

BY-LAWS
OF
BARNENS DAG COMMITTEE



DISTRICT LODGE ILLINOIS No. 8
VASA ORDER OF AMERICA



1. NAME

The Committee shall be know as BAR-NENS DAG" (Children's Day) shall be registered in the State of Illinois; and a certain day of each year shall be designated and set aside for a summer outing, mutually arranged under the name "BARNENS DAG".

2. OBJECT

To give instructions in and spread the knowledge of the Swedish language, song, music, folk dances, and other virtuous pursuits, which are interwoven with Scandinavian history and cultural evolution, all of which is to be done by members of our Youth organizations.

To provide from the proceeds of BAR-NENS DAG" for the payment of teachers in active Children's and Youth organizations within the District Lodge Illinois No. 8.

To provide for the encouragement of re-activating or starting new children's clubs within the Illinois District No. 8, and shall provide funds for financial assistance if needed. The amount to be determined by the Children's Day Committee.

To provide, from the surplus of income from donations and festivals arranged, for a SCHOLARSHIP FUND from which talented children of Scandinavian heritage shall be asisted and

encouraged in their studies at accepted educational institutions.

3. REPRESENTATION

The "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE shall be composed of three elected delegates from each youth organization booster club and local lodge active in the district, and their term of office shall be one year.

The District Master of District Lodge Illinois No. 8 shall appoint two members of the District Board to represent the District Lodge as members of the Committee.

4. OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE shall at the regular annual meeting of said Committee in November elect a Board of Directors for one year, said Board of Directors to have a maximum of twelve members, and on which Board, the Vasa Lodges of the District shall have a two-thirds representation.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the following elected officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Ticket Holder, Public Relations Supervisor, Ad Book Chairman, and Supervisor of the Children's Clubs, who shall be a member as a

matter of course, and one other member of the Board of the District Lodge, who shall perform such eventual functions as maybe entrusted to them by the Committee.

The task of the Board of Directors shall be to meet at least six (6) times a year, and plan and make the arrangements for "BARNENS DAG" and perform such other duties as directed by the Committee.

The Board of Directors shall file its minutes and accounts with the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE annual meeting, the District Lodge Illinois No. 8 and all lodges of the District. The Board of Directors shall hold its meetings on the call of the President, or a majority of the Board members.

The President, Secretary, Treasurer, Ad Book Chairman and Ticket Holder shall receive expense monies to be recommended by the executive board at the annual meeting, and read by the Secretary before the election of officers.

The President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary will negotiate yearly for the rental fee of the park.

The Ad Book Chairman, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Ticket Holder shall be bonded in the amount determined by the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE at its annual meeting.

The Officer's reports to the annual meeting

shall be audited by the District Lodge auditors before presentation.

The books and records shall be audited by the District Lodge Illinois No. 8 auditors before the annual meeting in November.

DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

To faithfully preside over and supervise all activities of "BARNENS DAG".

To maintain order and decorum in the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE.

To see that the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, By-Laws of the District Lodge and the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE are carefully observed.

DUTIES OF VICE—PRESIDENT

To assume the position and all duties of the President whenever this officer is absent.

To assist the President in maintaining order and decorum within the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE.

To perform such duties as deemed necessary.

DUTIES OF RECORDING SECRETARY

Take the minutes of each meeting, which are read at the next regular meeting; handles all

correspondence; and sends notifications of forthcoming meetings and events.

DUTIES OF TREASURER

To manage all funds in accordance with the by-laws and decisions made by the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE.

To keep all cash assets of the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE in banks approved by the COMMITTEE.

To keep a complete set of records and enter all income and expenditures in a businesslike manner.

To pay all bills after vouchers have been issues and signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the President.

DUTIES OF ASSISTANT TREASURER

Assist Treasurer at the Children's Day Picnic and to fill in, in the absence of the Treasurer, and to perform such duties as deemed necessary.

DUTIES OF TICKET HOLDER

Send request to all lodges asking them to appoint one person as lodge raffle ticket holder.

Keep a complete list of lodges and the names and addresses of the lodge ticket holders.

Negotiate for printing cost of Raffle Tickets and flyers.

Have Raffle Tickets and flyers printed in time for all lodges to participate in their sale.

Send Raffle Tickets and flyers to lodge ticket holders, so they can be distributed to their lodge members.

Responsible for all raffle stubs and monies regarding the raffle, and as soon as possible, turn all money over to the treasurer.

To administer the negotiations for and the distribution of Raffle Prizes.

To administer the smooth operation of the raffle the day of the Children's Day Picnic.

DUTIES OF AD BOOK CHAIRMAN

Send request to all lodges asking for ad takers, also to be included in this letter the forms for program book ads.

Keep accurate records of all ads received, and expenses.

Negotiate for the printing costs of the Ad Books.

Receive and organize all ads.

Send out bills for remaining balances on accounts.

Be responsible for monies received and turn such monies over to the treasurer, with a complete financial report as soon as possible.

Send one ad book to each advertiser.

DUTIES OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

Publicize activities of "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE in all forms of media.

Administer the negotiations for printing of posters and flyers, and their distribution.

DISTRIBUTION OF CASH BALANCE (The annual income of "BARNENS DAG")

The participating local lodges of District Lodge Illinois No. 8 shall be entitled to receive such rebate as is determined by the Committee, of tickets sold by said lodges, and this rebate shall be announced at the time the tickets are distributed.

All surplus money shall go to the treasury of the "BARNENS DAG".

6. CASH BALANCE OF "BARNENS DAG"

There shall be paid out of the cash balance of "BARNENS DAG" payment of a teacher's fee to all active Children's and Youth Clubs within the District, and other expenses maintaining the youth movement approved by the annual meeting. Such payments shall be made on vouchers from the intendents of each Children's

Club. Said payment shall be paid semi-annually to Booster Clubs or Committee of the above organization.

From the net proceeds of "BARNENS DAG", together with donations or proceeds of other affairs arranged by the Committee, a SCHOLARSHIP FUND may be established and maintained.

7. THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This fund may be paid out annually to one accepted applicant of each children's club, in accordance with provisions drawn by the Committee and the Board of the District Lodge.

The "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE shall have the responsibility of investigating educational institutions in Sweden and the United States for the best and most favorable prices of scholarships, and, such scholarships shall be limited to studies in Swedish language, song, music and history.

The Scholarship Committee will be a standing sub-committee of three members who will be appointed by the Executive Board of the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE. The three members will recommend at the annual meeting an amount to be set aside for the coming year.

8. PRIZES AND HONORS

There shall be held not less than once a year a competition between the Children's Clubs within the District, and prizes shall be distribute as determined by the Committee.

There shall also be distributed individual prizes to members of active Children's Clubs in competitions in prescribed subjects, such as, but not limited to arts, crafts, or essays pertaining to the Scandinavian heritage.

Competitions and prizes shall be arranged by the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE which shall also select the judges, provided, however, that members of the Committee, Children's Club, and Board of the District shall not be qualified to act as judges.

9. VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Donations from individuals, lodges or groups shall go to the SCHOLARSHIP FUND, and all members of the Vasa Order are particularly urged to work for this fund, in order that it may in the future become a veritable anchor for continued and assured Scandinavian culture among the rising generations of the District.

10. DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution of the "BAR—

NENS DAG" COMMITTEE, all funds and proceeds held by the Committee will revert to District Lodge Illinois No. 8.

11. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

Changes and amendments to these by-laws can be made by means of written motions sent to the recording secretary not later than sixty days before the annual meeting of the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE, and such motion in order to pass must be accepted by a majority of the members present of the "BARNENS DAG" COMMITTEE in conjunction with the Executive Board of District Lodge Illinois No. 8.

TO DENNIS WEATHERS
ASSISTANT
TREASURER
BARNENS DAG
TWO YEARS

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