

Sons of Norway

Fridtjof Nansen Lodge #6-009 Long Beach, California

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Presidentens Notater – President's Notes. . .

Hei alle sammen – Hello Everyone,
What a great January meeting we had. A special Thank you to Pat Reynolds for sharing her pictures and stories of the Norwegian Mail Boat trip up the fjords. Pat it was enjoyed by all, Tusen Takk.

It is time to get ready for the February Lodge meeting. We are going to have a guest speaker talk to us about our Norwegian Genealogy and help us get started on our heritage hunt. Bring as much information as you can. Names, date of birth, SS#, area from, etc. See more details in box to the right.

We have so much going on this year and so many opportunities for you mark your calendar so you do not miss an event.

Rosemaling in March.

Norwegian Heritage Open House in April.

Bunad Fashions in May.

Syttende Mai Celebration in May.

Our 84th Anniversary Celebration in June.

District 6th Convention - Palm Springs in June.

We want to help you learn about your Norwegian Heritage come join us.

Ga i fred (Go in peace) – Troann



SONS OF NORWAY

Our next meeting is on
Saturday, February 8, 2014

at:

Christ Lutheran Church
6500 Stearns Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90815

Bring a friend!

Ample parking is available. Our telephone number is (714)928-5975. Note: We do not meet in July or August.
We welcome everyone of all ages. You do not have to be Norwegian!

Our next Lodge Meeting is Feb. 8, 2014 – Lunch Served. We are very lucky to have Shelley Baum from Edvard Grieg Lodge of Glendale, sharing her Genealogy journey. She will help us start our Genealogy journey. Bring any info you have on your Norwegian family, so you can start your journey in your Norwegian history.



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.

Kalender over Hendelser – Calendar of Events

Februar – February

8 – Lodge Meeting –

**Learn how to find your Norwegian Family
History**

14 – Valentine’s Day

17- Presidents Day

Mars – March

8 – Lodge Meeting –

Rosemailing Class

Sign up now with Troann

**2014 District Six
Convention**

Solskinn Lodge #6 -150 is hosting the
biennial
Sons of Norway District Six Convention in
Palm Springs,
June 22 - 25, 2014
at the Renaissance Hotel, 888 Tahquitz
Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262.

Denne månedens bursdager - This Month’s Birthdays. . .



Februar - February

5 -Phillip Knudsen

13 - Jeanne Paige

Camp Norge. . . Camp Norway

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***“A little bit of Norway in the
Sierra Mountains at Alta, CA”***

Camp Norge is a great place for family reunions, big or small church retreats, youth camp outings and snow trips. Camp Norge leaves plenty of space for individual and family use.

Remember! We are collecting our pennies for Camp Norge. Bring your pennies to the next lodge meeting. The Holts will be collecting your pennies every month.



Helping you find the path to a secure financial future

In a world of uncertainties, Sons of Norway is there to help you secure your financial future.

This year, Sons of Norway has launched a couple of great new products so call our **Financial Benefit Counselor Pat Kelly** for a complementary financial review.

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ANOTHER NORWEGIAN FLICK HITS IT!

Disney's "Frozen", where a winter animated Norwegian landscape plays a huge part, is nominated for two Golden Globe awards. Trapped in an eternal winter world, the two main characters in “

To create a convincing frozen landscape, Disney's animators visited a place that knows a lot about ice and snow: Norway.

As a result, Norwegian landmarks such as the famous wooden buildings on the Bergen waterfront and Oslo's Akershus Fortress find their way into the winter world of the new movie. Trolls, lutefisk and the Nor in the film. The main characters have Norwegian names such as Sven, Anna and Olaf.

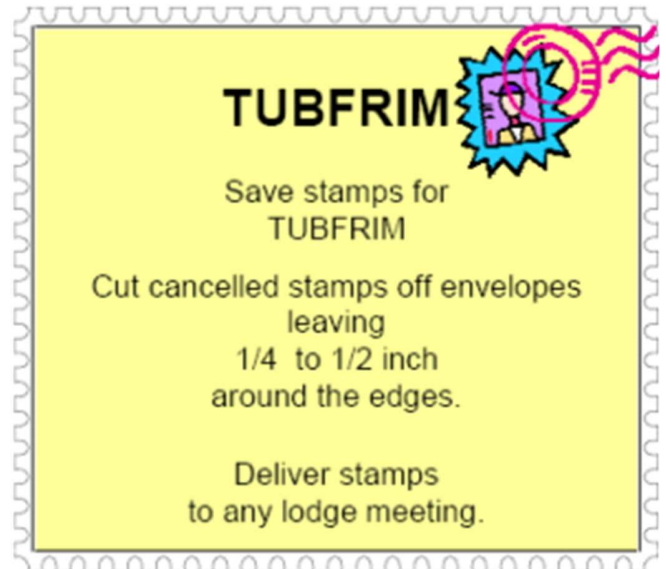
Norwegian actor Thorbjørn Harr, who did voice work for the Norwegian version, is pleased to see that movies are bringing Norwegian nature to the world.

“I think the Norwegian movie industry as a whole has wanted to use movies to promote the country to a larger extent.

This is very good,”he told NRK.



Bring your clipped stamps to our next Lodge meeting. Cleone is collecting them for us.



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A Bit of Humor. . .

Sven was walking near the riverfront, (always the toughest part of town), when he spied a travel agency. He was attracted by the sign in the window announcing "Luxury Cruises, only \$69.95." He entered the travel agency and inquired about the luxury cruise. The travel agent asked Sven whether he had \$69.95 cash and Sven replied, "Yah, sure!" "Three rough characters came from the rear of the establishment where they had been concealed, hit Sven over the head, took all this cash, stuffed him into a barrel and dumped the barrel into the river. A bit later, Ole was attracted by the same sign in the same window. He walked inside and inquired about the luxury cruise. The travel agent asked Ole whether he had \$69.95 cash and he replied, "Yah, sure!" Three rough characters came from the rear of the establishment where they had been concealed, hit Ole over the head, took all his cash, stuffed him into a barrel and dumped the barrel into the river. Sven and Ole bobbed down the river in their barrels for a few minutes, until they both regained consciousness. Sven spied Ole next to him and asked, "Say, do you know whedder dey serve dinner on dis cruise?" Naw, I don't tink so," replied Ole; "dey didn't serve dinner last year!"

FOLK ART COMPETITION.

It's not too early to be preparing for the 2014 Convention Folk Art Exhibition and Competition (Palm Springs, June, 2014).

As with any skill or competition, you have to try it to compete.

These are some of the Traditional Folk Art Categories: Rosemaling, weaving, embroidery, knitting, carving, painting, and quite a few others. Check out the District 7 website (sofn6.com).

A Little more Humor. . .



Lars strolled into the Grand Hotel in Olso and asked for a room. The clerk told him they were sold out. "So let me get this straight," said Lars, "if King Olav came in, would you have a room for him?" The clerk stood up straight and with a condescending tone he sniffed, "Why, of course we would have a room ready for the king."

"Vell, he ain't comin'," said Lars. "So gimmee his room."

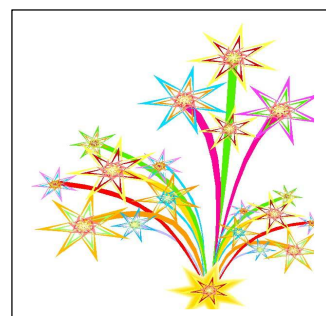
Sven asked Ole, "So howz yer brother-in-law's new salesman job goin'?" "Vell, he's already got two orders," replied Ole. "Get out....and stay out."

A highway patrolman stopped Ole and told him that his wife, Lena, had fallen out of the car some 3 miles back. "Thank goodness," Ole said, "for a while dere I thought I vas goin' deaf!"

Welcome to our New Members:

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As part of our program to add benefits for our members SON has worked with Borton Overseas and Hurtigruten to put together a trip to Norway next spring. You will note that SON members get 5% off the ticket price so that will more than pay dues for a few years. It is a great reason for non members to join the SON. The ad has already been in the Viking magazine. Travel to Norway May 13-26, 2014 and help celebrate the Bicentennial of Norway's Constitution on this very special tour to Norway!

Tour Highlights include: The Syttende Mai parade in Oslo, watching from a special reserved area in front of the Royal Palace!! Visiting the newly restored Eidsvollsbygningen, The Birthplace of the Norwegian Constitution. Depart Oslo and travel along the famous "Norway in a Nutshell" to Bergen.

Enjoy a seven-day cruise northbound cruise on Hurtigruten, from Bergen to Kirkenes, stopping in 34 picturesque ports. Experience exclusive greetings to the group in communities along the coastline, hosted by Mayors and other local dignitaries. After you disembark your cruise, tour the town of Kirkenes and learn about its WWII history, explore the nearby Arctic wilderness, meet sled dogs and reindeer. Included in the tour package will be all of the above plus your transatlantic air from the US (Minneapolis, Seattle, Boston or Newark) and Borton Overseas tour leader.

For complete details or to book: Contact Borton Overseas at 1 800 843-0602 or info@bortonoverseas.com Elaine Nelson Peik

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FRIDTJOF NANSEN LODGE # 6-009

Minutes 1/11/2014

Prior to our regular meeting we all gathered for a delicious lunch of pea soup, ham, salad, bread, three cakes and beverages. Phebe, Terri and Jeanne provided the repast.

John gave us our monthly language lesson which consisted of useful terms and seasonal words. We are beginning to get the hang of it and he is seeing the fruits of his labors.

At 1:15 Troann called the meeting to order with the singing of the national anthems and the Pledge of Allegiance.

She announced that we will have a Genealogy presentation by Shelly who is joining us from another lodge. Everyone was requested to bring a laptop computer, if they have one, so they can access information. How exciting to learn how to discover our family histories.

In March we will have a Rosemaling class which will begin at 11:00AM. Those interested in participating were asked to give Troann a \$12.00 deposit so the instructor will know how many supplies to bring.

Our open house will be in April. There will be no meeting. Members are asked to bring artifacts and other Norwegian items for display and sharing only. There will be food and various tables for guests to enjoy and visit. With the consent of the church we may have a raffle.

Troann announced that Erin Flair, Idell's daughter, has become a Golden Member and received a commemorative document which Idell will bring to her.

There will be a sign up list at each meeting for members to sign to bring food for the lunches.

The 50/50 was won by Terri and she asked that the total be donated back to the lodge. The amount was \$26.00 and our thanks to Terri for her generosity.

Pat Reynolds presented a slide show of her recent trip to Norway. She took over 2000 photos and said it was difficult to reduce the amount for a 20 minute presentation because Norway is a photographers dream. It was very interesting and enjoyable to see that beautiful country.

Our next meeting will be on 2/8/2014 and begin at 11:00AM to allow time for the Rosemaling lesson.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Shepard - Secretary

Hi All: I will be holding a workshop for my Zone 5 lodges on Saturday, February 15th, 2014, at Peer Gynt Lodge from 10 am to 2 pm. Lunch will be provided. We will go over some leadership strategies, new programs from SN, sharing things that work for your lodges, etc. Anyone is invited. Then please email me your numbers of who will be attending. Lunch is furnished by Peer Gynt Lodge, paid for by Sons of Norway. Thanks to Peer Gynt crew. We need numbers so PG can plan. Takk. Jo Ness

King Harald Turns 77 Years Old

King Harald was the first Norwegian king born in Norway in over 500 years, and on January 17, 1991 he took the throne after his father, King Olav V. Harald V, King of Norway, was born on February 21, 1937 at Skaugam in Asker. He is the son of King Olav V (1903-1991) and Crown Princess Märtha (1901-1954). The former Royal couple already had two daughters, Princess Ragnhild (1930-2012) and Princess Astrid (b. 1932), but neither of them were heirs to the throne after the Constitution of 1814 and before the Constitution's amendment in 1990. The birth of Prince Harald guaranteed the line of succession.

The first three years of Prince Harald's life were spent in the peaceful surroundings of Skaugum (the Crown Prince and Princess' residence). However this came to an abrupt end when German invaded Norway on April 9, 1940. While King Haakon and Crown Prince Olav stayed in London, the Crown Princess and the children lived in the outskirts of Washington DC until peace came in 1945. In 1960, Crown Prince Harald made his first official state visit abroad. He traveled to the USA in connection with the 50th anniversary

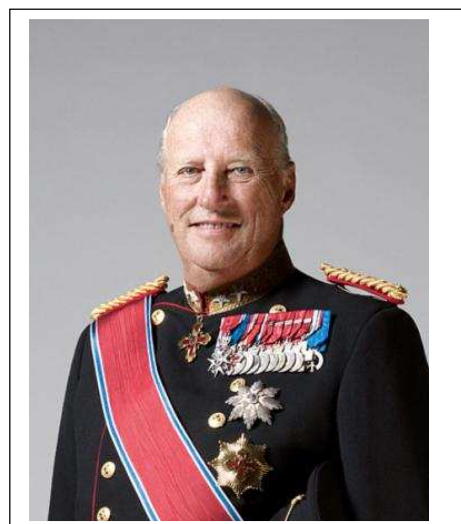
years later on September 22, 1971, Princess Märtha Louise was born. Two Scandinavian Foundation. On August 29, 1968 he married Sonja Haraldsen from Vinderen in Oslo at the Oslo Cathedral Haraldsen from Vinderen in Oslo at the Oslo Cathedral. Three years later, on July 20 the family was complete as Crown Prince Haakon

of the American –Scandinavian Foundation. On August 29, 1968 he married Sonja Magnus (heir to the throne) was born. The 2000s invited a whole new era for the Royal couple. Crown Prince Haakon was married to Mette-Marit Tjessem Høiby in 2001 and Princess Märtha Louise married Ari Behn one year later. In 2003 the royal couple welcomed their first grandchild when Maud Angelica Behn came into the world. The following year Princess Ingrid Alexandra was born as the next heir to the throne.

In 2005 Kong Harald became a grandfather for the third and fourth time when Leah Isadora Behn was born in April and Prince Sverre Magnus was born that December. Three years later the royal couple's fifth, and so far, youngest grandchild, Emma Tallulah Behn was born. "It is very nice to be grandparents," King Harald and Queen Sonja have said.

In his 23 years as monarch, King Harald has proven to be a sports fan, a beloved family man, caring, and witty. "I feel lucky to be king of Norway.

I am not in the least unfortunate," said the King



This is your invitation to the 40th Annual Scandinavian Festival to be held on the CLU campus on April 5 and 6, 2014.

This year promises to be better than ever and we are looking toward to an even bigger crowd. Please forward this on to your friends and family so they can also enjoy this opportunity.



*Mark your Calendar
Southern California's 40th Annual
Scandinavian Festival April 5-6, 2014*

*CLU Campus – Thousand Oaks, CA Gates open 10 am
Family Fun for All! Entrance - \$8 Teens \$4 Kids Free!*



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