



## **En hilsen fra Nordahl Grieg Presidenten**

Greetings Fellow Lodge Members:

I hope everyone who could attend enjoyed our 2025 Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner a few weeks ago! We truly appreciate all of our guests. We also appreciate the over 100 volunteers who contributed their time and energy to purchase, prepare, cook, and serve our traditional dinner, to display the unique holiday gifts at the Solveig Bazaar, to decorate the hall, to stock the Nordahl Hall Bar and serve our guests, to provide live music, and to clean it all up at the end!

Did you notice the beautiful new contemporary tile and paint in the foyer and women's lounge when you visited Nordahl Hall? I am pleased to report these upgrades were completed in time before our Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner with lots of hard work from our contractor and project managers. We truly thank the **Harry and JoAnn Bjerkhoel** Trust for their generous donation in order for us to replace the foyer and women's lounge tile floor and complete the painting and trim upgrades.

Please consider contributing to the Love Your Lodge Fund to modernize our hall floor; there is a flyer on page 9 with more information about this fundraiser. Thank you to those members and non-members that have already donated to modernize our Hall; it is so appreciated.

Please mark your calendars now for the numerous Lodge programs planned in 2026 so far; see dates and descriptions of our events on the Upcoming Events Calendar in this *Tidende* (page 3).

Activities coming up this winter and spring:

- Sunday, January 11 at 2:00 PM: Installation of Lodge Officers and Lodge announcements
- Sunday, February 1 at 2:00 PM: Crossings 200, Guest Speaker: Rolf Svanoe from Vesterheim Museum
- Saturday, March 7 at 3:00 PM: Lodge Anniversary Dinner and Special Awards Ceremony
- Sunday, May 17 at 1:00 PM: Syttende Mai in Style - Elegant Champagne Brunch

I hope you had a very special holiday with your family and friends. Happy New Year!

*Sheryl Hawes, President*



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## Sunshine News

**Kathy Whitesel** had some oral surgery recently and is doing very well. We are glad you are on the mend!

**Andy Hunsbedt** was helping set up for the Lutefisk dinner and wasn't feeling well. He went to the doctor and was diagnosed with pneumonia. Luckily they caught it early, and he is on antibiotics and recovering at home. We wish you a speedy recovery Andy!

*Barbara Shoup, Sunshine Chair*

## Join Us for Our Lodge's First Social Event in 2026

Open-faced sandwiches, appetizers, cookies  
2026 Lodge Officer Installation & Announcements

You are invited to enjoy our first social event of 2026 on Sunday, January 11. We will serve open-faced sandwiches, appetizers, cookies, and coffee to be followed by the Nordahl Grieg 2026 Officer Installation and Lodge announcements.

- Date - Sunday, January 11, 2026
  - 2:00 PM - Social Hour and sandwiches
  - 3:15 PM - Lodge Officer Installation Ceremony
  - 3:45 PM - Lodge announcements
- Location - Nordahl Hall, 580 West Parr Avenue, Los Gatos
- What to bring - Something to share on the smorgasbord table, if you can
- No charge, no reservations
- Coffee provided

Looking forward to 2026 and more gatherings with our membership!

## Nyheter fra Solveig Club



Thanks to everyone who visited the Solveig Club's Bazaar during the Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. We always try to have quality merchandise and hope you enjoyed your shopping experience. The funds we raise allow us to support efforts like the renovation of the men's and women's restrooms that we funded with \$7,000 during the summer.

Additionally, we thank you for supporting our Raffle, Treasure Table, and Grab Bag sales. Funds raised in those areas support our scholarships and camperships.

The Solveig Club will be meeting next on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in January at 10:30 AM. We're always looking for more members to the club, so please come by if you'd like to get a little more information on our work.

*The Solveig Club was established on April 28, 1967, with the purpose of raising funds to support the Sons of Norway providing scholarship opportunities for youth and students, and supporting local charities.*

Ha det bra,

*Judy Purrington, President  
408-799-3262*

**The Solveig Club continues to accept warm clothing and coats to distribute through local charitable organizations. The donation box for coats and clothing will be available at the "Crossings 200" event on February 1 at Nordahl Hall.**

## January Birthdays

5	Ron Smestad
7	Kalia Freitas
8	Craig Slama
8	Christine Roed
10	Morgan Frost Karlsson
10	Gloria Heistein
10	Andy Woods
11	Terri McCall
17	Marlin Jones
19	JoAnn Bjerkhoel
20	Regina Jensen
23	Charla Bunton-Johnson
24	Julie Buckley
24	Caro Raumer
25	Johann Haug
25	Kermit Lund
26	Sharon Felkey
27	David McIntyre
31	Michele Graham



## Upcoming Events Calendar - Nordahl Grieg Lodge and Affiliates

Date	Event	Description	Location	Cost/RSVP
<b>Sunday, January 11</b> 2:00 - 4:00 PM	Installation of 2026 Nordahl Grieg Officers  * <i>Nordahl Bar (cash)</i>	<i>Enjoy our first social event of 2026. Tasty sandwiches and cookies will be served.</i> <i>Installation ceremony for 2026 lodge officers followed by a few brief lodge announcements.</i>	Nordahl Hall 580 W. Parr Ave, Los Gatos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No reservations required</li> <li>- No charge</li> </ul>
<b>Sunday, February 1</b> 2:00 - 4:00 PM	Vesterheim Museum Travel Director: 200 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Norwegian Immigration and the "Crossings 200" Celebration  * <i>Nordahl Bar (cash)</i>  * <i>Solveig Club Boutique (cash/checks only)</i>	<i>Enjoy a traditional Norwegian buffet of small bites &amp; appetizers. Rolf Svanoe, Vesterheim Museum Travel Director, will present his experiences with "Crossings 200" celebrations in Norway and New York. Commemorating the largest Norwegian immigration in modern times. A replica ship of the Restaurat arrived in New York on October 9, and Rolf was there.</i>	Nordahl Hall 580 W. Parr Ave, Los Gatos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- See page 6 for details</li> <li>- Adults: \$15</li> <li>- Children 12 and under: no charge</li> <li>- Reservations recommended and helpful for planning purposes</li> </ul>
<b>Saturday, March 7</b> 3:00 PM Social hour 4:00 PM Dinner 5:00 PM Awards	Anniversary Dinner & Awards Ceremony  * <i>Solveig Club Boutique (cash/checks only)</i>  * <i>Nordahl Bar (cash)</i>	<i>Celebrate our Lodge's 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a delicious catered dinner. Membership longevity awards and special awards and acknowledgement will be presented to our wonderful members.</i>	Nordahl Hall 580 W. Parr Ave, Los Gatos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- See page 7 for details</li> <li>- Adults: \$32</li> <li>- Children 12 and under: no charge</li> <li>- RSVP required</li> </ul>
<b>Sunday, May 17</b> 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Syttende Mai in Style  Elegant Champagne Brunch	<i>*Norwegian scrambled eggs, salmon, cheeses, waffles, rømmegrøt, fresh fruit, and more</i> <i>*Sparkling wine, mimosas, sparkling cider, juice, and coffee</i> <i>*Parade, dancing, and music</i> <i>*Bring Mom to celebrate Mother's Day again</i>	Nordahl Hall 580 W. Parr Ave, Los Gatos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adults: \$30</li> <li>- Youth 6 to 12: \$10</li> <li>- 5 and under: no charge</li> <li>- RSVP required</li> <li>- For more info: <b>Jeannie Thomson</b> at <a href="mailto:jeannie352@me.com">jeannie352@me.com</a></li> </ul>
<b>Saturday, December 5</b> 2:30 - 10:30 PM	Traditional Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner  * <i>Solveig Club Bazaar &amp; Raffle (cash/checks only)</i>  * <i>Nordahl Bar (cash)</i>	<i>A tradition for 76 years! Family-style dinner fresh frozen lutefisk, meatballs, potatoes, coleslaw, lefse, coffee, and Norwegian cookies. Live entertainment and dancing from 8:45 to 11:30 PM.</i>	Nordahl Hall 580 W. Parr Ave, Los Gatos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cost: TBD</li> <li>- Three seatings: 3:30, 5:30, &amp; 7:30</li> <li>- To be added to the mailing list, sign up using this link: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yfk765b4">https://tinyurl.com/yfk765b4</a></li> </ul>

## A Huge Tusen Takk!

Many thanks to all of the volunteers who made our annual Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner happen. We think we had more volunteers than ever this year, thanks to our Volunteer Coordinator, **Kristine Estensen-Goldberg**.

As Co-chairs, we had help from a team of lodge leaders that really made the event go smoothly. Thanks to **Sheryl Hawes, Kristine Estensen-Goldberg, Rich Pierson, and Larry Hulberg**.

We have several members who have been doing their “job” for decades and have trained their successors. Thank you for your decades of work for us, **Andy Hunsbedt, Scott Ansok, Kate Slama, and Becky Slama**.

Many of us were at the hall for most of the week leading up to the dinner. Tasks were completed including setting up the bar – **Dave Melius**, setting up the Solveig Room – **Vicki Everly, Linnea Williams, Sharon Bratton, Marcia Hulberg**. Setting up the hall, including the cook tent and washing all of the bowls and platters we use during the dinner, washing potatoes, taking delivery of the fish and many other tasks – **Rich Pierson, Larry Hulberg, Cory Smyth, Andy Hunsbedt, Mark Hunsbedt, Matt Peak, Fred Rubio, Lars-Erik Haug, and Martin Alkire**.

**Kathy Whitesel’s** and **Claire Smyth’s** painstaking sorting of all the trash and recyclables meant that we generated much less trash than we might have, especially considering that we served almost 600 diners.

Many thanks to **Leland & Susan Bjerkhoel**, who came all the way from Truckee to provide us with dance music.

Thanks to the **Solveig Club**, who set all of the tables for the first seating and counted out all of the placemats, cups, and plates. This makes it so much faster for our servers to set the tables for the next seating.

**Craig and Rena Slama** led the charge in the kitchen the night of the dinner. They had lots of help including **Victoria Slama, Christopher Slama, and Pat Kitson**. Things ran really smoothly.

Also a thank you to **Lowell and Sue Johnson** who stayed for several nights in their RV to provide security and ensure our Lodge and belongings were safe.

Apologies to anyone we’ve inadvertently omitted. We had a very successful dinner.

Fraternally,

*Jim Sturtevant and Janie Kelly*



# THANK YOU!

*Mange tusen takk* to the many, many volunteers who made our Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner a success! The dinner was a lot of work as always, but YOU made it possible. We sincerely apologize if we have left anyone out or misspelled a name.

## **Publicity & Tickets**

Bruce Fihe

## **Purchasing**

Janie Kelly

Jim Sturtevant

## **Meatballs**

Janie Kelly, Chair

Karina Haug

Lars-Erik Haug

Larry Hulberg

Patrick Kelly

Kai Porter

Laura Porter

Craig Slama

Kate Slama

Rena Slama

Jeannie Thomson

## **Lefse Making**

Vicki Everly, Chair

Duane Adams

Ingrid Alkire

Marla Berg-Vivit

Liv Braaten

Sharon Bratton

Pat Cote

Ever Dominguez

Lillian Domondon

Stan Egger

Linda Egger

Sonja Flanagin

Lindy Freeman

Michelle Graham

Lars-Erik Haug

Ellen Haugen

Scott Johnson

Norm Hulberg

Larry Hulberg

Janie Kelly

Julie Larson

Meg Laycock

Jeannie Lyle

Krista Mathison

Rich Pierson

Laura Porter

Judy Purrington

Barbara Shoup

Heidi Simpson

Linda Smestad

Ron Smestad

John Stubblebine

Jeannie Thomson

Jon Villarreal

Lee Ann Visnapuu

Kristian Warmdahl

Natalie Warmdahl

Linnea Williams

## **Cookie Making**

Sheryl Hawes, Co-Chair

Kristine Estensen, Co-Chair

Karen Barker

Marla Berg-Vivit

JoAnn Bjerkhoel

Sharon Bratton

Aaron Bueno

Brooke Bueno

Pat Cote

David Dahl

Vicki Everly

Michelle Graham

Johann Haug

Karina Haug

Lars-Erik Haug

Ellen Haugen

Misa Hosohama

Julie Larson

Meg Laycock

Kyle Mastrolia

Kermit Olsen

Karen Rubio

Barbara Shoup

John Stubblebine

Jeannie Thomson

Christopher Warmdahl

Natalie Warmdahl

## **Setup & Cleanup**

Martin Alkire

Kristine Estensen-Goldberg

Mike Goldberg

Lars-Erik Haug

Sheryl Hawes

Larry Hulberg

Andy Hunsbedt

Mark Hunsbedt

Janie Kelly

Matt Peak

Rich Pierson

Fred Rubio

Cory Smyth

Jim Sturtevant

Jeannie Thomson

Jon Villarreal

## **Coat Check**

Kai Porter

## **Decorations**

Dave Melius

Claire Smyth

Kathy Whitesel

## **Table Setting, Bazaar, & Raffle**

Duane Adams

Sharon Bratton

Vicki Everly

Sonja Flanigan

Marcia Hulberg

Meg Laycock

Anna Likens

Judy Purrington

Barbara Shoup

John Stubblebine

Linnea Williams

## **Cook Tent**

Martin Alkire

Scott Ansok

Larry Hulberg

Matt Peak

Rich Pierson

Fred Rubio

Cory Smyth

Jim Sturtevant

## **Bar & Aquavit Service**

Carol Fukui

Fred Hymans

Dave Melius

## **Kitchen Crew**

Leslie Alvarez

Kerstin Ericsson

Brian Gonzales

Pat Kitson

Hector Montes

Christopher Slama

Craig Slama

Rena Slama

Victoria Slama

Jennifer Steele

## **Entertainment**

Leland Bjerkhoel

## **Check-in**

JoAnn Bjerkhoel

LaVinnia Pierson

Terry Sturtevant

## **Security**

Lowell & Sue Johnson

## **Dining Room**

Duane Adams

Ingrid Alkire

Marla Berg-Vivit

Ember Bratton

Lucy Bratton

Mariella Cornell

Annalisa Cruise

Alexandra D'Amico

Ellen D'Amico

David Dahl

Kyla Deppong

Ever Dominguez

Kristine Estensen

Kalia Freitas

Neveah Freitas

Michele Graham

Lars-Erik Haug

Sheryl Hawes

Kristen Hunsbedt

Scott Johnson

Janie Kelly

Savannah Kramer

Julie Larson-Alkire

Svea Leventon

Jason Morken

Alan Pintacura

Karen Rubio

Becky Slama

Kate Slama

Laura Porter

Jon Villarreal

## **Trash & Recycling**

Michael Roman

Claire Smyth

Kathy Whitesel

# Crossings 200 Program and Traditional Norwegian Buffet

Presenter: Vesterheim Museum Travel Director, Rolf Svanoe

Sunday, February 1, 2026

2:00 PM – Doors open

- Light meal - traditional Norwegian buffet
- Beverages for purchase in the bar
- Solveig Club Boutique - vintage Norwegian decorative objects, bunads, and sweaters

3:15 PM – Presentation by Rolf Svanoe

Rolf Svanoe, the Vesterheim Museum Travel Director, will present his experiences with the “Crossings 200” celebrations in Norway and New York. Crossings 200 commemorates the largest Norwegian immigration in modern times. The original Restaurasjon was a sloop built in 1801, in Hardanger, Norway. It became a symbol of Norwegian-American immigration. A replica of the sloop Restaurasjon sailed from Byfjorden on July 4, 2025, and arrived in New York on October 9, and Rolf was there!

Rolf will also mention the exciting travel programs offered by Vesterheim. Call **LaVinnia Pierson** for more information about Rolf or his presentation at 408-914-1844.

Adults - \$15.00

Children 12 and under - free

Please visit our website at <https://nordahl-grieg.org/site/crossings-200> for more details on reservations. RSVP deadline is January 26.



# *Nordahl Grieg Lodge* *80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner*

*Saturday, March 7, 2026*  
*3 pm Social Time • 4 pm Dinner*

## *Dinner Menu*

*Cod Almondine*  
*Hearty Beef Stew*  
*Spring Asparagus*  
*Fingerling Potatoes with Parsley & Butter*  
*Dill Remoulade*  
*Array of Artisan Breads*  
*Cake and Coffee*

## *Presentation of Awards*

- *Membership Longevity Pins*
- *Special Awards*

*Solveig Club Nordic Boutique*  
*(cash and checks only please)*

→ *Please bring food bank  
donations for local families in need.*

*Cost: \$32 per person • No charge for children aged 12 and under*

*Reservations and payment must be received by Tuesday, March 3, 2026.  
(Sorry - no refunds, late reservations, or walk-ins.)*

**PLEASE USE ONE OF OUR GREATLY  
PREFERRED OPTIONS TO RESERVE AND PAY  
ONLINE** - by clicking [here](#),  
scanning the QR code, or  
using <https://tinyurl.com/25u3mjt9>.



**OR**

*Mail your check, payable to Nordahl  
Grieg Lodge, to:  
Jim Sturtevant  
1078 Ticonderoga Drive  
Sunnyvale, CA 94087-2037  
(408) 391-4961*  
→ *Please note # of adults & children  
in the memo section of your check.*

*Sons of Norway • Nordahl Grieg Lodge, 580 W. Parr, Los Gatos, CA*



## Member Anniversaries

The following Lodge members will receive longevity awards at our 2026 Anniversary Dinner. CONGRATULATIONS to everyone and THANK YOU for your continued membership and support of Nordahl Grieg Lodge.

### 5 Years (joined in 2020)

Charla Bunton-Johnson  
Michael Flanagan  
Jennifer Frost  
Morgan Frost  
Gloria Heistein  
Lilli-Anne Price

### 10 Years (joined in 2015)

Donald Hansen  
Meagan Hansen  
Beverly Horner  
Helen Jorgensen (posthumously)  
Scott Mattison

### 15 Years (joined in 2010)

Lars-Erik Haug  
Sue Ellen Laurie

### 25 Years (joined in 2000)

Marilyn Nelson  
Barbara Shoup  
Linda Smestad  
Ron Smestad

### 30 Years (joined in 1995)

Sharon Felkey  
Gerd Holmsen

### Golden Member\*

Sharon Felkey

### 35 Years (joined in 1990)

Orland Larson  
Anna Likens  
Kermit Lund

### 40 Years (joined in 1985)

Janie Kelly  
Bill Likens

### 45 Years (joined in 1980)

Sheryl Hawes  
Craig Slama

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

### 50 Years (joined in 1975)

Gary Ansok  
Timothy Evjenth  
Marion Harris  
Tor Hanssen

### 55 Years (joined in 1970)

Kate Slama  
June Stennes

### Recognition of Heritage Members\*\* (see below)

#### 5 Years

Jaylen Bratton  
Mariella Cornell  
Declan Laycock  
Xander Laycock

#### 10 Years

Gabriel Barnhardt  
Kai Nelms

\*\*Heritage Members are youth up to 15 years old related to Sons of Norway Members and enrolled in the Heritage Member program.

## Congratulations!

### FREE Sons of Norway Heritage membership for young relatives aged 15 and under.

Heritage membership offers current Sons of Norway members an easy and free way to share their love of Norwegian traditions and culture with young family members. New Heritage members receive a Welcome Kit and Sons of Norway ID card, along with ideas for celebrating Nordic heritage.

Heritage members must be related to the sponsoring Sons of Norway member – most often a parent or grandparent – but they are not required to be part of the same household. At age 16, Heritage members have the option of joining Sons of Norway as an adult Individual member or as part of a Family membership, if one exists at their home address.

Heritage Member Enrollment Forms are available at <https://tinyurl.com/ydywenur> or from any of our lodge officers.

## New Year's Speeches in Norway

King Haakon VII of Norway began the tradition of giving a New Year's Eve speech in 1940. It was the first new year after Norway was occupied by Germany during WWII, and the Royal Family was living abroad. These radio addresses were a way for the King to speak directly to the Norwegian people. Although few had radios at the time (because they had been confiscated by the Nazis), word of what the King said quickly spread throughout the nation.

During his exile in London, King Haakon VII made several radio broadcasts to the American people via the BBC, expressing gratitude for the United States' support and steadfast friendship. One such address was on New Year's Day in 1943 when King Haakon gave a speech to the American people thanking them for their support during the war. Here's a link to that speech: <https://tinyurl.com/43dden7r>. Fifty years after the war, a memorial was unveiled in Oslo to honor the American soldiers who died in Norway during WWII, a gesture from Norwegian veterans ensuring their sacrifice would not be forgotten.

## MODERNIZE OUR HALL FLOOR

***- UPDATE -***

**Thank you to our donors!**

**We have raised almost \$3,000 for our floor from 23 donors.**

Fundraising Goal: \$35,000. Please consider making a special contribution to our Love Your Lodge fund specifically for replacing our early 1990s hall and bar flooring.

**COMPLETED HALL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:** The Nordahl Hall Board has worked hard to improve the look of our interior and exterior space in order to attract more renters to increase our income. Improvements made so far include:

- Replaced bar baseboards and installed a new bar plumbing system – April 2025
- Painted parking lot walls and rear storage containers – May 2025
- Planted new garden and installed paver stones and new irrigation timer system – May 2025
- Painted foyer interior doors and door trim white – August 2025
- Installed new vanities, sinks, and faucets in the women’s and men’s restrooms – September 2025
- Installed new contemporary floor tile in the entrance foyer and women’s lounge as well as fresh paint in those areas – November 2025

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:** Please donate to the *Modernize Our Hall Floor Campaign*. Here is how:

1. Donate online by visiting <https://nordahl-grieg.org/site/nordahl-hall-modernization> OR
2. Mail a check, made out to “*Nordahl Grieg Lodge: Modernize Our Hall Floor*” to: Jim Sturtevant, Treasurer, 1078 Ticonderoga Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Thank for your support,

*Nordahl Grieg Lodge: Sheryl Hawes, President*

*Nordahl Hall: Duane Adams, President*

Updated December 2025

## 2026 Lodge Officers

Congratulations to our 2026 officers and committee chairs, and thank you for serving our lodge!

### Officers:

President: Sheryl Hawes

Vice President: David Dahl

Co-Secretaries: Vicki Everly and Meg Laycock

Treasurer: Jim Sturtevant

Tidende Editor: Svea Leventon

Social Director: **OPEN. In 2026, “Event Leads” will be assigned.**

Cultural Director: Judy Purrington

Counselor: Kathy Whitesel

Webmaster: Bruce Fihe

### Committee Chairs:

Foundation Chair: Duane Adams

Scholarship Chair: Kristen Hunsbedt

Special Project Director & Sunshine News Reporter: Barbara Shoup

Multi-Lodge Outreach Director: Jeannie Thomson

Social Event Pantry Replenishment: Kathy Whitesel

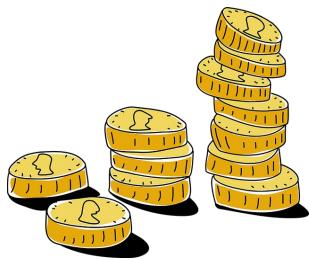
Greeter & Lodge Ambassador: Kristine Estensen-Goldberg

Publicity Chair: **OPEN. New position! Announcements and flyers for events and programs for larger audiences**



## Nordahl Hall Board Needs a New Treasurer

After years of dedicated service as the Nordahl Hall Treasurer, **Rich Pierson** would like to step down and transfer the reins to a new recruit.



As Treasurer, you will be responsible for managing the flow of money into the Hall (primarily from rentals) and for allocating and recording how that money is spent to run the Hall. All records are kept on an easily managed Excel spreadsheet. Rich is a great teacher and is eager to mentor you through the process of managing the Hall's accounts.

Fellow Board members will also be happy to help. You will join a great group of people who all work together towards maintaining the Hall and planning for its future.

If you're interested, please contact Hall Board president **Duane Adams** at [duane.adams@use.startmail.com](mailto:duane.adams@use.startmail.com). Thank you!

## Friendly Reminder

When leaving Nordahl Hall, please remember to turn off all lights, turn off the heat/A/C, and lock all doors, including the sound cabinet. Please put away all equipment. We need our hall to look nice for our renters and keep it secure for safety.

After our Lutefisk dinner there were several things left out and doors unlocked, including the front door.



## Love Your Lodge Donations

### Platinum Level

#### *In loving memory of Harry Bjerkhoel*

**Harry & JoAnn Bjerkhoel Trust** (donation, November 2025 for foyer upgrades)

**The Solveig Club** (donations, Feb. 2024 and Sept. 2025 for restroom upgrades)

#### *In loving memory of Don Slama*

**The Kids: Kate, Becky, Victoria, Marianne, & Craig** (donation, January 2024)

#### *In memory of Homer Stennes*

**June Stennes** (donation, June 2023)

### Gold Level

**Jim & Terry Sturtevant** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Barbara Shoup** (donation, October 2024)

#### *In memory of Bob Thomson*

**Jeannie Thomson** (donation, October 2024)

#### *In loving memory of Clarian Pintacura*

**Alan Pintacura** (donations, Dec 2019, Dec 2021, Dec 2023, and Oct 2025)

### Silver Level

**Laura Hulberg** (donation, November 2025 for hall modernization)

**Lois Bertelson** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Victoria Slama** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

#### *In memory of Joan D. Johnson*

**Shelley Curtis** (donations, Jan 2023, Dec 2023, Jan 2025, and Oct 2025)

#### *In memory of Homer Stennes, Shirley Shoup, Anne Herbert, Kari Warner, and Don Slama*

**JoAnn Bjerkhoel** (donation, September 2023)

### Bronze Level

**Duane Adams** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**William Danielson** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Douglas Debs** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Charlotte Dickson** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Kristine Estensen-Goldberg** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Aimee Johnson** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

**Jeannie Thomson** (donation, October 2025 for hall modernization)

#### *In memory of Anne Herbert*

**Sharon Sullivan** (donation, January 2024)

**Alan Pintacura** (donation, December 2023)

#### *In memory of Don Slama & Kari Warner*

**Randi Cruze** (donation, July 2023)

### **Tusen Takk for your support!**

Donations made prior to June 2023 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** – Make this your year to widen your experience of Norwegian culture by joining us for Norwegian folk dancing on Wednesday nights. It's great physical and mental exercise, and loads of fun. All experience levels are welcome! You'll learn dances from all over Norway (plus the occasional Swedish or Danish dance) with live music and friendly companions. Come with a friend or come alone; everyone has plenty of opportunities to dance. Meetings are Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, 505 E. Charleston Road, Palo Alto CA 94306. If possible, please bring shoes for dancing that are not used for outdoor wear. For more information, contact **Meg Laycock** at 408-255-2111.

## Takk for alt! Thanks for everything!

After six years, the time has come for me to hang up my Editor hat. I have entirely too many part-time commitments (family, work, volunteering, etc.), and I decided I need to make some changes. I want to take a moment to thank everyone who has read the *Tidende* during my tenure and trusted me with the news for our lodge. I've tried my best to keep you all informed in a timely fashion and present it all in an appealing way.

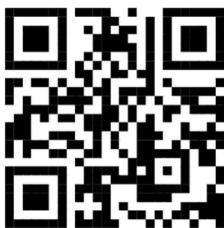
I'm excited to turn the *Tidende* over to **Svea Leventon** and trust that she will do a wonderful job. Svea is a bright and capable young woman who will surely excel in this role. Please continue to send your submissions to [editor@nordahl-grieg.org](mailto:editor@nordahl-grieg.org) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

I will continue to serve our local lodge and the greater organization in a few other roles and will bring my family to events when we can fit it into our busy schedules.

*Tusen takk,*

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