

# Vasa Order of America A Swedish-American Fraternal Organization Drott Lodge No. 168

#### **Greetings From Washington, D.C.**

August 19, 2024

To our Sister Lodge in Sweden, Göteborg Lodge No. 452

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We congratulate you on your 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as part of Vasa Order of America, as a Lodge in Sweden. In addition, you are also the oldest Vasa Order Lodge in Sweden.

We happened to read an article in Vasa Star November-December 2009 about your celebration of your 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary on September 5, 2009. You had a wonderful event then. This is what the article said: "After the ceremonies concluded, the evening was spent dancing until midnight. This anniversary will be remembered many years ahead... hopefully to the year 2024!". Here we are, year 2024, and you celebrate 100 years. So, you have clearly fulfilled your wishes from back in 2009. Congratulations!

The visit in 2019 by Charlotte and Lars-Göran Börjesson to our Lodge was a memorable event. We hope we can have more visits by Members from your Lodge.

My wife Eva and I are planning to meet some of your Members on August 27<sup>th,</sup> 2024 in Göteborg. We will bring you special greetings and a token gift from our Lodge.

Enjoy your celebration.

In Generosity, Truth, and Unity.

Sincerely, Arne Dunhem, Chairman Drott Lodge No. 168 Washington, D.C., USA



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Vasa Park

Hackettstown, NJ 07840

24 August 2024

TO The Brothers and Sisters of Goteborg Lodge No. 452, District Lodge #19, initiated into the Vasa Order on September 4th 1924, I send heartfelt regrets on behalf of Nancy and myself that we are not able to join you for your long anticipated milestone celebration on September 7th 2024.

It is our distinct privilege and great honor to extend our personal and hearty Congratulations and Best Wishes to all of you for a wonderful, memorable Centennial Celebration! We will look forward to seeing your special photo tributes in the next Vasa Star!

In Generosity, Truth & Unity,
and with Vasa Enthusiasm,
Past Grand Master Art Bjorkner & Nancy

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### VASA ORDER OF AMERICA

### A Swedish-American Fraternal Organization LOCAL LODGE SVEA NO. 296

Instituted May 20, 1914 Erie, Pennsylvania

August 18, 2024

Dear Lars and Our Friends, Göteborg Lodge #452,

Greetings from Svea Lodge #296 in Erie, PA! We congratulate you on your 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Vasa Order of America Lodge in Sweden. It is indeed a wonderful occasion to celebrate so many years together.

In America, we are very proud of our Swedish and Scandinavian heritage. It has been made more interesting with our newly formed friendship with your Lodge. Lars and friends have been so accommodating to our Lodge visitors to Sweden! Our member, Tom Hetrick, loved his time with you and appreciates all the help he was given during his stay. We hope to return the hospitality any time any of you come to America!

As we have been enjoying your book sent for our anniversary last year, we hope you enjoy learning a little about Erie and it's maritime history.

Congratulations and best wishes for another 100 years in Generosity, Truth, and Unity.

Sincerely,

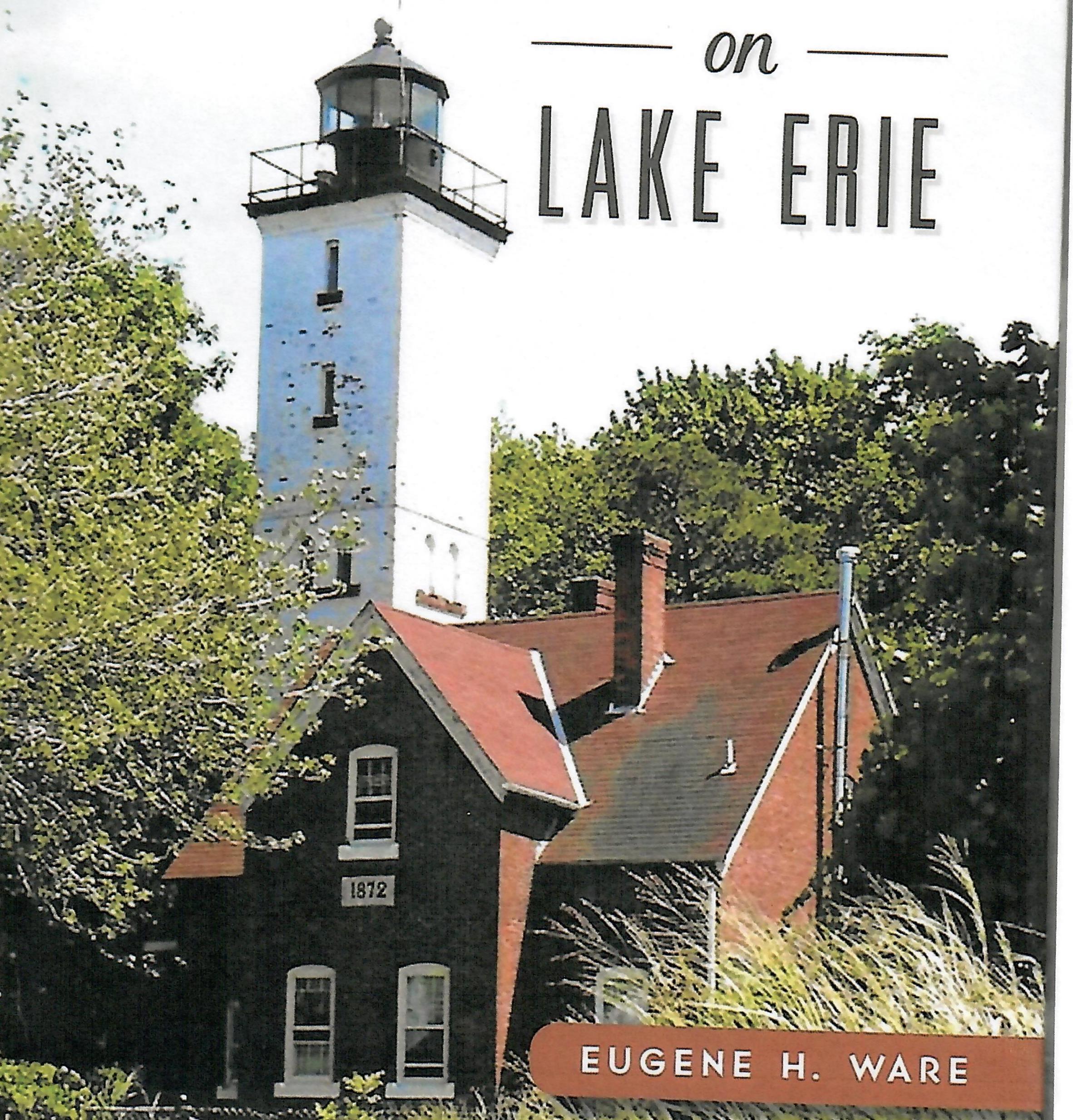
Pat Bellingham, Chair

Svea Lodge #296

Erie, Pennsylvania USA

Ädelmod, Sanning och Enighet – Generosity, Truth and Unity

# Pennsylvania LIGHTHOUSES





### Vasa Order of America

A Swedish-American Fraternal Organization Omaha Lodge #330

September 7, 2024

Med Vänlig Hälsningar till Göteborg #452

Omaha Lodge #330 VOA extends their greetings on your Jubileum for 100 years. We in Omaha, Nebraska, still cherish our Swedish roots, traditions, and foods. We celebrated our 100 year centennial in October 2015.

All our members wish you a very special celebration and a wonderful future for your Lodge.

Carol Smith, Chairman

Carolyn Matson, Vice Chairman

Carolyn Matson, Vice Chairman

Pat Lundahl, Financial Secretary

July 30, 2024

Carolyn Matson, Vice Chairman

Dana Gudmundson,

Treasurer

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Congratulations to
Göteborg Lodge No.452
On your 100th Anniversary

Greetings and Best Wishes to all the members. We send our good wishes for a new year of growth and an abundance of fun and fellowship.

From the members of Framåt Lodge No. 405

El Cerrito, California

Robert Homer, Chairman

Joanie Graham, Secretary

September 7, 2024







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A Swedish-American Fraternal Organization

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Dear Brothers & Sisters of Göteborg Lodge No. 452,

I regret that I am unable to be there to help you celebrate your 100-year anniversary in person. Congratulations and I wish your lodge all the best and hope you continue to celebrate milestone anniversaries for many years to come.

In Generosity, Truth and Unity,

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Lillian More

Vice Grand Secretary
Vasa Order of America