

Our last convention booklet of Reports had many beautiful and interesting photos of your activities during those two years. Your photos and narratives tell a fuller story of what you accomplished as a Lodge. However, in the interest of streamlining printed materials and containing printing costs, this year we would like to build a streaming power point of the new pictures and stories that will be shown throughout our convention time together. That way you can keep your written report to 1-2 typed pages. **I am looking for someone who would be willing to collect the photos and information from each of the lodges and then assemble the power point.** The beauty part of this is that we can relive the fun times spent together and at the same time, keep adding to our story.

Looking back at the notes from PDM, Margaret Schueman, she shared some information and personal thoughts derived from the Grand Lodge Convention in 2018. So, for your Lodge reports, please consider the following points when reporting about your Lodge:

- VASA Order of America was founded as a community service organization – service to one another and to our ancestors' communities as a whole. What did your Lodge participate in as a service to your community? Ie. Did your group raise money for homeless veterans or collect donations/volunteer for an agency that serves a vulnerable population?
- What do you do to demonstrate care and concern for your present members?
- Do you do any activities with other Lodges or cultural groups in your area?
- What kind of cultural programs do you have?
- How do you advertise your lodge?

I hope you are looking forward to this year's convention! It is always wonderful to see everyone and learn about what is happening in District #9!

Tack,

Pat