

February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Norwegian Language Class 7:00 PM	2 Viking Sisters, 1PM Betty McIntyre 635-5294 <i>Ground Hog Day</i>	3	4
5	6 Board Meeting - 9:30 AM, Viking Hall	7 Game and Card Social - 12:30 PM, Viking Hall, Darlene Aaland, 550-1288	8 Lodge Meeting and New Member Installation - 7:00 PM, Viking Hall	9	10	11
12 Rosemaling 12 to 4 PM. BJ (540-2737) or Sissel (264-0955)	13	14 <i>HAPPY VALENTINES DAY</i>	15 Norwegian Language Class - 7:00 PM	16 Ladies Luncheon - 11:30 AM, TBD. June Peterson, 599-3235	17	18 Rosemaling 9 AM to 1 PM. BJ (540-2737) or Sissel (264-0955)
19	20 <i>Presidents Day</i>	21	22 Norwegian Language Class - 7:00 PM	23	24	25 Barneløpet see insert
26 Sunday Dine Out - 1:30 PM, Texas Roadhouse, 8th street. Betty McIn- tyre, 635-5294	27	28	29 Norwegian Language Class - 7:00 PM			

FROM YOUR EDITOR

We have started doing a monthly newsletter again, with a break in July.

The not-for-profit permit has been discontinued and we are emailing the newsletter to as many of our members as possible to cut back on the cost. If you have an email address and are currently not getting an email copy, please let Knut Lyby know by sending him an email at kmlyby@q.com and you will help our Lodge save money on both printing and postage.

Also, if you would like to submit an ad to be placed in the Flammen, please let me know. We accept business card size ads for a minimal fee. The money will help off-set the printing and mailing cost for the newsletter.

Knut



FROM YOUR FINANCIAL BENEFITS COUNSELOR

As you look over your 1099's and other investments for your taxes it's a good time to also check your returns on investment from 2007. One other check to make is your total investment amount per financial institution. You do not want to be over the insured amount. If you are unhappy with your returns or are over the insured amount you should consider re-allocating a portion to another financial institution. Sons of Norway has an excellent alternative with an annuity. Your investment is 100% guaranteed and depending on the amount you deposited will determine your interest rate. For more information please give me a call.

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- 1 Kris J Barney
- 5 Tillie A Elvrum
- 7 Gordon E Benrud
- 8 Vivi L Bjornen
- 8 Anne-Margrethe Leonard
- 11 Beverly R Broin
- 11 Karen AA Swartley
- 15 Clarence Versluys
- 19 Daniel Gavin
- 20 David O Haukom
- 22 Kerry Ann Hefta
- 23 A Laurance Moe
- 23 Celeste N Osburnsen
- 25 Paul R Wiig
- 27 Elaine Hellem
- 28 Richard L Jacobson

HERITAGE AND YOUTH

- 9 Nora Suntken
- 27 Jedidiah Dvorak

GRATULERER MED DAGEN!

DIRECTORY CHANGES

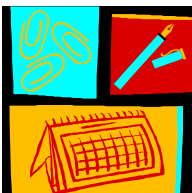
New members:

Kristin Frank, 1 Fifth St, Colorado Springs, CO 80906
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Margaret Haug, 1 Fifth St, Colorado Springs, CO 80906

KEEP THE DATES - 2012

- February 25:
Barneløpet, YMCA Snow Mountain Ranch, Winter Park, CO
- April 14:
Frokost, Viking Hall
- June 6 -9:
District 6 Convention, Mesa, AZ



GAME AND CARD SOCIAL



February 7, 12:30 PM at Viking Lodge.

Join us for a potluck followed by cards and games. Everyone is welcome for an afternoon of good food, fellowship and fun.

Any questions call Darlene Aaland, 550-1288.

DINE OUT



Sunday, February 26, 1:30 PM, Texas Roadhouse on 8th Street. A sign up sheet will be passed around at the February meeting or call Betty at 635-5294.

LADIES LUNCHEON

Our next Ladies lunch will be announced at the upcoming business meeting. Please contact June Peterson at 599-3235 for more information.

BREAKFAST SOCIAL

Our next breakfast is Saturday, January 28 from 9:00 to 10:30 am at the Lodge. Pancakes, bacon, sausage, fruit, coffee, and orange juice will be served. The cost is \$8.00 per person. Come join us for a good meal and even better company.

Proceeds go to FMC for building maintenance. Call Millie Sullivan at 597-0381 if you plan to attend.



There will not be a breakfast in February.

HOSTS AND HOSTESSES

Thank you to everyone who brought sandwiches, treats, and potluck dishes to our lodge meetings this past year. Some of you even brought food at times when you weren't signed up to do so and in that case you may not have been recognized by our president. We want you to know that we appreciate every one of you and that you make our job easier because of your willingness to help.

We are asking the Program Directors and Support Officers to bring food for our February Lodge Meeting. The Board of Directors brought the treats for the January Meeting. If you brought food for the January Meeting, you will not be asked to do so in February even though some of you may be Program Directors or Support Officers.

Ginny Johnson and Dorothy Hanson, Co-chairpersons

NORWEGIAN CLASS

If anyone is interested in a beginner Norwegian class call Pat Staubo at 719 359-2570.



FREE* DINNER

On March 14, on the regular meeting night (7:00 PM), we are hosting a potential members dinner and cultural program. The dinner of beef, chicken, scalloped potatoes, and vegetable will be free to anyone (and their guest) who brings a potential member.

The program will be presented by Iðavellr Vikings lead by Karen Neilson. Their program is on crafts and daily activities during the Viking Period. They actually set up looms and other craft equipment and wear period clothes.

You have over a month to find a potential member and help make this March 14 event a success. Thank you for your efforts.

Mike Johaneson

ROSEMALING CLASSES

Rosemaling classes are resuming for 2012! After an almost three month break, we are once more getting out our paint boxes, rolling up our sleeves and getting back to this wonderful art. As I called those members who had been attending classes with this good news, I was met with enthusiastic responses. It would seem that we had all put away our paints and brushes during the holiday season and were anxious to get back to our assorted projects.

Cindy Bauer is our excellent instructor. She invites painters of all skill levels to start at any time. So, this is your opportunity! We have two classes in February and one, so far, in March. They are as follows:

Sunday, February 12th from 12:00-4:00

Saturday February 18th from 9:00-1:00

Saturday March 10th from 9:00-1:00

The cost is \$20.00 for each four hour session.

If you are interested in joining us, please call Sissel at 540-2737 or Bj at 264-0955.

Thanks!

Sissel and Bj



JULEBORD - THE CHRISTMAS TABLE

It is our hope that all of you who attended this year's Julebord were treated to a feast of eating pleasure, and experienced the culinary efforts of our kitchen volunteers who prepared our traditional Norwegian dishes. Our Lodge dining room was all decked out in Christmas finery and we all enjoyed admiring our lovely decorated Christmas tree complete with "newly fallen snow", plus a piano area where we could sing and enjoy our Christmas music. We even had a special place for Santa!

The Julebord tradition dates back to the middle ages and continues to be an important Christmas event today in Norway and also in many Sons of Norway lodges. It is our hope that your Julebord experience this year will spill over to next Christmas and that the Julebord will become a yearly tradition for our Lodge. It is noted that the traditional Norwegian Julebord often includes a program that makes time to socialize and to enjoy sharing the events of the past year. Sounds like our kind of event!

We are truly blessed to have such wonderful helping hands as we do here at our Lodge. Our main cooks were Lois and Elaine preparing the roasted pork, the steamed Norwegian salmon, along with vegetables and potatoes; adding to this was our delicious surkål from Inger. We must also offer special thanks to our members who dedicated their time and effort on Saturday, Sunday, and at home, to prepare the Norwegian cookies, the rice cream with raspberry sauce, the assorted salads, homemade breads, and the lefse. Thanks to the reservation chairperson, the setting up of tables and chairs, the buffet and dessert table setup, and then the Sunday rush to get everything in the containers to put on the serving table. The individual dining tables were decorated with fresh greens and donated holiday items that turned into door prizes.

The members who prepared this Julebord went above and beyond in their efforts to prepare this Christmas event for our members and friends. We may have been a little crowded in our dining room, but sometimes it is all worth the wait, knowing what was to come. Our profit for the Julebord was \$2162.91.

Mange tusen takk!

Bjorg and Sissel

FMC REPORT

Karen Ravnas is going off of the FMC Board. Thanks for all the time and work. Karen helped cover for both the Secretary and Treasurer. Jerry and Terry need a thank you for all the time and work it takes to be the Treasurer and Secretary. We welcome George Gund as the new member to the Board.

Thanks, Chuck for taking care of some maintenance issues.

\$2000.00 was transferred into the FMC account.

Swede

FOUNDATION NEWS

Thanks to our treasurer Larry Moe, the 2011 donation to the Foundation has been sent. The lodge sent in the same amount as last year. This was money earned from the raffles. Thank you. We have many more Norwegian Bowls and Plates to raffle so be sure to come to the meeting and you may be lucky.

Attention Parents and Grandparents! There are great opportunities for scholarships so please visit www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation

Sons of Norway Foundation
chairperson,
Ruth Wiig

COMING SOON BOOK CIRCLE

Check upcoming issues of
Flammen
for more information.



IN MEMORIAM

Daniel Mattson
August, 1928 - January,
2012



Dan was born in Petalax, Finland to Magnus and Anni Mattson, the second of four children. He emigrated to the United States in 1948, joined the Air Force and married Helen Holtskog while serving in Norway. Helen survives him as well as three sons: Roy, Glenn, and Bruce; a sister Doris Intracaso; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He served with distinction in the Air Force, retiring after 28 years, earned a Master's degree, and worked for the District Attorney's Office in the Juvenile Diversion Division. He was active in the Big Brothers' program as well as in the Prison Fellowship ministry.

He and Helen were charter members of our Lodge and cheerfully served our organization in many ways. They served as Marshals in the Lodge and were frequent and willing volunteers to assist with Lodge events. Dan was an active person with lots of drive, a ready smile and a sparkling eye. We have missed him in his recent absence and will continue to do so.

Our sympathy to the family.

OSLO TOPS IN BOTTLE RETURNS

Never before have Oslo residents returned so many beverage cans and bottles as they did last year.

Norway imposes deposit fees on cans and half-liter bottles of one krone (about 16 cents) and 2.5 kroner on larger bottles. That can make it worthwhile to return them. One store in Oslo took in around 560,000 cans and bottles reported newspaper Aften.

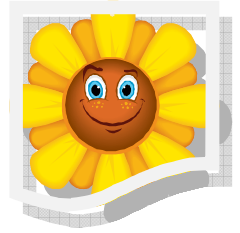
Nationwide, a record 362 million cans and 110 million bottles were returned for deposit, up by 52 million from the year before.

*Views and News
From Norway*



THE SUNNY CORNER

There are a lot of "happy's" this month - Happy Birthday, Happy Anniversary, Happy Valentine's Day, and Happy Groundhog Day. So, to all of you who are celebrating these special occasions, skål! and enjoy them all! We also look forward to Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent and the time of the year when the days lengthen and spring is on its way. And this year, is leap year! Enjoy the extra day - we won't see it again for 4 years!



Marilyn Keck is getting better and in spite of a broken arm, is doing well. We were so glad to see her at the last meeting. Kerry Hefta is also doing very well which was confirmed when she gave us an informative program on cross country skiing after the January meeting - thanks!

We send our condolences to Helen Mattson on the passing of Dan. We also send our sympathies to Larry and Lucille Moe on the passing of Larry's sister in Iowa. Please keep them in your prayers.

Haven't heard of anything else to report, so I will sign off with the following: ***A legal kiss is never as good as a stolen one.***

*Regards,
Karen Ravnaas,
Sunshine Director, 390-0621*

VIKING RAFFLE WINNERS

Viking Fair, October 2011

Virginia Nelson won the raffle for the beautiful white tablecloth; Jennifer Forbes won the raffle for the Norwegian sweater.

Both articles were donated for the raffle by Grace Johnson, one of our beloved members who recently moved to Minnesota.

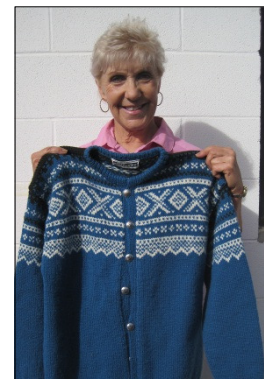
There was also a vendors' raffle, in which the vendors contributed articles and drew tickets to reveal the raffle winners.

Eunice Bluhm

TWO LUCKY WINNERS



Virginia Nelson



Jennifer Forbes

SONJA HENIE TV SERIES & FILM PLANNED

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Norway's "Queen of the Ice," Sonja Henie. To commemorate Henie's career as a gold medal winning skater and actress, Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation (NRK) is planning a TV series on the skater.



Henie is the most decorated female figure skater of all time, earning three Olympic Championships (1928, '32, '36), 10 World Championships and six European Championships. In addition to her legacy as a competitor, Henie is also credited with being the first skater to adopt the hallmarks of figure skating we know today: short skirted costume, white boots and dance choreography. Henie also achieved new heights as an actor, becoming one of the highest paid stars in Hollywood.

Anna Bache-Wiig, the writer commissioned for the television drama series, says that funding for the project has been secured from NRK and the Norwegian Film Institute, with plans to start filming in 2013.

As for feature film plans, media sources report that director Anne Sweitsky – whose film Happy Happy is Norway's candidate for best foreign film at the Academy Awards–will be working on a biographical film with producer Synnøve Hørsdal.

As of yet, neither the feature film nor series have cast the role of Sonja Henie.

WINTER OLYMPICS 2022

In the wake of last year's successful Nordic World Ski Championships, Oslo is looking to host its next big sporting event: the 2022 Winter Olympics.

In October the president of the Norwegian Ski Association, Sverre Seeberg, announced that all seven of the winter sports organizations were in agreement about mounting a bid to host the games in 2022. "In the course of this autumn, we must get positive feedback from the City of Oslo and the state if this has any realistic possibility of succeeding," said Seeberg.

Should Oslo be successful in a 2022 bid, the games would likely be held in a number of locations in Norway: downhill skiing and bobsled taking place around Lillehammer, ski jumping in Vikersund and hockey in Oslo, Lørenskog, Asker and Østfold.

While public support for the bid appears to be high—a poll conducted just after the Winter World Championships showed 60% approval of a Oslo Winter Olympics among those surveyed—there are those that feel the significant funds needed to host the games would be better spent on infrastructure projects. Rival Norwegian hosting sites, such as Tromsø, are also speaking out against an Oslo Olympic bid.

Norway's national sports federation hasn't as of yet drafted any cost estimates for the games, however, the federation president, Børre Rognlien, says he has "informally" shared the Olympic plans with city politicians and first reactions were positive. In order to formally apply, a completed application and state guarantee must be received by the International Olympic Committee by the end of 2013.

Adapted from Views and News from Norway

A LITTLE IN ENGLISH... IVAR AASEN AND NEW NORWEGIAN

There was one direction sought to create a totally independent Norwegian written language based on dialects. That direction was created by Ivar Aasen (1813-1896). He was a country boy and a dialect user from Sunnmøre, and was under the early understanding that a thorough survey of dialects in various counties was integral to creating the basis for a Norwegian written language. With a public inquiry scholarship he traveled around the country from 1842-46, he made a comparative survey of grammar and vocabulary between the dialects, and made a comparative grammar of that in 1848 and a dictionary in 1850. He got a scholarship to investigate further and followed up with a little book where he compiled texts of different dialects and combined these texts to propose a common form of the dialects. This norm, which he called landsmål (country language), he built upon in the years that followed, by creating a larger grammar (1864) and a comprehensive dictionary (1873) and by writing poems and plays with it. At the end of the 1850's, others began to write in landsmål and ten years later it was taught in a folkehøgskole (adult learning school). The landsmål language was officially recognized as an official language with Danish in 1885, and was approved as a language of instruction in schools in 1892 (after local ruling). From 1890 to 1930 it expanded as a school language and as a language of popular usage in many regions, but only in the rural areas. In 1929 the language was given the official name of nynorsk (new Norwegian) via parliamentary vote.

LITT PÅ NORSK... IVAR AASEN OG NYNORSKEN

Den eine retninga gjekk inn for å byggje opp eit heilt sjølvstendig norsk skriftspråk på grunnlag av dialektane. Denne retninga vart grunnlagd av Ivar Aasen (1813–1896). Han var bygdegut og dialektbrukar frå Sunnmøre, og kom tidleg til at ei grundig undersøking av dialektane i ulike landsdelar var nødvendig for å skape grunnlag for eit norsk skriftspråk. Med eit offentlig granskingsstipend reiste han rundt i landet i tida 1842–46, gjorde ei jamførande undersøking av grammatikk og ordtilfang i dialektane, og laga ein samanliknande grammatikk over dei i 1848 og ei ordbok i 1850. Han fekk stipend til å granske vidare, og følgde opp med ei lita bok der han samla tekster på ulike dialektar, og føydde til nokre tekster på ei foreslått fellesform for dialektane. Denne norma, som han kalla landsmål, bygde han ut i åra som følgde, både ved å gi ut ein større grammatikk (1864) og ei omfattande ordbok (1873), og ved å skrive dikt og skodespel på det. Alt frå slutten av 1850-åra begynte andre å skrive på landsmål, og ti år etterpå vart det undervist i det på ein folkehøgskole. Landsmålet vart offisielt jamstilt med dansk i 1885, og vart godkjent som undervisningsspråk i barneskolen i 1892 (etter lokal avgjerd). Frå 1890 til 1930 ekspanderte det som skolespråk og allment bruksspråk i fleire landsdelar, men berre på landsbygda. I 1929 fekk språket offisielt namnet nynorsk etter stortingsvedtak.

*Taken from Språkrådet, <http://www.sprakrad.no/nb-NO/Politikk-Fakta/Fakta/>

DISCOVER YOUR INNER TROLL

Opportunity knocks! You can discover your inner troll in Mesa, AZ. It must be caught between June 6th and 10th. Will your troll be in your special suite or room in the Holiday Inn and Suites, the large swimming pool or might it try to escape to the amusement park across the freeway?

We are 976 strong who belong to our Local Lodge *and* to the District Lodge. Yes, your participation is very important for successes at all levels in Sons of Norway. This 31st biennial District Lodge Meeting is hosted by the officers and directors of your Board. In addition to the responsibilities we perform in our district office, your twelve District Directors and one International Director have taken on specific convention duties. Please take note of these when reading their articles. Each of our inner troll's may be getting a bit tired; fear not, we will be offering plenty of enthusiasm and making time worthwhile for your enjoyable stay in Arizona.

We will recognize this location and observe a more relaxed style during the convention sessions. The recommended dress code will be casual. An exception will be Thursday morning where summer business casual will be recommended for those participating in the Opening Ceremonies and in the Memorial Service. Woolens shall be appropriate for that evening's bunad show.

I am excited to announce that there will be planned activities for youth during the business session. As the appointed District Youth Director, Colleen Wilson-Pappa will of course need to know ages of youngsters ahead of time to prepare accordingly – please send their age information along with your Registration. This is not “baby-sitting,” therefore non-delegate adult assistance will be appreciated and accepted.

There will be SofN Foundation walk and/or swim times. We are presenting a district-wide fundraiser for the District Six Scholarship account; we thank you in advance for your support in buying tickets. Prizes will be announced during the Saturday banquet, as will the top LOY awards for 2010 and 2011.

Elections for all twelve offices will be held Saturday forenoon; we will also be electing four new members to the Recreation Center Board during their special meeting on Friday morning.

Will your *inner troll* show up during a luncheon, the President's Reception on Wednesday evening, the Saturday Banquet and Dance, or appear as the dedicated participant for the business session? I look forward to saying Velkommen, and in sharing my troll with you from June 6-10.

Fraternally,
Lyle Berge
President,
SofN District Six



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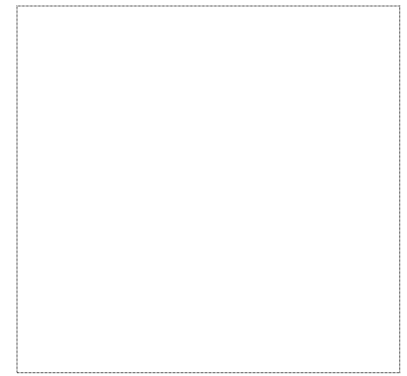
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