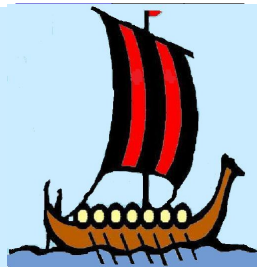


Valhall



Viking

November 2011

Number 10

Voted Best Large Lodge of 2008 and Best Large Lodge Newsletter in 2010 in District 6

1912—2011



**VALHALL
LODGE**

Meetings at 7:00 pm
first Monday of the month
at the
**East San Diego
Masonic Temple
7849 Tommy Drive
San Diego, CA
92119-1799**

www.lodgeofvalhall.com
www.sofn.com

**Next Lodge
Meeting:
Nov 7 at 7:00pm**

**Salmon Dinner
Nov. 19th
4pm and 6pm**

**Newsletter
deadline:
November 20**

**The Lodge Meeting
starts at 7:00 PM**

Beskjed Fra Presidenten – **SOMETHING IS FISHY AT VALHALL**

It's that time of year to "Get Your Salmon On"! The Annual Salmon Dinner is scheduled for this month on November 19th at the East San Diego Masonic Hall. It will be a gala affair with an outstanding meal, interesting cultural event and renewing relationships with fellow lodge members and friends. Don't pass up the opportunity to acquaint your friends and relatives to Norwegian culture and cuisine and help the lodge grow. I Hope To See You There!

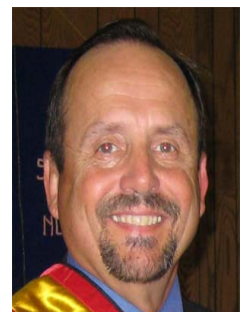
The Southern California Kretsstevne was held on October 14-16 at Thousand Trails Pio Pico near Jamul. It was a fun weekend with great Norwegian food, fun and culture! In addition to Folk Dancing, Wood Carving, Lefse making we added Hardanger Embroidery to the events this year. With fewer campers this year, most of the people attending participated in Folk Dancing on Saturday night and stirred up some interest in maybe trying to start folk dancing at our lodge. Valhall, Solskin, Solbakken, Norseman, Sundfjord and Fridtjof Nansen lodges were represented this year, and although there were not as many campers as in the past several years it did not affect the level of enthusiasm. Tusen Takk to Co-Chairman, Sven Olsen, Reservation Coordinator, Nancy Madson and Wagon Master Ellen Spitzer for coordinating another successful weekend of festivities with \$800 raised for Camp Norge.

The Valhall Lodge Board met on Oct 12th and discussed obtaining a new space for our Lodge Library. We will be moving the library to the Masonic Nursery just down the way in the dining room. It is about three times the size of the current library and will accommodate our books, plaques, and memorabilia and even have room for meetings. We will need some help in the next few weeks cleaning, painting and preparing the new space for our move, so be alert for emails with the details. The old library will be loaned to the LOV for storage.

Last year a motion to change the Standing Rules concerning the length of term of an officer of the lodge was made and approved. For the past year, officers elected to the board have been serving a two year term. Officers unable or unwilling to serve the full term were able to notify the President and ask for relief of their duties. Only four positions have to be filled this year and we have filled all but one of them. We are still looking for someone to fill our Sports Director position. Please contact Aprell Waymire-Bigler if you are interested or know someone who might be interested.

I look forward to seeing you at our next business meeting on November 7th or at the Salmon Dinner on November 19th! Until then!

Hilsen, *Rick Hausvik*



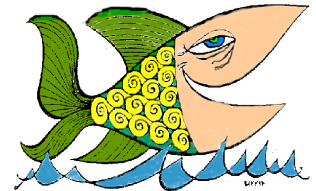
Valhall Lodge 6-25 Sons Of Norway
East San Diego Masonic Temple
7849 Tommy Drive SD CA 92119

Annual Salmon Dinner

Saturday November 19, 2011



Two seatings for Dinner – 4pm and 6pm
Bar will be open from 3:30 until closing



MENU

Fiskesuppe (Fish Soup)
LaskeFilet Eller Bakt Skinke (Salmon Fillet or Baked Ham)
Poteter med Persille (Potatoes with Parsley)
Vegetables
Rye bread
Norsk Agurksalat (Norwegian Cucumber Salad)
Cream Puffs Kaffe eler Te (coffee-tea)

**ADULTS- \$18.00 (pre-reservation)
\$20.00 at the door**

MEMBERS' CHILDREN/ GRANDCHILDREN 15 AND UNDER- FREE!
FULL TIME STUDENT MEMBERS OF VALHALL UNDER 25-FREE!

Ladies of Valhall *LILLE BUTIKKEN* items for sale in Denton Hall
(Auditorium)- Sale starting from 3:30 pm
Come and enjoy your Norwegian Heritage

Cut off date for Reservations: November 16, 2011

Make checks payable to: VALHALL LODGE # 6-25

Name _____ Seating time _____ 4:pm _____ 6pm

Guest's names _____

I need reservations for: _____ Adults _____ Children/Student members

Amount Check Enclosed _____

How many for _____ Salmon _____ Baked Ham

Mail this Form and Check to:

Judy Sawyer 5173 Waring Rd, #416 . SD CA 92120

619-583-0859

On 11-19-11 Judy can be reached at 619-993-9113

You may pay at the Door, but PLEASE PHONE RESERVATION AHEAD!



Anniversary Updates

Sons of Norway (San Diego) Valhall Lodge 6-25 is celebrating their 100th Anniversary with a fun filled fancy Gala at the Kona Kai Resort on Saturday, March 17th, 2012.

Be sure to save the date! There will be music, dancing, delicious dinner and guest dignitaries.

Look for registration information in the December newsletter or you may contact Tam Stautland at: (619)299-9237 or (tamstautland@gmail.com) for a registration form.

Be a part of the action! The committees need volunteers—please call the chairman of the committee that suits you and let them know you would like to help.

Judy Sawyer	Decorating	619-993-9113
Jeanne Scott	Publicity	619-750-1516
Sven Olsen	Program Plan	760-735-6171
Tam/Sig Stautland	Registration	619-299-9237
Helga Moore	Historian	619-298-0390
Arlene LaBree	Program (booklet)	858-271-8709
Lou Coover	Sound & Effects	619-264-9486
LaVonne Coover	Telephone	619-264-9486
Susan Cody	Seating	619-303-5520

Men, take note: Lou Coover's Sound & Effects Committee will also be helping with the set up and take down of decorations and displays. This will mean we will need your help on these items.

Lodge Officers of 2011

President	Rick Hausvik	619-579-5447
Vice-President	Susan Cody	619-303-5220
Counselor	Ola Brevig	858-756-1167
Secretary	Monica Johnsen	858-366-2879
Assist. Secretary	Mary Hinshaw	619-448-8858
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	LaVonne Coover	619-264-9486
Cultural Committee	Sven Olsen	760-735-6171
	Lizzie Riiber	610-523-8822
Marshal	Raymond Johnson	858-459-5430
Asst. Marshal	Matthew Gallwas	858-577-0029
Greeter	Lou Coover	610-264-9486
Greeter	Patricia Becker	619-583-1076
Historian	Jean Shogren	619-287-6056
Librarian	Lorraine Tucker	760-233-5034
Co-Musician	Joyce Olsen	760-735-6171
Co-Musician	Ragnhild Amble	619-465-7425
Editor	Arlene LaBree	858-271-8709
Foundation Director	Charles Gorder	619-546-4808
Publicity Director	Everett Shogren	619-287-6056
Trustee (1 year)	Judy Sawyer	619-583-0859
Trustee (2 years)	Don Balmer	619-466-2179
Trustee (3 years)	Chris Hausvik	619-890-5447
Youth Director	Ellen Spitzer	619-444-9077
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	Thelma Johannesen	858-452-1797
	Sig Stautland	619-299-9237
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	Don Lesney	619-465-3686
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Corporation Officers		
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Vice President	Sigurd Stautland	619-299-9237
Secretary	Aprell Waymire-Bigler	619-284-6221
Treasurer	Rick Hausvik	619-579-5447



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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Lorraine Hurst
2	Kristine Thrailkill
7	Mildred Wright
8	Ruby Johnson
8	Shirley Kay Ellingboe
9	Charles Gorder
11	Laurel Litchfield
12	Carmen Cleary
13	Rhonda Brevig
13	Cody Wheeland
14	Philip Hinshaw
15	Rebecca Bourdage
15	Frank Burstrom
21	Audun Davik
21	Agnar Eike
23	Matthew McMillan
24	Barbara Saba
24	Helen Sorensen
25	Joyce Olsen
25	Kristen Winterhouse
29	Mary Embertson



Valhall Lodge Meeting November 7th at 7:00

Join us on October 3rd at the lodge for our monthly meeting. After a short lodge meeting, we will meet for refreshments and socializing in the large room.

See you there!

Welcome New Members!

James Litchfield (Unge Venner) He was elected into membership at the October meeting. You have probably seen James at our meetings and socials, he has come to many to help setup and cleanup. He was recommended by Judy Sawyer

The following new members will be elected into membership at the November meeting:

Eugenie King. Many of you know her as she is a member (and president!) of the House of Norway. She was recommended by Rick Hausvik.

Christopher Dumm. He has already volunteered to be a Marshal! Recommended by Rick Hausvik

Derek J. Huppmann
Recommended by Rick Hausvik

New Board Members for 2012

The Nominating Committee reports that they have found members to fill five of the six open Board positions for 2012.

Librarian:	Else Ottesen
Trustee:	Joyce Oen
Assistant Editor	Amelia Seeto
Marshal:	Christopher Dumm
Assistant Marshal	Philip Hinshaw
Sports Director	Still looking!

Thank You and welcome to the Board!

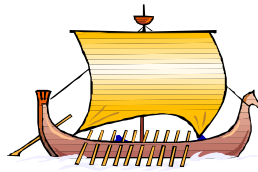
Three cheers for our volunteers!

If you are interested in the Sports Director position, please contact Aprell, at aprellw@aol.com

LOV NOTES

Next meeting: Nov.5, 2011.
at Denny's Restaurant in Fletcher Hills.

Hostesses: Chris and Robin Lelevier.



18 members and 1 guest were present at LOV's October meeting.

The guest was a lovely lady named Hulda Velken. She lives in Solana Beach and was picked up and brought to our meeting by Anne and Oddvar Hoidal. She and Anne are good friends, and actually, many of us also remembered Hulda and her husband from long ago when they were members of Valhall Lodge. Hulda told us her interesting story about coming to this country from Norway many years ago, and also about settling and finding relatives in this country.

Many of us could remember similar trials and tribulations when we arrived here after the long journey over the Atlantic. We were so happy to have Hulda with us, and thank Anne for her many efforts to bring us interesting guests and come up with interesting things to do.

We are seriously starting to make plans for Lille Butikken. This year the ladies will get together (like last year) to make lefse to sell at Lille Butikken. This will happen Saturday the 5th and Saturday the 12th of November at the lodge. Anyone eager to learn can join the party! Just call Susan or Ingrid and put your name on the list. These two Saturdays we will also receive items for Butikken, if you have anything interesting or somewhat Norwegian to contribute. The ladies will be baking cookies and breads for "Butikken".



Come early if you want to buy cookies. - They sell fast! We will also have goat cheese. And calendars! Hope to see you at the Lille Butikken on November 19!



Happy Halloween from Ingrid.



Sons of Norway Mission Statement

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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LaVonne Coover
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Tubfrim Chairperson

Susan Cody
(619)-303-5220



Minutes of the Valhall Lodge Meeting October 3, 2011

Program:

The opening songs for the meeting were the National Anthems of the USA, Norway and Canada. Also, *Se Norges blomsterdal* was sung.

Gary Stern, a guest speaker, presented a variety of books relating to Norway. He said he will provide a book list.

Call to Order:

President Richard Hausvik called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

New Member:

Aprell Waymire-Bigler reported that a new member was elected into membership, James Litchfield, who was recommended by Judy Sawyer.

Guests at the meeting were Eugenie King, Derek Huppmann, Christopher Dumm, Peter Lindgren and Linda Maureen.

Aprell Waymire-Bigler reported that the next Welcoming Ceremony will be in December 2011.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of September 5, 2011 were approved as printed in the Valhall Viking dated October 2011, Number (9).

Correspondence:

Monica Johnsen reported that she received a brochure from Ski for Light, Inc. regarding their annual cross country skiing for the blind, visually and mobility impaired adults event in Utah, February 5-12, 2012.

Committee Reports:

Social:

Judy Sawyer reported: (1) that the Heritage Social Dinner turned out great; (2) that she needs to know who will be serving on committees for next year, any switching around is okay with her; and (3) that the Salmon Dinner and Lille Butikken will be next week.

Ingrid Lindgren thanked the Committee for helping out at the Heritage Social Dinner.

Cultural:

Sven Olsen reported: (1) that the Kretsstevne social is Saturday, October 15th, it will be an all day and evening event; (2) that it will be a Family Camp weekend, there are camp trails in Jamul; (3) that on Saturday there will be different activities all day, at noon there will be a potluck, Saturday night they will have tri-tip barbeque; (4) that on Sunday there will be a short meeting; (5) that anyone can contact Sven to sign up for the event; and (6) that all monies go to Camp Norge.

Membership:

Susan Cody reported that there is nothing to report. However, Richard Hausvik gave her credit for taking a potential member to the Heritage Dinner.

Rick Hausvik reported that he wants more prospective members and said the Kretsstevne is a good place to recruit members.

Historian:

Jean Shogren reported that she will continue to take pictures.

Foundation:

Charles Gorder reported: (1) that he is in charge of the "Piggy Bank" and passed it around; (2) that if you want to make a tax-free donation to the Foundation; and (3) that the Foundation awards scholarships to people of Norwegian descent.

Publicity:

Everett Shogren reported that he submitted the Hiking Viking pictures for possible inclusion in the Hiking Viking Magazine, he hope it works to get more publicity, he hasn't seen the pictures in the Hiking Viking Magazine yet.

Librarian:

Rick Hausvik, reporting for Lorraine Tucker, reported that books of Scandinavian origin were donated to the library but there is not enough shelf space in the library and that he will negotiate renting the nursery space for a combination of library and meeting room.

Newsletter:

Arlene LaBree reported: (1) that she sent forty-five copies to the House of Norway; and (2) that Amelia Seeto will be her Assistant Editor.

Auditors:

Allen Johannesen reported that there is nothing new to report.

Youth:

Rick Hausvik, reporting for Ellen Spitzer, reported that the Hiking Viking is going great, that they plan breakfast during the walk and that the more lodge members get medals, the better for the Lodge of the Year award.

Corporation:

Allen Johannesen President of the Corporation reviewed the portfolio and reported that profits were made at the end of the year.

Rick Hausvik reported: (1) that the lodge has outgrown the library, as reported earlier and he will negotiate renting the nursery space for combination library and meeting room; and (2) that the corporation account was switched from Chase to Torrey Pines bank, where no fees are charged.

Officer Reports:

Membership Secretary, Aprell Waymire-Bigler, and Treasurer, Don Lesney, presented their respective reports. The Membership Secretary reported the income to date and the Treasurer presented the current fi-

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nancial status to the membership. Both reports were approved as presented.

Unfinished Business:

Pat Becker reported that there will be a meeting coming up in October regarding the 100th Anniversary Gala and that they need volunteers for the Gala as soon as possible.

New Business:

Aprill Waymire-Bigler reported Amelia Seeto was voted in as the Assistant Editor. Joyce Oen agreed to be a nominee as Trustee and Philip Hinshaw agreed to be Assistant Marshall. The following two positions still need to be filled: Librarian and Sports Director.

Good of the Order:

Susan Cody reported that there was Rosemaling class at Camp Norge that presidents from zone five and six were there.

Richard Hausvik reported that at the 100th Anniversary Gala Dinner March 17th, 2012 they are expecting to have about 250 people.

Ingrid Lindgren reported that the Lille Butikken is coming up.

Joyce Olsen reported that two to three dozen cookies are needed for Kretsstevne in October.

It was reported that there was a good turnout at the 100th Anniversary Peer Gynt event and that there was norwegian classical music.

Sven Olsen reported that Jim Martinez played at the International Convention and that there will be a norwegian male chorus at Sangerfest from the Pacific Coast in San Diego next year, it will be a great program.

Next Lodge Meeting:

The next lodge meeting will be Monday, November 7, 2011 at 7:00pm.

The next board meeting will be Thursday, October 20, 2011 at 6:30pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Total members present 40.

The Closing Song was *Down by the Riverside*.

*Respectfully submitted,
Monica Johnsen, Secretary*

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Facebook
<http://www.facebook.com>
Search for Valhall Lodge**

Join the Hiking Vikings!

It's free! It's fun! It's healthy!



Watch for the announcement of the next Hiking Viking adventure in your emails or visit us on Facebook (Valhall Lodge) to find out where the next hike will be.

And feel free to bring a friend!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

November 19th

Plan to holiday shop at the
Ladies of Valhall



**Annual
Lille Butikken**

Norwegian-inspired gift items, and the popular fresh-baked Norwegian Christmas cookies and julekake will be available.

**Opens at 3:30 on the day
of the Salmon Dinner and
stays open through
dinner and after.**



Celebrating

100 YEARS

**San Diego's
Largest**

SONS of NORWAY

Lodge

Valhall #625

*Cocktails
Dinner
Music
Dancing
Guest Dignitaries*

announces

Anniversary Gala

March 17th, 2012

at the

Kona Kai Resort

**for more information visit
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**for registration form call
619-298-6237**



**HAVE YOU BEEN
WANTING TO**

**LEARN HOW TO MAKE
LEFSE?**

Well, now is your chance!!

The Ladies of Valhall will be baking lefse on

Saturday, November 5 at 12:00

And

Saturday, November 12 at 9:00 am

**In the downstairs meeting room
at the Masonic Temple.**

**We will teach you how to make perfect lefse,
and you will be helping us make lefse
to sell at the Lille Butikken.**

**Call Susan Cody- 619-303-5220
or Ingrid Lindgren- 858-277-3376
to reserve your space.**





Ladies of Valhall

*Invite the women members of Valhall lodge to their
Annual Christmas Luncheon*

Saturday, December 10 At 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Menu

*Delicious Menu to be
Announced in next month's newsletter*

Gift Exchange

***New this year!** All attendees bring a wrapped
Gift to exchange.*

Place

Cameron Mobile Estates Clubhouse

*Please send reservations to Susan Cody
2000 Crofton St, # 15, Spring Valley, 91977*

Number of LOV members attending (@\$15) _____

Name(s) _____

Number of guests attending (@\$20) _____

Names(s) _____

Total enclosed _____

RSVP by December 3 firm. Sorry, no refunds after Dec. 7.

Minutes of the Valhall 100th Anniversary Committee Meeting October 17, 2011

The meeting of the Sons of Norway Anniversary Committee met at the home of Patricia and Reginald Becker, 5015 Old Cliffs Road, San Diego, California. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairwoman, Patricia Becker. There were 11 members present and one guest. Mary Hinshaw read the minutes of August 24, 2011.

Secretary's Report: Mary Hinshaw, who has the task of obtaining a Proclamation from Mayor Sanders declaring March 24, 2012 as *Sons of Norway Day*, presented a draft letter and Proclamation to the committee for review before submitting the request to the Office of Protocol. The anniversary date is March 24th but the 100th anniversary celebration is scheduled to occur one week earlier on March 17, 2012, which is the third Saturday of the month, the normal date for the March social.

Chairwoman's Report: Patricia Becker, in preparing for a meeting with the Board of Directors of the Corporation, reviewed all aspects of the proposed budget with committee members.

The budgeted expenses include entertainment, audio-visual equipment, decorations, programs, historical displays, registration, publicity, wine, and anniversary cake. In addition to these expenses there is a banquet room charge; however, the cost of food and no-host bar, exclusive of tax (7.75%) and gratuity (18%), would be applied against the room charge. Based on preliminary calculations, ticket sales for 180 people would not cover all of the expenses; therefore, it is anticipated that at least an additional \$4,000.00 would be needed. Consequently, Patricia anticipates going

to the Corporation Board of Directors with a request for \$4,000.00 to help defray the room cost expense. Patricia will prepare a definitive budget for presentation to the Board.

Patricia Becker will contact Gordon Kovtun, Honorary Consul of Norway, for information on the proper protocol in inviting Honorary Consuls from other countries.

Treasurer's Report: Reginald Becker resigned as Treasurer and was replaced by Everett Shogren.

The committee authorized Everett Shogren, Treasurer of the 100th Anniversary Committee, and Patricia Becker, Chairwoman of the 100th Anniversary Committee, to open a bank account at a bank selected by Mr. Shogren for the purpose of handling the monetary transactions related to the 100th Anniversary Gala. The account will be closed when the business of the anniversary dinner is completed.

Audio-Visual Report: Audio-visual details are being reviewed as to whether to use the hotel's audio-visual equipment or the Fish Club's, the type of equipment needed and the staff requirements for setup, operation and take down.

Registration Report: Tamara Stautland presented a draft registration form. She is refining the information that goes on the form. When the information is complete, Jeanne Scott will add the artistic touches to the form.

Decorations Report: Judy Sawyer reported that her preliminary plans are to use red flowers in low vases against white table cloths. The color

of napkins is important, as the proper napkin color would compliment the table decorations and add to the beauty of the table setting.

Publicity: Jeanne Scott and Amelia Seeto will work on publicity and dissemination of information. Besides using the various media, it will also be necessary to determine the target audience so that resources are well spent to attract a significant number of reservations.

Program Report: Arlene LaBree presented the program used by the Peer Gynt Lodge at their anniversary dinner and two sample programs she designed. The prevailing thought was that a simple well-designed program would be best. She presented a sample of glossy paper that would enhance the selected colors on the program and compliment a red, white and blue theme.

Members Present: Mary Hinshaw, Amelia Seeto, Tam Stautland, Jeanne Scott, Karen Brevig, Ola Brevig, Everett Shogren, Arlene La Bree, Judy Sawyer, Patricia Becker, Reginald Becker and guest Philip Hinshaw.

Patricia Becker will notify members of the time and place of the next committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Hinshaw
Secretary
100th Anniversary Committee



CARDAMON BUNS (Kardemommeboller)

2 cups (5 dl) milk
1/4 cup (55 g) butter
1/4 cup (55 g) margarine
1 pkg. active dry yeast
1/4 cup (1/2 dl) water, warm
3/4 cup (1 3/4 dl) sugar
1 T sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
6 whole cardamom seeds, crushed
7 cups flour

Scald milk. Add butter and margarine and let stand until melted, and milk is slightly cooled.

Soften yeast in warm water with 1 tablespoon of sugar added. In a large bowl add remaining sugar, salt, and cardamom. Pour in lukewarm milk mixture.

Add yeast, and enough flour to make a stiff dough. Work thoroughly. Place in a greased bowl. Cover and let rise until double in bulk. Punch down and shape into balls--the size of ping pong balls.

Place 1 inch (2 1/2 cm) apart on a greased baking sheet. Cover with tea towel and let rise until double in bulk. Bake in 450 degrees F (230 degrees C) oven for 5 minutes. (Yes, 5 minutes is right!) Brush with butter while still hot.

From Sons of Norway Recipe Files. Credit to
Ekte Norsk Mat--Authentic Norwegian Cooking

Social Committees

November

Business Meeting & Salmon Dinner Social

Chair: Judy Sawyer

Elka Adams—soup chef
Ellen Spitzer—soup chef
Rebecca & Tom Bourdage
Matthew Gallwas
Rick & Debra Hausvik
Chris Hausvik
Austen & Jeannette Moore
Rita Solberg

December

Business Meeting and Christmas Party

Chair: Ellen Spitzer

Elka Adams
Helen Andrewson
Kim & Bob Bardin
Aprell & Don Bigler
Merrit, Lars and Linne Hougan
Doug & Jerrylyn Hovland
Philip & Linda Lotze
Matthew McMillan
Laura Sutton
Rolf Lee & Amanda Lee

January

Social Only

Chair: Marvin Wig

Sue Fouquette
Magnhild Gilbertson
Jane & Henry Hallehand
Marvin & Carol Holm
Helen & Lewis Johnson
Bob & Jeanette Kurz
Rosalie Olson
Anita Reith
Jean & Everett Shogren
Marit Vincent



*In
Special Recognition of
Golden Membership*

*Sons of Norway Awards
a Certificate of Appreciation and Pin
to the following member for her long
and faithful service*

Golden Membership

Jacqueline L. Adams

*Congratulations to you!
Valhall Lodge 6-025 -
Sons of Norway*

**Southern California Kretsstevne
Raffle Winners:**

First Place Lise Fleming from Sundfjord #65

2nd Place Sven Olsen from Valhall #25

3rd Place Solskinn Lodge #150

A special Thank-you to SCK donors:
Lise Fleming from Sundfjord #65
Sven Olsen, Rick Hausvik
from Valhall #25
Luella Grangaard, Steinar
Johanson, Nancy Madson
from Solskinn #150



Thank-you,
Nancy Madson
SCK, treasurer

**New Membership
Directory 2012**

Help make our 2012 Membership Directory accurate. Please send me your latest address, phone number and email if they have changed over the year.

We would really appreciate having an email address for all members. If we don't have yours yet, would you please send it to the editor?

Thanks for your help
Arlene LaBree, Editor
lodgevalhall@yahoo.com or call 858-271-8709.

*In Recognition of
Ten Years of Membership,*

*Valhall awards a Ten-Year Pin
to the following member
for her long and faithful service:*

Ten Years of Membership

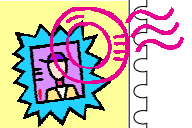
Kay-Ann Pepper

*Congratulations to you!
Valhall Lodge 6-025 ~
Sons of Norway*

TUBFRIM

Save stamps for
TUBFRIM
Cut cancelled stamps off envelopes
leaving 1/4 to 1/2 inch
around the edges.

Deliver stamps
to any lodge meeting or
To Susan Cody



Roald Amundsen Commemorative Exhibit

This month Sons of Norway is co-sponsoring a new photo exhibit, celebrating the 100th anniversary of Roald Amundsen's journey to become the first explorer to reach the South Pole, at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

The exhibit, *Cold Recall: Reflections of a Polar Explorer*, from Norway's **Fram Museum**, will be seen by more than 6 million travelers during its month-long display. Through images and text, on more than 50 panels, it describes the two-year adventure of Roald Amundsen and his crew aboard the *Fram*. Each image is an enlargement of hand-colored slides that Amundsen, himself, once used during presentations and speaking engagements about his travels. Included are images of Amundsen, his ship, *Fram*, and his crew, detailing daily life aboard the ship and at their various camps along the route to the South Pole.

This is the first time this photo-exhibit has visited the United States and was secured through the partnering efforts of Sons of Norway, the Honorary Royal Norwegian Consulate General in Minneapolis, the Bloomington Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Airport Foundation MSP.

If you aren't able to see it in person, be sure to check out the Fram Museum's online exhibit at: <http://www.frammuseum.no/Polar-Expedition/The-third-Fram-expedition.aspx>

QUOTE

"Victory awaits him, who has everything in order - luck we call it. Defeat is definitely due for him, who has neglected to take the necessary precautions - bad luck we call it"

—[Roald Amundsen](#)

Cleng Peerson – The Norwegian Emigration Father

After Norway had been rid of the Danish rule in 1814, Norwegian nationalism grew. Henrik Wegeland was "new Norway's" first poet and he became a great symbol of Norwegian freedom. The growing freedom feeling also led to other effects. One of these was a large interest in emigration to America.

Cleng Peerson was born in Tysvær in 1782. Like many others who were interested in America, he was deeply religious. He belonged to the Quaker Church and in 1821 was sent to the state of New York to look into the possibility of creating a Norwegian colony. After 3 years he returned to Stavanger and advocated strongly to get a ship that could sail from Norway. Many within the Quaker Church in Stavanger were strongly convinced by Peerson and on July 4th, 1825, 52 Norwegians emigrated on the sloop "Restoration" from Stavanger.

They arrived in New York on the 15th of October and the number was increased to 53. A newborn baby saw the first day's light on the way over the Atlantic Ocean. The newspaper "New York Daily Adviser" characterized the shipmen as "an unusual sight." The newspaper was interested in the old-fashioned clothes the Norwegians wore – fashion is not a concept that only belongs in the present.

Cleng Peerson led his fellow Quakers to Kendall Township by Lake Ontario where they were allocated land. But Peerson was an adventurous man and continued his travels through North America. On his voyage through the Midwest, he found the fertile Fox River Valley in Illinois.

He then returned to his friends by Lake Ontario and persuaded them to move to Illinois. Odd Lovoll describes Cleng Peerson among other things as "Peer Gynt on the Prairie" – a description we can agree describes this adventurer. His ability to convince others was something he had plenty of! Peerson continued his traveling and died in Texas in 1865.

Cleng Peerson is rightly called "the Norwegian emigration father." Not just because he organized the first joint Norwegian emigration. He also advocated that, in the end, they should settle in the Midwest – a place that would later become the main area of the great Norwegian emigration wave 50 years later. The first emigrant wrote home and told about a "beautiful and fertile land," and therefore more Norwegians were informed of where they should go in America. *From SON newsletter files*

Alfred Nobel : The Man Behind the Prize

Every December 10th, five exceptional men and women are honored with one of the most prestigious awards ever created, the Nobel Prize. Held in Stockholm and Oslo, the annual Prize Award Ceremonies commemorate the anniversary of the death of the prize's founder, Alfred Nobel.

While much is known about recipients of the prizes, how much is known about the creator behind them? Alfred Nobel was born in Stockholm, Sweden in 1833. The son of an inventor and architect, Alfred was tutored at home until the age of 16.

A trained chemist, Alfred began experimenting with the explosive, nitroglycerine. Several years later Alfred created his most famous invention, dynamite. While many saw Alfred's invention as dangerous and destructive, Alfred believed it would create peace rather than decimate it, saying, "My factories may make an end of war sooner than your congresses. The day when two army corps can annihilate each other in one second, all civilized nations, it is to hoped, will recoil from war and discharge their troops."

In 1888 after the death of Alfred's brother, Ludvig, a French newspaper mistakenly ran an obituary for Alfred, labeling him the "merchant of death". A pacifist at heart, Alfred was disturbed by the epitaph and he sought to leave behind a different legacy than the phrase coined by the newspaper. When Alfred died on December 10th, 1896, he left 94% of his wealth to the establishment of five prizes (physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, literature and peace) to "those who, during the preceding year, shall have conferred the greatest benefit to mankind."

Although the will was met with many obstacles, the Nobel Foundation was established and the first prizes awarded on the five year anniversary of his death on December 10, 1901.

To learn more about Alfred Nobel and the Nobel Prize, visit nobelprize.org.
(from SON newsletter files).

Nobel Prize Facts

To date, the youngest Nobel Laureate is Lawrence Bragg, who was just 25 years old when he received the Nobel Prize in Physics with his father in 1915.

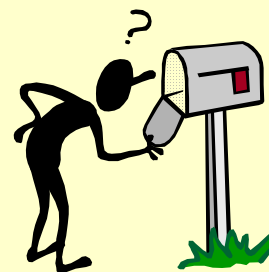
- The oldest Laureate to date is Leonid Hurwicz, who was 90 years old when he was awarded the 2007 Prize in Economic Sciences.
- Between 1901 and 2010, the Nobel Prizes and the Prize in Economic Sciences were awarded 543 times.
- The names of nominees for the prizes is kept secret until 50 years later.
- Often considered the "missing Nobel Laureate," Mahatma Gandhi was never awarded the Nobel Prize despite several nominations (12 nominations between 1937 and 1948.)
- The Curie family has won 5 Nobel Prizes: Pierre and Marie for Physics in 1901; Marie for Chemistry in 1911; daughter Irene and her husband Frédéric Joliot-Curie for Chemistry in 1935; and Henry Labouisse, who was married to Pierre and Marie's daughter Eve, accepted on behalf of UNICEF in 1965.

From the Editor:

Valhall Viking has a new email address. Send articles, comments, announcements to lodgevalhall@yahoo.com

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**Thanks,
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