Nordahl's Tidende

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En hilsen fra Presidenten

Kjære Venner (Dear Friends),

It is that time of year again when Sons of Norway Lodges are recruiting officers for 2016. Nordahl Grieg Lodge is no different. At our last business meeting, a nominating committed was selected. They are **Judy Purrington**, **Barbara Shoup**, and **Kären Aaker**; we thank them for their willingness to carry out this difficult task.

I am asking you to assist them by "stepping up to the plate." You can volunteer for a position you would like. If asked, please say "yes, I can do that!" or, if in doubt about taking on an office, seek some information from the current person holding that position about what is involved. Are you willing to share a position? We could have Co-Presidents, several Social Directors, a couple of Cultural Directors. Responsibilities can be shared and stronger relationships forged. As a result, our Lodge can emerge stronger than ever.

You are "not too old" to be on the slate. We currently have members in their 80's and 90's who are serving as officers. You are also "never too young." We need and would love to have you bring your perspective to our Lodge. And, if you feel you don't know enough about Sons of Norway, we can help you learn the things you need to know; mentoring is available. I can promise you that being involved will pay off in many ways.

So, please give some serious thought about accepting a position when asked by the Nominating Committee. **YOUR LODGE NEEDS YOU AND WILL BE INDEBTED TO YOU!**

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, President

AGENDA ALERT

Our next meeting is
Friday, October 9

6:45 PM Potluck
7:15 PM Heroes of Telemark – a presentation by **Virginia Frank**
8:00 PM Business Meeting

Refreshments after the meeting will be provided by **Elaine Edwards.**

Participate in a Cultural Skills Day on Sunday, October 25.

1:00 to 5:00 PM See details on page 2

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Celebrate Leif Erikson Day on October 9

U.S. stamp issued on Leif Erikson Day in 1968

October Cultural Activities at Nordahl Hall

At the October 9 business meeting…

7:15 to 8:00 PM – Enjoy a slide presentation by **Virginia Frank** on ***The Heroes of Telemark***! During WW II in Norway, the Nazis tried to produce "heavy water" for an atomic bomb so Germany could win the war. This story tells of the brave Norwegians in the resistance who worked to stop production by attacking the heavy water plant.

At a Special Cultural Skills Sunday on October 25…

1:00 to 5:00 PM – Participate in activities towards earning cultural skill pins.

- Join with other Lodge members in listening to a CD of wonderful ***Norwegian music*** of different types and complete the requirement for earning a pin in Music Part I.

- **Bruce Fihe** will provide instruction in ***Hardanger Embroidery***. All supplies will be provided by the Lodge at no expense to those attending, so just bring yourself and your enthusiasm for this amazing skill.
- An orientation will also be provided on the requirements to qualify for a pin in the following areas: ***Literature, Genealogy, Norwegian Language, Cooking, Rosemaling, Knitting, and Folk Dancing***.

In sharing skills we love and teaching others about all things Norwegian, we will be meeting one of the goals established for our Lodge this year.

Nyheter Fra Solveig Club

The Solveig Club met on September 21 after our long summer recess. **Duane Adams** was our hostess and served a delicious salad and yummy cake. Plans are well under way for our Lutefisk Dinner Bazaar. Yes… lutefisk time is right around the corner!

While doing your fall cleaning, if you find gently used household or decorative items you no longer use, our bazaar "treasure table" would welcome them. 100% of the proceeds at our treasure table benefit our scholarship fund. Vintage Nordic items are also popular items at our bazaar, so please remember us if you discover items you no longer want.

October 9 is Leif Erikson Day (followed a few days later by Columbus Day) … so be sure to fly your Norwegian Flag alongside the Stars and Stripes.

Halloween is a favorite holiday and a very important day for our little goblins and witches… so drive carefully and stock up on lots of goodies. Happy Halloween!

The Solveig Club will meet next on Wednesday, October 21, at 10:30 AM in the Solveig Room and **Kari Warner** will be our hostess. Come join us for goodies and conversation.

Remember to always drive carefully.

Ha det bra,
Elderid Everly, Solveig Club President

October Birthdays

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

Heritage Member

17	Julia Teeple
25	Miles Macdiarmid

Gratulerer med dagen!

News about Members

INTERESTING NEWS!

Marv and Lois Bertelson recently attended the 69th Annual Reunion of the 12th Armored Division, US Army in Omaha. Marv served with the 493rd Armored Field Artillery during WW II and was involved in the rescue of prisoners from Nazi concentration camps. Marv often shares his experiences with groups. While in the Midwest, Marv and Lois had the opportunity to visit with Lois's niece in Iowa. It has been a busy time for Marv, who just recently celebrated his 90th birthday at a family gathering. Congratulations, Marv! We certainly appreciate the many contributions that Marv and Lois have both made to our Lodge throughout their many years of membership.

Congratulations to **Amanda Slama Sorensen!** Amanda earned a Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering with an emphasis on Composite Structures at the end of Spring Semester from the Missouri University of Science and Technology. Amanda is the daughter of **Victoria Slama** and granddaughter of **Don Slama**. She is currently employed by Boeing and living in Long Beach, so we get to see her a bit more often. We are very proud of you, Amanda.

HEALTH NEWS

Kären Aaker has had carpal tunnel surgery and has been rehabbing. She is doing well.

Don Ansok is home after his back surgery and stint in rehab. He is driving again and has minimal pain, so he is very pleased with his progress.

Elaine Edwards has been "under the weather" with a sinus problem but is feeling better now.

Elderid Everly is undergoing some evaluation of her heart. She has recently had a couple of episodes which sent her to the emergency room… but, she remains upbeat and anxious to get back to making lefse.

Vicki Everly has had a siege with laryngitis and a nasty ear infection causing some hearing loss. Although she was miserable, she is doing better now, but will have further evaluation.

Janet Pankratz has been in the hospital this week with respiratory problems. We hope she is doing better each day and will soon be home again.

We certainly wish all of you quick recoveries and continued good health!

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

There is not too much to report this time as there will be no information from International until the end of month.

JoAnn and Harry Bjerkhoel each signed up a new member; thank you! The application forms and checks for these new members have been forwarded to Minneapolis.

One of our members is paid up in advance through 2017: **Jon Villarreal**, thank you! Now please do come and see us more often at meetings and socials. You are missed.

We do have a couple of address changes; please update your membership directory:

- **Tor Hanssen**, 433 Marine Place, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
- **Coy Bratton**, 5005 Ensley Road, Knights Landing, CA 95645

In addition, **Lois and Marvin Bertelson's** phone number is not in the directory, so here it is: 408-739-5958

A couple of *Tidende* newsletters have been returned with a new line stating "No mail receptacle." At first I thought that someone was out there swiping mail boxes; however, it think it is just the Post Office's way of letting us know there is an address change.

Fraternally,
Kari Warner, Financial Secretary
408-248-5046
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Tusen Takk to **Victoria Slama** and **Bob Goodenough** for donating sets of serving bowls for lutefisk dinner. You guys are special!

District 6 Nominating Committee

The District 6 Nominating Committee has been established. It includes the following members:

Lyle Berge **Roger Espelund**
Gwen Knighton **Lise Fleming**
Randi Cruz

This committee will be recruiting candidates for all positions on the District 6 Board of Directors, seeking a proper match of skills needed to round out the District and International Boards. They will not endorse any candidates, but present eligible candidates for election. Nominees must be delegates to the Convention next June in Colorado, so if interested in being nominated, you also need to declare your interest in being a delegate from Nordahl Grieg Lodge. Let me know if you are interested and I will provide you the information you need to contact members of the Nominating Committee.

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, President

Calling all Bunad Wearers!

With the Norway Day Festival on hiatus, I know I am not the only one who has missed the popular "Bunad Show" each year. While there are plenty of pictures on the internet, I know there are many of you out there (men and women) with beautiful bunads, and there could be nothing more exciting than seeing the real thing.

As the cultural event for our November meeting, **Snorre Lodge** in Hayward plans a presentation on Bunads, and we invite anyone willing to share their Bunad with us to participate.

Our lodge will meet on **Friday, November 13**, at the Hill and Valley Club, 1808 B Street in Hayward. We invite those of you who can participate to join us, as our guest, for a potluck meal at 6:00 PM with the program starting at approximately 7:00 PM. As an added incentive, for those wanting to come via public transportation, let us know by October 31 and we will arrange pick-up and drop-off at the Hayward BART station!

For more information or to let us know your willingness to participate – and so we know what bunads will be represented – please contact **Randall Hicks** at 510 750-6858 or via email at: *hickr01@gmail.com*.

Tusen takk!
Randal Hicks, Snorre Lodge

A THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU…

Words cannot adequately express my appreciation to each of you for your Happy Birthday wishes. I am humbled by your outpouring of caring and friendship. It was delightful to see so many of you at the celebration, which was, indeed, a great surprise. Norwegians are known for being able to keep a secret and you all did that very well. I have enjoyed the many greetings and remembrances I have received and thank you for them. You are the best!

A sincere THANK YOU,
Shirley Shoup

Lodge Workday – October 4

Our annual lutefisk dinner is just around the corner and we have lots to do. Please come and help at our next lodge workday, Sunday October 4. We'll start at 9:00 AM, but come when you can. As usual, lunch will be provided. Thanks so much!

If you have questions, contact **Larry Hulberg** at ***lwhulberg@gmail.com*** or 408-813-2615

Hall Board Update

The Hall Board met September 13 to discuss several important items. The meeting also provided the perfect excuse to lure Shirley to the Hall for her surprise birthday party!

Fred Hymans has ably served as our treasurer for several years; however, the financial services company through which he has his securities license recently asked that he not serve as treasurer on any board. Fred has professional relationships that he needs to maintain and we need to respect that, but this created a real dilemma for the Board. Fortunately, **Victoria Slama** agreed take over the position of Treasurer and we know she'll do a great job. We owe Fred a debt of gratitude for carrying the ball over the past few years and a similar one to Victoria for agreeing to step in. They'll work together on transitioning over the coming months. Thanks to you both!!

Nordahl Hall, Inc. is a title holding company established under IRS rules for non-profit corporations. But, as a property holding company, it must be categorized differently from the parent organization, the Sons of Norway. Long ago, the IRS designation for Sons of Norway was used for hall tax reporting purposes and there's been confusion about the status ever since; we've now been instructed by Internatioal to get the matter straightened out. It turns out many other lodges and Camp Norge are also in the same boat. What's involved is submitting a lengthy financial information form to the IRS that we've been working on for some time, but we hope to have this squared away shortly. It's been a long saga!

Other items discussed at the meeting that we're moving ahead with:

- Replacing the refrigerator in the storage room. **Russ Behel** spent many hours working on the old refrigerator but it is no longer worth saving. Nevertheless, we appreciate all your efforts, Russ.
- Fence repair with the expense shared with the adjacent property owner. The fence has been patched many times over the years but it's certain to fall down if we have substantial storms this winter. Replacing the fence would be too costly but we can save the existing lumber by installing new fence posts adjacent to the existing ones.
- Spot treating for termites around the back doors into the hall. The doors are sagging and it turns out termites are to blame.
- Servicing the kitchen refrigerator and HVAC units. However, we're concerned about the unit over the Solveig Room which hasn't been working for some time.

Larry Hulberg, Hall Board President

WE DID IT !!

Several months ago, **Barbara Shoup** approached **Ginny Hansen** and me and told us she wanted to give Shirley a Surprise Birthday Party. As party time approached, it was full speed ahead. We all worked behind the scenes in full secrecy. It was sometimes a little difficult to keep quiet, because both Ginny and I talk to Shirley frequently.

The party was a huge success; Shirley did not have a clue and was completely surprised. If you were there, you would have noticed her speechless expression that lasted for minutes. I want to thank everybody who knew about the party for not spilling the beans beforehand!

Barbara was the driving force behind the entire event, she planned the meal with the caterers, organized family and friends for various tasks, made follow up calls; in other words… she did a great job planning and making it happen. Ginny and I may have helped, but all the credit should go to Barbara.

Barbara's response to our thanks for her efforts was to say "Shirley deserved it." She is right, you did deserve it, Shirley, and we all love you.

… submitted by Kari Warner

Don't forget to mail your Lutefisk Dinner ticket reservation on October 15!

Enjoy these letters sent to the Solveig Club…

Thank you for the scholarship to camp *Trollfjell Folkehøgskule*, without it I don't think I'd have been able to attend. The camp was the highlight of my summer. Not only was I able to reconnect with two old friends of mine (there were only three campers at the camp this year); I was also able to learn new cultural skills such as knitting and chip carving. The small size of the camp allowed me to receive lots of one on one on both cultural skills. I can't wait to see how this camp will grow over the next couple of years. I look forward to attending the camp for two weeks next year.

Tusen Takk, ***Lotty Del Barga***

Thank you for the Solveig Club's support. Your assist and faith in my education gives me great motivation to continue with my nursing career. I look forward to this school semester and my new clinical site in the ICU.

Thank you again, ***Alissa Hansen***

Thank you so much for your generosity in awarding me this year's college scholarship. I am so grateful for the support systems I have had through the Lodge and the Solveig Club for my whole life. This year's scholarship will help immensely with the cost of textbooks, and takes some of the financial burden off myself. I really appreciate it.

Thanks again! Best, ***Morgan Frost***

I would like to extend my gratitude and thank you for awarding me the Solveig Club Scholarship. This scholarship will help me manage my financial burden and allow me to fully focus on becoming a registered nurse.

Since attending VCU, my joy for helping others has extended to my extracurricular activities. I have joined the Women's Health Nursing organization and have become a volunteer at the American Red Cross. These activities allow me to help my community as I continue my journey to become a nurse. In addition, I have achieved a 4.0 in my first semester and hope to continue to excel in my courses.

Once again, thank you for investing in my future. I will use this gift to continue to thrive in my program as well as in my extracurricular activities.

Sincerely, ***Ruth Likens***

I am so grateful for all the support you have provided in my education and throughout my life. I am honored to know such incredible and generous people.

Amanda Slama Sorensen

April 10, 2015 Business Meeting Highlights

(condensed from minutes approved in June 2015)

- ✓ The meeting was preceded by a cultural presentation by **Elaine Edwards** about *The Shetland Bus*.
- ✓ The charter was draped in memory of **Sverre Knapstad** and a moment of silence was observed.
- ✓ Minutes of the March business meeting were approved as corrected.
- ✓ Treasurer **Mike Block** provided a report of the Lodge's current financial status.
- ✓ Social Director **Claire Smyth** reminded members of the Aquavit Tasting Party and the *Syttende Mai* Celebration.
- ✓ Cultural Director **Elaine Edwards** described books to consider reading for the literature cultural skill.
- ✓ Sunshine Chair **Shirley Shoup** reported on the health and welfare of various lodge members.
- ✓ Hall Board President **Larry Hulberg** encouraged everyone to attend the Work Day on May 3.
- ✓ **Meg Laycock**, Relay for Life Co-Chair, provided a status report on the event.
- ✓ President Shoup announced that a Lodge goal in 2015 is the review and update of Lodge Bylaws; she asked for volunteers and **Kari Warner** and **Judy Purrington** agreed to serve on an ad-hoc Bylaw Review Committee. One more volunteer is needed.
- ✓ President Shoup installed Cultural Director **Elaine Edwards** and Assistant Social Director **Duane Adams**.
- ✓ **Kathy Whitesel** encouraged everyone to shop the *Ole and Lena Swap Meet Table* during the meeting with proceeds to benefit the *Love Your Lodge Fund.*

Connections ...ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

Camp Norge Work Party – November 7 and 8 – help to winterize Camp. Good food, good fun, cheap lodging! For additional information, contact **Fred Hymans** at ***fred.hymans@gmail.com***.

Doings at Other Lodges

- **October 16** – Heritage Night at **Vigeland Lodge** from 7 to 9 PM at Highlands Community Club, 1665 Fernside Street, Redwood City. Enjoy a light supper, samples of Norwegian goodies, and demonstrations of Norwegian skills.
- **November 7** – Lutefisk Dinner at **Bjornsterne Bjornson Lodge** in Oakland. For details, contact **Nancy Eikeberg** at 510-530-3721
- **November 21 and 22** – Tabitha Bazaar at **Seaman's Church** in San Francisco from 10 AM to 4 PM. Traditional Christmas products, Norwegian foods for sale, and sandwiches and pastries in the café.
- **December 11** – Christmas Party with Potluck, Santa Claus, Viking Flea Market, and Cookie Sale at **Snorre Lodge** in Hayward. For details, contact **Jeannie Thomson** at 510-656-3549

Other California Kretsstevner

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

New Scandinavian Cooking is back on KQED on three Saturdays in October at 8:30 AM

- **October 3** – Chef Andreas makes a Scandinavian Christmas feast and shares favorite Norwegian recipes of the season: mulled wine with almonds and raisins, pressed pork, crusted ham, traditional roast duck, and a Norwegian dessert barley cream with red berry.
- **October 24** – A packed lunch is an important part of the Scandinavian food tradition. Andreas shares his favorite bread recipe, makes a healthy liver pate, and creates a honey crusted ham. In addition, a chef from one of Oslo's best restaurants shares advice on making the most of Norway's wild herbs.
- **October 31** – Andreas visits the valley of Gudbrandsdalen, home to the Norwegian delicacy known as brown cheese, where he combines this versatile cheese with roasted goat and a sweet caramel ice cream. Yum!

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 ***pamelag@sonic.net***.

Pamela Stutrud Groth, our District 6 Cultural Director (from Freya Lodge), has a new email address: ***pamelag@sonic.net*** – please update your records.

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.***

June 12, 2015 Business Meeting Highlights

(condensed from minutes approved in September 2015)

- ✓ Meeting called to order following a beginning Norwegian language lesson.
- ✓ The charter was draped in memory of **Greg Ansok** and a moment of silence was observed.
- ✓ Minutes of the April 2015 meeting were approved as corrected.
- ✓ President Shoup thanked all who participated in the Relay for Life event and a round of applause was given for all Relay volunteers.
- ✓ Financial Secretary **Kari Warner** provided a membership update.
- ✓ Treasurer **Mike Block** provided a current financial report.
- ✓ Social Director **Claire Smyth** reminded everyone of the Heritage Night.
- ✓ Cultural Director **Elaine Edwards** announced upcoming events.
- ✓ Sunshine Chair **Shirley Shoup** reported on the health and welfare of Lodge members.
- ✓ Scholarship Committee Chair **Elderid Everly** provided a status report on campership applications. President Shoup announced that the Lodge Board of Directors voted to allocate additional funds for 2015 scholarships. A committee will be appointed to review applicants.
- ✓ Hall Board President **Larry Hulberg** provided an update on activity to rebuild the roof overhang: In addition, the Hall Board officers and Lodge President have been working to update the Hall's IRS designation from 501c(8) to 501c(2), as required by International.
- ✓ Vice President **Kären Aaker** announced membership awards for those who recruited new members during 2014: **Don Schallock**, **Fred Hymans**, **JoAnn Burton**, **Richard Pierson**, and **Sharee Frost**.

Love Your Lodge Donations

Platinum Level

In Memory of Ann Smestad
Linda and Ron Smestad (donation, Aug 2015)

In Memory of Greg Ansok
Don Ansok (donation, June 2015)

Solveig Club (donation, Mar 2015)

In Memory of Harold Everly
5 Generations of the Everly Family (donation, Feb 2015)

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

Gold Level

Donald Slama (donation, June 2014)

Bronze Level

In memory of Noel Whaley
Sydney Whaley (donation, April 2015)

Duane Adams (donation, Feb 2015)

Bob Goodenough (donation, Feb 2015)

Victoria Slama (donation, Feb 2015)

In Memory of Clarian Pintacura
Alan Pintacura (donation, Nov 2014)

In Memory of Hank (Elmer) Graslie
Sharon & Daniel Fisher (donation, Oct 2014)

Shirley J. Hansen (donation, June 2014)

Kate Slama (donation, June 2014)

In Memory of Hank (Elmer) Graslie
Sharon & Daniel Fisher (donation, Mar 2014)

Donald Peterson Family Living Trust
(donation, Dec 2013)

Eileen & 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)

Special Raffle Donation

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!*

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
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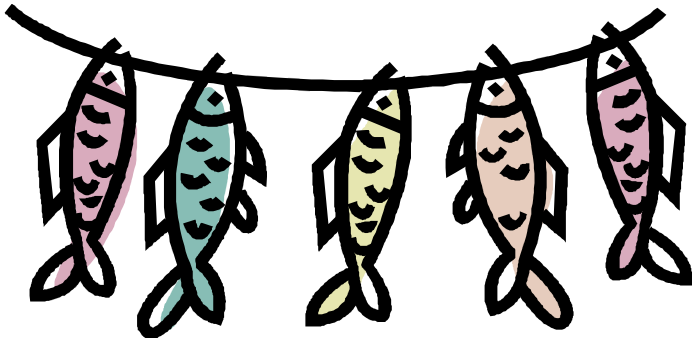


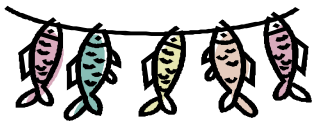
Mark your Calendar!

November 8 (Sunday) – Meatball Making
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.

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	kateslama@att.net
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



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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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 4	_____	1st Seating	3:30 PM	*Early Diner's Special*
	_____	2nd Seating	5:30 PM	
	_____	3rd Seating	7:30 PM	
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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Tromsø: A Rising Northern Star

Tromsø – known as the "Arctic Capital" – was recently named one of *Lonely Planet's Best Places to Visit in Europe*.

The city is 200 miles north of the Arctic Circle, and each season brings major changes in temperature and sunlight. Winter brings the Polar Night when the sun sets in November and doesn't rise again until January; and from May to June brings the Midnight Sun. Outdoor activities are enjoyed year round. For nature lovers there are wildlife excursions, like whale watching, and opportunities to experience nature by foot or dogsled. For those looking to enjoy the fjords there is kayaking and fishing. Night trips are offered in every season, for those seeking Northern Lights or the feel of a never-ending sunset.

For those who prefer a more "urban" experience, Tromsø has much to offer. The city center shopping and entertainment street is a pedestrian paradise to stroll, shop, and enjoy the city. Tromsø is also home to wide array of festivals year round – from music to film to cultural events.

Although it is more than a year away, Tromsø is anticipating the grand opening of *Krystall*, a snowflake shaped luxury hotel that floats on the surface of the sea… yet another reason Tromsø deserves to be among the top destinations in Europe.

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Support the "Nordahl Hall Capital Fund."

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Please make checks payable to: *Nordahl Grieg Lodge*
Write *"Hall Capital Fund"* on the memo line.
Then mail to:
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For more info, ask any Hall Board Member, or contact Larry Hulberg at 408-813-2615 or *lwhulberg@gmail.com*

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Facts about Leif Erikson Day

The Name: The spelling varies from culture to culture. Icelanders call him Leifur Eiríksson, Norwegians use Leiv Eiriksson and, in Old Norse, he was called Leifr Eiríksson. But the American observance uses the more familiar spelling of Leif Erikson.

The Explorer: Leif was born around 960-970 A.D. in Iceland to Norwegian parents, and spent time in Norway and Greenland. He is therefore claimed by many, while also being referred to as Viking and Norse. He earned the nickname Leif the Lucky after rescuing a crew of 15 shipwrecked Icelanders.

Icelandic sagas tell us that Erikson established a settlement called Vinland (believed to be in northern Newfoundland at L'Anse aux Meadows) around the year 1001 AD, four centuries before the birth of Columbus. Erikson was only 24 when he bought a boat and set out on commission by Norway's King Olav I to bring Christianity to other lands. Erikson was trying to find a place that his friend Bjarni Herjólfsson had told him about – Herjólfsson had sighted the coast in 986, without going ashore. Erikson and his group settled and stayed at Vinland for a winter, before returning to Greenland.

The Holiday: Leif Erikson was first recognized nationally in 1925 by President Coolidge when he acknowledged the idea that Leif had landed on North American shores nearly 500 years before Columbus. However, the official USA observance of Leif Erikson Day didn't begin until 1964 when Congress approved a resolution proposed by Hubert Humphrey, and Lyndon Johnson declared Leif Erikson Day to be October 9. The day had already been observed in Minnesota and Wisconsin since the 1930s and by 1956 in South Dakota, Illinois, Colorado, Washington, and California.

The Date: October 9 has no special connection to Leif – but on October 9, 1825, the sloop *Restaurationen* landed in New York, carrying the first group of Norwegian Quakers. That passage began a wave of Norwegian immigration that lasted for over 70 years and brought hundreds of thousands of Norwegians to North American shores.

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Oct 4	Hall Clean-Up Day
Oct 9	Business Meeting and Leif Erikson Day
Oct 15	First day to mail Lutefisk Dinner reservations
Oct 21	Solveig Club Meeting
Oct 23-25	Folk dancing at Camp Norge
Oct 25	Cultural Skills Event at Nordahl Hall
Nov 8	Meatball Making
Nov 14-15	Lefse Making
Nov 29-30	Cookie Making
Dec 4-5	Lutefisk Dinner
Dec 6	Hall Clean-up

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Dates will be added as they become available.

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