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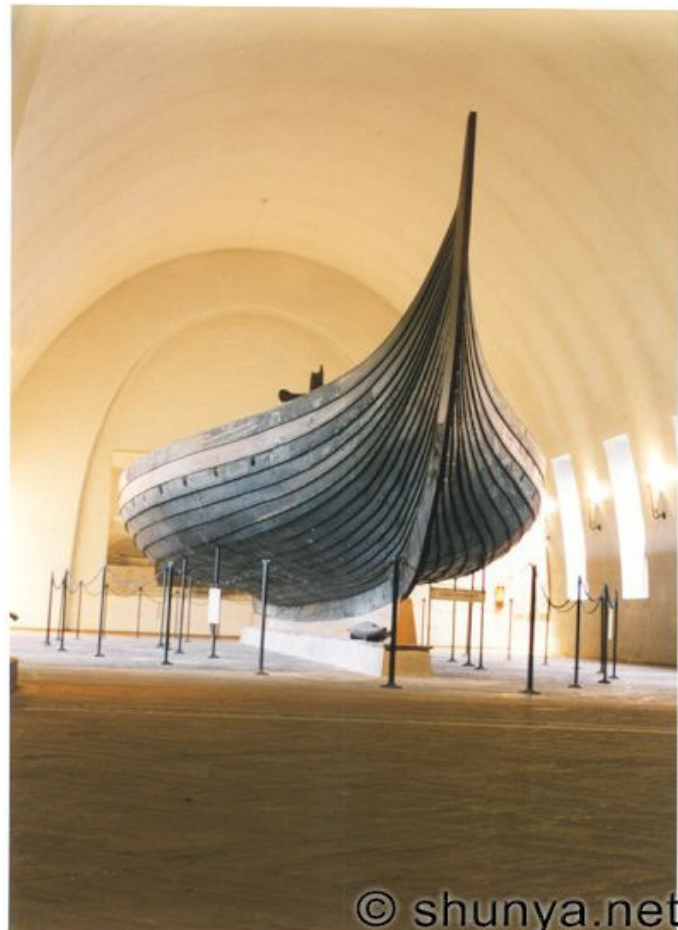
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An Original Viking Ship

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**Waldo Bueing
President**

District President's report

Membership increase and insurance are the lifeblood of keeping Sons of Norway a strong and viable organization, did you know that if you increase membership in your lodge by 10% or more you will receive a founder's award and a check for \$100.00. If you increase membership by 3 to 9% you will receive a founder's award and a check for \$50.00 for your lodge.

Congratulations to Roald Lodge #39 for receiving a check for \$100.00. They are the only lodge that received the high honor but we did have 9 lodges receive checks for \$50.00; those lodges being Grieg #15, Breidablik #27, Helgeland #30, Poulsbo # 44, Fjeldheim #47, Hovedstad #94, Edmonds # 130, Roguedalen # 143 and Blafjell # 163.

The International Lodge is sponsoring Midsummer madness. Grow your Lodge this summer-encourage your lodge Members to participate in the Midsummer Madness recruitment contest. For every three new members recruited between May 1 and August 31, the recruiter will receive a special 2011 Sons of Norway mug. For every 13 members recruited, they will receive a pound of fresh roasted coffee. And don't forget, each member recruited automatically enters the recruiter into the 2011 Norwegian Experience contest.

Insurance is a vital part of Sons of Norway. Get your Financial Benefits counselor involved, International returned around \$30,000.00 to the local lodges based on how much insurance they have. Also, any District that increases their insurance by 1% will receive a check for \$1000.00 as District 5 did at our last International board meeting in Minneapolis. District Two was the only other District with an increase. We had an increase of .44% but with a little more than double insurance, we can earn \$1000.00 for District Two. So when you sign up new members encourage them to talk to a Financial Benefits counselor.

We just finished our Lodge Achievement forms and thanks to you, we did receive at least 95% compliance. This counts towards Lodge of the Year. There is a self scoring section that is filled out by International based on how well you as a lodge get certain things finished on time. For instance, on membership growth you can earn up to 10 points with 1 point for each percentage point your lodge increase up to a maximum of 10 points. Insurance membership is being changed to 1 point for each new insurance member with a maximum of 7 points. This is a change to give points for how your lodge did in the current year not how you did in the past. If you send in your officer update form to headquarters by December 20, 2010 you get 2 points, you get 2 points if you sent in your Lodge liability Insurance to headquarters by October 1, 2010 and you get 2 points for filing your D17 Financial Statement to headquarters by March 1, 2011.

That is a lot of extra points in addition to the lodge rating form you fill out and send in. Your zone director can give extra points based on which District 2 activities your lodge participates in. Then your District President can award points for activities that your lodge does in addition to District activities. When these are all added up the lodge with the most points will most likely receive Lodge of the year. We give two each year, one for Tier 1 Lodges with 100 or

more members and one for Tier 2, Lodges with less than 100 members.

Remember to keep cutting and sending stamps for Tubfrim, these can be delivered to Leif Erikson Lodge in Ballard and they get them packaged and sent to Norway. Remember to send a recommended donation of \$10.00 a year to Leif Erikson to help offset the cost and time for doing this for all of us.

One last thing I would like to mention is that Governance in Sons of Norway. The model fraternal code provides for a society's governing body to be either

1. A delegation elected by its members
2. A board of Directors elected by its members

There has been a growing trend among Fraternals to switch from the delegation method to the board method.

Regulators prefer a board of qualified members as the governing body and believe it to be a more "representative" governing system.

A switch to the Board method will likely be mandated by regulators or required pursuant to a change in the law.

How this is going to affect Sons of Norway at this time I cannot say, but it does give us something to think about. We have been told it is not a matter of if, but when.

I have enjoyed meeting several of you at Zone meetings. I have welcomed your questions and participation and hope that those that attended were able to share their experiences with their lodge. Feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns you may have.

Fraternally

Waldo Bueing

District Two President

Jarlsberg—A Norwegian Success Story



The Norwegian cheese Jarlsberg is the 3rd largest export product from Norway. Its success lies in the secret recipe used to manufacture the cheese and the people who make it and their pride in always delivering a product with the same consistent high quality and unique taste. In 1956 a research team from the Agricultural University of Norway started experimenting with old cheese recipes from the Laurvig and Jarlsberg counties in the South of Norway. They developed a semihard, medium-fat cheese with holes, successfully combining old cheese-making traditions with modern technologies. The team called the new cheese Jarlsberg® after the county it came from. A new cheese category was born.



Mark Agarter
Vice President

District 2 Vice-President

Greetings to our District Two officers and members. The following is part of a report I gave at the spring meeting of the District Board in Poulsbo on April 9. It outlines some of the things that have kept me busy in the last 7 months:

Since the fall district board meeting in September, I have been diligently keeping up on mailing letters to the 000/999 members, asking them to transfer their membership into our local lodges. VPs of those local lodges are also emailed and asked to make contact with these potential new members. We have been more successful in that regard so far this year with a total of 10 transfers in 2011 compared to 5 in the same time period in 2010.

I was able to participate in the February 5 teleconference with International Vice President Marit Kristiansen and

the rest of the District VPs. We have been very successful at sharing information that will allow us to better perform our jobs. This past conference we discussed the following:

- 1 – Using phone trees to keep members more involved in their lodges.
- 2 – Joe Eggers, S/N Membership Coordinator is collecting positive recruitment stories to share to help inspire success in all our lodges.
- 3 – The wonderful December report showing a net gain of 160 new members. 76 of those new members were in District Two, the largest membership growth in the order for that time frame.
- 4 – The search for a new board of governors for the International Foundation.
- 5 – The new 2010 Revised Materials binder, from the Fraternal Department is a great resource to help promote Sons of Norway programs within our lodges.
- 6 – VPs requested that the District President's Council minutes be distributed to the VPs as well to assist us in keeping on top of the issues facing the order.
- 7 – Lodge Revitalization money – how the program works.
- 8 – New Member outreach plan including new e-communications.
- 9 – Creation of new membership markets, for example, college chapters.
- 10 – International membership goal to show a small net positive membership growth for 2011.
- 11 – Ongoing issue of trying to increase youth involvement in S/N activities.
- 12 – The Norwegian Experience 2011 membership contest.
- 13 – A request that Dave Ness' information regarding fiduciary responsibility, which was given to the International Board at their fall meeting, needs to be made available to all levels of the organization.

These teleconferences have been very helpful, and I look forward to the next one on May 6.

I was also busy helping Karin Custance, our Zone 1 Director, with the planning and running of the Zone 1 Leadership Development Seminar on March 12, which was at our lodge in Eugene.

It was an excellent seminar with 41 attendees from nearly every lodge in our zone. It was the best attended zone meeting that I have yet been to. We had very interesting and informative presentations including from Cindy Olson, International Foundation Director, with a great talk about her responsibilities and how the Foundation can benefit all of our lodges. Kudos to Karin for a job well done in organizing this seminar.

I have corresponded with the all of our District Two VP's on a regular basis since January. Once we got the contact info for the new officers, I was able to send out an introduction and several other pertinent emails to help them in carrying out their responsibilities. This sharing of information is always valuable for all of us. It is great to meet the new officers and I continue to try to assist them in any way possible.

I have spent a fair amount of time helping Christine Anderson fill in some of the details with her 100th Anniversary book. In particular I was able to dig up copies of the Semi Annual Reports from 1982 to the present, with the help of Sherry Gorse at International, so that Christine would have accurate information regarding membership numbers for those years. Was also able to dig up some photos for her and also assisted with the rewriting and proofing of several pages of information. I have really enjoyed this project and find that I must be a bit of a historian as well, because it is always fun digging up more facts and information from the past. The book should be available by the time you read this. I can't wait to get my hands on our copy.

Have a great summer.

Mark Agerter
District Two Vice President





Mickey Andrew
Secretary

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**Regina Agerter
Treasurer**

I am honored to have been elected as District 2 Treasurer for the 2010-11 biennium during our recent convention. Managing our finances is an important role and our financial records are very involved. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Fraternally,
Regina Agerter, District 2 Treasurer

The financial report for 2010-2011 is on the following page.



FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT #2, SONS OF NORWAY
For the period of 1/1/10 to 12/31/10

Acct. #		General	Fraternal	Total
	Balance brought forward	\$ 53,657.62	\$ 8,869.50	\$ 62,527.12
	RECEIPTS:			
4110	Idea Exchange Meetings		2,769.30	2,769.30
4120	Sports		923.10	923.10
4130	Cultural		2,307.75	2,307.75
4140	Youth Programs		923.10	923.10
4141	Cartridge for Kids		128.10	128.10
4143	Youth Camps		2,723.07	2,723.07
4152	Sofie/Olson Donations		1,575.00	1,575.00
4153	Draxten Memorial Scholarship		2,039.00	2,039.00
4210	Trollhaugen		24,240.56	24,240.56
4300	District Dues	36,360.78		36,360.78
4332	Interest SIN Dir Dep Fund	1,041.09		1,041.09
4333	Interest Sofie/Olson Dir Dep Fund		748.63	748.63
4334	Interest Sofie/Olson Savings		2.92	2.92
4335	Interest Draxten Memorial Savings		4.07	4.07
4345	Runescape Jewelry Commission	4,564.08		4,564.08
4510	100th Anniversary Coin Sales		1,689.89	1,689.89
4515	100th Anniversary Book/CD Sales		5,020.00	5,020.00
	Total Received For Year	<u>\$ 41,965.95</u>	<u>\$ 45,094.49</u>	<u>\$ 87,060.44</u>
	DISBURSEMENTS:			
5000	Bank Charges	26.53		26.53
5121	Sports Expense - Bowling		69.51	69.51
5122	Sports Expense - Horseshoes		14.70	14.70
5123	Sports Expense - Golf		349.61	349.61
5124	Sports Expense - Skiing		331.22	331.22
5125	Sports Expense - Other		10.94	10.94
5142	Unge Venner Activities		337.30	337.30
5143	Youth Camp Expense		2,560.00	2,560.00
5144	Youth Activities Expense - Other		10.94	10.94
5151	Youth Camp Board Meetings		954.10	954.10
5152	Sofie/Olson Scholarship Expense		966.57	966.57
5153	Draxten Memorial Scholarship Fund		2,041.00	2,041.00
5210	Trollhaugen		24,240.56	24,240.56
5211	Trollhaugen Board Meeting		2,971.20	2,971.20
5300	Mileage & Parking	6,848.37		6,848.37
5301	Printing	2,500.56		2,500.56
5302	Postage & Shipping	721.73		721.73
5303	Office Supplies	635.98		635.98
5305	Meetings & Per Diem	5,590.47		5,590.47
5307	Gifts	351.32		351.32
5308	Web Page Expense	885.98		885.98
5310	Liability Insurance	595.00		595.00
5315	Secretary Reimbursement	1,829.76		1,829.76
5316	Treasurer Reimbursement	1,829.76		1,829.76
5317	President Reimbursement	456.53		456.53
5320	District President Travel - D2	3,679.77		3,679.77
5325	Accounting Fees	605.00		605.00
5345	Runescape Jewelry Expense	2,225.47		2,225.47
5360	Advertising Expense	30.00		30.00
5365	District Convention Expense	17,313.97		17,313.97
5370	International Conv. Expense	10,391.45		10,391.45
5377	Leadership Training District		379.76	379.76
5380	Zone Activities Expense - Other		27.90	27.90
5381	Zone 1 Activity Expense		61.00	61.00
5382	Zone 2 Activity Expense		182.17	182.17
5500	100th Anniversary Expense		1,431.37	1,431.37
6000	Donations	600.00		600.00
	Total Disbursements for Year	\$ 57,117.65	\$ 36,939.85	\$ 94,057.50
	Net Gain (Loss) for Year	<u>(15,151.70)</u>	<u>8,154.64</u>	<u>(6,997.06)</u>
	TOTALS	<u>\$ 38,505.92</u>	<u>\$ 17,024.14</u>	<u>\$ 55,530.06</u>
	ENDING BALANCES			
1035	Checking Account	\$ 8,379.90		
1040	S/N Direct Deposit Fund	23,477.98		
1060	Sofie/Olson Direct Deposit Fund	23,096.36		
1065	Sofie/Olson Savings	472.86		
1070	Draxten Memorial Savings	<u>102.96</u>		
Total		<u>\$ 55,530.06</u>		

Respectfully submitted by:
Regina Agerter, Treasurer
District #2, Sons of Norway



Ron Rolla
Social/Publicity Director

Social/Publicity Report, Spring 2011

It has been great getting to hear about all the wonderful things that are happening in the various lodges in the District. Many lodges send me their newsletters and it keeps me up to date. I try to keep my e-mail list up to date but as you can imagine with all the new officers being installed each year, it becomes a problem when those new e-mail addresses are not available.

Did you know that the District 2 has a facebook page? No? Just go onto facebook and search for "Sons of Norway District 2". You're welcome to post a message about your lodge doings.

I've had the opportunity to visit a number of lodges and have also been invited to install the officers which I find a privilege and honor to do. These opportunities to keep in touch with our history make a good impression on me.

The Cultural Skills program has had an impact on me too. Being involved with the program has given me insights that I had never felt. I find myself looking at things differently lately. I've been sharing my cooking talents with some of the classes that I attend, and I've increased my music library to include some of the new Norwegian song stylists. My library has also increased with the addition of the latest mystery novels coming out of the Scandinavian countries. I'm seeing people differently too because now I have started my woodworking classes and so I have to notice the lines and hollows that are in a person's face and body so I can make a more lifelike replication when I carve a figure. My genealogy work has a ways to go because I have to record the actual place where the records are kept and some of mine have been destroyed by a fire that happened some years ago but there are members who share their time and talents to help us along the way. We just have to ask.

I've also been interested in hearing about the successes in the social aspect of the lodges. One thing I hope to see more of has been mentioned before and that is a mentoring program within the lodge. When a new member is voted into the lodge I feel it is necessary for the person who recommended them for membership take the responsibility to mentor that new member by keeping in touch with them to help them in getting to the lodge meetings, to take part in the various tasks that need to be done around the lodge and during the social get-togethers.

Ron Rolla
Social/Publicity Director





Karin Custance
Zone 1 Director

Zone 1 Report, Spring 2011

It is always a treat to re-connect and learn from others of what they are doing at their Lodges. What worked, and what did not. As for my lodges, it was rather quiet from September 26th until January, except for one thing. One of our members was "Downsizing" and donated her Scandinavian items to our Lodge. At our Auxiliary meeting I suggested to hold a silent auction and I offered to run it for them. We then took a vote on what to do with the funds. It was unanimous to use it for "Adopt-A-School".

In October at our 'Pannekaker' Brunch I showed a preview of items available. As time went on we got more Items to add to the auction ("Sklar" Norwegian clothing) The actual day of Auction was November 21st, at our Lutefisk Dinner Day. We totaled close to \$800.00, and received a "Helping Hands for Children's Grant of \$ 350.00. We will make a presentation to our Adopted School, FRUIT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. They really deserve it. As an ongoing project our Ladies knit Cap 'n

Hats, and sew and Tie Quilts for them. They sent us a giant Thank You Card and Photos of Children wearing them. Our ladies were really touched by that gesture. It shows that we are on the right track.

I happen to be Foundation Director at our lodge, and as such I don't miss a chance to tout the Foundation and all it has to offer, such as grants etc.

In December we supported the "Skill Center" by holding our annual Christmas Party there. The Month of January was mainly for installation.

1. Eugene's Sonja Lodge. They are a very fun loving lodge. Makes me want to move there haha.

2. Kelso's Breidablik Lodge. Always a pleasure to visit there. So welcoming!

3. Salem's Thor Lodge. Great people working very hard. It is a pleasure to visit there.

Feb. 12th, I was asked to do a Welcoming Ceremony In Klamath Falls for 17 new Members. I took the train there because we were afraid of icy roads. The only problem was the train scheduling. Arriving there at Midnight and leaving at 10:00 AM. But working around that, It was a very festive affair. They now have many new members who are in the younger age group 20 & up. It is a very good infusion of new blood. This was a Lodge that was also in trouble some time ago and they are now thriving. They are very visible in their Community, and do a lot of community service.

March 4th brought me to Breidablik to do a welcoming Ceremony for 20 new members. What a party that was, and their food as good as always. I was also asked to do a short speech. We were honored to have the presence of Mr. Bruun and his wife. He is the Honorary Norwegian Consulate. His talk about what his position entails was most interesting & enjoyed by all. Breidablik is always so warm and welcoming to attend. They sure know how to enjoy themselves.

Now for my Zone Meeting:

I have long planned on doing a combination meeting involving all my lodges, and involving both district as well as International Officers. My reasoning was that many members had no idea of how their elected Officers on the "Board" worked for them. I felt it very beneficial for

members to propose their problems and ideas directly to the Officers. For this I had many ideas, but unfortunately, due to Budget restrictions was unable to incorporate my ideas.

On the Day of March 12th Sonja Lodge of Eugene offered to host our Leadership Development Seminar. It was a big success. There were 47 members present .Of my 10 Lodges One could not make it and one called in sick. Klamath falls received a mini version when I was there on the 12th-13th. We were honored by the presence of our District President Waldo Bueing and his Wife Jane, District VP Mark Agerter, District Treasurer Regina Agerter, and all the way from International Our International Foundation Director Cindy Olson.

The Sonja Ladies outdid themselves with a fabulous "EkteNorsk" GuleErterSuppe, Smørbrød, FirsteKakeog God Kaffee. The tables were set up very well too. Mark did a Powerpoint on Membership. Matt Vettrus, BFC of Oregon, also did a short talk. I think one of the biggest highlights were the Norsk Singers. They performed for 40 min, and entertained us all. Members also received a tour of the new Lodge. All enjoyed the many pieces of Rosemaling. Many stayed for a 'one-on-one' with District and Local Officers. I for one enjoyed doing this, and will surely miss all the goings on when my term expires.

March 26th we were invited By Sparks Furniture Store to help launch the sale of Norwegian designed (Ekorness) Stressless Chairs. The men set up our New Viking Ship built by Bruce Olson with help of many men of our Lodge. It was placed in the front of the store, and Yonnie set up a table with membership material and samples of Lefse. We took turns at the table and spoke to many prospective members. Amazing how few are aware of us.

Sparks provided us with fresh Salmon and Gjetøst, flown in especially for this occasion. Needless to say we did our share of sampling. All-in-all, it was lots of fun and it helped put our name out there.

OSLO (Reuters) – A cold snap in Greenland in the 12th century may help explain why Viking settlers vanished from the island. "Climate played (a) big role in Vikings' disappearance from Greenland," Brown University in the United States said in a statement of a finding that average temperatures plunged 4 degrees Celsius (7F) in 80 years from about 1100. Such a shift is roughly the equivalent of the current average temperatures in Edinburgh, Scotland, tumbling to match those in Reykjavik, Iceland. It would be a huge setback to crop and livestock production. "There is a definite cooling trend in the region right before the Norse disappear," said William D'Andrea of Brown University, the lead author of the study in the U.S. journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

LITTLE ICE AGE

Scientists have previously suspected that a cooling toward a "Little Ice Age" from the 1400s gradually shortened growing seasons and added to sea ice that hampered sailing links with Iceland or the Nordic nations.

Vikings arrived in Greenland in the 980s, during a warm period like the present. "You have an interval when the summers are long and balmy and you build up the size of your farm, and then suddenly year after year, you go into this cooling trend, and the summers are getting shorter and colder and you can't make as much hay," D'Andrea said.



Erlene Stevenson
International Director

The International Board of Directors and the District Presidents held their semi-annual meetings in Minneapolis during the last week of April. Here are some of the items that were discussed:

Sons of Norway Headquarters has taken a significant role in arranging for the events to be held in the Minneapolis area when King Harald and Queen Sonja visit the city in October. International Board members, the District Presidents, and the Senior Staff, along with their spouses are invited to attend a special reception for the King and Queen on Sunday, October 16, in Minneapolis. On Monday, October 17 Nortun Lodge #1-016 in Duluth, MN will host the King and Queen at a special event at their historic lodge. Members of the Senior Staff and the International Board will attend this event, as well. Because

of these special circumstances, the International Board of Directors and the District Presidents Council will hold their meetings in October rather than in November of this year.

The Finance Committee recommended, and the Board approved a modest dues increase of \$1.00 to help offset the costs of our fraternal programs. This change becomes effective January 1, 2012. An additional \$1.00 increase will be implemented on January 1, 2013. Our fraternal programs are a valuable benefit to our members and are instrumental in recruiting and retaining members.

Joe Annoti, CEO of the American Fraternal Alliance (formerly, the National Fraternal Congress of America) presented some thoughtful insights regarding possible new governance regulations for fraternal organizations. Such regulations may affect how fraternal organizations are governed in the future. Here is what we heard:

The current model fraternal code provides for a society's supreme governing body to be either a delegation elected by members (e.g. Sons of Norway), or by a Board of Directors elected by members.

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Regulators prefer a Board of qualified members as the governing body and believe it to be a more "representative" governing system.

A switch to the Board method will likely be mandated by regulators or required pursuant to a change in the law.

Sons of Norway is looking to the future and assessing how any change in the regulations will affect our current form of governance. We will all hear more about this in the months ahead.

I wish you all a very good summer.

Fraternally,
Erlene Stevenson

Towards another shore

Written by Kristoffer Ranaweera 02.jun.2010

The Norwegian Emigration Center commemorates that it is 185 years since Restauration departed from Stavanger, bound for America, with a cultural event in the port of Stavanger.

Towards another shore



The 16th of June 2010 will be a day of remembrance, for this summer marks the 185th anniversary of the start of the Norwegian emigration to America. Approximately 185 years ago 52 people set sail from the port of Stavanger, bound for the new world.

To mark this occasion the Norwegian Emigration Center will host a cultural event in the port of Stavanger.

The event is called *Towards another shore* and consists of three separate happenings:

The unveiling of a historic nameplate for Lars Larsen Geilane

Lars Larsen Geilane is the person who was commissioned by the Quakers movement to organize the exodus from Stavanger in 1825. He has long lived in the shadow of Cleng Peerson, and to rectify this, a historical nameplate will be unveiled in his honor.

The christening of the emigrant ship Restauration

The Restauration (picture) is a replica of Norway's first emigrant vessel which left Stavanger on the 5th of June 1825, carrying 52 people. The christening will take place on Strandkaaien outside the Maritime museum at 1.45pm. Jill H. Russell, a descendant of Lars Larsen Geilane, has been given the task to christen the vessel.

The opening of the exhibition; the road to a better life?

Behind people's decision to break up, there is a desire for a better life. This is a documentary exhibit which will show the parallels between the historical emigration from Norway and the life as a pioneer in America, and today's emigration from Africa and the life as an immigrant in Stavanger. The exhibition will be opened by Professor David Mauk

The Pioneers

The Battle for Bread

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During the years following 1815 the population of Norway grew at a rate never before experienced. The mortality rate dropped, so more children reached maturity. From 1810 to 1865 the population of the country increased from 882,000 to 1,7 million. Great numbers of children were born in the 1820s. When these children grew up and had to support themselves in the 1840s, they were forced to join the ranks of the unemployed until they could find some sort of job. There was "a battle for bread".

Agriculture was the primary industry in Norway at that time. The dramatic growth in population demanded that available land had to be exploited as much as possible. During the first half of the nineteenth century agricultural production and the production in the fishing, shipping and lumber industries, increased greatly, but not sufficient to keep everyone above minimum subsistence level. This is why 78,000 Norwegians emigrated to America between 1825 and 1865 hoping to make their fortunes.



The America Fever

From 1836 emigration from Norway became a yearly phenomenon. That summer two brigs, *Den norske Klippe* and *Norden*, sailed from Stavanger with a total of 167 people. From 1843 on more than 1000 Norwegians emigrated every year.

"America letters," communications back home from emigrated kin, former neighbors, and acquaintances, were the most common source of information about America. Famed writers like Gjert Gregoriussen Hovland, who emigrated in 1831 and settled in Kendall, told of equality and opportunity in America and gave advice and guidance. There were also guidebooks and personal visits by emigrated countrymen, such as Knud Andersen Slogvig. He served as leader on the brig *Norden* that sailed from Stavanger in 1836. The "America fever" as people called the urge to go to America, was spread by such literature and by the pressures from emigrated kin and friends to join them in America.

The migration moved north from Stavanger along the coast and inland to the upland communities. Most of them came from the inner fjord districts of western Norway and the central mountain districts. They were mainly farmers who had sold their small land holdings to finance their trip and younger sons of independent farmers unable to continue in familiar pursuits. In the 1850s and later, cotters and members of the lower classes in rural society joined the movement overseas. The emigrants were mainly family groups intending to find a permanent home in America.

Vestnorsk utvandringssenter

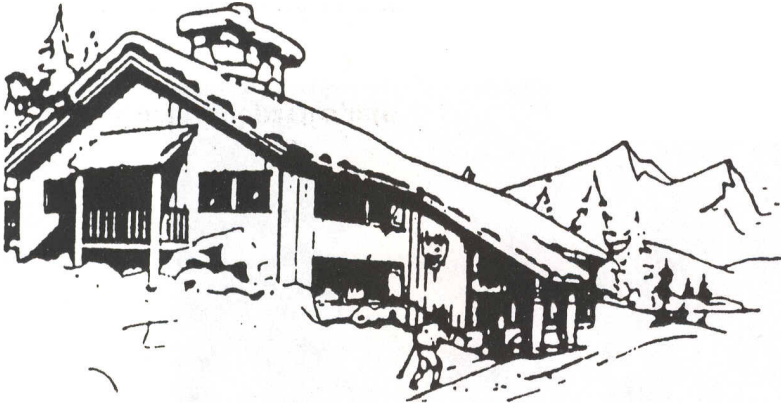
MUSEUMSSENTERET i Hordaland

The word 'ski' is of Norwegian origin. Skis were used by the pioneers from Morgedal in Telemark county and 'Trysil Knut' is well know to most people. Skiing is a part of traditional Norway and it all started with wooden skis.....years ago!

Norway is full of forests and wood of high quality is excellent for use in skis. The qualities in wood can not be synthetically copied. Modern skis made of synthetic fibers are here to stay - without doubt, but there is a different market emerging. The one for wooden skis.



TROLLHAUGEN



2011

ANNUAL STEAK FRY

Come one, Come all, for a great day in the Cascade Mountains

Come and participate in the Family and group activities we are planning for the day. All activities will start at 10:00 AM.

Come and be part of a great experience and enjoy an excellent dinner. **There will also be salmon available instead of steak. When ordering please specify whether you would like steak or salmon.**

Kids meal for \$5.00 ages 12 and under.

Come for the day, the night or the weekend.

When: August 6, 2011

Happy Hour (BYOB): 2:30 pm

Dinner: 3:30pm

For dinner reservations: **Contact Bill Hicks (425) 672-0194** or e-mail at Hicks1015@msn.com Tickets are \$15.00 **After Aug 1st, \$18.00**

For overnight reservation contact Tim & Frieda Loudon, @ Trollhaugen
Trollhaugen phone is (509) 656-9997.



Stanwood Sons of Norway celebrates the Syttende Mai

The Stanwood Sons of Norway Fritjov Lodge 2-017 held a Syttende Mai celebration on Saturday, May 14th at their hall in Stanwood. This Lodge has been in Stanwood for 101 years and meets at what is considered the oldest building in Stanwood. Awards were given to members who had 30 or more years with Sons of Norway and also a special recognition award for exceptional service. Fritjov has a total of 30 members with over 30 years of membership. Those who were able to attend were: Elsie Chandler (66 yrs.), Charlotte Pearson (66 yrs.), Jim Lund (61 yrs.), Jennie Provost (49 yrs.), Arvid Ronning (46 yrs.), Connie Ronning (45 yrs.), Betty Skrinde (43 yrs.), Ralph Knutson (41 yrs.), Palmer Sather (39 yrs.), Anton Moe (35 yrs.), Jim Hendershot (33 yrs.) and Erling Skrinde for Special Recognition for Exceptional Service to the Lodge plus 25 years of Membership.

It was full house with over 150 members and guests enjoying the Norsk dinner with many types of Scandinavian foods. Following the dinner, the Jim Skrinde Scandinavian Band provided Scandinavian music for dancing and listening pleasure.



District 2 Sons of Norway Golf Tournament
Saturday Aug 20th, 2011
18 Hole, 4 man Scramble

Wayne golf course

16721 96th Ave NE, Bothell, WA 98011

First Tee Time: 9:30 AM

Check in will start at 8:00 AM

Cost: \$60.00 per player

Includes: Green Fee & Banquet

Men's, Women's and COED teams

Banquet only \$20.00

Reserve your Tee Time Today by contacting:

Bill Hicks:hicks1015@msn.com or 425-672-0194

First come first serve limited space available.

*Due to limited space, players must
be members of Sons of Norway.*

*COED: must include one man or
women in foursome*

Prizes for:

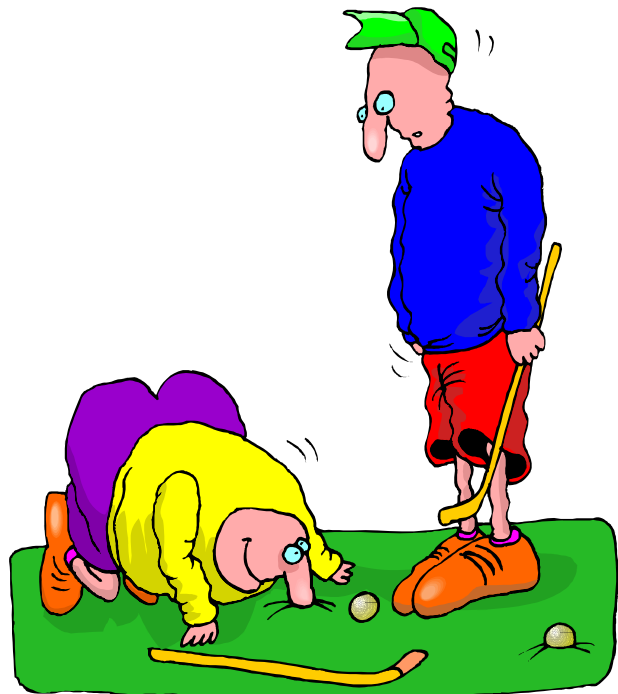
1st place team finish all categories

Long Drive

Closest Too pin

Some Thing for everybody

Mulligan's available



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