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MEETING TIME:

Monthly business meetings held the second Wednesday of every month (except July)

> 7:00 PM Viking Hall, 1045 Ford Street, Colorado Springs, CO

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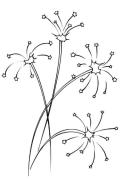
Deadline for the September Issue is August 20

Take Me Out to the Ball Game Annual Fjellheim Baseball Night Sky Sox Stadium

Saturday, August 13 Fireworks Night

Game Time- 6:05 pm \$11.00

Meet Kerry at Front Entrance at 5:30 pm



fireworks

Cripple Creek Melodrama Trip The musical—*Pippin* at the Butte Theater Thursday, August 18 Show Time—1:00 pm



Meet at Safeway parking lot on Colorado near 31rst at 9:00 am. We will car pool.

Pippin - "We've got magic to do...just for you!"

Join us for the Tony-Award winning tale of Pippin, a young prince struggling to find his "Corner of the Sky." With sizzling choreography and an award-winning score, a wandering troupe of performers tell the story of our hero, and his choice between a life of simple, unremarkable happiness, or living for a single, brief flash of glory. Rated PG-13 for some adult content.

Please call Karen so we have a count for lunch-**390-0621**



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	1	2 12:30 pm Cards & Games Viking Hall	3 9:00 am Board Meeting Viking Hall	4 1:00 pm Viking Sisters Viking Hall	5	6
7	8	9	10 5 pm Book Club 5:30 pm FMC 6:00 pm Potluck 7:00 pm Heritage Mtg Viking Hall	11	12	13 6:05 pm Sky Sox Baseball Outing
14	15	16	17	18 9:00 am Cripple Creek Theater Trip Meet at Safeway	19	20
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At a recent lefse-making day, we celebrated Rosa Strand's 92nd Birthday and her 65th year as a Sons of Norway member. We could not have cake until Rosa was done rolling lefse. Amazing lady.

The August 10 meeting is a <u>pot-</u> <u>luck</u> affair starting at 6:00 pm. Bring some food. Thanks.





President's Thoughts What Summer Break?

Vacations. Baseball games. Family Reunion picnics. Mowing the lawn. Going to a movie to cool off. Planting a garden and some new flowers. Waxing the car. Painting the house. Trimming shrubs. Attending all of your children's and grandchildren's summer events. And maybe one or two margarita's on the back deck. Have I missed anything?



Yep, I have. It might be our Lodge's Summer Break, but things still happen. During the last weekend in June, five members of our Lodge spent all the daylight hours of that weekend selling all of the lefse that dozens of our members spent many past Monday mornings slaving over hot grills making 1,350 rounds of lefse. Many great thanks to Mike Johaneson, Bjorn & Gail Gudmestad, and Gerald & Pat Rowe for attending the Scandinavian Festival in Estes Park, and bringing back to our treasury almost \$3,000!

Another big event this summer was the District Six 2016 Convention. Fjellheim Lodge along with the other Zone 8 Lodges were the hosts of this convention in Loveland, CO. Our Lodge was well represented with six Delegates; myself, Sara Berge, Ka-

ren Ravnaas, Cleo Allgood, Tania Oldervik, and Gerald Rowe. Please join me in thanking these delegates for being part of, and enduring the daily business sessions where nearly a dozen resolutions were proposed for adoption and thoroughly discussed. Whew! You may also remember that a prelude to the convention was a New Membership Contest to see what Lodge in the District (California, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Colorado, and Hawaii) could recruit the most new members during the months of April and May. Fjellheim Lodge won!! Thank you very much to Nancy Allen & Linda Wennerberg!

Mike and I also accepted awards for our Lodge achieving GOLD status for the years 2014 & 2015. Our Lodge also received The Founder's Award for Membership Achievement during 2015.

And now, get prepared for all of our August events.

Did I miss the summer break? -Steve Hermanson

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August Birthdays

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Card Social

Card Social will be Tuesday, August 2 with a potluck lunch at 12:30 pm at Viking Hall followed by visiting and cards. Questions call Ginny at 495-0253

Viking Sisters

Meeting on Thursday, August 4 at 1:00 pm at Viking Hall



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Rosemaling at Viking Hall

At print time, I do not have the details of the rosemaling classes that may be scheduled for August .

Please call Cindy Bauer at 633-8260 or Bj Mapstone at 264-0955.

Book Club meets every second

Wednesday of the month at 5:00 pm at Viking Hall. Our facilitator is Dot Everett. We will be reviewing the presentation at the District 6 Convention on Book Club Selections. Please join us on Wednesday, August 10 at 5:00pm.

Sunday Dine-outs @ 1:30 pm

August 28 @ Rudy's Little Hideaway, 945 South 8th Street (formerly Zeb's on the somewhat steep hill on the east side of 8th street after the Motor City Road) Host: Steve Hermanson 520-0303

September 25 @ Fargo's Pizza Place, 2910 East Platte Avenue. Hostess: Karen Ravnaas 390-0621

The Viking Fair is Coming

Viking Fair is set for October 22 this year. We'll plan similarly to last year. We hope you will be able to save the day for the Fair. Many of you have participated in so many ways in the past, and your time and generosity have been greatly appreciated. Please watch for something that you might want to donate to our raffle, Heritage Treasures or White Elephant tables. Our baked goods and lefse are also very popular items.

Donations and time to help with breakfast may be needed. Sign-up opportunities, more discussion and planning will take place at upcoming meetings. We try to advertise wherever possible-flyers, newspapers, radio, word-of-mouth so we do attract some people from the larger community.

Please let us know if you have new ideas for the day, too. Mostly, we would like to see everyone's smiling face at the breakfast-brunch table or making new friends at the vendors' tables as you hear about interesting and wonderful items they have brought to share or sell. You might be lucky enough to find a unique Christmas gift or win a raffle. Last year a thoughtful, long-time member from Pueblo donated a wall-hanging which we used for our main raffle item at the door and was taken home by a happy winner. Fun! (If there are vendor questions, please phone Eunice Bluhm at <u>719-351-3554</u>). Come to Viking Fair!



Sunshíne – August 2016



To everyone celebrating these special days in August - \mathcal{H}_{appy} Birthday and \mathcal{H}_{appy} Anniversary!

Sissel Disbrow is now home and recovering from an accident in June when she tripped over an extended sprinkler head in her yard and broke the ball of her hip. She had a partial hip surgery and is doing very well. She is anxious to get back to her normal life, which is to say - she wants to get back to her very busy schedule! Owen Bergland has had carpel tunnel surgery on his left wrist. The stitches are out and he is gone back to work and says that if it hurts too much, he will go home. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Donna Norum, a former member from our early days in the Lodge, passed away on June 29, 2016 at age 85. Though suffering from severe disabilities, she and husband Bob took an active part in the Lodge and attended many events with enthusiasm. They will be remembered for their indomitable spirits and their good cheer in spite of their handicaps. (Thank you, Ole, for sending the information about Donna.)

And this month, I have a hint which was passed on from Marje Erickson: When sending a get well card to someone in the hospital or rehab center, instead of using your own return address, use the home address of the person you are sending the card to. That way, if they have checked out of the institution, the card will be 'returned' to their own home. (*Why have 9 never thought about this?*) Thanks, Marje.

Fraternally, Karen Ravnaas – 390-0621

The Fjellheim Sled

We are the grateful recipients of an old kick sled. The sled was donated to our lodge by Barbara Coffee. It was used by her parents in Norway in the 1950's.

At the last meeting, our members decided to keep it and display it . It seems that was a good idea.

At the Sons of Norway District 6 Convention, the same sled in about the same condition was auctioned for \$250.00. The purchaser was delighted because the market value is closer to \$500.00. Old items such as this can no longer be taken out of Norway.



Remember this ad from the June Flammen.

"Every Member Get a Member"

SPECIAL CONTEST !!!!!! From April 2 through May 31st

As part of the current membership recruitment program for 2016 there will be a special DISTRICT CONVENTION CONTEST - the lodge that recruits the most members between April 2 and May 31 will receive \$100 at convention. This lodge contest is in addition to the existing membership recruitment program, and the same rules apply. There is no limitation on the number of members you may recruit. To participate in this special 2-month contest copies of the membership application must be received by June 10th

Well, <u>Fjellheim won</u> the contest. The \$100 was nice but for <u>Nancy and Linda</u> to get this kind of recognition from the lodges in California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado was just plain special. And they deserve it. *Congrats to our membership team*.

Mining your Heritage – The 2016 District 6, Sons of Norway Convention, Jun 6-19, 2016

I want to take this opportunity to **THANK YOU** for the opportunity to represent Fjellheim Lodge at this year's District 6 Convention in Loveland, CO. This year's convention was dedicated to the memory of Lyle Berge and he was honored all along the way – from mention of the planning committee to his international involvement to Camp Norge. He was missed.

Having been a part of the convention planning committee with BJ and Sissel gave me a whole new look at the complete picture – basically from beginning to end. As you all know, the seven Colorado lodges put this together as a group. Many meetings were held over the past two years and as the committee worked through the process, I saw the awesome work of many volunteers come together into what all delegates, volunteers, and guests saw as the *"glorious time we shared in Loveland"* (Mary Beth).

Over the four days, Mary Beth Ingvaldstad led us through the meetings. We had nearly a dozen resolutions to go through starting with a formal name change – we are now officially called "District Six, Sons of Norway". All documents from the Charter to newsletters will be updated and we are to use this in future references. Some resolutions were easy to resolve, being just wording issues, but others were so convoluted that they had to be rewritten or rejected.

We were honored to have Jon Tehven, International President, in attendance for the whole convention. He offered insight and advice on Sons of Norway. It was interesting and fun to have him there.

A strange thing happened during the first hours of the convention. "Mining your Heritage" began to include 'Small World Stories'. Many people related stories of how they first met other persons in the room and how they knew someone who knew someone and those relationships. It was really interesting to find out who knew who and from where those roots were connected.

Fjellheim Lodge took home awards and money!!! Someone else will tell you about that. It was exciting and very rewarding knowing that we can achieve this recognition based upon all the events we have and the wonderful volunteers in Fjellheim who put so many hours into its success. Too cool!!!!!

There are so many things that happened. I cannot relate them all in this limited space. Ask BJ about the raffles and folk art. Ask Mike, BJ, Steve, or the other delegates and volunteers about the silent and live auctions of the ore carts – OMG! It was awesome. Thanks again for nominating me as a delegate. I learned so much and am so grateful.





Insurance is for Kids

The Viking Voyager is our popular term life insurance for children. It is inexpensive – a onetime payment of \$498 for a \$25,000 policy for a one-year old (or annual payments of \$51) and it lasts until the child is 26 years old.



Additionally, it is convertible to a permanent plan at age 26 without a physical exam and there would be a conversion credit of \$75 to applied in the first year of the new policy.

The downside is that it is a term policy and does not grow cash value.

A second option for kids or grandkids has also become popular. A \$30,304 whole life policy for a one year old girl costs \$120 per year or \$10.20 per month. More importantly, the cash value grows each year. At age 26, she has \$2100 built up and at age 65, \$17,711.

Either way, these policies are good ways for children to learn about life insurance.

Mike Johaneson 720 971-0130



Editor's Note:

In a tradition established by Knut Lyby, the *Flammen* was once again recognized by the Sons of Norway at the District Six Convention on June 20th. To quote:

" The Super Sixth District of the Sons of Norway presents to Michael Johaneson, Fjellheim Lodge, this award of excellence for outstanding dedication, organization and

creativeness in the area of

Newsletter Editing."

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