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En hilsen fra Presidenten

Kjære Venner (Dear Friends),

I am back from my nostalgic trip to the Pacific Northwest. My visit did not turn out exactly as I planned, but does anything? One of the reasons was because of the illness of my sister. When I arrived, she was experiencing some very serious symptoms. A visit to the emergency room and subsequent admission to the hospital occurred. So, I had to "brush off" my nursing skills and stay with her while she had fluid removed from her lung and a couple of blood transfusions. I was surprised that I was so comfortable with everything that was going on with her. Guess the adage "once a nurse, always a nurse" is true. She was much improved on discharge and has continued to get better.

But, I was able to touch base with a couple of college classmates and my surrogate daughter. And, I was able to attend my high school class get-together. There were ten of us there, as well as some spouses. I was amazed that we looked pretty much the same; I would recognize them anywhere. There are a few changes, like some gray hair, glasses and hearing aids, and a cane or two. But, we settled in to that comfortable state of long-time acquaintanceship. We shared some things about our current lives, but mostly enjoyed some of the memories each of us recalled. Yes, I saw Bobby – my first classmate and friend of nearly 80 years. We shared lots of hugs and talked a lot about "the old days." I still see him as that cute little blond boy with the cowlick (which he still has). I did take some time to visit the special places in my life – the farm, the church, the cemeteries where my parents and grandparents lie at rest. Many memories flooded my brain and touched my heart. It was special!

But, NOW, it is back to the real world and that is… summer is waning and fall is approaching rapidly. Many of our Lodge members enjoyed the All Bay-Area Lodge Picnic at Ibsen Park. We had glorious weather and wonderful food. It was great seeing so many people I had not seen for a while. I did not win at bingo, but enjoyed the folk dancing led by our own **Meg Laycock** with many of our Lodge members participating. Many of us won raffle prizes so did not go home empty-handed. Thanks for a wonderful day, **Ibsen Lodge**!

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AGENDA ALERT

Our next meeting is
Friday, September 11

6:45 to 7:30 PM Beginning Norwegian in the Solveig Room
7:30 to 8:00 PM Your Norwegian Genealogy
8:00 PM Business Meeting; agenda includes:
Relay for Life
Election of Nominating Committee

Followed by fellowship and refreshments provided by **Judy Purrington**

Our next Social is Friday, September 25

7:00 to 8:00 PM Ice Cream Social
8:00 to 9:00 PM Norwegian Art

See next page for details about the above cultural activities.

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Join in on September Cultural Activities…

AT THE SEPTEMBER 11 BUSINESS MEETING…

6:45 to 7:30 PM – Participate in a continuation of the Norwegian language teachings.

7:30 to 8:00 PM – Enjoy a presentation on how genealogy searches uncovered family history for two families in both Norway and the U.S. and how it has been printed in book form for family members.

AT THE SEPTEMBER 25 SOCIAL…

7:00 to 8:00 PM – Treat yourself to ice cream sundaes and floats while socializing with Lodge members.

8:00 to 9:00 PM – Listen to a Norwegian Art program with guest speaker **Dorothy Kleppen McCall**, who will give a personal perspective on Norwegian art from 1825 to 1925 during the Great Migration. It begins with Johan Christian Dahl, the father of Norwegian painting, with the art revealing why Norwegians left for the new country, and how art often foretells the future while connecting with the past.

Nyheter Fra Solveig Club

Welcome to September! August certainly came and disappeared in a hurry. When I was a child, the last two weeks of August were spent getting ready for school. I loved school and it was so exciting to prepare for a new year! There was always a rainy day when my Dad couldn't work in the fields and we would all make the long trip to the big city of Grand Forks. There we would each get a brand new pair of shoes – the Buster Brown type – always one size bigger than we needed so we could grow into them. Then, each one of us three girls – Ruth, Rachel, and I – would get a brand new tablet; our "tablets" had paper pages and we would write in them with our pencils. When we got home, Dad would sharpen our new pencils, whittling away as little wood as possible to expose a sharp lead point, and we would carefully arrange them in a pencil box alongside an eraser. If we were lucky, our pencil box also held a little box of eight brand new crayons and, sometimes, if we were REALLY lucky, we could also add a little paint box with a paintbrush and choice of five or six paint colors. Now we were finally ready for school! We would happily trudge the one and a half miles down the road, each of us swinging a syrup pail holding our lunch, and were soon accompanied by eight or nine neighbor kids all heading for our one-room schoolhouse. Such wonderful memories!

Now school is again open here in the Bay Area. The kids have different kinds of "tablets" these days. Many children are driven to school, but some still walk and we all need to drive carefully.

Solveig Club will have our first meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 16 at 10:30 AM in the Solveig Room. **Duane Adams** will be hostess. Please consider joining us!

Ha det bra,
Elderid Everly, Solveig Club President

September Birthdays

2	Elizebeth Hansen
2	Jack Jolly
2	Claire Smyth
3	Richard Candelaria
5	Mary Schlink
7	Jon Villarreal
8	Larry Hulberg
11	Cecelia Meyer
12	Janet Espersen
13	Jamie Bjerkhoel
17	Judy Purrington
19	Marvin Bertelson
20	Diane Bromstead
21	James Basso
23	Svein Livgard
23	Mayvid Maclay
24	Janie Kelly
24	Janice Crawford
25	Grace Sparks
26	Rosalind Mulvany
27	Bruce Fihe
29	Jan Overland
29	Kathleen Slama

Heritage Member

1	Max Jones

Gratulerer med dagen!

News about Members

HAPPY NEWS

Many friends and relatives gathered at Mammoth Lakes for the wedding of **Alissa Bjerkhoel** and **Steven Foley** on August 22. The beautiful ceremony on the shore of Convict Lake was followed by a reception at the resort. It was a wonderful weekend filled with fun and lots of love. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Russ Behel is in Maryland for a few weeks visiting relatives and taking care of business. He will be gone again in October when he heads for Europe to visit his niece, **Kristen Jones**, who is attending school in France. They will celebrate their mutual birthday, November 1, in Paris. Kristen will be 20, while Russ will turn 70. **Leslie Jones**, Russ's sister and Kristen's mom, will also be celebrating with them. Have a great time!

Elaine Edwards enjoyed her trip to Canada to visit her daughter and her family. While there, she had the opportunity to obtain some more information for the family genealogy that she has been working on.

Larry and Marcia Hulberg just returned from their trip to Scotland and Norway and had a great time. Larry reports that they were fortunate to miss the rain while in Norway and had a very good visit with their relatives. There have been lots of complaints about the cold, rainy summer in Norway. Glad you had such a good time!

Svein Livgard is getting ready to head for his annual trip to Norway. He spends part of each year there.

And, here's a beautiful snapshot of Lodge newlyweds, **Kristen and Mark Hunsbedt** who were married on May 30. The bride's "something old" was her *Bestemor's sølje* added to her bouquet.

HEALTH NEWS

Don Ansok is recuperating from back surgery performed on August 24. He will be heading for a rehab facility for physical and occupational therapy for a few days. He is hopeful he can get to Miami for his grandson's wedding on September 5. We are, too!

Our thoughts are with **Shirley Hansen** as she recuperates from her recent accident that Kari has noted in this *Tidende*.

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, Sunshine Chairperson

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

Membership Update

Still no new members! Hope everybody will help to add new members.

We have 5 Past Due Members – please pay your dues if you are behind; your membership is very important to all of us.

The following members have been suspended by Sons of Norway: **Cheryl A. Breitkreutz**, **Diane Christianson**, and **Doug Grude**.

At the end of July we had 266 members including Juvenile members with active insurance.

We received news about **Shirley Hansen**. I had not heard anything from her since she donated the new plaque before our last Anniversary Celebration. We then heard from one of her friends, who filled us in on the latest. Shirley has fallen twice and has two broken hips. She is reasonably well, and loves to receive cards and letters, although she hasn't yet the ambition to write back.

Our newer members may not know Shirley. She joined Nordahl Grieg Lodge in 1966. She is a Life Member and has served the lodge in various officers' positions, including President.

I have notified International of her new address and corrected my mailing list so she will again receive the *Tidende*.

Shirley Hansen, Room 5
% Four Seasons Assisted Living Center
5400 Stine Road,
Bakersfield, CA 93313
FACILITY phone: 661-398-8802

Shirley does not have her own phone and she struggles to hear when people call her. She no longer checks or sends e-mail.

Fraternally,
Kari Warner, Financial Secretary
408-248-5046
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Camp Norge News

The first edition of the official newsletter of District 6 Recreation Center (Camp Norge), *Camp Connections*, is hot off the press. Edited by our own **Fred Hymans**, it is an impressive document that I encourage you to view it on the Camp Norge website. There is lots of news about our beloved Camp and the changes that have occurred since spring which I want to share with you as your Ambassador.

In May, the President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Recreation Center Board resigned, although they continue to assist the Board with their special talents. Two new members were selected to serve on the Board. They include **Bruce Fihe** from our Lodge and **David Lutes** from the Palm Springs Lodge. The new officers are **Fred Hymans**, President; **Kirby Aasen**, Vice-President; **Vicki Running**, Secretary; with **Susan Winje** continuing as Treasurer. There also is a new caretaker, **David Black**.

Over Memorial Day weekend, the new *Stabbur* was unveiled. It is located at the Northeast corner of the meadow near the cozy cabins. It is larger than first conceived by **Penny Joseph Knudsen**, and plans are now underway to add furniture to accommodate four people. It sounds like it will be a fun place to stay on a visit to the Camp.

There is 1,200 feet of new asphalt on the Camp's road from the upper driveway at the Main House all the way up to the cell tower and the fire water tanks. Under supervision of **Kirby Aasem**, subcontractors for Crown Castle, with whom the Camp has the cell tower agreement, did the work. It should be a lot less dusty now when you walk or drive down to Heritage Hall and the meadow.

In late July, just after Camp Trollfjell ended, a huge forest fire raged just a few miles from Camp. It started a few miles east of Alta and Camp Norge. There were evacuations in several Nevada County communities and the fire spread for several days, but not toward Interstate 80 or Camp Norge. It eventually burned over 2,300 acres, destroyed two structures, and caused six injuries. Dozens of communities and hundreds of dwellings were saved by the CDF. In case of emergency, CDF has an agreement with the Camp to pull water from our swimming pool – with helicopters – if needed.

The Recreation Center Board is seeking an old pickup truck for use by the caretaker when working on the property. If you or someone you know owns a truck and is willing to donate it to Camp, the Board will be most grateful.

Here are dates of upcoming activities at the Camp:

- *September 4 at 9 AM – Recreation Center Board Meeting in Social Hall – open to all members*
- *September 5-7 – Northern California Kretsstevne*
- *September 26-27 – Rosemaling Seminar, presented by **Penny Joseph Knudsen**, 916-941-6433.*
- *October 23-25 – Norwegian folk dance weekend hosted by Nordahl Grieg Leikarring. Teaching by **Mikkel Thompson**. Information: **Meg Laycock**, 408-255-2111.*
- *Fall Work Party – details to be announced*
- *April 4-7, 2016 – Bunad Camp, presented by **Pamela Stutrud Groth**, 707-778-8120.*

This brings you up-to-date with happenings at Camp Norge – our "Jewel in the Sierra".

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, Camp Norge Ambassador

News from International

A document entitled *"Guidelines for Nominating Committees"* has been developed by the Governance Committee and approved by the International Board. It will be used by the District Nominating Committee in recruiting candidates for District and International officers. The District 6 Nominating Committee will soon be selected by the District Board, so they can begin their work in finding qualified, interested persons who are willing and able to serve. The Nominating Committee will not endorse one candidate over another, but present all eligible candidates for election.

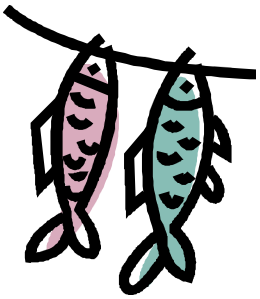
Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, President

PLANNING A PARTY OR SPECIAL EVENT?

Welcome to Nordahl Hall Banquet & Meeting Center

Perfect for weddings, parties, meetings and more! Convenient Campbell–Los Gatos Location.

Contact: Viking Property Management at 408-909-9055



Time for Another Lutefisk Flyer Mailing Party!

Believe it or not, planning for the Lutefisk Dinner has started.

I am busy putting final touches on the mailing list: updating address changes, adding new information, and deleting outdated information.

Last year we had a "Mailing Party" that worked out well and was a tremendous help. Another mailing party for this year has been planned for either September 26 OR September 27. Please let me know if you can help… and your availability on both days:

408-248-5046 ***karia107@earthlink.net***

Sending mailers in late September will give people time to plan how many tickets they will need, how many guests they will invite, etc. I expect the Saturday 6:30 PM seating to fill up first.

Please ***discourage*** your friends and relatives from just "walking-in" to the Lutefisk Dinner. There were more people trying to buy tickets at the door last year than in the past nine years combined. That makes it hard to stay organized and find seats for everyone; we don't want to disappoint anyone… but sometimes, seats are just ***not*** available.

It is time to seriously think about giving someone else the chance to serve our Lodge as Ticket/Publicity Chair. If I can find someone to take over this job, I will happily "retire" after providing extensive training. I will not just walk away… if I can help it. Are there any takers out there?

Submitted by Kari Warner, Lutefisk Dinner Ticket/Publicity Chair

President's Message… continued from Page 1

Kari Warner, **Ginny Hansen**, and I attended **Snorre Lodge**'s 64th Anniversary Dinner and again enjoyed good food and good times with friends from other Lodges. I feel a special relationship with Snorre Lodge as our two groups have shared many of our activities over the past couple years.

In my mind, fall always begins with *Kretsstevne*. But, this is the first year in a very long time that I will not be attending. I will certainly miss all the enjoyment of this gathering and hope it is very successful.

So, if fall is arriving, can Lutefisk be far behind? **Kari Warner** is already getting the mailing list and flyers ready, the schedule for preparations is finalized, and **Larry Hulberg** and **Harry and JoAnn Bjerkhoel** are ready to head up the whole affair. I look forward to seeing many of you helping us get ready for this annual event as we cannot do it without you.

Enjoy these last days of summer – it went so fast – and look forward to fall and hopefully, some rain.

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, President

What does Wikipedia say about Ole and Lena?

Ole and Lena jokes can be long and drawn-out stories, or as short as two or three sentences. Lena is typically portrayed as the smarter of the two, often explaining where Ole went wrong in his misadventures. Another common character is **Sven**, who usually shows up in jokes along with Ole, though all three may appear together. Sven isn't as bright as Ole and Lena, but he means well. Ole and Lena are typically Norwegian, and Sven and his wife are Swedish.

One would not find Ole and Lena jokes in Sweden or Norway. Rather they are an outgrowth of an immigrant experience. Language mistakes are a frequent source of Ole and Lena joke material. Turning misunderstandings and mistakes into jokes enabled people to jest about their American immigrant experience. The popularity of the jokes was greatly enhanced by the numerous Ole and Lena joke books authored by **Red Stangland**.

One reason that the Ole and Lena jokes have endured and thrive is that they are quaint and well-meaning. Ole, Lena, Sven, and others still speak with the marring accent and fractured English of the immigrant who just arrived. Humor of this sort is intended to maintain a sense of perspective. The core of this folk humor is probably the strongly egalitarian sense that permeates the cultural code in the Nordic countries.

Connections ...ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

First-Ever Wood Carving Class – September 4 and 5 – at the 2015 Northern California *Kretsstevne*. This class will provide tools and knowledge to complete level one of the Norwegian Cultural Skills Program: Ornamental Woodcarving Norwegian Relief Style. On Saturday carve a letter opener and on Sunday a bas-relief. Class is limited to 20 students. Cost is $40 and includes knife, safety gloves, and materials. Registration closed on August 20; to check for availability, contact **Tom Gundershaug** at ***gundielodi@gmail.com*** or 209-200-0842.

Northern California Kretsstevne – September 4 thru 6 – celebrate Labor Day weekend with this annual event at Camp Norge. Activities include:

- A woodcarving class with **Joe Perry** on Saturday and Sunday (see details above).
- A Saturday afternoon talk, slideshow, and memorabilia sharing on *"The Viking Battalion"* presented by **Bill Hoffland** with the 99th Infantry Battalion (sep) WWII Educational Foundation.
- Cultural Skills activities include level one Norwegian Folk Dance with **Meg Laycock** and **John Stubblebine**, and cooking with **Mary Beth Ingvoldstad**.
- Delicious meals provided by our lodges served in the Heritage Hall.
- A horseshoe tournament, bingo, kids' games, swimming pool fun, hiking, and general camaraderie!

Bring your tent or RV or call **Sandy** at 530-389-2508 to reserve a room. See ***www.campnorge.org*** for lodging info.

Other California Kretsstevner

- Central Coast *Kretsstevne* at Flying Flags RV Park in Buellton on October 2 to 4. Deadline to register is September 25. For additional info, contact **Ron Oftebro** at 805-964-9195.
- Southern California *Kretsstevne* at Banning Stagecoach KOA on October 23 to 25. For additional info, contact **Nancy Madson** at ***norsknm@earthlink.net***.

Snorre Lodge Annual Tri-Tip Dinner – Saturday, September 19 – in Hayward. Social Hour at 5 PM with dinner at about 6 PM. Cost: $28 Adults; $14 children 6-12 years; children 5 and under free. Contact **Jeannie Thomson** at 510-656-3549 or ***jeannie352@aol.com***. Deadline for payment is Thursday, September 10.

Rosemaling Seminar at Camp Norge – September 26 and 27 – for details about the projects, lodging, etc., contact **Penny Joseph Knudsen** at 916-941-6433.

Norwegian Folk Dance Weekend – October 23-25 – held at Camp Norge and sponsored by Nordahl Grieg Leikarring og Spelemannslag. Dance teaching by **Mikkel Thompson**; music by **Toby Weinberg**. For information, contact **Meg Laycock** at 408-255-2111 or ***meg@jstub.com***.

Bunad Camp 2016 – April 4 thru 7 – held at Camp Norge and taught by expert dressmaker **Sue Sutherland** of Bunad Butikken. Receive individual instruction in authentic embroidery and construction. For Sons of Norway members, registration is $300 plus lodging and materials; $350 for non-members. Class size is limited to 12 students… so make your reservation early if you plan to attend. For more info, contact **Pamela Stutrud Groth** at 707-778-8120 or ***clothcrafter@sbcglobal.net***.

Connect with Camp Norge – read all about activities related to our special place in the Sierra… view the Camp newsletter at ***www.campnorge.org*** and click on the "Get in Touch" page; or via this direct link: ***http://campnorge.org/assets/Summer-Fall_2015_Newsletter.pdf.*** Please share a printed copy of the Camp Norge newsletter if you know a lodge member who would enjoy reading it but does not use the internet. *Tusen Takk!*

Tell us About Activities and Ideas to CONNECT with our Norwegian Heritage!

View Nordahl Grieg Activity Photos at ***www.nordahl-grieg.org*** and ***www.facebook.com/Nordahl.Grieg.***

The spotlight on Volunteerism is back and better than ever! Through the end of the year, Sons of Norway headquarters is collecting the best volunteer stories that lodges have to offer. Consider this an opportunity for us to show off all our hard work in making the community a better place. Here's how we can use the Spotlight on Volunteerism contest to showcase its great work:

First, what qualifies as a volunteer project? In the past, Sons of Norway lodges have done everything from hosting fundraising meals for local charities to assisting with local community clean ups. As long as our event benefits the community, it will likely qualify as a volunteer project.

How do we share our story? First, one of the volunteers will need to complete the simple submission form on the Spotlight on Volunteerism page, which can be found at ***www.sonsofnorway.com/sov***. There you'll also find a complete list of rules for the contest. Once you're finished, send your story to ***membership@sofn.com*** and you're in the running! Don't forget to include a photo, too!

Before you consider a volunteer project, remember there are a few rules. First, any volunteer project must be approved by the lodge and you have to be there as a representative of the lodge. Second, you'll need at least two people to participate in a project. This one should be easy, because we have some great members! Sons of Norway will also request a photo of the volunteer project, too.

At the end of the year, the top five volunteer stories will be open to voting on the Sons of Norway Facebook page. Once the voting concludes, the winning story will appear in a 2016 issue of *Viking*. Along the way, though, you can find outstanding examples of successful community service projects in the monthly *Recruitment & Retention* newsletter. If you aren't sure about what qualifies as a volunteer project, or you have other questions, contact Joe Eggers at ***membership@sofn.com*** (800) 945-8851. Happy volunteering!

…from SON Newsletter Service

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In Memory of Ann Smestad
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In Memory of Elmer Graslie
Linda Garcia & friends & family (donation, Mar 2015)

Tusen Takk for your support!

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

Cultural Skills: Wood Carving

"You Can Whittle and Carve" – this was the first book I ever got about wood carving. I was ten years old! I kept that book with me through many moves, jobs, and relationships. My great grandfather was a skilled woodworker and I told myself many times that I wanted to try my hand at it.

I finally got to make it happen in April when a group from my lodge went to Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in Decorah, Iowa. We had a one-day class of "flat plane carving." It was way more fun than I ever expected! This style of carving is like peeling potatoes with a paring knife. For safety, a Kevlar glove is worn to keep from cutting the hand in which you hold the piece you are carving *(Kevlar is the material used in bullet proof vests).* In June, I returned to Vesterheim for a five-day "acanthus carving" class.

There are three different wood carving units in the Cultural Skills Program. For beginners, figure carving is probably the best place to start. Chip carving requires precision and practice will bring desired results. Acanthus carving is probably the most complex; however, a new carver would probably have less cut fingers because of the type of tools used.

After I returned home, I borrowed a video from the Sons of Norway lending library on Ornamental Woodcarving. It is an excellent study that clearly shows how to learn acanthus carving. This could be a good way for a beginner to see what it's all about before investing in a set of expensive tools.

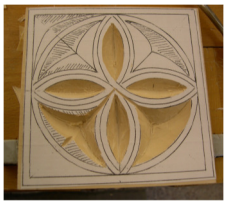
The first project completed in class is also the first project suggested for completing Level 1 of Unit 11, Ornamental Woodcarving.

Submitted by Pamela Stutrud Groth
District 6 Cultural Director

For further info about the Cultural Skills Programs, contact **Pamela Stutrud Grothe** at 707-778-8120 or at ***clothcrafter@sbcglobal.net***

Ornamental Woodcarving
Norwegian Relief Style

How to begin: the design is glued onto the wood and then carved through the paper.



The purpose of this project is to learn how to carve in the direction appropriate for the wood grain. A cheat sheet is included in the packet for this unit.

Once the carving is completed, the paper can be moistened and removed or scraped off with a planer.

Tools used for acanthus carving. Only the very edges of the blades are sharp and the carving action is done away from the carver so there is less risk for cutting yourself.

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*

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2015 Lutefisk Dinner Preparations

The Lutefisk is Coming! It's once again 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.

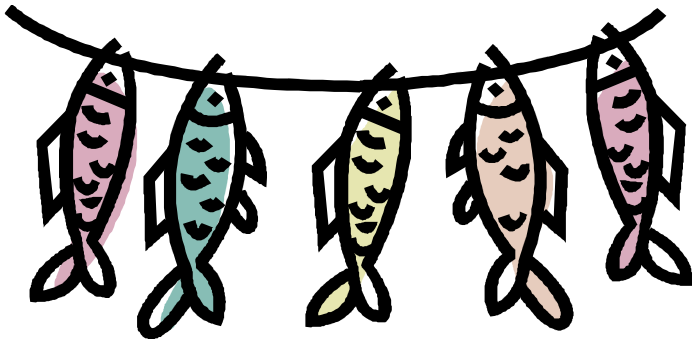
Please contact the chairpersons listed below to let them know you're willing to help. Calling or emailing in advance makes it easier to plan. This includes the many young people who turn out each year to serve. We need to hear from you in advance, so we know who we can count on. **If you don't know where you're needed, contact Victoria Slama** (Volunteer Coordinator). 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 8 (Sunday) – Meatball Making – *date confirmed!*
November 14 &15 (Sat/Sun) – Lefse Making
November 29 & 30 (Sun/Mon) – Cookie Making
December 2 (Wed) – Hall Setup
December 3 (Thurs) – Table Setting
December 4 & 5 (Fri/Sat) – Lutefisk Dinner
December 6 (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.

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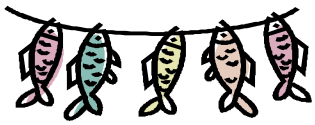

2015 Annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner

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

			Nordahl Grieg Members		Non-Members
Friday, December 4					
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 5					
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 Solveig Club will host its 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 and close at 9:00 PM. Please bring cash or checks for the bazaar and raffle... sorry, credit cards are not 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.
Mail your reservation form together with your check or money order PAYABLE TO: Nordahl Grieg Lodge #52
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Invite a friend!

Lutefisk and Meatball Reservation Coupon

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Saturday, December 5	_____	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**

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Into the Woods: Norway and the Future Library

The Nordmarka forest sits just outside of Oslo. In a large clearing a thousand newly planted trees are growing. For now they are young and fresh, but they will grow tall over the next century, steadily reaching skyward as Norwegians, tourists and visitors hike past. What's special is that these are the trees that will one day play a major role in the Future Library project.

The Future Library is a century long project begun by the artist Katie Peterson. Every year as the trees grow, an author will be asked to write a secret manuscript. Nothing other than the title will be known to anyone until the unveiling one hundred years from now. Each year a manuscript will be added to Future Library and kept in a special room at the New Deichman public library in Oslo (*Deichmanske bibliotek*). Then, in 2115 the trees from the Nordmarka forest will be cut down to create the paper on which the books will finally be printed. In the meantime, no one will be able to read the works of the chosen authors, but visitors will be welcomed to the library where they can browse through the titles and speculate on what the stories will entail.

In many ways the project is a fundamentally hopeful one. In the age of e-books and quickly moving news, Future Library is taking the slow road. The books produced a hundred years from now will be made in a traditional and instantly recognizable style. Future Library is meant to bring together art and the natural world like the rings of a tree, slowly growing over time to leave a gift for future generations.

The first author to create a work for Future Library is Margaret Atwood, the award winning Canadian writer. The author for 2015 is Britain's David Mitchell. To make sure the project has long term support a trust has been founded, and every ten years new members will take over. Future Library is supported by the City of Oslo, and the Bjørvika Utvikling, a development in Oslo dedicated to revitalizing the port neighborhood of the city and to bringing art and culture to the city. Though the authors and members of the trust will be drawn from all over the world, the trees and books will remain in Norway. *…from SON Newsletter Service*

Norwegian Cake Doughnuts

(hjortebakkels)

Adapted from food.com, yields 30 doughnuts

- 8 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 8 cups flour
- ½ cup butter, melted
- ½ cup whipping cream
- ⅛ teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- juice & zest of one lemon
- 2 tablespoons cognac
- sugar and cardamom, to taste
- oil for frying

Break eggs into a large bowl and beat until lemon colored. Add sugar, flour, butter, whipping cream, baking powder, baking soda, lemon juice and zest, and cognac. Knead until dough is stiff. Let stand in refrigerator overnight.

Roll into ropes the size of your finger. Divide into 3 inch lengths and form rings by overlapping ends. Heat oil to 350°F and deep-fry doughnuts (a few at a time), turning until puffed and brown. Drain on paper towels and sprinkle with sugar and cardamom. Store in an airtight container.

Refugees Bike from Russia to Norway

A boundary agreement between Norway and Russia stipulates that the border cannot be crossed on foot. Therefore, refugees bike to cross the border.

A cyclist is defined as non-pedestrian and therefore can ride across the border, according to NTB (Norwegian News Agency). Deputy commander at Storskog border, Goran Stenseth, says that it is not new that cyclists cross the border, but lately some asylum seekers also use the same method.

Stenseth says that so far this year, 133 asylum seekers have come into Norway over Storskog. In addition, some applied directly to the police station in Kirkenes. *…condensed from The Nordic Page at* ***www.ntp.no***

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Sept 4-6	Northern California Kretsstevne
Sept 11	Norwegian Language, Business Meeting, and Genealogy
Sept 16	Solveig Club Meeting
Sept 25	Ice Cream Social and Norwegian Art
Oct 15	First day to mail Lutefisk Dinner reservations
Oct 23-24	Folk dancing at Camp Norge
Nov 8	Meatball Making (confirmed date)
Nov 14-15	Lefse Making
Nov 29-30	Cookie Making
Dec 4-5	Lutefisk Dinner
Dec 6	Hall Clean-up

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