SONS of NORWAY

# Nordahl's Tidende

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## En hilsen fra Nordahl Grieg Presidenten

*Kjære Venner* (Dear Friends),

We are quickly approaching our several times delayed 75th Anniversary Dinner. It's hard to believe that we have not had a major social event at the Lodge for over two years. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you again.

Now we need to answer some important questions. Where do we go from here? What do you want from the Lodge in a post-Covid environment? Do we simply go back to the way things were before Covid, or do we create a new vision for the Lodge? Will we have our pre-Covid style Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner in December? The answers to these questions depend on all of you.

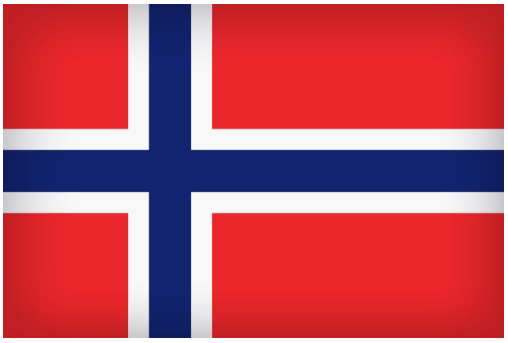
Three key sets of volunteers need to come together for us to move forward. First, we need a group of three or four members to form a Nominating Committee to put together a slate of officers for 2023. The second is members willing to serve as our officers in 2023. And the third is a team to organize and create the Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. Some of our long-standing group leaders have already indicated that they are willing to continue leading their traditional Lutefisk Dinner teams, while other teams will need new leaders. Most importantly, we need an individual or small team to take on the overall leadership role. And we will need many volunteers to show up to do the work.

In a non-Covid environment, when we would have regular gatherings, we would have been talking amongst ourselves and identifying the people willing and ready to fill all these volunteer needs. There is no doubt in my mind that a request like this in a newsletter is the least effective way to encourage people to come forward and accept these important responsibilities. But, Covid has left us with no other options.

If you would like to help chart the future of our Lodge as a member of the Nominating Committee, a possible future officer, or a leadership role in a renewed Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner, please let yourself be known. As always, you can email me at ***president@nordahl-grieg.org*** or call 831-251-2236.

Fraternally, *Bruce Fihe, President*

## Hurra for Syttende Mai!



## Happy Constitution Day!

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## Sunshine Report

I'm back!!! Home again on a walker after six days in the hospital and over three weeks in rehab. Your get well greetings, phone calls, and visits helped and are much appreciated. Thank you for your caring.

### New Vikings

**Marv and Lois Bertelson** are great grandparents! Their granddaughter, **Allyson**, had a baby boy recently; his name is Martin. Everyone is thrilled, and we congratulate all.

**Sharee Frost** is in Sweden visiting her daughter, **Morgan**, and arrived in time to meet her new grandson! The new baby joins a big sister and an expanding Bratton-Everly clan. Best wishes to all!

### Another Accident

**Sonja Flanagin** fell early in March and broke her hip. She had surgery and then went to rehab for a couple weeks. She is now home and using a walker but is coming along well. Boy, can I sympathize with you, Sonja!

### Remembering

**Glenn Riddervold** passed away recently at the age of 74. Glenn was a member and a past president of the Oakland Lodge. He and his late wife, **Peggy**, participated in many of our Lodge activities and made many friends among our members. They also supported Nordahl Hall. Glenn was a kind and caring person who was proud of his Norwegian heritage and will be missed by all who knew him. We send our condolences to his two daughters.

**David Shoup**, **Barbara's** brother and **Shirley's** stepson, has passed away. He had a massive stroke and was on life support, but did not survive. David was 59 and lived in Reno, working in the casino industry. As a youngster, David was a member of the Junior Lodge and attended Language and Heritage Camp. He loved Camp Norge and skiing. A son, **William**, and a daughter, **Sarah**, survive him.

Fraternally,

*Shirley Shoup, Sunshine Chair*

Hipp, Hipp, Hurra for Syttende Mai! Show your Norwegian pride. Consider inviting a friend or family member to join the fun of Norwegian National Constitution Day and our lodge this month. See page 3 for details.

## Call for Nominations of Outstanding Young Lodge Members

If you've read the February issue of the *Viking*, I hope you had a chance to read about a few of Sons of Norway's outstanding young members. I'm collecting nominations for a new series of outstanding young member (under age 25) features and member spotlights. These can be young adult members who are active in their lodge and community, as well as Heritage members. We'll schedule an interview before writing these features, so it is helpful if the nomination includes a brief overview of why the member was nominated. The nominator will secure any needed photos. Please send your nominations with the member contact information to **Lis Barca**, District Six Public Relations Officer at ***pro@sofn6.org*** by August 25, 2022.

## May Birthdays

3 Paul Kennelly
6 Shiloh Curtis
7 Kris Owen
9 Julie Alkire
9 Lars-Erik Haug
10 Minuett Bratton
12 Richard Owen
17 Justin Fung
25 Joni Jamin
26 Sharee Frost
26 Shirlee Smith
28 Erik Bertelson
29 Linnea Williams
30 Donald Hardy
31 Erik Hansen

### Heritage Members

26 Gregorio Guglielmo
28 Jack Hemiup

# Nordahl Grieg Lodge

## 75th & 76th Anniversary Dinner and Syttende Mai Celebration

Saturday, May 14
2 pm Social Time • 4 pm Dinner

### Catered Viking-Style Dinner

Ribbe (succulent and meaty roasted pork belly ribs)
Christmas Orange Cabbage
Roasted Root Vegetables
Rye & Multi-Grain Bread & Butter
Honey Apple Tart

### After dinner presentations

- Membership Longevity Awards
- Presidential Awards

### Viking Culture

Nordahl Grieg Lodge welcomes the *Sjorvaldar Vikings*. They'll be preparing food authentic to the Viking age, with samples for you to taste, along with craftwork demonstrations. Head out to the back parking lot before dinner for this special presentation.

Wear your Bunads or Viking attire!

- Cost: $50 per person
- No charge for children aged 12 and under

Shop the Solveig Club Nordic Boutique (cash and checks only please)

Please bring food bank donations for our community outreach program

Reservations and payment must be received by Wednesday, May 4. Please reserve early!!

Make checks payable to "Nordahl Grieg Lodge" and mail to:

Barbara Shoup
814 Maryann Drive, Apt. #2
Santa Clara, CA 95050-5057
(408) 406-0502

# Member Anniversaries

The following Lodge and Heritage members will receive longevity awards at our 2022 Anniversary Dinner. This list includes awards for the current year as well as those that would have been given last year at our 75th Anniversary Dinner had that event not been canceled due to Covid. Congratulations to everyone and THANK YOU for your continued support of Nordahl Grieg Lodge.

**5 Years** *(joined in 2015)*
Erik Bjerkhoel
Dennis Enget
Donald Hansen
Meagan Hansen
Beverly Horner
Kristin Jones
Helen Jorgensen
Ron Michael Lee
J Scott Mattison
Janet Mattison
Sandra Peters
Gerald Pickett
Tanya Marie Wieber
Kenneth Yamamoto

**5 Years** *(joined in 2016)*
Finn Gjerdrum
Kristine Estensen-Goldberg
Terje Kristiansen
Eric Olson
Kris Owen

**10 Years** *(joined in 2010)*
Sila Capp
Lars-Erik Haug
Sue Ellen Laurie

**10 Years** *(joined in 2011)*
Julie Alkire
Martin Alkire
Kay Broadway
Jonas Capp
Virginia Frank
Mark Hunsbedt

**15 Years** *(joined in 2005)*
Coy Bratton
Erline Mello

**15 Years** *(joined in 2006)*
Sonja Flanagin
Laura Hulberg
Mona Jenkins
Christine Kramer
Robert Lindblom
Jane Marshburn
Laura Porter
Judy Purrington
Earl Rosebraugh

**20 Years** *(joined in 2000)*
Marilyn Nelson
Barbara Shoup
Linda Smestad
Ron Smestad

**20 Years** *(joined in 2001)*
Bente Ellis
Cassandra Leventon
Ona Saras

**25 Years** *(joined in 1995)*
Sharon Felkey

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

**30 Years** *(joined in 1990)*
Leslie Jones
Orland Larson
Anna Likens
Kermit Lund

**30 Years** *(joined in 1991)*
Elizebeth Hansen
Hali Wilson Hansen
Larry Hulberg
Rena Slama

**Golden Members***
Vicki Everly
Sheryl Hawes
Steven Hawes
Larry Hulberg
Norman Hulberg
Leslie Jones
Orland Larson
Anna Likens
William Likens
Kermit Lund

**35 Years** *(joined in 1985)*
Janie Kelly
William Likens

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

**40 Years** *(joined in 1980)*
Sheryl Hawes
Craig Slama

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

**45 Years** *(joined in 1975)*
Gary Ansok
Timothy Evjenth
Tor Hanssen
Marion Harris

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

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

**55 Years** *(joined in 1965)*
Kari Warner

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

**65 Years** *(joined in 1956)*
Donald Slama

**70 Years** *(joined in 1951)*
Marguerite Benson

**NEW: Recognition of Heritage Members****

**5 Year**
Gabriel Barnhardt
Giuliana Guglielmo
Kaylee Kramer
Savannah Kramer
Skyla Leventon
Alec Magiera
Amber Nelms
Cory Panttaja
Trever Siler

**10 Year**
Kai Porter

*Golden Members have been members of Sons of Norway for 30 years or more and are aged 65 or older.

**Heritage Members are youth up to 15 years old related to Sons of Norway members.

## What is the Sons of Norway Foundation and what does it do?

The Sons of Norway Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that was established in 1966 to help provide assistance to Sons of Norway Members, Lodges, and their greater communities. The Foundation is tax-exempt from federal and state income tax which means that donations to the Sons of Norway Foundation from individuals and companies are tax-deductible.

The Sons of Norway Foundation currently offers sixteen different scholarships and six grants that support our mission to positively affect the lives of our members.

In 2021, the Foundation awarded $111,000 in scholarships to 25 students to study in the United States, Canada, and Norway. Scholarships are available for vocational school, students without parents, adults, females studying chemistry, physics, or engineering, Oslo Summer School - just to mention a few. Applications are open annually on our website from October 1 to March 1.

The Foundation currently has six grant programs ranging from community partnerships, preserving culture, lodge and children's programs. There are also grants for members who have experienced a natural disaster or medical emergency. In 2022, the Foundation will award 42 grants for a total of $56,429 in grants. Grant applications are also open annually on our website from October 1 to January 1.

The overwhelming majority of the $11.8 million dollars in foundation assets are held in endowed funds, meaning the initial gift amount is invested and interest income from the scholarship fund can be used for scholarships in perpetuity. Support from lodges and individuals is critical for the Foundation to continue our work in the Sons of Norway community and beyond.

You can find more information about scholarships and grants on the Sons of Norway Foundation website, ***https://www.sofn.com/foundation***.

*...from SON Newsletter Service*

## For your Funny Bone...

Olaf the Viking is shopping at a supermarket when he comes across an old lady in a wheelchair, almost in tears.

"What's the matter?" asks Olaf.

"Oh," sobs the old lady. "I want to have a look at the frozen puddings, but, as you can see, there are three steps down into the chiller cabinets."

"No problem," says Olaf, lifting her onto his back. "I'll take you."

Olaf strolls through the chiller cabinets with the old lady on his back. She selects several puddings and puts them in the basket he is carrying for her. At the other end, the old lady's husband is waiting with her wheelchair.

"I'd really like to thank you," says the old lady as Olaf set her back down in the chair, "but I don't even know who you are!"

Olaf just waves and walks off.

"I was really worried about you," comments the old lady's husband. "What have you been doing?"

"I've been through the desserts on a Norse with no name!"

Mother's Day

SUNDAY
MAY 8

## Scholarships Available

Applications for Solveig Club and Nordahl Grieg college scholarships, along with a full list of eligibility criteria for each scholarship, are available at ***www.nordahl-grieg.org***. Students may apply for both scholarships each year.

### Solveig Club College Scholarship

Any daughter, granddaughter, or great-granddaughter of a Nordahl Grieg Lodge member in good standing is eligible. Applicant must have completed at least one year of college or university work and be no older than 30 years of age.

***Deadline to apply: June 1***
***Submit applications to:***

**Duane Adams, Solveig Club President**
3415 Winkle Avenue
Santa Cruz, CA 95065-1640

### Nordahl Grieg College Scholarship

Any child, grandchild, or great-grandchild of a Nordahl Grieg Lodge member in good standing is eligible. Applicant must have completed at least one year of college or university work, be no older than 30 years of age, be a full-time student, and have a cumulative minimum 2.75 GPA.

***Deadline to apply: June 30***
***Submit applications to:***

**Elaine Edwards, Scholarship Chair**
2695 Plummer Avenue
San Jose, CA 95125

## Love Your Lodge Donations

**Platinum Level**

***In memory of his loving wife, Peggy Riddervold***
**Glenn Riddervold** (donation, Sept 2020)

***In memory of Ovald & Lorraine Norgaard***
**Elaine Edwards** (donation, July 2020)

**Solveig Club** (donation, June 2019)

**Gold Level**

***In loving memory of Clarian Pintacura***
**Alan Pintacura** (donation, December 2021)

***In memory of Virginia Jolly***
**Don Ansok** (donation, May 2021)

***In memory of Clarian Pintacura***
**Alan Pintacura** (donations, Oct 2018 and Dec 2019)

**Silver Level**

***In memory of Garrett & John Hansen***
**Virginia Hansen** (donation, March 2021)

***In memory of Elderid Everly***
**Laurette Kennelly** (donation, May 2018)
**The families of Elderid's sisters Eva & Rachel** (donation, May 2018)

**Bronze Level**

***In memory of Mike Stennes***
**Shaun and Nicole Stennes** (donation, January 2021)

***In memory of Elderid Everly***
**Priscilla & Daniel Mark, Suzanne Lew, Danielle Low** (donation, Nov 2019)
**Rebecca Ng** (donation, May 2018)
**Alan Pintacura, Winifred Doty, Kathy Jones** (donation, May 2018)

***In memory of JoAnne Ansok***
**Jack and Virginia Jolly** (donation, Oct 2019)

***In memory of Harry Bjerkhoel***
**Jack and Virginia Jolly** (donation, Oct 2019)

***In memory of Greg Ansok***
**Jack and Virginia Jolly** (donation, Oct 2019)

***In memory of Noel Whaley***
**Jack and Virginia Jolly** (donation, Oct 2019)

***In honor of Paul Nore***
**Solveig Club** (donation, June 2019)

**Campbell Chamber of Commerce** (donations, Nov 2018 and Dec 2019)

**Tusen Takk for your support!**

Donations made prior to April 2018 are not listed.
Please view past issues of *Tidende* to see donors and honorees from earlier contributions. *Takk!*

# Connections...ways to connect with your Norwegian heritage

- **Norwegian Folk Dancing** – Join us as we resume in-person dance meetings on Wednesday nights. We include change-partner dances, couple dances, and no-partner dances, with teaching reminders and step practice sprinkled throughout the evening. Everyone has many opportunities to dance! Proof of vaccination is required, and all dancers must wear masks except when eating or drinking. (Yep, we have snacks and coffee at the end.) Location: Masonic Hall, 890 Church Street, Mountain View. For more information, contact **Meg Laycock** at 408-255-2111, or ***meg@jstub.com***.
- **Share Your Heritage** – Free Heritage Membership in Sons of Norway is an easy way to share your heritage. Sign up your children or grandchildren (age 15 and under) for FREE Heritage membership. They'll receive a member welcome kit with their own member ID Card. Visit ***https://www.sofn.com/join_or_renew*** for more details and to sign up.
- **45th Scandinavian Festival** – The largest Nordic-themed event in Southern California is returning to Thousand Oaks on June 4-5, 2022 at California Lutheran University. Visit ***https://scandinavianfest.org*** for details.
- **Sacramento Scandinavian Festival** – Coming to Granite Bay on October 15. The festival features Scandinavian food, baked goods, and merchandise for sale. Viking reenactors will be present with interactive activities for the whole family, and there will be crafts for the young ones (and the young at heart). Come gather information about the Nordic countries and enjoy music, entertainment, and door prizes! Additional information will be available at ***www.facebook.com/SacramentoScandinavianFestival.***
- What would you like to see here? 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***

**MEMORIAL DAY**

REMEMBER & HONOR

## 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***

| | | | |
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| 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 a Hall Board member, or contact **Dave Melius** at (408) 244-4497 or ***dmelius@hotmail.com***

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

## 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 408-915-7755**

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Novelist, Patriot

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| **May 8** | Mother's Day |
| **May 14** | Anniversary Dinner |
| **May 17** | *Hurra for Syttende Mai!* |
| **May 30** | Memorial Day |
| **June 19** | Father's Day |

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