Nordahl's Tidende

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SONS OF NORWAY, NORDAHL GRIEG LODGE, 6-52

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En hilsen fra Presidenten

Kjære Venner (Dear Friends),

Being away for almost seven years made me realize how special our lodge really is. I'm glad that I have been given the opportunity to be the President for 2016. I might be a little rusty, but I guarantee you I will do my best to lead our lodge to be the best it can be.

We as a lodge really need to realize how wonderful Sons of Norway is and be thankful for all the amazing aspects of this organization. One of the first opportunities we will have to do this is the Leadership Seminar being held at our Hall on March 5. I want to make sure that everyone realizes that this is not just for the members aspiring to leadership positions but truly for all members to understand how amazing Sons of Norway is.

Far too often I think we just get complacent and stuck in our ways, and I want to challenge our members to get out of their comfort zone and take a trip to another lodge during this year. Sons of Norway would not survive without the lodges working together as one organization. We have had so many other lodges that have supported us over the years by visiting us during our socials and business meetings, and we need to make sure we show them the same support back. I have always enjoyed my visits to other lodges over the years and I hope that every member of Nordahl Grieg Lodge gets to have that same experience sometime during 2016.

Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to be your President this year and to help the lodge reach new heights during 2016.

Fraternally,
Laura Porter, President

AGENDA ALERT

It is a busy month ahead and we are looking forward to seeing you on….

- **Friday, February 12** at 7:30 PM for the Lodge Business Meeting and election of delegates to the District 6 Convention.
- **Saturday, February 20** at 6:00 PM for Nordahl Grieg Lodge's 70th Anniversary Dinner.
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Nyheter Fra Solveig Club

Don't leave this year's Anniversary Dinner empty-handed! Come shop at the Solveig Club's Nordic Boutique and buy up a handful of raffle tickets for a beautiful Norwegian Heritage Cookbook. Proceeds benefit our youth campership and scholarship funds (cash and checks only please).

Next month's meeting will be on Wednesday, February 17 at 10:30 AM, in the Solveig Room. Bring a sandwich and enjoy other goodies provided by this month's hostess, Ginny Hansen. Everyone is invited to join us.

Finally, please remember the less fortunate in our community this Valentine's Day season by bringing canned foods, preferably with pop-top lids, for the Lodge's ongoing food drive. A donation box is available at all Lodge events.

Beste hilsen,
Duane Adams, Solveig Club President

February Birthdays

5	Turid Sinagra
9	Mikkel Thompson
10	Sonja Flanagin
11	Richard Bondelie
12	Erik Werner
12	Karl Owen
14	Orland Larson
15	James True
16	Harold Shellum
18	James Marlowe
20	Elaine Edwards
21	Clara Graslie
23	Sylvia Stevens
23	Eileen Sargent

Gratulerer med dagen!

Membership Update

I'm still having computer problems and struggling to keep up with membership changes. Here are the updates since my last report…we say *velkommen* to all our new members!

NEW MEMBERS:

Douglas W. Debs
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James and Mary True
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Karl Owen
731 Blossom Hill Road #B, San Jose, CA 95125
incomplete_robot1@gmail.com

REINSTATED MEMBER:
Karen Vogelhuber
331 Mill Pond Drive, San Jose, CA 95125

CANCELLED MEMBERS:
Donald and Jenevieve Schilling

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

News About Members

TRAVEL NEWS

Some of our members are enjoying some R and R after a busy December.

Harry and Joann Bjerkhoel have been enjoying a cruise, while **Andy Hunsbedt** is spending some time in Hawaii. **Vicki Everly** was in Florida but she was busy on a volunteer project with no time for fun.

HEALTH NEWS

Barbara Shoup recently had surgery again to remove a tumor on her right femur. She is home from the hospital and receiving Home Health Care, and reports she is progressing. She is looking forward to being back seeing you at the Lodge soon. Stay the course, Barbara!

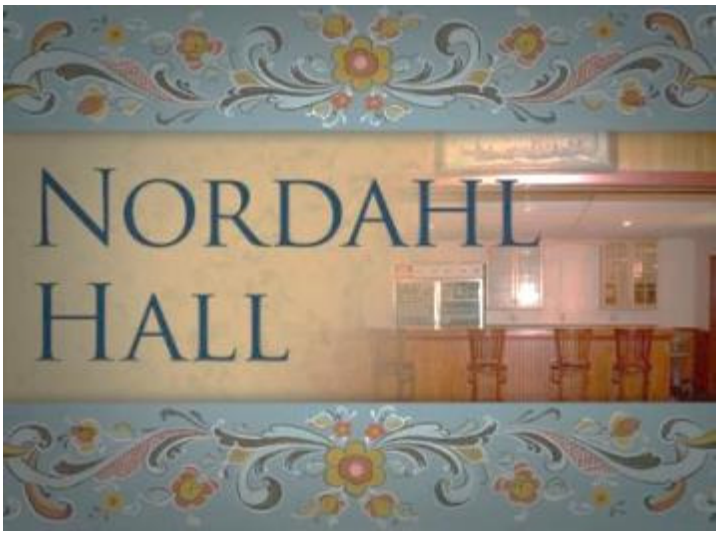
CONDOLENCES to **Alan Pintacura** in the loss of his 97-year-old father the day after Christmas. He passed away quietly and peacefully during the night while at home. Warm and caring thoughts are extended to you, Alan, from all of us.

IN MEMORIAM

Merle Loney was 84 when he passed away recently. He lived in Los Gatos and had been a member of our Lodge for a little over four years. He especially enjoyed the Lutefisk Dinners, which he faithfully attended. We extend our sympathy to Merle's family in their loss.

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*



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

District Six Nominating Committee

Delegates to the 2016 District Six Lodge Meeting and Convention should be elected prior to March.

Because the District Six Board is comprised of elected members from our local lodges and candidates for the Board must be a delegate, the Nominating Committee requests that anyone with the talent and interest in serving submit their name for election as a delegate.

Resolutions* approved at the 2014 International Lodge Meeting state that all candidates for District office are to apply to the Nominating Committee. All information for the application as well as a list of duties are available on *www.sofn6.org*. Please contact any of the Nominating Committee members, as listed on the website, for further clarification or to submit an application.

Lyle Berge, Chairman
lyle.berge@sofnboard.com 720-470-9518

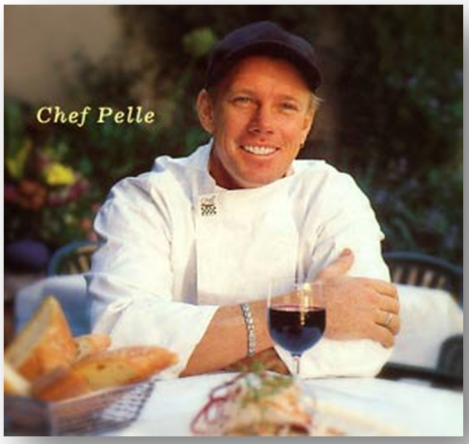
Lodge Goals for 2016

1. Review Lodge bylaws and standing rules, and update as necessary.
2. Develop a membership promotion program.
3. Develop and implement at least two cultural skills classes to help members earn cultural skills pins.
4. Develop a lodge privacy policy to assure protection of officers' and members' personal information on social media, in newsletters, and in other communications.

Nordahl Grieg Lodge
70th Anniversary Dinner

Saturday, February 20
6:00 PM Social Time and Appetizers ▪ 7:00 PM Dinner

Our dinner for this special celebration will be catered by the renowned Swedish Chef **Pelle Nilsson**, the private chef for the Norwegian Club of San Francisco. Throughout his career Pelle has held several Executive Chef positions and achieved many culinary distinctions, including preparing a VIP banquet for King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden. We are sure to enjoy the delicious meal he's preparing for us!



Menu

- *Spinach, arugula, and fresh pear salad, with a Danish blue cheese and fresh strawberry vinaigrette*
- *Wine and dill poached salmon in a champagne caper butter sauce*
  and
- *Herb grilled tri-tip in a roasted garlic port wine sauce*
- *Parmesan scalloped potatoes*
- *Medley of roasted seasonal vegetables*
- *Rum-infused coffee cake with berry compote and almond mascarpone cream*

The program immediately after dinner will include presentation of the 2016 Presidential Awards and Membership Longevity Awards.

Shop the Solveig Club Boutique for Scandinavian gifts and books… checks and cash only, please. All proceeds benefit the Solveig Club Scholarship Fund.

Cost: $40 adult
No charge for children age 12 and under

RSVP and payment MUST be received by Wednesday, February 17
Please make checks payable to "Nordahl Grieg Lodge" and mail to:
Kari Warner, Financial Secretary
1000 El Camino Real, Apt. 107 ▪ Santa Clara, CA 95050-4284
Phone (408) 248-5046

If you can help, please contact Social Director **Kristen Hunsbedt** at 408-828-3503
or by email at *kristenhunsbedt@gmail.com*
MANGE TUSEN TAKK!

Member Anniversaries

The following Lodge members will receive longevity awards at the 2016 Anniversary Dinner.

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone and THANK YOU for your continued membership and support of Nordahl Grieg Lodge!

5 Years *(joined in 2010)*
Lars-Erik Haug
Sue Ellen Laurie
Beverly Smestad

10 Years *(joined in 2005)*
Sila Maureen Capp
Erline Mello

15 Years *(joined in 2000)*
Marilyn Nelson
Duane Overby
Barbara Shoup
Linda Smestad
Ron Smestad

20 Years *(joined in 1995)*
Cathy Felkey
Sharon Felkey

25 Years *(joined in 1990)*
Leslie Jones
Orland Larson
Anna Likens
Kermit Lund
Ken Peterson

Golden Members
Cecelia Meyer
Leo Meyer

30 Years *(joined in 1985)*
Janie Kelly
William Likens
Cecelia Meyer
Leo Meyer

35 Years *(joined in 1980)*
Sheryl Hawes
Norman Johnson
Joan Kyle
Craig Slama

40 Years *(joined in 1975)*
Gary Ansok
Timothy Evjenth
Tor Hanssen
Marion Harris
Laddie Hughes

45 Years *(joined in 1970)*
Kathleen Slama
Homer Stennes
June Stennes

50 Years *(joined in 1965)*
Olaug Hanson
Kari Warner

Annual Shareholders Meeting
Nordahl Hall, Inc.

Friday ▪ March 11 at 7:30 PM

All members of Nordahl Grieg Lodge are shareholders in the corporation that owns Nordahl Hall. Each March, on the evening of the regular Lodge business meeting, the President of the Nordahl Hall Board of Directors presents an annual report and the Treasurer presents a financial statement.

Shareholders (that's you!) will have the opportunity to inquire about any concerns or make suggestions for improvement. At this meeting, we also elect new directors to fill expired terms or vacant seats on the Board.

Additional details about this meeting will be provided in the March *Tidende*. Please plan to attend!

LODGE HISTORY

As one of the senior members of the lodge, I have been asked to record some of my thoughts and memories. I am happy to do this, but in this text, I am going to try and avoid specific names. If I don't, I'm sure to omit someone, and I don't want to do this. … ***Don Ansok***

THE LODGE: The lodge was founded on February 16, 1946, and there was a lot of work prior to this date. At this time, the Home Office had field representatives whose job was to determine which communities could support a Sons of Norway lodge. These individuals went through phone books (they were much smaller then) and other contacts looking for names that appeared to be Norwegian. Contact was made and when they found a sufficient number of individuals/couples, an existing lodge in the area was contacted and asked if they would be the 'mother lodge' of this newly formed lodge.

Nordahl Hall – Love Your Lodge

Support 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**	**Silver**	**$250**
Gold	**$500**	**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.

Oakland's Bjornson lodge became our mother lodge. I joined the lodge two years later and the meetings for these first few years were held at Costa Hall, 15 S. 3rd Street, San Jose. This was on the second floor and it was a long flight of stairs (no elevator).

Around 1950, the lodge moved its meeting site to the VFW Hall on S. 4th Street. In both instances, street parking was all that was available. We kept our meetings there until the mid-1960s, when the lodge members starting talking about getting our own hall. A committee was formed and a vacant parcel of land was located on White Oaks Road in West San Jose. I cannot remember if a purchase was made or not, but it was about this time that the Knights of Columbus' Santa Lucia Hall in Los Gatos came on the market. They said that it was too much trouble to rent out the hall, and as such, they had difficulty in meeting their financial obligations. A motion was made that we purchase this facility. Discussion was both pro and con and when it came time for the vote, a half dozen members who were opposed to the purchase, got up and left the room. The vote was then taken, and it was approved that we seek the purchase of the hall. The ironic part of this is that if these members had stayed and voted, we would not have had the approval to make the purchase.

The 1968 lodge officers were sworn in at our new Nordahl Hall. Since that time, we have hosted two S of N conventions, one in Palo Alto and the other in Santa Clara.

One other tidbit – when our lodge was founded, we were part of District #2. It was in the middle 1950s that a meeting was held in Santa Barbara, and due to the size of the district, it was determined that a new district would be formed and known as District #6. This new district would encompass California, Colorado, Nevada, and Utah. Over the years, several of our members have been elected to and served on the District #6 Board of Directors. We've also had representation on the International Board. In addition, many years ago, the District had a traveling bowling league with other lodges in our area. This league functioned for many years, and our lodge was well represented in this endeavor.

THE HALL: I have heard, but this has never been verified, that our building was originally the Musician's Union Hall near downtown San Jose. When San Jose Redevelopment came in, the hall had to be moved. Whether the Knights of Columbus or someone else moved this building to its present location is unknown. In any event, we purchased the building for (as I recall) $65,000. We made the down payment, and the Home Office provided us with the balance. Twenty years later, we had a mortgage burning party.

Not everybody realizes this, but due to laws, regulations, and taxes, the hall is a separate part of our lodge. The hall is a corporation, and this corporation is owned by the lodge. Each lodge member is a member of both the lodge and the hall corporation.

During these early years, there was a phone with an answering machine at the hall. This worked, but sometimes it took a day or two, or three, or more, to get back to the callers. In order to get a faster response, we ordered from the phone company an extension of this phone line. This secondary phone line was in our home. JoAnne would answer and if the caller wanted to see the hall, she would bundle up the kids, put them in the car, and drive over to the hall. This went on for some time until we got a hall manager who then had the phone at their location. Now we have a full time Property Manager. This hall is just like your home. There is always something that needs to be cleaned, repaired, or replaced. We were fortunate to have several trades-people within our membership. These included carpenters, electricians, painters, etc. These people have done a tremendous amount of work and improvements over the years to the hall.

During the early years, we were looking for tenants who would meet on a regular basis, as well as the one time rentals. One of our first regular tenants was a church which met every Sunday. This was good, except when we had a Saturday night party rental. In these cases, we had to have several of our members "volunteer" to come to the hall at one o'clock in the morning to clean up, and set up, for the church which would be coming in within the next few hours. This was also true for any Friday/Saturday back-to-back rentals.

Over the years, if the renters wanted a bar, we required that the bar be operated by ourselves. Here too, we had to get our members to work as bartenders for the evening. The lodge has two Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC) licenses. One license allows us to serve our membership, and the other is a catering license. When a renter wanted a bar, we had to get a one day extension of our bar license through the ABC of the State of California. When we had adequate advance notice, this could be mailed and then returned to us in a timely manner. When time was short, one of us had to drive into San Jose, find a parking space, hand deliver this request to the ABC, get their approval, and then return to the hall. This hand delivery has been done on multiple occasions. And this special permit is also required for our annual Lutefisk dinners.

LUTEFISK: When we held our first lutefisk dinner in 1950, we had to get poster signs made. Several of our members would then go to various businesses in and around town and ask if we could place this poster in their window in order for individuals to see. Tickets were given to members and each one was asked to sell as many as possible. With a little imagination, you can picture the difficulty in the handling of tickets, money, and number of people who would show up for dinner.

We eventually switched to a ticket sale by mail. As each party came through the door, their ticket(s) would be stamped with a successive number and this was their dinner service number, but this resulted in some really long lines. Our early dinners were held at the IES Hall at 28th and East Santa Clara Streets in San Jose. This was a large hall and worked well for us. It had a separate waiting area, dining area, bar area, and a separate large dancing area. We always said that this hall was cleaner when we left, as compared to when we arrived. However, it was costly, and after we got our own hall, we moved the dinners to Nordahl Hall. Our previous dinners were a one night affair held on a Saturday. When we started serving at our hall, due to its size, we had to adjust the servings to two nights. Our dinners are always on the first Saturday in December, and the Friday preceding this day. We continued with the ticket stamping, until it became a problem. It was then suggested that we offer our dinners on time based seatings. I was one of those that said that this would not work, but I was also one of the first to say that this was a much better way to handle our crowds.

With our 65 years of experience, I would suggest that we have this down to pretty much of a science. With many of our members getting older, we need to make sure our membership continues, and that as many of our members as necessary contribute to the preparation and serving of our dinners, as this is our major fund raiser of the year.

I'm sure that I have overlooked and/or omitted something, but I believe that I have covered most of the important items. Perhaps in speaking with other 'old timers', more history can be recalled and recorded. ***...submitted by Don Ansok***

Connections ...ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

Doings at Other Sons of Norway Lodges

Friday, February 12 at 7 PM – **Kai Robert Johansen**, renowned Norwegian Trumpeter makes his Bay Area debut at Bjornson Hall in Oakland. All are welcome! His repertoire includes pop to gospel to classical to well-known Norwegian favorites. $10 per person donation requested at door; under 16 years of age free. Call 510-845-2910 for information.

Nordic Spirit Symposium – Friday, February 12 and Saturday, February 13 at the Samuelson Chapel and Lundring Events Center, California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks. In anticipation of the 500-year anniversary of the Reformation in Germany, the symposium titled "Power, Politics and Belief in Reformation Scandinavia" will delve into the changes brought on by the northward diffusion of Lutheran reform. This year's symposium looks at the history of change in Denmark, Norway and Iceland; Sweden and Finland will be the focus in 2017. The Nordic Spirit Symposium is sponsored by the Scandinavian American Cultural and Historical Foundation and California Lutheran University and is made possible by generous grants from the Barbro Osher Pro Suecia Foundation and the Norway House Foundation in San Francisco. For information and early registration fees, contact **Howard Rockstad** at 805-497-3717 or *hrockstad@gmail.com*.

Rosemaling Class – March 5 from 9 AM to 4:30 PM at Viking Hall in Santa Cruz. Register early – class limited to 15 students – beginners welcome! Project is an 11-inch foot stool in the Hallingdal style. Instructor

Mardelle Probasco is an expert rosemåler and member of the California Rosemaling Association. Price: $30/members of SCCSC, $50/non-members. **Payment MUST be received by February 19.** Make check payable to SCCSC (Scandinavian Cultural Center of Santa Cruz) and mail to: SCCSC Rosemaling, 2435 Felt Street #117, Santa Cruz, CA 95062. **Please include your telephone number on your check.** Please call 831-464-3310 or visit ***www.scc-santacruz.org*** for a list of supplies to bring to class; paint brushes will be available to purchase in class. If space is available, late registrations after February 19 will be accepted with payment of an additional $10 late fee.

Bunad Camp 2016 – April 4 thru 7 – at Camp Norge. Registration for Sons of Norway members is $300 plus lodging and materials; $350 for non-members. At press time, only a few spaces remain in this class! Contact **Pamela Stutrud Groth** at 707-778-8120 or ***pamelag@sonic.net***.

Norwegian Folk Dancing – Wednesdays at 7:30 PM – Masonic Hall, 880 Church Street, one block off Castro, Mountain View. Everyone is welcome, whatever your experience level. We have live music, friendly folks, and lots of fun! For info, contact **Meg Laycock** at 408-255-2111 or ***meg@jstub.com***.

New Scandinavian Cooking airs at 8:30 AM on KQED on two Saturdays in February:

- February 6 episode explores the Norwegian love affair with Chocolate.
- February 13 episode explores historical food from Trondheim and Bergen.
- Additional episodes air on **KQED Life** most weekdays at 11 AM.

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***

Scholarship Announcement

Trollfjell Folkehøgskule and Camp Trollfjell

Summer is just around the corner, and it is time to take action if your children or grandchildren plan to attend the Sixth District Language and Heritage Camp at Camp Norge in Alta, California. Children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of Sons of Norway District Six members in good standing are eligible to attend camp.

This year there are two separate camps:

- ***Trollfjell Folkehøgskule***
  for 14-17 year olds – June 26 to July 9
- ***Camp Trollfjell***
  for 8-13 year olds – July 10 to 23

Check out the "youth" tab at *www.sofn6.org* for additional info.

As in years past, Nordahl Grieg Lodge and the Solveig Club will award campership scholarships. Children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of Nordahl Grieg members in good standing are eligible to apply for a campership.

To apply, campers must write a letter that includes the following:

- Camper's name and age
- Name of sponsoring Nordahl Grieg member
- Reasons camper wants to attend camp

Letters must be postmarked no later than Friday, May 1, 2016, and mailed to:
Barbara Shoup, Scholarship Chair
814 Maryann Drive, Apt. 2
Santa Clara, CA 95050-5057

Fraternally,
Barbara Shoup, Scholarship Chair

Love Your Lodge Donations

Platinum Level

In Memory of Elmer Graslie
Clara Graslie (donation, Jan 2016)
In Memory of Ann Smestad
Linda & 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 Clarian Pintacura
Alan Pintacura (donations, Nov 2015 and Nov 2014)
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 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)

Special Raffle Donation

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

Tusen Takk for your support!

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

November 2015 Business Meeting Highlights *(condensed from minutes approved in January 2016)*

- Charter was draped in memory of **Carl Windell** and a moment of silence was observed in his honor.
- Veterans in attendance were acknowledged and a round of applause was given in thanks for their service.
- President **Shirley Shoup** offered appreciation to the members for allowing her to serve as President for the last three years and for all the support she received. She also offered best wishes and luck to the incoming officers for 2016.
- Financial Secretary **Kari Warner** and Treasurer **Mike Block** provided an update on income and the financial status of the Lodge.

Leadership Seminar
Sons of Norway
Saturday, March 5, 2016
9:00-3:00pm
Nordahl Hall
580 W. Parr Avenue
Los Gatos, CA 95032

Velkommen Alle Sammen!*

Your Presenters, District Six President, Mary Beth Ingvoldstad, and Zone 3 Director, Carol Campbell, invite you to Nordahl Hall for a Sons of Norway Workshop on March 5, 2016.

Who should join in on this special event?

1. Lodge Leaders who desire guidance in their Officer positions
2. Lodge members who have aspirations for Lodge Leadership
3. Lodge members who simply want to know more about Sons of Norway and the benefits of being a member

Schedule:

8:30-9:00—Sign in
9:00-12:00—Seminar Session
12:15—-Lunch (no charge)
1:00—Seminar Session
3:00—Closing and Thanks for Coming

"The Super Sixth"

SONS OF NORWAY

Please contact Registrar **Shirley Shoup at 408-264-0912, email shoupshirley@yahoo.com or contact your Lodge President** in order to reserve your place. It is important that we know by February 20th to know how much is needed in food and materials!

***Welcome Everyone!**

- Social Director **Claire Smyth** announced upcoming plans for the lutefisk dinner. President Shoup thanked those who provided food for tonight's wine and cheese party.
- Assistant Cultural Director **Bruce Fihe** provided a report on the cultural skills day recently held at the hall.
- Nominating Committee members **Judy Purrington**, **Barbara Shoup**, and **Karen Aaker** provided a report and distributed a slate of officers for 2016; the only position without a candidate is President. A motion passed to unanimously elect the officers as presented on a white ballot.
- Lutefisk Co-Chairs **Larry Hulberg** and **Harry and JoAnn Bjerkhoel** provided a report on the upcoming event.
- Details were shared regarding the 70th Anniversary Dinner Party on February 20.
- Motion passed for the Lodge to pay for cleanup after each lutefisk prep day, the lutefisk dinner, and the anniversary dinner.
- Hall Board President **Larry Hulberg** discussed the status of recent activities.
- Motion approved to make a $50 donation to Ski for Light for their 2016 activities.
- A request was approved to purchase an artificial Christmas tree for the lodge.
- November and December birthdays of members present were acknowledged.
- **Meg Laycock** provided an update on the recent folk dance weekend at Camp Norge.

2016 Nordahl Grieg Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.
Details will be announced in *Tidende* and on the Nordahl Grieg web site as they become available.

Business Meetings

January 22
February 12
March 11
April 8
June 10
July 8
September 9
October 14
November 11

Social Events

January 10 – Officer Installation
February 20 – Anniversary Dinner
March 18 – Social
April 22 or April 23 – Social
May 15 – Syttende Mai Celebration
September 23 – Social
December 18 – Lodge Christmas Party

Special Events

March 5	*Leadership Seminar at Nordahl Hall*
April 30-May 1	*Camp Norge Work Party*
May 27-30	*Memorial Day Weekend at Camp Norge*
June 19-22	*District 6 Convention*
June 26-July 9	*Trollfjell Folkehøgskule at Camp Norge*
July 10-23	*Camp Trollfjell at Camp Norge*
August 13	*All Bay Area Lodge Picnic at Ibsen Park*
August 25-27	*International Convention*
September 2-5	*Kretsstevne at Camp Norge*
October 23	*Cultural Event at Nordahl Hall*

Lutefisk Dinner Calendar

Saturday, November 6	*Meatball Making*
Saturday-Sunday, November 12-13	*Lefse Making*
Sunday-Monday, November 27-28	*Cookie Making*
Thursday, December 1	*Hall Set-up*
Friday-Saturday, December 2-3	*Lutefisk Dinner*
Sunday, December 4	*Clean Up*

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Adapted from nordicnibbler.com

Makes 6-8 servings

- 2 ¾ lbs chuck steak, cut into ¾-inch pieces
- 6 large carrots, chopped into ¾-inch pieces
- ½ lb parsley roots, chopped into ¾-inch pieces
- 1 ½ lbs rutabaga, chopped into ¾-inch pieces
- 2 ¼ lbs potatoes, chopped into ½-inch cubes
- 6 1/3 cups chicken stock
- 2 tbsp butter
- Freshly chopped parsley to garnish
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

Brown batches of meat in a casserole pot with melted butter. Add meat, chopped vegetables and chicken stock to the pot. Season as desired with salt and pepper and bring to a boil. Skim top of stew if needed. Cover with a tight fitting lid and simmer for 2½ hours. Stir carefully so that vegetables do not break down and become mushy. Taste and adjust seasoning as needed. If stew is too dense, thin with stock or water. Serve in bowls with a sprinkle of parsley and your favorite bread.

January 2016 Officer Installation Highlights

(condensed from minutes approved in January 2016)

- The meeting agenda offered thanks to all who participated in the ceremony with special thanks to Counselor **John Stubblebine**.
- President **Shirley Shoup** welcomed all in attendance and offered a special welcome to the following past and present District 6 and International Officers; guests from sister lodges; and Nordahl Grieg Past Presidents.
- **Laura Porter** was elected on a white ballot to fill the position of President for 2016. President Shoup thanked **Judy Purrington**, **Barbara Shoup**, and **Karen Aaker** for their service on the Nominating Committee.
- **Irene Jordahl**, District 6 Public Relations Officer, served as Installing Officer; **Harry and JoAnn Bjerkhoel** served as Installing Marshalls.

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Feb 12	Lodge Business Meeting
Feb 20	Nordahl Grieg's 70th Anniversary Dinner
Mar 5	SON Leadership Seminar
Mar 12	Lodge Business Meeting
Mar 18	Lodge Social Event

See *"Connections"* for other important events.
Dates will be added as they become available.

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