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En hilsen fra Presidenten

Kjære Venner (Dear Friends),

I'm starting to get more excited about some of the new things we are going to try this year. We started the year with our Officer Installation on a very rainy day. To start off the changes, we used the short-form program for the installation. A few members in attendance mentioned that it was different… but all enjoyed the extra time spent socializing with everyone in attendance. I hope this same feeling is carried over to some of the other new ideas our officers came up with for the coming year.

The Lodge officers had a very productive two-hour meeting planning the year. Some of our business meetings and socials will be the same as we are all used to. But, I'm truly excited about some of the new ways we are going to try to make our business meetings and socials more fun. I look forward to hearing from our members as to what is working and what we need to never try again. Remember this is your lodge. If you are enjoying an activity let us know and we will make every effort to organize it again. But, if you see an activity not working, please let me know. Let's spend this year to nurture and grow our Lodge.

No matter how our business meetings or socials are organized, one of the most important activates our Lodge does during the year is our community outreach. Non-perishable food, used paperback books, calendars, and greeting cards are collected and donated after every event. I take the used paperback books, calendars, and greeting cards to the Palo Alto VA hospital and see first-hand the joy they provide to the Veterans, family members, and visitors. We all need to try and remember to never show up at a Lodge event without bringing non-perishable food, used paperback books, calendars, and greeting cards with you. It might not seem like a big deal to you, but for the people that receive them, it means the world.

Fraternally,
Laura Porter, President

AGENDA ALERT

- **Friday, February 10 at 7:30 PM**
  Business Meeting
- **Saturday, February 18 at 6 PM**
  Nordahl Grieg Lodge Anniversary Dinner
  (see pages 5 and 6)

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2017 Lodge Goals

1. Complete the review of Lodge Bylaws and Standing Rules, and update as necessary.
2. Expand our membership development program to include promotion and retention.
3. Develop and implement at least two cultural skills activities to help members earn Cultural Skills Pins, with a focus on using existing events such as the 17th of May Celebration and Lutefisk Dinner preparation days.
4. Explore a lodge privacy policy to assure protection of officers' and members' personal information on social media, in newsletters, and in other communications.

Nyheter Fra Solveig Club

We were pleased to see so many babies at December's Lutefisk Dinner, so they could break in the two new highchairs the Solveig Club purchased for the lodge. Many thanks to everyone who shopped at our bazaar and raffle so that we can continue to support the lodge with donations like these.

We hope all who are attending the Lodge Anniversary Dinner on the 18th will stop by our Nordic Boutique, where you'll be able to browse and shop without the crowds. We only offer our boutique twice a year, so don't miss this chance to pick up some gifts or maybe something special for yourself. We also have a lovely Norwegian Heritage Cookbook that we will be raffling off.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 15 at 10:30 AM in the Solveig Room, hosted by **Vicki Everly**. Bring a sandwich and join us!

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

Gratulerer med dagen!

Membership Update

We received four new members this month – that makes five in two months!

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Welcome to our lodge! We hope to meet you soon and encourage you to participate in our activities. You may view the color issue of our newsletter online, or receive a black and white copy in the mail. Please let me know your preference.

Karina Owen has transferred to Hvite Fjell lodge in Reno, NV,

We have three members on the Past Due List, who will likely be cancelled by Sons of Norway International by next month for non-payment of dues. Please pay your dues; we do not want you to lose your membership in our Lodge.

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

News About Members

HAPPY NEWS

Don Ansok is looking forward to a five week cruise of the South Pacific. He is leaving in early March and will be visiting Australia and New Zealand, ending up in Singapore. Have a great time, Don!

Alissa Hansen has moved to Tigard, Oregon. She completed her Nursing program at Samuel Merritt University in December – *congratulations* – and is now studying for her licensure exam. She will be working at Salem Hospital. Our best wishes to you for much success in the future, Alissa.

Alissa's parents, **Elizebeth and Erik Hansen**, are also moving to Oregon on Valentine's Day. They have sold their home in Discovery Bay and will be living near Salem where their older daughter, **Jessica**, and two grandsons reside. They are also looking forward to being closer to Eric's brother, **Graham** and his family, who live in Eugene. But, we will miss them and wish them happiness in their new abode.

Ruth Likens is back in the Bay Area after graduating from Virginia Commonwealth University with her second baccalaureate degree – this time in nursing – in December. She, too, is studying for her licensure exam and is looking for a position in nursing locally. She has also recently become engaged. Our congratulations, Ruth, on your recent achievements.

HEALTH NEWS

It seems that all of our members have started the New Year in good health. Let's keep it up! Be sure to get your flu shot if you haven't had one.

CONDOLENCES

To **Scott and Janet Mattison** at the sad and tragic loss of Scott's stepson, Todd. Our thoughts are with you and all your family at this poignant time.

IN MEMORIAM

We just recently learned of the passing of long-time member **Solveig Haller**. A Golden Member, Solveig joined sons of Norway in 1961 and would have received her 55 year membership certificate and pin at our upcoming Anniversary Dinner. A native Norwegian, Solveig was renowned for her great cooking skill. While living in the Bay Area, Solveig was a travel agent. In the 1980's, she moved to Montana and then to Tuscon, Arizona, where she was living when she passed away. We remembered Solveig when we draped our charter at the February business meeting.

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup, Sunshine Chairperson

Camp Norge News

The access road (Morton Road) that leads to Camp Norge from Highway 80 was washed out recently when the creek that runs along the Camp Norge property overflowed due to the rain and snow melt. It has not been determined when repairs will be completed and the Camp is accessible again.

2017 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The 2017 Installation of Nordahl Grieg officers on January 8 was a day to remember. The rain fell, the wind blew, and the Hall roof was leaking. But, a few hardy souls braved the weather to support the officers about to be installed. **Janie Kelly** served as Installing Officer and **Carol Campbell** from **Vigeland Lodge** provided the music. **Harry and JoAnn Bjerkhoel** were to be the Installing Marshalls but the weather prevented them from getting to the hall from Lake Berryessa. So, **Don Slama** very graciously presented President **Laura Porter** to the members and conducted her to the podium.

A beautiful array of open-faced sandwiches along with lefse, cookies, cake, coffee, and lemonade was enjoyed by those present before going out again in the inclement weather.

Many thanks to those who helped with clean-up: **Duane Adams**, **Ginny Hansen**, **Cassie Leventon**, **Barbara Shoup**, and **Lisa Vane**, as well as our 2017 Marshalls, **Ken Leventon** and **Paul Nore**.

And, **CONGRATULATIONS** to our 2017 Officers!

Fraternally,
Shirley Shoup,
2016 Counselor

Clip and Save this Calendar!

2017 Nordahl Grieg Calendar

Dates and events are subject to change.

Details will be announced in *Tidende* and on the Nordahl Grieg website as they become available.

Business Meetings	Social Events at Nordahl Hall
January 27	*January 8 – Officer Installation*
February 10	*February 18 – Anniversary Dinner*
March 10	*March 24 – Kon Tiki Event*
*April 23**	*April 23* – Viking Event*
May 12	*May 21 – Syttende Mai Celebration*
June 9	*June 23 – Social Event*
*July 16**	*July 16* – Ice Cream Social*
*August 11**	*August 11* – Pot-Luck Dinner*
September 8	*September 22 – Svalbard Event*
October 13	*October 27 – Cultural History Event*
*November 10**	*November 10* – Wine and Cheese Party*
December – no meeting	*December 17 – Family Christmas Party*

**** Brief business meeting will be held in conjunction with social event.***

Community Outreach Events

Saturday, April 8	*Blood Drive at Nordahl Hall*
Saturday, October 21	*Blood Drive at Nordahl Hall*

District Six Events

May 27-29	*Memorial Day Weekend at Camp Norge*
June 25-July 8	*Trollfjell Folkehøgskule at Camp Norge*
July 9-22	*Camp Trollfjell at Camp Norge*
August 12 or 26	*All Bay Area Lodge Picnic at Ibsen Park*
September 2-4	*Kretsstevne at Camp Norge*

Nordahl Grieg 2017 Lutefisk Dinner Calendar

Sunday, November 5	*Meatball Making*
Saturday and Sunday, November 11-12	*Lefse Making*
Sunday and Monday, November 26-27	*Cookie Making*
Thursday, November 30	*Hall Set-up*
Friday and Saturday, December 1-2	*Lutefisk Dinner*
Sunday, December 3	*Clean Up*

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Member Anniversaries

The following Lodge members will receive longevity awards at the 2017 Anniversary Dinner.

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

5 Years *(joined in 2011)*
Julie Alkire
Martin Alkire
Jonas Capp
Virginia Frank
Mark Hunsbedt
Brendan McVey
Donald Schilling
Jenevieve Schilling

10 Years *(joined in 2006)*
Kay Broadway
Marcia Madson Corcoran
Sonja Bull Flanagin
Laura Hulberg
Christine Kramer
Robert Lindblom
Mona Madson
Jane Marshburn
Paul Nore
Laura Porter
Judy Purrington
Earl Rosebraugh
Earl Thygeson

15 Years *(joined in 2001)*
Bente Ellis
Cassandra Leventon
Ona Saras
Nancy Thym-Hochrein

20 Years *(joined in 1996)*
Don Erickson
Patricia Erickson
Vivian Schatz

25 Years *(joined in 1991)*
Ronald Fredlund
Elizebeth Hansen
Hali Wilson Hansen
Larry Hulberg
Regina Jensen
Robert Mulvaney
Rosalind Mulvaney
Donald Peterson

30 Years *(joined in 1986)*
Rhonda Ansok
Sharon Bratton
Vicki Everly
Paul Kennelly
Mayvid Maclay
Linnea Williams

Golden Members
Sharon Bratton
Paul Kennelly
Mayvid Maclay
Kathleen Slama
Linnea Williams

35 Years *(joined in 1981)*
Dale Eggen
Erik Hansen
Graham Hansen

40 Years *(joined in 1976)*
Scott Ansok
Norman Hulberg
Victoria Slama

50 Years *(joined in 1966)*
Ruth Cole
Virginia Hansen
David McIntyre
Sylvia Stevens

60 Years *(joined in 1956)*
Donald Slama

Annual Shareholders Meeting
Nordahl Hall, Inc.

Friday ▪ March 10 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 and election will be provided in the March *Tidende*. Please plan to attend!

Nordahl Grieg Lodge
Anniversary Dinner

In recognition of the 70th anniversary of Thor Heyerdahl's historic KON-TIKI expedition, please join us for dinner

Polynesian Style

Saturday, February 18
6:00 PM Social Time with Appetizers
7:00 PM Dinner

Appetizers
- Eggs Rolls
- Pot Stickers
- Shrimp Platter

Main Course
- Green Salad with Asian Dressing
- Steamed Rice
- Macadamia Nut Crusted Fish with Coconut Cream Sauce

and

- Kalua Pork (shredded smoked pork)

Dessert
- Guava Chiffon Mousse Cake

Tiki Bar

Wear your Island attire

Tropical decorations

Solveig Club Nordic Boutique and Raffle
(cash and checks only)

After dinner presentations of Membership Longevity Awards and 2017 Presidential Awards

$28 per adult
No charge for age 12 and under
Advance reservations and payment are required

RSVP and payment must be received by Wednesday, February 13
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

Please bring donations of non-perishable food, used paperback books and 2017 calendars for the Lodge's community outreach activities

Connections …ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

Invitation – Daughters of Norway, **Anne Grimdalen Lodge** #34 is celebrating its 30th Anniversary on February 11 at Oliver Ruud Community Center at Sunny View Retirement Community in Cupertino. A buffet/social will begin at 9:30 AM with a short business meeting to follow. The highlight will be a heritage presentation beginning at 10:45 AM on traditional bunads of Norway and a fashion show with Daughters and Sons of Norway members participating. You are invited to enjoy the celebration with us. For more information, contact **Jeannie Thomson** at 510-656-3549 or ***jeannie352@aol.com***.

Wanderlust: Viking Raiders, Traders, Neighbors – cultural performances will be presented on February 24 and 25 at Marines Memorial Theatre in San Francisco. Information and tickets are available at ***www.humanitieswest.org*** or call 415-392-4400.

Host Families Needed for Danish Exchange Students – Danish students, age 18 to 21, will be at West Valley College from February 25 to March 25 and need host homes. If you can help, please contact **Cameron** at 510-505-4725.

New Scandinavian Cooking –

- **Saturday, February 4 at 8:30 AM on KQED 9:** *Happy Holiday Food*
- **Sunday, February 5 at 6:30 AM on KQED Plus:** *Northern Norway To Italy*
- **Saturday, February 11 at 8:30 AM on KQED 9:** *New Nordic Cuisine*
- **Sunday, February 12 at 6:30 AM on KQED Plus:** *All Is Well…If There Is Herring*

Vesterheim Museum Tour – District 6 is sponsoring a tour to this renowned museum located in Decorah, Iowa from September 20-24, 2017. Details are available in the current District 6 newsletter at ***http://sofn6.org/newsletters/***.

Norwegian Folk Dancing – Wednesdays at 7:30 PM at the Masonic Hall, 890 Church Street (one block off Castro), Mountain View. Everyone is welcome, whatever your experience level. Enjoy live music, friendly folks, and lots of fun! For info, contact **Meg Laycock** at 408-255-2111 or ***meg@jstub.com***.

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.

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

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

In Memoriam

It is with a heavy heart that we share the sad news that **Jack Pearson** passed away at age 63 on January 5 after being diagnosed with lymphoma on December 27. Many of you enjoyed Jack's musical performance at Nordahl Hall in January 2016.

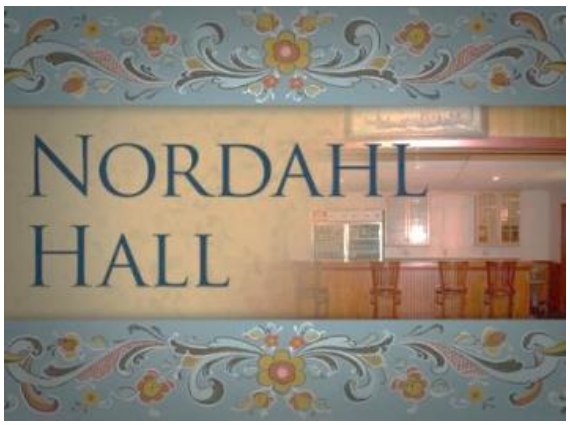
Jack was a talented musician, songwriter, and storyteller. He passed away surrounded by friends and loved ones who were singing and playing Jack's favorite tunes. They believe the last song Jack may have heard was a song he wrote titled *"A Song to Make Mister Rogers Smile."* Part of the text goes like this:

If God's like Mister Rogers
I will not be afraid to die
I'll dance right up to those pearly gates
And here's the reason why
I know I'll be a neighbor
With nothing I need to hide

Here is a link to Jack performing this song: *https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rqraswv2nKw*

Jack's son, Peter, chronicled his father's condition on a blog and his posts are an uplifting tribute: *https://jphealthupdates.wordpress.com*

A "Go Fund Me" memorial has been established for Jack's family: *https://www.gofundme.com/jack-pearson-memorial-fund*



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
For rental information, contact:
Viking Property Management at 408-909-9055

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)

Gold Level

In memory of Minnie Munson
Jane & Tom Marshburn & Laura Porter
(donation, Oct 2016)

Silver Level

In honor of their many friends at Nordahl Grieg Lodge
Glenn and Peggy Riddervold (donation, Nov 2016)

Bronze Level

Shelley Curtis (donation, April 2016)
In memory of Shirley Hansen
Solveig Club (donation, April 2016)
Don Slama (donation, April 2016)
In Memory of Clarian Pintacura
Anne Herbert (donation, Feb 2016)
In Memory of Clarian Pintacura
Alan Pintacura (donations, Jan 2017, Nov 2015, 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)

Special Raffle Donation

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

Tusen Takk for your support!

Donations made before June 2014 are not listed.
Please view past issues of *Tidende* to see the donors and honorees from earlier contributions. *Takk!*

Campership Announcement

Summer will be here before we know it and it is time to think about camp.

- ***Trollfjell Folkehøgskule***
  for 14-17 year olds – June 25 to July 8
- ***Camp Trollfjell***
  for 8-13 year olds – July 9 to 22

Children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of Sons of Norway District Six members in good standing are eligible to attend the District Six Language and Heritage Camp at Camp Norge in Alta, California. Check out the "youth" tab at ***www.sofn6.org*** for additional info.

Nordahl Grieg Lodge and the Solveig Club will again 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 Monday, May 1, 2017, and mailed to:

Barbara Shoup, Scholarship Chair
814 Maryann Drive, Apt. 2
Santa Clara, CA 95050-5057

Fraternally,
Barbara Shoup, Scholarship Chair

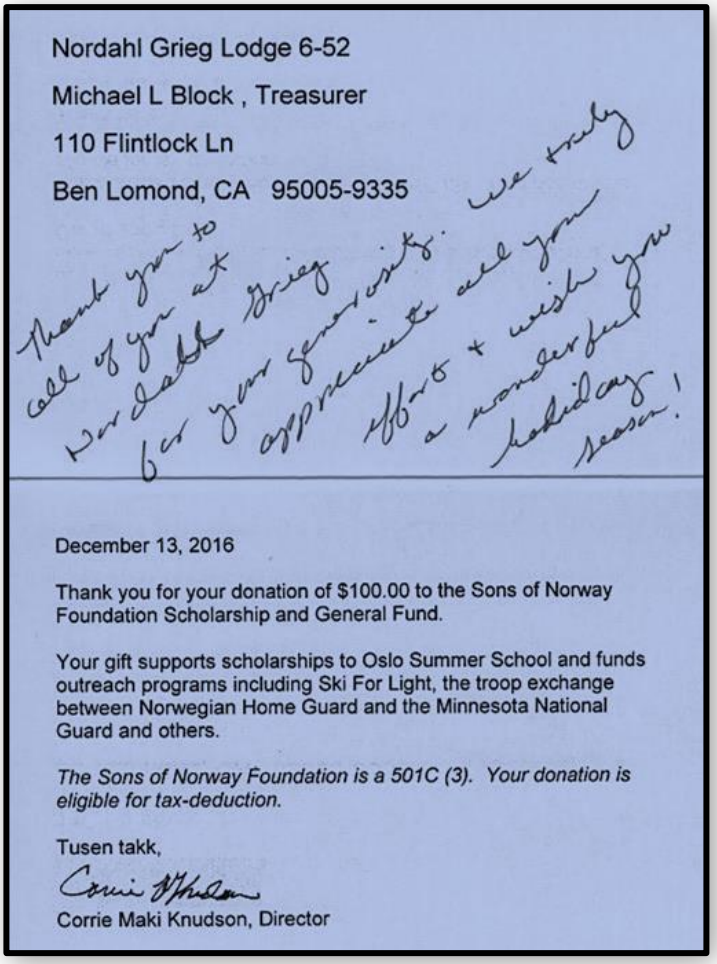
Other Scholarship Opportunities

From Henrik Ibsen Lodge:

- Peder P. Johnsen Scholarship: ***April 1 deadline***. Must be full-time student with a minimum 2.7 GPA. Contact **JoAnn Wentker** at 415-587-9210 for an application.

From SON International: applications available at ***www.sofn.com/foundation/scholarships***

- Astrid G. Cates/Myrtle Beinhauer Fund: ***March 1 deadline***.
- Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship Fund (female only): ***April 1 deadline***.



Oslo Students Guide Urban Planning

Thanks to the ingenuity of a Norwegian researcher, students in Oslo are helping to shape urban development through a new cellphone app. *Traffic Agent*, an interactive mobile game, allows students to report challenges and obstructions along their route to school with just a few simple clicks.

The idea for the app began a few years ago when researcher Vibeke Fredrikke Rørholt was approached by the city of Oslo and the Agency of Urban Development to improve the walkability of city streets for schoolchildren. Rather than using teachers or parents to funnel feedback from the kids, Rørholt proposed the most direct method – going straight to the children.

Since its debut in February, Traffic Agent is now used by more than 35 schools and has logged more than 5,000 reports. Users submit reports on conditions ranging from heavy traffic at street crossings, damaged pavement and unruly shrubs, to broken street lamps. Reports are shared with participating schools and app analysts, but are collected anonymously and are identified only by which class the report came from. Reports are also delayed as an additional safety measure to ensure that students cannot be tracked or followed by the location of their reports.

Response to the app has been positive for both the students and city planners. "We just got a telephone call from a mom who said, 'My boy reported two days ago that a bush blocked his path to school and he couldn't see when he should cross the street. And he was so proud when the bush was trimmed a few days later. He came home and said, I did this,' " says Rørholt.

As data is collected and problems resolved, the walkability of Oslo for adults and children alike improves. City planners are hopeful these changes will help foster a pedestrian friendly environment and encourage public transportation use as the city moves toward reducing vehicle traffic in the coming years.

Warm Up Your February with Norwegian Baked Goods

You may not have realized it, but February marks ***National Bake for Family Fun Month,*** a perfect opportunity to try great recipes with your loved ones. Of course, Norway has a strong tradition of baking, giving you more than enough recipes to fill the month. From sweet to savory, Sons of Norway's Recipe Box is a great resource to help you plan your month of baking.

Located in the members section of the Sons of Norway website, the Recipe Box offers many of the Norwegian classics; recipes for *Fyrstekake*, *Berlinerkranser* and *Bløtkake* are all at your fingertips. Don't forget: baking isn't reserved for desserts, either. You'll also find recipes for meals like *Nøkkelost* Quiche or Pumpkin Waffles with Lingonberry sauce.

Keep in mind that many of the recipes found in the members section also qualify for the Sons of Norway Cultural Skills cooking unit. That means while you're exploring traditional Norwegian baked goods you could be earning your way to a medal!

February also happens to be ***National Heart Month***, making it an opportune time to kick-start a heart healthy diet. Norwegian baked goods tend to be a bit more focused on flavor than health, but you can still find a few that are heart friendly. Opt for healthier options like the traditional *lefse* (go easy on the butter!) or Almond Start. A good rule of thumb, though, is to remember that enjoying these dishes in moderation will go a long way toward keeping your heart healthy.

To access the members section of the SON website you'll need an account with a username and password. If you need an account, be sure to have your username and an email address handy.

If you have questions about creating an account, contact Sherry at: ***fraternal@sofn.com***.

....this page, from SON Newsletter Service

a little in English...

IQ Test for Bees

When one bee managed to reach the sugar water, the other bumblebees learned, too.

First a few bumblebees got to taste sugar water in the center of a blue disc, so that they would understand that an artificial flower was worth investigating.

Then researchers put Plexiglas over the discs and the bumblebees had to try to pull the discs out by a string. They managed just fine.

Another group of bumblebees got to take the IQ test right away, without tasting the sugar water first. Only 2 out of 110 got hold of the sweets.

What really surprised the researchers was what happened when untrained bumblebees got the chance to watch an expert in action.

An impressive creature

Behind a glass wall the bees observed what happened. When they were released one by one, 60 percent of them managed to do what the mentor had done.

"The bumblebee is an impressive creature, and through our study we demonstrated that it is good at learning," says Professor Eric Søvik at Volda University College, who participated in the research.

"The bumblebee has a brain that largely functions like that of humans," he said on the college's website.

A single well-educated bee was enough so that an entire colony of unskilled bees could acquire this capability.

"Some flowers are very difficult to pollinate. If you teach a few bumblebees to do this, they can transfer the knowledge to other bumblebees. Such cultural learning in bumblebees could be useful in the production of various plants, for example," says Søvik.

litt på norsk...

Se humlas IQ-test

Da én humle klarte å få tak i sukkervannet, lærte de andre humlene det også.

Først fikk noen humler smake på sukkervannet i midten av en blå skive, slik at de skulle forstå at den kunstige blomsten var verdt å undersøke.

Deretter la forskerne pleksiglass over skivene, og humlene måtte klare å trekke dem ut etter en snor. Det fiksa de greit.

En annen gruppe humler fikk prøve seg direkte på IQ-testen, uten å få smake på det søte først. Bare 2 av disse 110 fikk tak i søtsakene.

Men det som virkelig overrasket forskerne, var det som skjedde da utrente humler fikk muligheten til å se på en ekspert i aksjon.

En imponerende skapning

Bak en glassvegg fulgte de med på det som skjedde. Da de ble sluppet løs, en etter en, klarte 60 prosent av dem å gjøre som læremesteren.

– Humla er en imponerende skapning, og gjennom studien vår får vi vist at den er flink til å lære, sier førsteamanuensis Eirik Søvik ved Høgskulen i Volda, som deltok i forskningen.

– Humla har hjerne som stort sett fungerer på samme måte som hos oss mennesker, sier han til høgskolens hjemmeside.

En enkelt velutdannet humle var nok til at en hel koloni av ufaglærte kunne tilegne seg denne evnen.

– Enkelte blomster er veldig vanskelig å bestøve. Om man lærer opp noen humler til å klare dette, kan de videreføre kunnskapen til andre humler. En slik kulturell læring hos humlene vil kunne være nyttig i produksjon av ulike planter for eksempel, sier Søvik.

Translated from: *http://forskning.no/biologi-insekter/2016/10/se-humla-teste-iq-en.*

....from SON Newsletter Service

A restoration project taking place at Maihaugen, the open-air museum in Lillehammer, is steeped in Norwegian culture, romance, and a royal twist. The 1930s childhood home of H.M. Queen Sonja of Norway has been moved from its original location in Oslo to Maihaugen.

Queen Sonja lived there for most of her childhood years, until 1968 when she married then Crown Prince Harald. According to Maihaugen's website, the home was one of the few places the couple could meet during the nine years they were dating. Museum guests can look forward to the official opening of the project on August 29, 2018, the date of Their Majesties' 50th wedding anniversary.

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Feb 10	Business Meeting
Feb 14	Valentine's Day
Feb 18	Nordahl Grieg Lodge Anniversary Dinner
Mar 10	Business Meeting and Hall Board Annual Meeting
Mar 24	Kon Tiki Social Event
Apr 8	Blood Drive at Nordahl Hall

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

Remember to bring community service donations to Lodge events… non-perishable food for a local food bank and used paperback books for the VA Hospital. Tusen Takk!

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