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Nordahl's Tidende

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En hilsen fra Nordahl Grieg Presidenten

My Fellow Members,

This month's message is more of a Public Service Announcement: BE AWARE OF SUSPICIOUS EMAILS.

You may have seen the contact email addresses that our web-magician provides so that no matter who has the office, an inquiry will reach the right person. Those are IN boxes.

It is not possible to send mail OUT of them. At least not legitimately….So if any member should happen to receive a vaguely worded request for a little help from your new Lodge President, in the words of that strange creature from Star Wars, "IT'S A TRAP!!"

As your President, I will never send vague asks with stock phrase letter closings like "with kind regards." I will never ask any member for financial info. And I solemnly swear that I shall NEVER ask anyone to buy gift cards, no matter what the reason.

I WILL, however, ask you to come to the Lodge for the Annual Hall Board Meeting on March 3, or log in to the Zoom portal if you can't make the drive. We'll be in the bar, talking to you on TV in a test that we hope will enable more members to participate while staying safe until the Plague is at last driven from the land.

(And may the scammers go with it!)

Fraternally, *Kathy Whitesel, President*

Annual Shareholders' Meeting of Nordahl Hall, Inc.

Friday, March 3 • 7:00 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 the meeting, we also elect new Hall Board Directors to fill expired terms or vacant seats on the board. Please plan to attend.

This will be a *hybrid* meeting (in-person and virtual). If you would like to attend via Zoom, please use the log-in information below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88996637319?pwd=RHRFa3BEYnFSSEkxQ0xQUVRLVzJSdz09

Meeting ID: 889 9663 7319
Passcode: 468268

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Nordahl Grieg Lodge and Snorre Lodge

have joined together to host two special events
at
Nordahl Hall, 580 W. Parr Avenue, Los Gatos, CA

SKÅL!

Aquavit Infusion Party

Friday, March 17
6:30 pm – Doors Open
7 pm – DIY Aquavit
Come make your own aquavit. All supplies and ingredients will be provided to inspire your own unique flavor combinations. All you need to bring is your imagination. Dessert and coffee will be served. Cash bar with beer, wine, and soft drinks.

Aquavit Tasting Party and Casual Dinner

Saturday, April 29
5 pm – Doors Open
5:45 pm – Dinner
6:30 pm – Aquavit Tasting
After a buffet dinner of meatball sandwiches, coleslaw, and chips, we'll taste our creations. What special blend of herbs and spices, or unusual concoctions, hits the spot for you? Dessert and coffee will be served. Cash bar and soft drinks.

And to round out the evening….

Lowell Jonsson vs Bruce Fihe: THE REMATCH!

In 2015, Lowell (Snorre) and Bruce (Nordahl Grieg) challenged each other in a blind tasting contest of their homemade aquavit brews. Bruce was judged the winner, and now Lowell wants a rematch.

Will Bruce retain his title, or will Lowell be declared the new ***King of Aquavit***?

Cost for Aquavit Tasting Party and Dinner: $10 per person

Advance reservations and payment by April 26 are REQUIRED.

Everyone is invited, whether you attend the March infusion party or not.

You have two ways to reserve and pay:

Mail your check, payable to
Nordahl Grieg Lodge, to:
Bruce Fihe
2435 Felt Street, Spc. 57
Santa Cruz, CA 95062-4201
(831) 454-8509

OR

Click here to reserve online, or enter this URL in your browser: https://tinyurl.com/weda44v9.

You can then either pay online or pay by mail.

A TASTE OF NORWAY

Syttende Mai Nordic Festival

Saturday, May 20, 2023
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Nordahl Hall, 580 West Parr Avenue
Los Gatos, CA 95032

Admission:
Adults $8, Senior/Youth $5, 5 & under: Free

Features: Nordahl Grieg Leikarring og Spelemannslag ● Viking Reenactors ● Food & Craft Displays and Demos ● Genealogy Resources ● Kid's Area ● Info Tables ● Photo Booths ● Bunad Review.

Available for Purchase: Open-faced Sandwiches, Pølse med Lompe, Vaffler & More, at Elderid's Café ● Nordic Specialties in the Bar ● Shopping at the Amazing Solveig Club Boutique ● Raffle and More!

Demonstrations, Performances, & Highlights

Watch several Food & Craft Demos during the day, highlighting Heritage Foods & Crafts. Maybe you'll get to taste a sample!

Enjoy the Nordahl Grieg Leikarring og Spelemannslag Folk Dancing performance, and then join in to learn some Folk Dancing steps.

Wear a Bunad or Folkedrakt & participate in the Bunad Review. When you arrive, provide info about your Bunad or Folkedrakt; so you can be introduced.

Parade around the Hall and grounds, to commemorate Syttende Mai & to take our annual photo.

Shop, eat, learn crafts & cooking techniques, dance, take a selfie with The Scream, buy Raffle tickets, visit our resource tables!

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A TASTE OF NORWAY

Volunteer Opportunities

It's been 3 years since we had ***A TASTE OF NORWAY*** at Nordahl Hall. It's time to come back to enjoy another Syttende Mai Nordic Festival at Nordahl Grieg Lodge, with another day of celebrating our Norwegian-American heritage, on Saturday May 20, 2023. For years, we had Norway Day in the Bay Area to get together and commemorate our heritage with culture, foods, and more. Ours is a one-day event with as many elements of the original as we can manage. We look forward to a fun day.

To do that, we need volunteers to help the day go smoothly. Please consider volunteering before, during, and/or after the event. Adults and youth are welcome to join the team. Give us a call or send a message, and we'll help you settle on volunteer tasks to suit you. Also, remember, we can sign off volunteer time for your school or service club requirements.

Of course, there will be set-up and disassembly happening, and those who can help with that will be most appreciated. There are also opportunities helping prepare the delicious delights for Elderid's Café and all the tasks that come with that. And, we can't have Pølse med Lompe unless we make Lompe! That will be happening at the Lodge, on Thursday, May 18 while set-up is beginning in the Hall. We'll continue setting up on Friday, May 19, so we're ready to open the event at 10 AM on Saturday, May 20. We'll have booths and activities, and our volunteers will help all go smoothly.

To volunteer, please call or email one of the Event Co-Chairs. If you're sending an email, please mention the event in the subject line, and if you leave a voice mail, please also mention the event.

Judy Purrington, 408-799-3262, ***JudyPurrington@aol.com***
Barbara Shoup, 408-982-5320, ***bshoup33@gmail.com***
Kathryn Whitesel, 408-839-2966, ***saxonytarn@aol.com***

March Birthdays

1	Jeanne Shada
5	Julie Rose
6	Ray Vannatta
7	Liv Braaten
10	Rena Slama
11	Karen Aaker
11	Richard Grindeland
14	Mona Jenkins
15	Richard Kurkowski
17	Dennis Enget
21	Shelley Curtis
24	Patrick Kelly
25	Duane Adams
27	Ruth Cole
27	Caitlin Laycock
29	Terje Kristiansen
30	Pamela Petersen
30	Kathleen Moe
30	Meagan Hansen

Heritage Members

11	Kaylee Kramer
18	Kai Porter

Nordahl Grieg College Scholarship

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

Deadline to apply is **June 30**.

Submit completed applications to:
Kristen Hunsbedt, Scholarship Chair
22774 Montrose Court
Los Gatos, CA 95033

Applications available at ***https://nordahl-grieg.org/site/scholarships.***

Solveig Sewing Club College Scholarship

Any daughter, granddaughter, or great-granddaughter of a member in good standing of Nordahl Grieg Lodge is eligible. Applicant must be a full-time student, no older than 30 years of age, have completed at least one year of college or university, and have a cumulative minimum 2.5 GPA. See application for full eligibility requirements. ***https://nordahl-grieg.org/site/scholarships***

Deadline to apply is **June 1**.

Submit completed applications to:
Duane Adams, Solveig Club President
3415 Winkle Ave
Santa Cruz, CA 95065-1640

Reminder: Sons of Norway Foundation scholarship deadline is March 1.
Visit ***https://www.sofn.com/foundation/scholarships*** for more information

A TASTE OF NORWAY

Request for Raffle Prize Donations

As we often do, we'll be having a raffle at **A TASTE OF NORWAY** on May 20. It's a well-supported activity, so we hope you can help by providing something for a raffle prize.

If you have something to donate, please call or email one of the Event Co-Chairs:

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Thanks to all who attended our 77th Anniversary Dinner last month, and congratulations to all award recipients!

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CAMP TROLLFJELL & FOLKHØGSKULE

AT CAMP NORGE

FOLKHØGSKULE
JUNE 25-JULY 8
AGES 14-17

Family Transition Weekend
July 7 - 9
Come with your family!

TROLLFJELL
JULY 9 - 21
AGES 8-13

CAMP NORGE | ALTA, CA

Norwegian Language | Folk Dancing | Rosemaling
Cooking | Hiking | Games & Sports | And a Lot More...

For more info:
Website: sofn6.org/arv/
Facebook: Trollfjell
Instagram: trollfjellsofn

Camp Announcement

Believe it or not, it's time to start thinking about camp. Save these dates, and get ready to have some much-needed summer fun!

Trollfjell Folkehøgskule *(ages 14-17) - June 25 to July 8*

Camp Trollfjell *(ages 8-13) - July 9 to July 21*

All children and youth in the proper age range with an interest in Norwegian culture and language are welcome 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 information.

Camperships

The Solveig Club once again will award 50% cost of tuition camperships for children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren of Nordahl Grieg members in good standing. 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 by **May 1, 2023** and mailed to:

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

District Six also offers camperships for Trollfjell Folkehøgskule and Camp Trollfjell as well as other scholarships. Check out the "Youth" tab at ***www.sofn6.org*** *for additional information.*

Please note that campers are eligible to receive only one campership award from either Nordahl Grieg Lodge or District 6, but not both.

Youth Half Camperships Available for District Six Members for 2023

The District provides ½ camperships to youth in our district for Camp Trollfjell (ages 8-13) and Trollfjell Folkehøgskule (ages 14-17). Camp is held at the Recreation Center Camp Norge in Alta, CA. The amount of the half camperships for 2023 is half of the registration cost. The application form is available on the District Six website at ***https://sofn6.org/scholarships***. All applications must be received by **April 15, 2023**. Please send the completed applications to:

District Six Campership Committee
c/o Luella Grangaard
PO Box 832
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

or e-mail to morongo2@verizon.net

It is time to sign up for 2023 camp!!!

World's Best Frozen Meatballs
will be for sale at our March 17 Social

Each package contains 100 homemade Nordahl Grieg Lodge meatballs.
Just $20 per package. Quantities are limited, so get 'em while you can!

Scholarship Opportunities for District Six Youth

District Six offers up to three $1,500 scholarships per year for students ages 16-23. These scholarships are available for students attending an accredited post-secondary school or training institution. The deadline for this scholarship is **May 1, 2023.**

District Six offers a $1,000 scholarship to the Concordia Skogfjorden Language Camp. The deadline for this scholarship is **April 14, 2023.**

Applications are available on the District Six website at ***https://sofn6.org/scholarships***. Please send completed applications to

c/o Luella Grangaard
PO Box 832
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

or e-mailed to morongo2@verizon.net.

In addition there are many scholarships offered by the Sons of Norway Foundation at www.sofn.com.

These applications are due by **March 1, 2023**.

Please take advantage of this District Six Member opportunity.

FOOD BANK

Help support our neighbors in need. Please bring food bank donations when you attend Lodge events.

THANK YOU!

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 Joan D. Johnson
Shelley Curtis (donation, January 2023)

Shirley Shoup (donation, January 2023)

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)

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 May 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** – Norwegian folk dancing 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. NEW Location: Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, 505 E. Charleston Rd. Palo Alto CA 94306. For more information, contact **Meg Laycock** at 408-255-2111, or ***meg@jstub.com***.
- **North House** – This folk school offers courses in many traditional crafts including basketry, timber framing, painting, woodworking, and fiber arts. Although it is located on Lake Superior, many of North House's courses are now available online. Visit ***https://northhouse.org/courses*** and then select the "online courses" category to see what you can learn from right here in California.
- **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.
- 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***

International Waffle Day is March 25!

Click ***here*** or visit ***https://www.sofn.com/norwegian_culture/recipe_box*** for a recipe and serving suggestions.

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 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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Norwegian Poet,
Novelist, Patriot

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Deadline to submit information for the next issue is the 15th of each month.
Please send all entries via email to *editor@nordahl-grieg.org*.
Advertise in the *Tidende* – information and rates are available at *www.nordahl-grieg.org*.
Business meetings are generally held on the 2nd Friday of the month and announced in the *Tidende*.
Social events are announced in the *Tidende* and via email.

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May 20	A Taste of Norway

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