Nordahl's Tidende

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En hilsen fra Presidenten

Kjære Venner (Dear Friends),

WHO ARE YOU?
WHERE ARE YOU?
WHY ARE YOU HIDING YOUR SKILLS?
HOW CAN WE GET YOU TO COMMIT SOME TIME AND EFFORT?
YOUR LODGE NEEDS YOU!

It is that time of year again when the Nominating Committee is seeking members to serve as officers of Nordahl Grieg Lodge for 2015. **Meg Laycock** and **Fred Hymans** were elected at our last meeting to develop the slate for the next year. They need you to "step up to the plate."

Volunteer for a position of your choice. If asked, please say "yes, I can do that!" Give consideration to taking on a leadership position, maybe by sharing the role with another person. The time and effort you put forth is worth it in the returns that will come to you.

But, you say, "I am so busy, I work, I have a family to look after." We are aware of that and most everyone is in the same boat. Our Lodge was built by members who were busy working and raising families, so it is not a new refrain. But… these members committed themselves to building and maintaining our Lodge.

But you say that "I volunteer every year to help out with the Lutefisk Dinner, isn't that enough? It is about all I can do." We certainly appreciate that help and couldn't manage without it. But… to remain a proactive, viable Lodge, we need your additional commitment to maintain and further develop our cultural and social interests.

Without an added commitment of time and effort, our Lodge is doomed to a long, slow, and lingering demise. We must learn from sister lodges who have had to disband because they could not fulfill their leadership obligations and responsibilities.

So, please, give some serious thought about what you want our Lodge to be – an active, living one or one that is dying on the vine. Then, act accordingly. I hope you will make a commitment to help keep Nordahl Grieg alive and well.

All of us will be indebted to you.

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, President

AGENDA ALERT

Next Business Meeting
Friday, October 10 at 7:30 PM

- 6:30 PM Potluck Dinner
- 7:30 PM Celebrate Leif Erikson's Birthday
- 8:00 PM Business Meeting
- After the meeting… refreshments. Enjoy Norwegian *vaffler* provided by **Kari Warner**!

Also in October:
"Harvest Luncheon and Boutique"
Sunday, October 12 from noon until 2:00 PM
See details elsewhere in this *Tidende*

Membership Update

We received no new members in September.

Vacation time is over – I encourage all of you to sign up one new member.

Three of our members were suspended by Sons of Norway International. **Janet Waagen** has decided to leave our Lodge after the passing of her husband, **Hans Waagen**. She did, however, request to remain on our Lutefisk Mailing List. **Susan Levitz** and **Gertrude Shearer** are no longer members of our lodge. Hopefully you will reconsider - you are more than welcome to re-join us. You were part of the Nordahl Grieg family and leave empty spots.

We still have seven members on the Past Due List - not necessarily the same members as last month.

Please pay your dues, we want you and need you.

Fraternally,
Kari Warner, Financial Secretary
(408) 248-5046 *karia107@earthlink.net*

News about Members

HEALTH NEWS

Joyce Cosce is continuing her hyperbaric treatments until the end of October. She says she is doing well and is thinking about going to Colorado for Thanksgiving by train to see her grandsons. Sounds good!

Ginny Hansen came home from her Alaska cruise with a respiratory infection which really laid her low for a while, but she is much better now. She plans a train trip to Oregon in October to see her son Graham and his family, who recently moved there from Chico. Happy Trails to you!

Kari Warner is still having problems with her shoulder, but her leg is better. She is doing exercises, and applying ice in hopes that there'll be some improvement soon. Keep trucking, Kari!

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, Sunshine Chair

Please contact Shirley if you have news to share about a Nordahl Grieg Lodge member: **(408) 264-0912**
shoupshirley@yahoo.com

Editor's Note: At the time of publication, our President and Sunshine Chair, **Shirley Shoup**, is home recuperating from knee surgery. We all wish Shirley a speedy and complete recovery!

October Birthdays

2	Stephanie Bratton
2	John Mattson
5	John Ecklund
6	Mark Hunsbedt
7	Louisa Capp
7	Rickey Pixley
7	Paul Mehus
10	Jenevieve Schilling
14	Elizabeth Oaktree
20	Anne Herbert
20	Lavonne Hardy
21	Sue Ellen Laurie
23	Brendan McVey
23	Bob Goodenough
23	Martin Alkire
24	Leland Bjerkhoel
27	Paul Crawford
28	Merle Loney
28	Darrell Brekke
31	Jessyca Bratton

Heritage Members

17	Julia Teeple
19	Jakob Dybdahl
21	Donald Hansen
25	Miles Macdiarmid

Gratulerer med dagen!

Nyheter Fra Solveig Club

Solveig Club met on September 10, and **Harriet Candelaria** was our hostess. It was a busy meeting as we finalized plans for our Harvest Luncheon on October 12. We hope to have a huge group to enjoy the different soups made by our members and to take advantage of some shopping at our Nordic Boutique. We hope to see you there! Our Harvest Luncheon is a fund raiser for our Scholarship Fund, so your participation will benefit children and grandchildren of Nordahl Grieg members.

October is always a very busy month. We celebrate Leif Erikson Day on October 9. Remember to fly your Norwegian flag along with the Stars and Stripes. Then, on October 13 we celebrate Columbus Day in honor of the explorer who sailed west after Eriksson discovered the Americas.

Lutefisk time is soon here, and we are always happy to accept your gently used items for the "Treasure Table" at our bazaar.

Halloween is coming and goodies for the trick-or-treaters are high on everyone's shopping list. Remember to drive carefully when the little goblins and witches are seeking their treats. Happy Halloween!

Solveig Club will next meet on Wednesday, October 15 at 10:30 AM in the Solveig Room with **Sharon Bratton** as our hostess. We hope you can join us.

Ha det bra,
Elderid Everly, Solveig Club President

Nordahl Hall – Love Your Lodge Fund Drive

Become a supporter of the "Nordahl Hall Capital Fund"

Help us repair and upgrade Nordahl Hall.
All donations will be used for improvement projects.

Your donation*–*at any of the following support levels*– will be listed in *Tidende* each month. Donations may be designated as *"In Memory of…"* or *"In Honor of…"*
Donations can be made at any time.

Love Your Lodge Support Levels

Platinum	**$1,000**
Gold	**$500**
Silver	**$250**
Bronze	**$100**

Please make checks payable to: *Nordahl Grieg Lodge*
Write *"Hall Capital Fund"* on the memo line.
Then mail to:
Mike Block, Treasurer
110 Flintlock Lane
Ben Lomond, CA 95005

For more info, ask any Hall Board Member, or contact Larry Hulberg at 408-813-2615 or *lwhulberg@gmail.com*

* Donations are not tax deductible. Please consult your tax professional.

Help us with our ongoing community outreach!

Nordahl Grieg Lodge is working to make a difference in our community. We collect the following items at our business meetings and events… please consider donating!

Cans and boxes of non-perishable food. Hunger is a critical concern in our community year round. **Items most in need are baby foods and meals-in-a-can such as chili, stew, and soup**. All collected items will be promptly delivered to a local food bank.

Contributions are also being gathered for patients at the Palo Alto VA Hospital. We collect **used paperback books** and **2015 calendars** (think about the extra, unsolicited calendars you receive in the mail). All collected items will be delivered before the end of the calendar year to the VA Hospital.

***Tusen Takk* for your contributions and your community spirit!**

Mailing Party

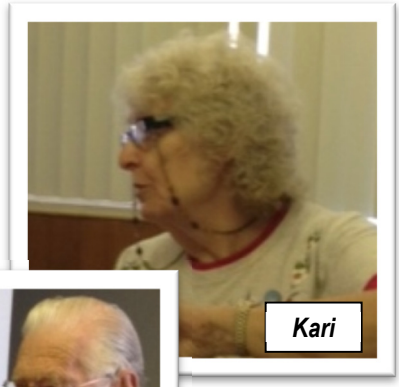
We had our first Lutefisk Mailing Party on Saturday, September 20, and it was a great success. We all sat around the large table in the Solveig Room. Each participant just chose what they wanted to do, and we were done on less than 1½ hours. We prepared and mailed out approximately 640 flyers.

Thank you so much to **Alan Pintacura**, **Liv Braaten**, **Bruce Fihe**, **Shirley Shoup**, **Ginny Hansen**, **June Stennes**, **Homer Stennes**, **Larry Hulberg**, and **Judy Purrington**. Special thanks to **Ginny Hansen** who brought refreshments and to **June and Homer Stennes**, who took all the flyers to the post office.

Tusen takk to all, it would have taken me hours to get this done on my own. I still have a few challenges with my right hand and shoulder which is slowing me down a bit.

Bruce Fihe has volunteered to learn the whole lutefisk ticket procedure… he calls it being my "understudy"… I call it "taking the first steps to a more organized, improved process." I welcome Bruce's assistance; he is an expert, and very easy to work with.

Submitted by:
Kari Warner, Lutefisk Dinner Tickets/Publicity Chair



Do you recognize this image?
It is the only postage stamp issued by *Posten Norge* honoring Nordahl Grieg.

Facebook Presence!

Our Lodge has had a Facebook *Group* for some time. A "Group" is just the thing for members to share information about themselves and things that may be of interest to other Lodge members. If you have a Facebook account, you can view the Group and take part in the conversation at:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/212116432155450/

Now the Lodge has a Facebook *Page* as well. A "Page" is a little more structured than a Group and serves as an advertisement for the Lodge. It is a good place to announce events or other information about the Nordahl Grieg Lodge or Sons of Norway to folks who are not currently members. You can see our Facebook Page at:

https://www.facebook.com/Nordahl.Grieg

Hall Board News

At the September Board meeting we discussed finances and capital projects. Unfortunately, rents are down substantially from last year and we have limited resources. At the same time, we have a unique opportunity to pursue parking lot repair in conjunction with the residential development on Knowles Drive. While we hoped to build the roof overhang this year, the decision was made to delay that project and focus instead on parking lot repair. The residential project was recently approved by the Town of Los Gatos, and the developer plans to start construction next year. We've had preliminary discussions about the possibility of cooperating on parking lot repair, and the developer has expressed his willingness to work with us. While we don't yet know what the outcome will be, we expect that we can achieve a significant reduction in cost since equipment and manpower will be practically at our back door. We've been talking about parking lot repair for years, but it has always been out of reach. We view this as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and need to have as much money available as we can to be able to move forward when the time is right.

We've scheduled a Lodge Workday on October 26 to get the hall and grounds ready for lutefisk festivities. We can make the hall shine (relatively speaking) but need your help. There are always more projects than we have time, talent or manpower. So please come if you can. If you have questions or suggested projects, please contact **Larry Hulberg** (408) 813-2615 or *lwhulberg@gmail.com*. Thanks!

Fraternally,
Larry Hulberg, Hall Board President

More About Lutefisk...

It's time to start planning for our annual lutefisk event. As always, there's a lot to do and we hope you'll participate. The old saying "many hands make light work" is so true, and working with fellow lodge members is always a fun and rewarding experience. This is your opportunity to get involved. Please see the enclosed list of dates and contact information. If you're not sure where you're needed, contact **Victoria Slama**, the Volunteer Coordinator. If you have questions or comments, please contact **Larry Hulberg**.

We kicked off the season with a successful mailing party, ably organized by **Kari Warner**. Thanks to all those who participated, especially **Bruce Fihe**, who has volunteered to assist Kari with reservations. Handling reservations is a big job and they'll make a great team.

Work Party – We Need Your Help!

Please help us spruce up the Hall for our upcoming Lutefisk Dinner. All kinds of jobs will be tackled… from cleaning to organizing to carpentry. No special skills are needed… just a willingness to contribute a little elbow grease. Lunch will be provided along with coffee and treats in the morning (of course).

Sunday ▪ October 26 ▪ starting at 9 AM... but we can use all the help possible, so just arrive when you can… even just a few hours of your help will be appreciated. *Tusen Takk*!

Call for 2015 Lodge Officers

The Nominating Committee is recruiting volunteers to fill Nordahl Grieg officer positions for 2015. Please think about serving: there are lots of jobs to fill and ***NO EXPERIENCE*** is required for most! We welcome new volunteers with new ideas.

To find out more about the positions available, please contact Nominating Committee members **Meg Laycock** or **Fred Hymans**. ***Mange Takk!***

Harvest Lunch and Nordic Boutique

Sunday, October 12
Noon until 2:00 PM at Nordahl Hall

Menu: *An assortment of hearty soups*
Bread
Dessert and coffee

Donation: *$8 per person*
Children under 12 free!

This is your invitation to join the Solveig Club members for their annual fundraising luncheon. 100% of donations at this event are used to fund "campership" scholarships to send youngsters to language heritage camp at Camp Trollfjell and to provide college scholarships.

All are welcome! Plan to bring your appetite… and your family and friends… for a great meal and great conversation with fellow lodge members.

Please RSVP with the number in your group to Sharon Bratton at 510-651-9869

Our Nordic Boutique will be open during the luncheon offering Scandinavian-style gift items and *lefse*. This is a chance to jump-start your holiday shopping. All boutique sales proceeds benefit the scholarship fund.

We hope to see you there!

Reminder… the Solveig Club is always looking for donations of usable "white elephant" items for sale at our Lutefisk Dinner Bazaar and for our ever-popular "grab bags." The Harvest Lunch would be a great time to bring those items that you no longer want or use. We can turn your donation into someone else's treasure and you will be helping to bolster our scholarship fund! *Tusen Takk!*

Connections

…ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

Tell us about activities and ideas to CONNECT with our Norwegian Heritage!

You are invited to a **Holiday Boutique** hosted by **Anne Grimdalen Lodge, Daughters of Norway**, on Saturday, November 8 at 10:00 AM at the Sunny View Community Center, 22445 Cupertino Road, Cupertino. Norwegian items such as rosemaling pieces and holiday gifts will be for sale. Refreshments will be served. Questions? Please call **Mary Schlink** at 408-395-5561.

Activity Snaps… check out Lodge pictures at ***www.nordahl-grieg.org*** and on our Facebook page at ***www.facebook.com/Nordahl.Grieg.***

2014 Lutefisk Dinner Preparations

The Lutefisk is Coming! It's time to start planning for our annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. This is a great tradition for our lodge and an important fundraiser, but we need your help to make it happen.

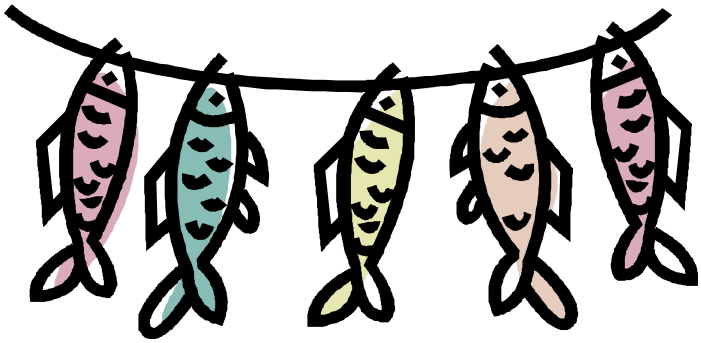
Please contact the chairpersons listed below to let them know you're willing to help. Calling or e-mailing in advance makes it easier to plan. **If you don't know where you're needed or can simply help serve, contact Victoria Slama** (Volunteer Coordinator). This includes the many young people who turn out each year to serve. We need to hear from you in advance, so we know who we can count on. Many thanks!!

General Chairpersons

Larry Hulberg (408) 813-2615
lwhulberg@gmail.com
Harry & JoAnn Bjerkhoel (707) 966-0219
buddyeste@gmail.com

Volunteer Coordinator

Victoria Slama (831) 359-5887
victoria_slama@baymoon.com



Mark your Calendar!

November 2 (Sunday) – Meatball Making
November 15 &16 (Sat/Sun) – Lefse Making
Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 (Sun/Mon) – Cookie Making
December 3 (Wed) – Lutefisk/Hall Setup
December 4 (Thurs) – Table Setting
December 5 & 6 (Fri/Sat) – Lutefisk Dinner
December 7 (Sunday) – Hall Clean-up

Please see Committee Chairs listed below for contact information. Thanks!

Student Volunteers! We can provide community service hours — students just need to bring paperwork with them and the committee chair will verify the student's hours and sign their paperwork that day.

Committee	Chairperson	Telephone	E-mail Address
Tickets/Publicity	Kari Warner	(408) 248-5046	karia107@earthlink.net
Hall Decoration	Kathy Whitesel	(408) 258-2562	saxonytarn@aol.com
Bar Manager	Dave Melius	(408) 244-4497	dmelius@hotmail.com
Coffee	Garrett Hansen	(408) 244-2940	facilitiesguy2001@yahoo.com
Cookies	Sheryl Hawes	(925) 997-1698	Sheryl.hawes@att.net
Lefse	Elderid & Vicki Everly	(650) 961-9817	vicki.everly2@gmail.com
Meatballs	Janie Kelly	(408) 559-6563	janiekelly6@aol.com
Potato Crew	Andy Hunsbedt	(408) 353-3673	anstein@msn.com
Kitchen Crew	Victoria Slama	(831) 359-5887	victoria_slama@baymoon.com
Lutefisk Crew	Harry Bjerkhoel	(707) 966-0219	buddyeste@gmail.com
Table Setting	Elderid Everly	(650) 961-9817	vicki.everly2@gmail.com
Dining Room	Kate & Don Slama	(408) 243-1592	KSlama@valleywater.org
Solveig Bazaar	Elderid & Vicki Everly	(650) 961-9817	vicki.everly2@gmail.com
Music	Harry & Leland Bjerkhoel	(707) 966-0219	buddyeste@gmail.com
Parking	Mark Hunsbedt	(408) 206-0351	markhunsbedt@hotmail.com
Recycling	Kathy Whitesel	(408) 258-2562	saxonytarn@aol.com
Hall Clean-up	Harry Bjerkhoel Larry Hulberg	(707) 966-0219 (408) 813-2615	buddyeste@gmail.com lwhulberg@gmail.com

2014 Annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner

Nordahl Hall – 580 W. Parr Avenue, Los Gatos, CA

			Nordahl Grieg Members		Non-Members
Friday, December 5					
Early Diner's Special	1st Seating	3:30 PM	$15.00	DONATION	$20.00
	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	$20.00		$25.00
	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	$20.00		$25.00
Saturday, December 6					
Early Diner's Special	1st Seating	3:30 PM	$15.00		$20.00
	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	$20.00		$25.00
	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	$20.00		$25.00

Special reduced children's prices: Children 6-12 years – $7.00 Under 6 years – free

Invitation to Dance – Diners from all seatings (both Friday and Saturday) are invited to participate in the entertainment and dancing on Saturday night beginning at approximately 9:00 PM.

Visit the Solveig Club Bazaar – The ladies of the Solveig Club will host their bazaar and raffle on both Friday and Saturday. Stop by and see their unique selection of Scandinavian items, baked goods, and "white elephant" treasures. Doors open at 3:00 PM. Please bring cash or checks for the bazaar and raffle... sorry, no credit cards are accepted.

Join Now and Enjoy Member Prices – Join the Nordahl Grieg Lodge #52 and get member prices for Lutefisk Dinner tickets. Have fun all year! **Call Kari Warner at (408) 248-5046 for membership information.**

RESERVATIONS – All reservations MUST be made by mail. You may make copies of the reservation coupon below for your friends. Please be sure to indicate your first and second choice of seating times.
NO reservations will be accepted if postmarked before October 15. Any mail received before this date will be returned.

PLEASE INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE to mail your tickets.
Please mail your reservation form together with your check or money order PAYABLE TO: Nordahl Grieg Lodge #52
Kari Warner, 1000 El Camino Real, #107, Santa Clara, CA 95050-4284

QUESTIONS? Call Kari at (408) 248-5046

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Invite a friend!

Lutefisk and Meatball Reservation Coupon

Please indicate your FIRST and SECOND CHOICE of seating times

Friday, December 5	_____	1st Seating	3:30 PM	*Early Diner's Special*
	_____	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	
	_____	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	
Saturday, December 6	_____	1st Seating	3:30 PM	*Early Diner's Special*
	_____	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	
	_____	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	

Name: _____ **Phone:** ( ) _____

Email Address: _____

# of adult members: _____ # of non-member adults: _____ # of children 6-12: _____ # of children under 6: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT of check enclosed: $ _____ **PLEASE NOTE: there will be NO REFUNDS**

Mail to: Kari Warner, 1000 El Camino Real, #107, Santa Clara, CA 95050-4284
DO NOT MAIL BEFORE OCTOBER 15 ▪ Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope

Scholarship Thank You Notes

Both Nordahl Grieg Lodge and Solveig Club independently offer college scholarships. Below are the thank you notes received from the 2014 recipients. One young lady was a double recipient with an award from both groups.

Next month's *Tidende* will print thank you letters from our campership recipients.

Nordahl Grieg Lodge,

I would like to thank you for your financial help in my scholarship for college. I am honored to receive such a generous award which will be used to purchase this year's laboratory supplies.

I am so grateful for all the encouragement and kindness the lodge has shown me while growing up, and I am especially appreciative of this financial support.

Mange takk!
Love, **Morgan Frost**

Dear Solveig Club,

Thank you for supporting my education. Your scholarship will be very helpful as I enter into my junior year of college. My nursing days are coming soon and I can't wait!

Thank you!
Alissa Hansen

Dear Solveig Club,

Thank you so much for the college scholarship. The money will go a long way to help pay for my textbooks, and I can rest a little easier knowing I have financial help. I am so blessed to have the opportunities that I do, and to have such wonderful support systems.

I really appreciate your generosity and support.

Once again, thank you!

Much love, **Morgan Frost**

Tusen Takk!

Love Your Lodge Donations

Platinum Level

In Memory of Karl and Agot Heistein
Gunnar and Gloria Heistein (donation, Mar 2014)

Kato Andersen (donation, Oct 2013)

In Memory of Clarian Pintacura
Alan Pintacura (donation, Apr 2013)

Liv Braaten (donation, Mar 2013)

Gold Level

Donald Slama (donation, June 2014)

Silver Level

In Memory of Clarian Pintacura
Anne Herbert (donation, Oct 2013)

Bronze Level

Shirley J. Hansen (donation, June 2014)

Kate Slama (donation, June 2014)

In Memory of Hank Graslie
Sharon and Daniel Fisher (donation, March 2014)

Donald Peterson Family Living Trust
(donation, Dec 2013)

Eileen and Richard Grindeland (donation, Dec 2013)

In Memory of John A. Hansen
Virginia Hansen (donation, Nov 2013)

In Memory of Maybelle Jacobsen
Virginia Hansen (donation, Nov 2013)

In Memory of Clarian Pintacura
Alan Pintacura (donation, Oct 2013)

Shelley Smith Curtis (donation, Oct 2013)

Meg Laycock and **John Stubblebine**
(donation, Oct 2013)

In Memory of Robert Hansen
Shirley Hansen (donation, July 2013)

In Memory of Esther Tifft
Egil and Gracie Larsen (donation, May 2013)

Jerry Pickett (donation, Mar 2013)

Kate Slama (donation, Mar 2013)

Marvin and Lois Bertelson (donation, Feb 2013)

Tusen Takk for your support!

Donations made before January 2013 are not listed. Please view past issues of *Tidende* to see the donors and honorees from earlier contributions. *Takk!*

NOTES FROM THE 2014 SONS OF NORWAY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA • AUGUST 2014

Due to space limitations, the following has been condensed from a 4-page letter sent by District Six President, ***Mary Beth Ingvoldstad***

- 16 delegates from District Six attended.

Monday, August 18: Committee meetings to review the reports and make recommendations.

Tuesday, August 19: Continued committee meetings with a lunch for all District Presidents.

Wednesday, August 20:

- The 3rd Innovative Leadership Conference was held. I hope we can introduce most of these concepts to all members of District Six. The local lodge host, Gateway to Florida Lodge, sponsored the evening's entertainment. We all walked down to Jacksonville Landing, and those who wanted to learn how to row a Viking Boat were given a "Welcome Aboard" one of the Lodge's three authentic Viking vessels. This was followed by a wonderful seafood meal, served in the nearby Maritime Museum.

Thursday, August 21:

- Attendees had time free to take a motor coach tour to St. Augustine or relax on their own. Marit Kristiansen, International President, offered a first-time delegate orientation.
- The Opening Ceremonies included the Memorial Service. They were followed by a motor coach trip to the renowned Cummer Museum, where the President's Reception was held.

Friday, August 22:

- The delegation included 113 delegates from the 8 districts plus 12 members of the International Board.
- Business was conducted including review of a case removing International Vice President from the Board pursuant to Sons of Norway's constitutional procedures. A secret ballot was given to delegates and they voted to uphold the International Board's decision by a considerable margin; subsequent to this action, an appeal was requested.
- Also discussed was the Strategic Planning, initiated by President Kristiansen two years ago. The District Six Board will review the four core strategic initiatives and will attempt to set the Goals for our District to coincide with the initiatives.
- An early evening event called "Sons of Norway: United Reception" was held in the Atrium of the Omni Hotel, where the Convention took place

Saturday, August 23:

- The following were presented by the Resolutions Committee and are now in effect:
  - ✓ Lodge Merger was fleshed out to be more understandable, as it is very different from Dissolution.
  - ✓ The Voluntary Lodge Dissolution was amended. One specific aspect to remember is the Lodge's assets may be distributed as the Lodges see fit, as long as they comply with State and Federal regulations and laws.
  - ✓ District Actions referred to the issue of Lodges deciding to dissolve, merge, or start a new lodge, and the need to contact their District Board before intervention of Headquarters.
  - ✓ Membership Dues and Categories will be Committee reviewed for the 2016 Convention.
- The Finance Committee provided a report, offered suggestions for improving the financial statements, and recommended an increase in Compensation to the entire International Board.
- The Law Committee addressed representation to the International Lodge Meeting; there now will be one delegate for each 300 members (versus the current 400 members), or major fraction thereof.
- A final format for both District Officers' Nominating Committees and the International Board Nominating Committees was agreed upon.
- Election of International Officers was followed by the selection of Tacoma, Washington for the 2016 Convention.
- The evening began with the Installation of Officers followed by a formal dinner/dance.

I wish to express a huge thank-you to **Janie Kelly**, our immediate Past International Director, for her 24 years of service to District Six and the International Board.

Please feel free to contact me for further information about the Convention. We have our first District Six Board Meeting in Sacramento, CA at the Holiday Express Hotel & Suites Sacramento Airport—Natomas from October 17-19 and all District members are welcome.

Thank you for electing me your District President and I will work hard for you in the next two years.

Business Meeting Highlights *(condensed from minutes approved in September 2014)*

June 2014

- Meeting was called to order following a cultural discussion of members' Norwegian roots.
- A welcome was extended to **Lian Dalløkken**, along with a thank you for refreshments.
- The charter was draped in memory of the passing of members **Don Auker** and **Erna Nore**.
- Minutes of the April 2014 business meeting were approved.
- Financial Secretary **Kari Warner** announced that checks for March and April dues were received from International. She also stated that she sends all members a welcome to the lodge with a *Tidende* and other promotional material; President **Shirley Shoup** stated she also sends them a personal welcome inviting them to meetings.
- President Shoup thanked all who made the 17th of May a special evening.
- President Shoup discussed a new offering for those with life insurance from SON for an option to help offset costs for chronic illness.
- A financial report from **Mike Block**, Treasurer, was read.
- Cultural Director **Elaine Edwards** announced that Cultural Skills pins for folk dance were received for **LaVinnia Pierson** and **Nancy Thym-Hochrein**.
- Scholarship Chair **Elderid Everly** announced that three young girls have applied for camperships and that the Solveig Club had voted to fund ¼ of the fees for the three camperships.
- Motion approved to fund ¼ of the fees for the three camperships; the ¼ from Solveig Club and the ¼ from the Lodge will fully fund the half-tuition camperships.
- Resolutions for the upcoming District 6 convention were discussed and comments sought
- Greetings were extended to members present celebrating May and June birthdays.
- **Vidar Dallokken**, Vice President, presented recruitment pins for 2013.

July 2014

- Meeting was called to order following an ice cream social.
- A thank you letter from West Valley Community Services was read for the Lodge's recent donation of canned foods.
- President **Shirley Shoup** presented a golden membership pin to **Joyce Cosce** and announced awards from the recent District 6 convention.
- Financial Secretary **Kari Warner** announced the receipt of dues from International.
- Treasurer **Mike Block** provided a financial report.
- Cultural Director **Elaine Edwards** announced plans to begin a cultural program in the fall.
- Social Director **Claire Smyth** stated she had had an opportunity to visit lodges in the Seattle area to observe how they conduct their events.
- Convention delegates provided reports and thanked the membership for their support.
- A reminder was given about the upcoming Bay Area multi-lodge picnic at Henrik Ibsen Park.
- Greetings were extended to members present celebrating July birthdays, and for May and July wedding anniversaries.

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October 9

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Save These Dates…

Oct 9, Thurs	Leif Erikson Day
Oct 10, Fri	Business Meeting and Potluck
Oct 12, Sun	Harvest Lunch and Boutique
Oct 15, Wed	Solveig Club Meeting… ***and*** First Day to Mail Lutefisk Dinner Reservations!
Oct 26, Sun	Lodge Work Day
Nov 2, Sun	Meatball Making
Nov 15-16, Sat-Sun	Lefse Making
Nov 30-Dec 1, Sun-Mon	Cookie Making
Dec 5-6, Fri-Sat	Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner

Please look elsewhere in this issue for additional dates related to preparation for the Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner

Dates will be added as they become available

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