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The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and to preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

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Monthly heritage meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month (except July).

7:00 pm

Viking Hall, 1045 Ford Street

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Fjellheim Lodge 1045 Ford Street, Colorado Springs

Saturday. December 21, 2019 Social time 2:30 pm

Meal at 3:00 pm

We have an extensive and delicious menu planned for your enjoyment. Join us for fun and fellowship as we celebrate our Scandinavian heritage.

Members: \$20, Non-Members: \$22, Children 5-12, \$8

For reservations please call Karen Ravnaas at 719-390-0621 by Dec 18, 2019

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Make checks payable to Sons of Norway

Make your reservations early. Seating is limited.

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		Games.	Hall			Tea		
		6 & 7 pm Norwegian Language Class Viking Hall	6:30 pm Board Meet- ing					
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	8:30 am Lefse Viking Hall	6 & 7 pm Norwegian Language Class Viking Hall				2:30 pm Social 3:00 pm Julebord Viking Hall		
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		New Years Eve						
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January 2 2020 6:30 pm—Board meeting moved to Thursday after New Years day.								
January 4, 2020 10 am—Undecorate the Lodge!								
January 8, 2020 7 pm- Heritage Meeting, Installation of officers and welcoming of new members.								
February 15, 2020 2 pm—Fish Fry								
April 19, 2020) 11 am—Frokost							
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December Presidents Corner

GOD JUL OG GODT NYTTÅR TIL ALLE!

We had a busy November getting ready for Lutefisk. Besides the usual preparations Lois had to add some extra Lefse days because of the inclement weather in October. Apparently nobody takes vacations in November so we had a couple of well attended sessions and magically we had enough for the Lutefisk dinners. If you couldn't make those dates there is one more Lefse day Dec 16th. Hopefully there won't be snow that day!

The November Heritage meeting provided even more heritage because members brought in Norwegian items, memorabilia, stories and history to show and tell. Everyone enjoyed browsing the items and asking about what they meant. That's Julie Harris to the right showing weaving from a Vesterheim class and knitting. By the way, ask Cathy Berg sometime about her cousin Victor and learn a little about Norwegian WWII history. The December heritage meeting will be a early potluck at 6 pm followed by a Christmas Sing-a-long lead by our very own musician Sonia Gund and songstress Eunice Bluhm.



We had a very successful Lefse Dinner on Nov 16th. We were able to book 'Mike and Marge' shown left, to provide musical accompaniment to the evening setting. Tusen takk





to everyone who helped make the Fjellheim Lutefisk dinners a success again as always.

Next up is our annual Scandinavian Tea on Dec 7th which is

already **Sold Out**!! This year by it was full by November 10th. Kathie Godsil who is taking the reservations is busily putting in anyone who is on the waiting list she can but she can't take in any more. However if you want to participate and haven't signed up it's best to ask the chair Sissel Disbrew about how you can volunteer. Volunteering for this event is magical!

Julebord is December 21st, and it's also expected to fill up. Karen Ravnaas is taking the reservations and she reported that she has only 40 seats left on Nov 21st! Bi and Terry Mapstone are coming up with a wonderful menu and there will be music for this event as well. I hope to see you all there.

Don't forget that decorating the hall is Dec 4th at 2 pm. We are doing that later so that board members don't have to make two trips to the hall. We will probably order pizza inbetween. On Jan 4th 2020 at 10 am we will take it all down again.

We will have the annual Fjellheim Officer Installation at the Heritage meeting Jan 8th 2020. Bev Moe the zone 8 director will be here to oversee the installation (that's her to the right at our Lutefisk Dinner) It's always fun to reconnect with her. I will be stepping down and will be replaced by co-presidents Becky Tamblyn and BJ Mapstone. Please welcome them to their new (and not so new) leadership positions. We also still need a secretary for the board so please volunteer, it's not too late!

2020 is also the District 8 convention in Mesa Arizona June 18-21. Fiellheim will probably be allotted 6 delegates and you do not have to be on the board to be selected so please consider going! It's fun and educational.

Fraternally yours Kerry Hefta, Fjellheim President





Lutefisk Dinner Recap– The Lutefisk Dinner went very well again this year. Some 350 sat up to the table and ate everything we had. The baked goods and lefse also went.

The success was once again due to the efforts of so many people. The food prep, table set-up, hall decorating, baking, registration, cashiers and check-in, serving food and drink and , most important, clean-up afterward takes an army of hard working volunteers. Fjellheim is indeed fortunate to have so many who step up to the task.

I cannot name everyone who helped even though I should. I am forever grateful for their work.

Nancy Allen with the last piece of Lutefisk!

Special recognition goes to those spent much of the week getting ready – Ginny Johnson for registration and seamless check -in, Lois for buying, cooking and serving most of the food, BJ and Terry for helping with <u>every</u> task, Carol for food prep of every kind, Dave, Max and Jerry for set-up and clean-up to the very end, Karen the potato peeler and cashier, Kathie, Jess, and Jen for washing pots, pans and silverware for six hours and Monica, Steve, Dave and Phil for taking a risk and making the best lutefisk in the state.



Bjorg Mapstone and Margarethe Smith singing the Norwegian table prayer before serving

And then there is Randy, who in addition to keeping the water pitchers full and staying to the end for clean-up, has changed the way we message this traditional dinner by using Facebook and the Web. This how we got most of our patrons. He just does a great job.

We should also remember the twenty-five members who make lefse on Mondays so our guests can indulge in this treat.

Until next year, eat well. Mike Johaneson

P.S. I booked the accordion players for next year. Both seating's.!!

Below : Most of the Lutefisk Dinner Cooking Crew : Terry Mapstone, Lois Halvorson, Phil Cable and Monica Anderson



Above : Full house at the Lefse Dinner

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December birthua	ys	
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Spencer L Holland	6	
Marlys A Meagher	6	
Lynn Rice	6	
Harvey Williams Bucholtz	7	
Rosanne M Foresman	7	
Ellen Hardy	7	
Debra Nau	7	
Shirley Jean Stilley	9	
Margaret Suntken	9	
Ellen K Barry	10	
Donald C Ankley	11	
Beverly Ann Beasley	12	
Jerry W Maines	13	
Rita Marie Bucholtz	14	
Alexander Kamrud	16	
Trond Ostrem	17	
John H Peterson	17	
Debi M Wolfe	17	
Mason Allen	22	
Brenda Bostow	22	
Lynn Moore	23	
Bjorg Mapstone	25	
Kathlyn J Steinke	26	
Caren A Alvestad	27	
Joan Diane Dacus	30	
Cheri Ann Hughes	30	



Card Social - December 3, 12:30 with potluck followed by visiting and cards. Everyone is welcome.



Viking Sisters – We will meet on Thursday January 9th at 1 PM at Viking Hall. All women of the lodge are invited.

Questions?? please call Ginny Johnson 495-0253

Woodcarving Adventures

Please talk to Jeff, Terry, BJ or Mike you are interested.



Rosemaling Classes at Viking Hall

All skill levels are welcome. The cost for each 4 hour session is \$20.00. Please call Cindy Bauer at 633-8260 or Bj Mapstone at 440-3992

LEFSE TIME

It's 8:30 am Dec 16th! Be ready to roll so that we have enough for Juleord.. See you all there! Lois



BARNELOPET- 28th Annual Barnelopet

Leggett Hall at the YMCA SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH has been reserved for February 22, 2020. Check in 9:30 am

Deadline to pre-register is February 15, 2020 with: Lois Hodne at 303-795-6695 or email hiloie@aol.com Ski instructors and Marshalls please let Jon-Erik know you can volunteer tvchiro@gmail.com

For lodging: Snow Mountain Ranch YMCA 303-443-4743





Happy Birthday! to everyone celebrating birthdays in December!

Sunshine Report – December 2019

Doris Lake passed away on October 27, 2019. Marje Erickson read a beautiful eulogy at the November meeting and we thank her for the lovely remembrance of Doris. Our condolences go to

Doris' family and friends. Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers.

"Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childhood days, recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the traveler back to his own fireside and guiet home!"

Charles Dickens

Fraternally, Karen Ravnaas - 390-0621

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Karen Ravnaas and Margethre Smith manning the cashier box for the Viking Sisters bazaar at the Lutefisk Dinner

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Ride Share

If anyone is interested in Ride shares to and from the Viking Hall please contact

Kerry Hefta 719 651 3677

I do have volunteer drivers willing and able to drive from the Patty Jewett and Garden of the Gods areas.



Please CALL we want to see you at the meetings!!

Calling for 2019 Photos

During the year, many of you have taken pictures on your phone. Please go through your photos, find the very best ones, and send them to me for inclusion in the 2019 History Book. I would really appreciate your input. The photos can be sent to KRavnaas@g.com

Thank you very much!!!

Who's That Jumping on Priekestolen?



It's our Lutefisk Chef Monica Anderson on the famous rock cliff outside of Stavanger Norway. April 2019



Kendall Kjerstad Fínancíal Benefíts Counselor

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