina Orlandi about our need to reduce the materials while preserving the materials and/or data that the archives would want. She suggested that she might have someone to come to help us but since I have not heard from her, I have found a list online that could serve as a guideline for our sorting materials. At our May meeting we will sort our saved items and possibly send some on to the Grand Lodge or District 6 Archives.

**Correspondence** – We received a postcard from Cathy Peterson, the District 6 Secretary, congratulating us on our 31 year anniversary.

Cathy also emailed me requesting the names of our members entitled to membership in the Golden Colony, which is for members of 80 and above. This year, present members Ingrid Carlson, Kurt Carlson, Bo Carlsson, Frank Csulak, Ines Csulak, Eric Lindquist, Evelyn Venberg and Connie Wild will be joined by Harvey Evans and Sonja Ongsiako. They are invited to attend a luncheon at N.J. Vasa Home on Sunday, June 2. Cocktails will be served at 12:30 followed by dinner at 1:00. There is a \$10.00 charge for guests. Reservations are required. **Contact: Maria Gawin [mgawin9920@aol.com](mailto:mgawin9920@aol.com) 201-214-1255**

Cathy Peterson also emailed me the past year’s financial statements for the 6<sup>th</sup> District and for Vasa Home. I will be happy to forward these files to any member who would like to see them.

**New Business** – I have been working with Bob Anderson to debug the new website of the Vasa Order of America. The new website (<http://www.vasaorder.com/index.cfm>) has issues with picture uploads but is otherwise functional for Dalahäst so I am no longer updating the old website (<http://www.vasaorder.org/>).

While looking into what to archive I came across forms that members who would like to share their Scandinavian ancestral information in the Grand Lodge Archives can use. If any members would like a form, I can forward them to the.



### Financial Matters –

Rose Olson reported that all members have paid in full and that Kimberly Abbes resigned.

Treasurer Kristen Isaksen read the Financial Report summary:

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| Beginning balance on February 28, 2018                       | \$2,724.42 |
| Receipts (dues and donations)                                | \$872.00   |
| Expenses (church donation & per capita to Vasa & District 6) | \$936.4    |
| Balance on March 31, 2019                                    | \$2660.02  |

The donation to the church of \$50 was moved and seconded by Connie Wild and Rose Olson approved as was the Treasurer's Report.



### Cultural Report –

We had our annual Show and Tell immediately after the business meeting was closed.

Christine displayed and explained how she made a lovely wooden wreath with wooden shapes decorated with rosemåling.

Linda showed us 3 cute ceramic figurines she had painted,

Ingrid brought a basket she wove during a weaving class at the Monmouth County Park System.

Lynne displayed a ceramic bust she had sculpted of her grandson and 2 paintings she had copied from famous paintings.

Jack showed us several pieces he had sculpted at a course at Brookdale and several pictures- some photographs and pen and ink works derived from them.

Kathleen Ines told us of her being a member of an all accordion orchestra and of her enjoying the opportunity to continue to play and learn.

Kathleen told us of an intrepid, American adventurer and author- Richard Haliburton (1900-1939) who with a pilot spent 18 months circumnavigating the globe in a bi-plane over land and by ship over sea.

Deborah showed us a brief slide show of her trip to Sweden last summer and described how she was able to find new facts about her Swedish ancestry and connect with many previously unknown distant cousins while in Sweden.

*Good of the Order –*

Kristen is posting items concerning Scandinavians in Dalahäst postings on Facebook. Our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/dalahast742> . Please check them out.

***April Birthdays***



Connie Wild – April 1    Cherstin Peterson – April 11    Linda Borsuk – April 18

*Upcoming Events in the Area –*

| UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE AREA |   |
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| Saturday, April 27          | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>District Master's Spring Event</b></p> <p>3:00 p.m. until after the sun sets!<br/>                     Dress Code: Shorts, Flip-flops, Casual Beachy<br/>                     \$25.00 per person - Kids Under 14 \$12.00<br/>                     Dinner ~ Music ~ Dancing ~ Fun (2 PAGES!)</p> <p><b>Reservations by April 15th</b><br/>                     contact District Master Bob Coleman phone (908) 472-0861<br/>                     email: <a href="mailto:rjcteacher@gmail.com">rjcteacher@gmail.com</a></p> |

NOTE: Look for complete Vasa activity list on <http://www.vasaorder.net/calendar.cfm?lodge=D6>

The meeting concluded at 8:00 p.m. It was followed by our Show and Tell (see above under Cultural Report). Delicious treats were then served that were provided by several members.

**Next formal confirmed meeting of Dalahäst Lodge:**

**FRIDAY- May 10, 2019, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Luther Memorial Church.**

Lynne Roemer, Secretary