



DYNAMIC 2

Sons of Norway

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Sons of Norway
District 2
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Congratulations to all newly elected officers as you take on the leadership responsibilities of your lodges. It will be a busy year as we prepare for the District Convention in Spokane in June. The Convention Committee at Tordenskjold Lodge has been busy these past many months working on plans for our time in Spokane. I hope all of our lodges will be represented at the convention. It's a time to do the business of the district, but also to take part in the many cultural and social activities associated with a convention.

There has been a change in the position of Cultural Director for the district. Randi Aulie found it necessary to resign her position due to a delayed surgery schedule and some family obligations. The District Board accepted Randi's resignation with regrets. Randi served as Zone 3 Director for 4 years prior to becoming Cultural Director. Thank you, Randi, for your past dedication and service to our district.

Elaine Graddock, District Counselor and Immediate Past Cultural Director, graciously agreed to become our Interim Cultural Director. Elaine will be instrumental in coordinating the Cultural Room display and the Folk Art Competition at the District Convention in June. We appreciate Elaine's willingness to accept this important responsibility.

Leadership workshops, Phase III: The 2008 workshops will focus on membership issues, recruitment and retention – this is a challenge we should all embrace! The plan is to combine the membership workshop with a time of general sharing of ideas among our members and participating lodges. Many of you will recall the successful Idea Exchange Meetings held in our district a few years ago. The new format will combine the workshop with an Idea Exchange meeting. The meetings will be facilitated by our Zone Directors; I encourage you to attend. If your lodge is willing to host one of the meetings, please contact your Zone Director.

Membership Goals: Increasing membership in our organization has been, and continues to be a primary focus for this biennium. We have made good progress toward achieving the goals set by the International Board. Initially, we were tracking the numbers through December 31, 2007. The plan is to extend this date to June 30, 2008 which is the end of the current biennium. Particular emphasis will be on recruiting family members of our current members. International has introduced two programs that are particularly geared toward these potential members, the Family Membership program

and the Gift Membership program. Family members between the ages of 16

and 23 (Unge Venner) can become members of Sons of Norway for no charge. They are entitled to all the benefits of a paid adult membership including voting, holding office, and being a delegate to convention. This is a great opportunity for us to sign up family members in this age group.

We are also excited about the Gift Membership program which was started last fall. As of December 31, 2007, 85 members joined Sons of Norway because a current member purchased a gift membership for them. What better way to introduce family members and friends to our organization and provide them with the benefits we all enjoy. Gift memberships may be purchased by calling the Home Office at 1-800-945-8851 or by completing an application form and indicating it is a gift to a family member or friend. Seasonal flyers about the Gift Membership program will be included in all dues renewal notices.

As always, the district officers are happy to assist you in any way we can. Best wishes to you as we move forward in 2008!

Fraternally,
Erlene Stevenson

Vice President's Message

2007 has been a year of many goals we strived to achieve. Membership growth has been one of our main goals, Membership committees in our local lodges was one of the key ways to reach membership growth. Remember the International and our District 2 goal was to have membership committees in at least 70% of our lodges. In District 2, we reached 68%. I want to thank all the lodges who took the time to set up membership committees.

This is a big reason that we were able to come close or at least a lot better than we have in the past. We came 89 members short of our goal of gaining at least 1 member more than the previous year. From July 31, 2005 thru December 31, 2006, District 2 lost 397 members. The 'Sailing into the Future' membership recruiting program

occurred from the fall of 2003 through the spring of 2004. Membership lapses in 2005 were slightly elevated by these members terminating instead of paying full dues.

For our membership committees here are some activities to consider:

1. Meet on a regular basis to plan membership growth and retention evens and discuss progress.
2. Plan an open house for your lodge.
3. Organize a membership dinner for your lodge, taking advantage of the up to \$400.00 available from headquarters for funding such events.
4. Review your lodge's monthly "**Sons of Norway Lodge Membership Activity Report**" (received monthly by lodge VP and financial secretary)
 - Contact Heritage members turning 16 years of age to inform them of the family Membership Program where they can become a member at no cost up to age 23
 - Welcome transferred members into your lodge.
 - Welcome reinstated members into your lodge.
 - Contact members in arrears of dues to determine reason and work to resolve problem.
 - Contact suspended/canceled members to learn of their situation, work to correct problems, and invite them to reinstate their membership.
 - Welcome new members into your lodge, inform them of activities, appoint a mentor to introduce them within the lodge, and involve them in your meeting
5. Organize a table/booth at local fairs and heritage festivals, as well as, your own. Lodges activities where you invite the public.
6. Inform members of the Family Membership Programs.

In addition to your local lodge membership report, as District 2 Vice President, I will go through the report for our 999 (members without a lodge affiliation) and 000 members, (Primarily insurance members).

I will be contacting all new members encouraging them to transfer their membership to a local lodge. At the same time, I will send a letter to the local lodge Vice President closest to where the new member lives informing them of this member with their address and phone number. It is my desire that you follow through as most of you have been doing. As a result of these contacts, 29 people transferred from lodge 999 and 21 people transferred from 000. I think this is great 50 more people can now enjoy the Sons of Norway experience.

One of our big pushes for 2008 will be promoting non-member Children of member's initiative to encourage this group to join Sons of Norway.

Encourage Gift Memberships from current members to other family members.

Encourage members to sign up Unge Venner members through the family membership program.

Keep up the good work. I am looking forward to meeting many of you at our District Convention in Spokane this summer.

Fraternally

Waldo Bueing
District 2 Vice President

**Message from the
International Director
Bill Fosmoe**

New Year's Greetings! Congratulations to the new slate of officers for the year 2008 and thanks to outgoing officers for their dedication in 2007. For those new officers who did not receive the section of the "Guide for Leadership" from the previous officer, they are available on the Sons of Norway Website and can be downloaded.

This is a convention year for our District and also the International. To determine how many delegates we will have for the district convention we refer to our by laws which states each lodge is entitled two delegates for their lodge and one delegate for each one hundred members or major fraction thereof. Based on this figure, District Two is entitled to a total of one hundred ninety-eight delegates. It would be wonderful if all lodges could send their full complement of delegates. I know the host lodge committee from Tordenskjold Lodge No. 5 has been working diligently to make this convention a huge success. The hotel where the convention will be held in Spokane is the Mirabeau Park Hotel located on Interstate 90 east of Spokane off of exit 291B.

As you may or may not know, Sons of Norway terminated their agreement with Norwill. Sons of Norway had received numerous e-mails from members complaining about the poor service or no service at all. The home office also experienced problems communicating with them.

Eiving Heiberg, Fraternal Director, reported the gift membership program was very successful. We don't have the final numbers but as of November 7th we had seventy-one gift memberships purchased. District Two had thirteen which is approximately 20% of the total.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me either by phone or e-mail. I am listed in the district directory.

Hope to see you in Spokane at the convention in June.

Fraternally,
Bill Fosmoe, International Director,
District Two.

**DYNAMIC LODGES
By Ted Fosberg,
International President**

Sons of Norway is organized by local lodges located in the United States, Canada and Norway. Our lodges, which number 396 and vary in mem-

bership from 9 to 1611, are divided into 8 District Lodges. We are District Lodge Number 2. The districts function to unite lodges in their area, giving them support, resources and the sharing of information throughout our Order.

Our local lodges are key to Sons of Norway’s success. Each has developed a unique personality based on the needs of its members. However, they all have a common purpose to preserve and promote the Norwegian culture and heritage.

Our lodges possess an abundance of potential energy. Exceptional results occur when that potential energy is converted to kinetic energy in the form of exciting cultural programs, social gatherings, youth activities and family events. You, our lodge leaders, are the catalysts for making this happen by arranging interesting and informative programs, and by sharing the many benefits of membership with your members.

By staying informed through our Leadership Workshops, and utilizing the many resources available through our districts, members, Headquarters and communities, you have the resources to have your lodge be a dynamic place which energizes its members and attracts new members. Your International Board and District Board are available to help in any way they can.

**International Secretary
Marit Kristiansen**

It is New Years Day, and instead of making resolutions – which I can rarely keep – I reflect on my blessings.

I read that we should remind ourselves of the positive in our lives and not dwell on what we can’t change. Each day one should list 3 things that we are grateful for – so here goes.

1. I am grateful that my family is nearby.
2. I am grateful for good health.
3. I am grateful for Sons of Norway

Why would I include Sons of Norway? Because Sons of Norway has been a positive constant in my life for nearly 40 years. I have learned and experienced the following:

- Listen to others
- Work as a team towards a goal
- Provided the tools to become a lodge leader
- Travel opportunities to District Conventions
- Financial Benefit programs
- Pride in my Norwegian Heritage
- Appreciate the many dear friends made over the years

Kjell & I celebrated New Years Eve at our lodge, eating, dancing and partying with friends. A lady at the next table was surprised to learn that as a non Norwegian, she could join Sons of Norway. She had attended several events and found the lodge to be a friendly family organization. I then introduced her to fellow members who were Latvian, German, Bangladeshi, Danish, Swedish, Slovakian, Polish and others who are “half this and a quarter that”. What a great group of Sons of Norway members!

In 2008 let us focus on promoting the positive in our lives and remember to include Sons of Norway in that list.

Godt Nytt År Happy New Year!!!!

Fraternally and Beste Hilsen,

Marit Kristiansen
International Secretary

**District 2 Secretary
Janet Fruchtl**

2008 has arrived and District 2 will hold its 62nd Biennial Convention in Spokane, Washington. Tordenskjold Lodge Convention Committee is busy getting everything ready to make our stay very special. Each lodge will need to elect their convention delegates during the month of February with the report to me by March 1st. If your lodge wants to sponsor either a resolution or a by-law change those need to be sent in by March 15th, also to me. It takes time to get the District Convention booklet compiled, proofed and printed.

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I am currently working on the District 2 Directory. I want to thank all the lodges who got information to me in a timely manner. Thanks also to the zone directors who worked to gather the information from lodges who did not submit the paperwork with new officer information. We need current officer information for the district officers to keep lodges informed and for other lodges to make contact with the person in your lodge who can help them.

Check out our District 2 Web Page:
www.sonsofnorway2.com

Wishing you all a Happy New Year! See you at Convention!

Fraternally,
Janet Fruchtl, Secretary

***Special Lodge
Anniversaries***

Elvedalen Lodge No. 129	25 years
February 19, 1983	
Bothell Lodge No. 106	35 years
February 24, 1973	
Sol-Land Lodge No. 86	40 years
March 2, 1968	
Leif Erikson Lodge No. 1	105 years
May 13, 1903	

Tubfrim Norway Trip Winner Announced!

Breidablik Lodge #2-027 was busy putting the finishing touches on their annual Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner on Sunday, January 13th when member Ruth Tomasli arrived and asked for everyone's attention. Ruth had received a phone call that morning stating the lodge Tubfrim chairmen for many years (and her hubby!), Orville Tomali's name had been drawn as the winner of the expense paid trip for 2 to Norway! After much applause and hearty congratulations to the deserving couple, the

lodge members all took their places to start the first dinner seating. Needless to say, Orville and Ruth were all smiles that day! ☺

Treasurer's Message

Mark Agerter

Greetings from wet, wintery Oregon.

I have included a financial report for the year 2007 to be printed in this issue of the Dynamic Two. This information, along with many other financial reports, will also be published in the Spokane Convention booklet.

I am pleased to tell you that the district is in excellent financial condition. Typically, in convention years, our cash reserves are depleted due to the required District and International Convention expenses. The non-convention years are years in which we typically spend less and save for our larger expenses in the following year. Our account balances at year-end compare very favorably with the last non-convention year of 2005.

Other items of note for year-end 2007 include a net income for the Runescape jewelry sales program of \$1,145.13 and Cartridges for Kids income of \$312.60.

I hope that both of these programs will continue to grow and produce income for the district for years to come.

Lastly, I want to thank the Camp Committee for donating \$1,000.00 to the Sofie/Olson Scholarship fund. I have wanted to increase the number of scholarships we offer for our youth since I was District Youth Director. Chris Hicks and I have plans for doing just that and we will be putting forth effort in that direction. This keystone donation was the first step in that process.

Have a great winter and we will see you at the Convention in Spokane.

Mark Agerter
District Treasurer

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DISTRICT #2, SONS OF NORWAY

For the period of 1/1/07 to 12/31/07

Acct. #		General	Fraternal	Total
	Balance brought forward	\$ 29,692.76	\$ (1,269.43)	\$ 28,423.33
 RECEIPTS:				
4110	Idea Exchange Meetings			2,924.40
4120	Sports		974.80	974.80
4130	Cultural		2,437.00	2,437.00
4140	Youth Programs		974.80	974.80
4141	Cartridge for Kids		312.60	312.60
4143	Youth Camps		2,787.01	2,787.01
4152	Sofie/Olson Donations		1,035.00	1,035.00
4153	Draxten Memorial Scholarship		2,254.00	2,254.00
4210	Trollhaugen		26,273.44	26,273.44
4300	District Dues	39,410.12		39,410.12
4308	Web Page Receipts	100.00		100.00
4325	S/N Credit Card Income	235.00		235.00
4332	Interest S/N Dir Dep Fund	584.46		584.46
4333	Interest Sofie/Olson Dir Dep Fund		739.24	739.24
4334	Interest Sofie/Olson Savings		8.27	8.27
4335	Interest Draxten Memorial Savings		10.50	10.50
4345	Runescape Jewelry Commission	1,248.75		1,248.75
4360	Advertising	423.00		423.00
4376	Leadership Training - International		2,965.79	2,965.79
	Total Received For Year	<u>\$ 42,001.33</u>	<u>\$ 43,696.85</u>	<u>\$ 85,698.</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

5110	Idea Exchange Meetings		465.50	465.50
5121	Sports Expense - Bowling		257.11	257.11
5123	Sports Expense - Golf		83.29	83.29
5124	Sports Expense - Skiing		401.85	401.85
5143	Youth Camp Expense		2,483.33	2,483.33
5144	Youth Activities Expense - Other		150.43	150.43
5151	Youth Camp Board Meetings		1,104.60	1,104.60
5152	Sofie/Olson Scholarship Expense		750.00	750.00
5153	Draxten Memorial Scholarship Fund		2,405.00	2,405.00
5210	Trollhaugen		26,273.44	26,273.44
5211	Trollhaugen Board Meeting		2,134.30	2,134.30
5300	Mileage & Parking	2,502.11		2,502.11
5301	Printing	3,023.48		3,023.48
5302	Postage & Shipping	1,114.50		1,114.50
5303	Office Supplies	459.18		459.18
5304	Telephone	124.97		124.97

5305	Meetings & Per Diem	6,631.03		6,631.03
5306	Newsletter	588.55		588.55
5307	Gifts	244.94		244.94
5308	Web Page Expense	1,179.12		1,179.12
5309	Equipment	2,044.91		2,044.91
5310	Liability Insurance	621.00		621.00
5315	Secretary Reimbursement	1,595.84		1,595.84
5316	Treasurer Reimbursement	1,595.84		1,595.84
5320	District President Travel	1,875.91		1,875.91
5325	Accounting Fees	280.00		280.00
5345	Runescape Jewelry Expense	103.62		103.62
5360	Advertising Expense	30.00		30.00
5365	District Convention Expense	500.00		500.00
5376	Leadership Training - Intl.		2,753.06	2,753.06
5381	Zone 1 Activity Expense		130.00	130.00
5390	Miscellaneous Expense	90.00		90.00
	Total Disbursements for Year	\$ 24,605.00	\$ 39,391.91	\$ 63,996.91
	Net Gain (Loss) for Year	17,396.33	4,304.94	21,701.27
	TOTALS	\$ 47,089.09	\$ 3,035.51	\$ 50,124.60

ENDING BALANCES

1035	Checking Account	\$ 3,966.12	
1040	S/N Direct Deposit Fund	24,628.37	
1060	Sofie/Olson Direct Deposit Fund	20,887.83	
1065	Sofie/Olson Savings	531.43	
1070	Draxten Memorial Savings	110.85	
	Total	<u>\$ 50,124.60</u>	

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

**Adopt a School Program
Coordinator - Sid Iverson**

An intelligent, educated and inquiring community is essential for the strength of our form of government. Our schools, the students and particularly our schools staffs are all trying to deal with the academics of helping our young grow into adulthood. Members of District Two are, by their very nature, strongly supportive of an involved community.

The Adopt - A - School program developed by our Sons of Norway Foundation provides considerable support for even the most creative implementation of helping our students grow and improve. We are all attuned to the messages that we get from our sons and daughters,

teachers and the school staffs and the written, radio and TV media.

Sometimes we react to what we hear but too often we don't. One on one, because the heart asks us to, is the easiest way to become involved. What it takes is to bare ones toes and stick them in the water. One doesn't have to throw caution to the wind and wildly jump in. The excitement and rush of the new experience is a real thrill. For many students and teachers, even a small penny's worth of effort can make a huge difference.

Don't resist jumping in and getting your feet wet. Make a little offer. That kind of support effort may be all that's necessary to start a student (or even a teacher) down the exciting path to learning. Marvin Nelson, President of Vesterdalen Lodge #131 in Auburn, listened to a call for assis-

tance. The Lodge members could have said no. They didn't and there is now a bond that has been set which can be developed further in the future. I imagine that is one of the reasons that Vesterda- len remains one of District Two's more vibrant Lodges.

Adopt - A - School questions?

Call me at 360-678-2907.

Sid Iverson

**Sports Director's Report
Albert Crompton**

Greetings Sons of Norway Sports fans! Not foot- ball or basketball mind you but true Viking sports!

Due to extreme winter conditions, the Winter Fes- tival was "officially" cancelled but several hearty soles went forth and arrived at Trollhaugen Lodge to ski. Well done to those who braved the ele- ments for some fine skiing!

On a warmer note the District 2 Bowling Tour- nament will be hosted by Grieg Lodge #15 in Portland, OR. It will be held the last weekend in April and the lodge is preparing a good time for all attending teams. To start off the weekend, there is a dance on Friday night with the Prank- sters, a 40's and 50's swing band! Saturday will start the bowling with registration open at 8:00am. Sunday bowling will begin at 9:00am and the day's tournament will conclude with a lovely sit-down dinner at the lodge. No host cock- tails are from 6:00pm-7:00pm, followed by a wonderful dinner and awards. For more informa- tion contact Kurt Beinigen at 503-659-1207 or Marilyn Lewis at 503-253-4252.

The next exciting event to put on your calendars is the annual **District 2 Golf Tournament** hosted this year by Normanna Lodge # 2-003 in Everett, WA. The date is Saturday, Aug. 16th, start time is 9:00am, and it will be held at the Walter Hall Golf Course in Everett. The cost is \$55 which in- cludes golf and award's dinner at Normanna

Lodge. Cart rental is \$12. Scoring will be the Cal- loway method.

There are **PRIZES GALORE** sponsored by the Marriott Hotel in Lynnwood, WA.

Contests include:

- Every par 3 is a hole-in-one contest
- Target hole-in-one winner gets \$10,000! (the hole to be determined)

For information contact Tournament Chairman, Bob Peters at 425-353-3504 or Sports Director, Larry Egge at 360-653-3279....

Fraternally,
Albert Crompton, Sports Director

**Report of the District 2
Youth Director
Chris Hicks**

WE are looking for Campers

Do you have a child or grandchild, niece or nephew or maybe just a friend that is between the ages of 9-15 that would like to go to one of our 3 youth camps? Well it is time to start making plans. This is a wonderful opportunity for our youth to learn about Norwegian heritage, culture and the language of Norway. Camp activities in- clude: dancing, folk lore, trolls, Vikings, cooking, weaving, Rosemaling, orienteering, sports and other activities. They will make friends that will last a live time!

2008 Camp sessions

Camp Trollhaugen

June 29 – July 12, 2008

Ages 13-15

Mail Applications to:

Dan Andrews,
13131 NE Failing
Portland, OR 97230

Camp Nidaros

July 13 -26, 2008

Ages 9-12

Mail Applications to:

Regina Agerter
PO Box 71753
Eugene, OR 97401

Camp Normanna

July 27 - Aug 9, 2008

Mail Applications to:

Chris Hicks
816 214 ST SW,
Lynnwood, WA 98036

Applications are available on the Youth Camp website (sofncamps.com) and the District 2 website (district2sonsofnorway.org) or by contacting Chris Hicks at hicks1015@msn.com or 425-672-0194. Please enclose a \$50 non refundable deposit for each applicant. Total tuition for each 2 week camp is \$450. The balance is due by June 11, 2008. Applications must not be postmarked before February 14, 2008 and will be recorded in the order they are received. To attend one of the youth camps, a child must have a relative or sponsor who is a member in Sons of Norway District 2.

Looking for camp Staff

You say you never got to attend one of the youth camps as a camper, or you have a special talent you want to share with the youth of our district? We are always looking for counselors, cooks, extra kitchen help, nurses and instructors (Norwegian crafts, language and dancing). Volunteers with special knowledge, talents and skills in Scandinavian music, craft, sports or culture are always welcome to come and share their talent, teach or perform. We are always looking for people to help and willing to learn!

Trailers, campers or motor homes are also needed to provide temporary staff housing for two weeks at a time.

If you are interested in participating with one or more of the camps, or you know someone who is, please contact our web site (sofncamps.com) for one of the camp directors for an application.

Scholarships Available

Sofie/Olson Scholarship is available for children who attend our District Two Youth camps. One scholarship is awarded to an attendee at each of our camps: Nidaros, Normanna, and Trollhaugen. To be eligible, the camper must be children,

grandchildren, nieces or nephew of a current District Two member of Sons of Norway.

The camper must have applied and been accepted to the camp of their choice. The deadline for scholarship application is April 7, 2008.

The **Draxten Memorial Scholarship** is awarded to many of our children attending the District Two youth camps. **To be eligible, campers must have applied and been accepted to the camp of their choice AND they must have been awarded a camp scholarship from their local lodge.** The Draxten Memorial Fund will grant an amount up to, but not exceeding, the amount given by the local lodge. If your lodge does not have a large scholarship fund, please do not let that stop you from awarding what you can. Last year, lodge scholarships ranged from \$50 - \$300. The lodge awarding the initial scholarship must notify me of the recipient's name and the amount given by April 30, which means that lodges must select scholarships no later than April. Please let me know if you have not awarded them yet and when you will do so.*

Important Dates to Remember:

February 14 Youth camp registration forms must not be postmarked prior to this date.

March 1 Deadline for receiving applications for the Carl Saltveit Scholarship for study at International Summer School.

Upon receipt Youth Camp Registrars mail campers confirmations and scholarship applications.

April 7 Deadline for receiving applications for the Sofie/Olson Scholarship.

***April 30** Deadline for local lodges to notify me of the recipients' names and the amounts given so the campers are eligible to receive Draxten Memorial Scholarship

May 15 Deadline for local lodge scholarship checks to be received by Youth Camp registrars .

Please do not mail checks to campers!

May 31 Youth Camp Registrar mails final camper packets with statements reflecting balance due after all scholarships are received.

June 12 Deadline for Youth Camp Registrants to receive full balance of fees.

Everyone is welcome to the final program of each camp (always the last Saturday normally about 11 am). Each camp puts on a final program that shows some of what the campers have learned. Even if you do not have a camper attending it is worth the drive to see what our young people can do.

Sofie/Olson Memorial Scholarship Information

The Sofie/Olson Memorial Scholarship Fund was created from donations that were contributed after the untimely deaths of two women – Sherrie Sofie and Bernice Olson – who gave much of their time

and talents to District Two Sons of Norway.

Many members of District 2 and others have donated monies to this fund in the past 17 years since it was organized in 1990.

Each year District Two awards scholarships to our youth to attend District Two Youth camps; one each to Camp Normanna, Camp Nidaros and Camp Trollhaugen. The scholarship Fund is self-sustaining and only the interest will be used for the awards. It is our intention to award three camp scholarships annually.

All applicants for the scholarships must be children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews of current District Two Sons of Norway member. For Camp Normanna & Camp Nidaros, applicants must be between the ages of 9-12. Camp Trollhaugen applicants must be between the ages of 13-15. All applicants must have completed a separate application for the camp of their choice and must have been accepted to that camp.

The Scholarship Committee makes the final selection of the scholarship winners. The criteria for the selection include interest and participation in Norwegian cultural and heritage activities.

It is important to continue to increase the principle of that fund so that some day very soon we will be able to award more scholarships to our youth camps to encourage the study of our Norwegian Heritage & Culture.

I want to thank your lodge for your participation

through scholarships and other means to make the camp program a success. We also would like to thank you for share your Children and Grand Children and allowing us to instill in them Culture, Language, crafts and many more Norwegian activities for 2 weeks out of the summer.

Thank you,
Chris Hicks

**Social/Publicity Director
Kay Koski**

Welcome to all of the newly elected officers for 2008. And, to those who have been re-elected, keep up the good work and mentor those who are new to lodge leadership.

This is my last edition of the Dynamic Two! I want to thank all the lodges who continued to provide me with interesting photos to submit to the *Viking* magazine! Without your help, we could not promote our exciting District 2! I want to thank the District Officers, Zone Directors, and International Officers for the opportunity to serve on the District Board and interact with our fine lodges. District 2 is fortunate to have a great team your District Officers are here to assist lodges and ensure the future of Sons of Norway. I trust you will continue to support the newly elected Social/Publicity Director when they are installed at our District Convention in June.

Be sure to see the Convention information section on pages 11 and 12 hosted by. Tordenskjold Lodge #4 in Spokane is busy putting the finishing touches on their plans to ensure a wonderful Convention for the delegates and guests.

Your lodge Editor and/or Secretary will be receiving a copy of the Viking photo submission form to submit photos to the Viking magazine.

Please make copies for future use and send your event photos to me for publication. What a great way to show all Sons of Norway lodges and membership what a fine job your lodge and members are doing to promote our culture and heritage!

My photo deadline is the 10th of each month. All you have to do is:

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- **List the event name, date, and people in the photos (from left to right, please) on a post-it note or piece of paper and attach it to the back of each photo (please do not write on the back as the photo cannot be used!).**
- Or, write up your info on your computer or by hand, about each photo with event name, date, and people in the photo
- Then number each photo with a post-it that corresponds to the number on the info sheet.
- Make sure that the photos are at least 4" x 6" in size and that there are 3-5 people in your photos.
- *Action photos are best!*
- If you email photos they must be 4"x 6" and at least 300dpi for the Viking to accept them.

• **Mail your photos to:**

Kay Koski,
District 2 Publicity Director
3103 Pershing Way
Longview, WA 98632
-or email your photos to:
kkoski@kalama.com

Beste Hilsen,

Kay Koski
District 2 Publicity Director

Tubfrim Donations Report

Turned over at 1/10/07 Business Meeting
\$ 10.00 from Svalbard Lodge No. 33
\$ 10.00 total for year to date

Turned over at 2/14/07 Business Meeting
\$ 10.00 from Fedrelandet Lodge No. 23
\$ 20.00 total for year to date

Turned over at 5/9/07 Business Meeting
\$ 10.00 from Normanna Lodge No. 3
60.00 from Grieg Lodge No. 15
\$ 90.00 total for year to date

Turned over at 7/11/07 Business Meeting
\$ 10.00 from Odin Lodge No. 41

\$ 100.00 total for year to date

Turned over at 10/10/07 Business Meeting
\$ 10.00 from Elvedalen Lodge No. 129
15.00 from Grays Harbor Lodge No. 4
20.00 from Sonja Lodge No. 38
\$ 145.00 total for year to date

Turned over at 11/14/07 Business Meeting
\$ 20.00 from Bernt Balchen Lodge No. 46
30.00 from Bothell Lodge No. 106
160.00 from District Two
\$ 355.00 total for year to date

Turned over at 12/12/07 Business Meeting
\$ 20.00 from Edmonds Lodge No. 130
40.00 from Versterdalen Lodge No. 131
\$ 415.00 total for year to date

District Convention 2008 Report

Elvedalen Celebration Journey

January 20, Elvedalen 2-129 celebrated their 25th anniversary as a lodge in Lewiston, ID. Lucky us, we were invited as Tordenskjold 2-005 was the sponsor of that new lodge in 1984. A beautiful sunshiny day greeted us for our journey down a picturesque highway through the rolling hills of the Palouse countryside.

About 50 people filled a room at Quality Inn & Suites, Clarkston, WA overlooking the confluence of the Clearwater and Snake Rivers. In fact, Elvedalen was chosen as the name of this lodge for the Norwegian words 'river valley' – how appropriate.

Bodie and Owen Bratvold from Harald Haarfager lodge at Coeur d'Alene, ID were among the first to greet us. Bodie was introduced as a past President of Elvedalen; she was part of the 12 past Presidents honored.

Imagine our surprise on our arrival to learn we would sit at the head table among the dignitaries! And our lunch cost would be paid by the hosting lodge! Of course, the charge for these amenities would be a speech at the microphone. We sat with the President of Elvedalen Roger Long and Zone 5 Director Asbjorn Rostad. What a privilege!

Asbjorn acted as the installing official for the newly elected officers of Elvedalen and asked us to be the installing marshals for him. So we did.

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Naturally under Good of the Order, we got to make our pitch for the District 2 Convention to be held in Spokane in June and as a result sold 138 raffle tickets to the crowd.

Leaving the snow free area, we got cheap gas and drove up the long hill in bright sunshine at 70 mph; it was not long until we encountered a snow storm. The ISP and WSP were closing the road behind us as frequently happens in that area. Luckily the school bus about 200 feet in front of us had those big red tail lights so we just followed them all the way into Spokane, chatting happily about the lovely time we had spent with our friends. The road is not long between friends, is it?

Susan Kirkeby and Reba Haugen Jewell,
Co-Chairs, District 2 Convention
June 18-22, 2008
Spokane, WA

Respectfully submitted,
Reba Haugen-Jewell

Convention Hotel Information:

**Tuesday, June 17 through Saturday,
June 21 2008**

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Phone (509) 924-9000 FAX (509) 922-4965
www.mirabeauparkhotel.com
For Reservations 1-866-584-4MPH

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**Cultural-Foundation Report
Elaine Graddock-Interim Director**

Welcome to 2008- a new year and new beginnings. Change seems to be the word of the year. Some changes are by choice and some inevitable such as the weather. So whether it's the weather, business or pleasure changes are ongoing.

On the business side, policies and procedures are constantly being updated or new ones added. As pertaining to Sons of Norway the policies and procedures are meant as a guide to help us make the right decisions as we proceed with the business in this changing world.

Another change is that I am taking over the duties of cultural director and will coordinate the cultural competition/exhibition for the upcoming convention. More on this will be coming out in a letter to all lodges in the near future.

For an additional cultural interest during the convention, I would like as many lodges as possible to choose a county (fylke) in Norway and put together a drawing of the Coat of Arms as well as other pertinent information relating to that area. For example: the population, industry or occupations, and what is special about the area. These will be displayed as space permits during the convention.

Fraternally,

Elaine Grasdock, Counselor
Interim Cultural Director

**Zone 1 Director's Report
Sandi Shin**

Greetings to everyone during these blustery days of winter! Here's hoping spring comes early this year!

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas and will have a happy new year. This has been a busy fall and winter season for me so far. I'm doing my best to visit as many of my lodges as possible. I am proud of my lodges, especially the small ones who are working hard at recruiting new members and staying active.

After the fall board meeting at Trollhaugen in September, we went to Sonja Lodge #38 in Eugene on October 6, 2007 to celebrate their 70th anniversary. We had a wonderful catered dinner and afterward were entertained by the Norsemen Norwegian Male Chorus. Pins were presented to members by lodge president Steffanie Peters and I presented the lodge with a plaque commemorating their anniversary.

Our next little jaunt on October 13, 2007 was to Roald Lodge #39 in Klamath Falls to help celebrate their 70th anniversary. Again we were treated to a lovely catered dinner. As Zone Director I was asked to initiate some new members into the lodge. Karin Custance (my co-trainer on Phase 2 and "bunad lady" as I call her) gave a presentation on bunads. Many of us wore our bunads so we had a bunad parade and the local paper put a picture of us in it. Good publicity for Roald! A man and his 2 boys played violins for us and they were wonderful. I presented them with a plaque commemorating their 70th anniversary. District 2 President, Erlene Stevenson, and her husband Bob were there too as well as International Director, Bill Fosmoe, and his wife June.

All this timing worked out beautifully for us to run over and visit Roguedalen Lodge #143 in Medford the next day (October 14, 2007). This little lodge has struggled but the day we were there they signed up new members. Good for

them! In addition to myself and my husband were able to be there but the Stevensons and the Fosmoes too. The lodge seemed so appreciative of the fact the district officers and an international officer came to visit them. I presented Sheldon Rio, their newsletter editor, with a plaque for the wonderful job he does on their newsletter. I truly think it is one of the very best in my zone if not in the district. When you get it you actually want to read it! Great work, Sheldon!

Our next trip was to Fjeldheim Lodge #47 in Bend on October 20, 2007. True to the Fjeldheim lodge, we had a wonderful meal and entertainment was provided by a group who were coming through Oregon after performing at Hostfest in Minot. They were really great and certainly worth seeing.

On December 13, 2007 we went to Columbia Lodge #58 in Vancouver to install their new 2008 officers. It was a very nice evening. This lodge always seems to have something fun going on.

Wait- this is not the end of our trekking around! On January 3, 2008 we went to Sonja Lodge #38 in Eugene to install their new 2008 officers. We had a yummy potluck before the installation and business meeting. It is so nice to visit lodges who own their own lodge halls. Sonja Lodge is always busy with activities. The next day we drove to Bredablik Lodge #27 in Kelso to install their new 2008 officers. We stopped in Vancouver and picked up Karin Custance and also took our 11 year grandson, Alan, along as well. Bredablik had wonderful spaghetti dinner before the installation and business meeting. Afterward we had yummy desserts. This is a very active lodge – they own their own lodge hall too- with lots of fun things going on.

On January 12 we were supposed to go the Klamath Falls to install their new officers for 2008 but the bad weather forced them to cancel the event. We are trying for the 2nd Saturday in February. This will be their annual Lutefisk dinner and officer installation. We're looking forward to going.

One sad thing I have to report is that Viking Lodge #2-111 has voted to disband. Their mem-

bership had gotten so small that practically no one was able to attend meetings. I have encouraged

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them not to drop Sons of Norway membership but to transfer to other lodges.

I enjoy visiting my lodges very much and I think all of you are doing a really great job! You're the best!

Lodge Events Calendar:

Helgeland Lodge #30

June 27 & 28 – Huge Uff Da garage sale

Nidaros Lodge #16

February – Annual crab feed – date to be announced

May – big lefse making day – date to be announced

June – Father's Day weekend – Scandinavian Festival – Astoria. Nidaros has a booth and is famous for their lefse.

Roguedalen

Meet the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Watch newsletter to events.

Roald Lodge #39

February – Annual Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner and installation of 2008 officers

May 17 – Banquet – watch newsletter for place

July 4 – Roald Lodge float will in the the local parade

August 17 – Annual picnic at Crest Street Park

December 4 – Snow Flake parade – will have the float in this parade too.

December 6 & 7 – Annual bazaar

Columbia Lodge #58

February 28- Program by Erik Brakstad regarding his father, uncle & grandfather during occupation of Norway.

March 27 – Duane Landsverk will present video and talk about Host Fest.

May 17 – Annual Hazeldell Parade – lodge will participate in parade and host program back at their lodge later.

July 19 – Annual picnic at Fallen Leaf Park in Camas, Wash.

September – Hopefully annual Spaghetti dinner.

Fjeldheim Lodge #47

February 16 – Yellow Pea Soup and Flatbread dinner. Entertainment - White Elephant Bingo

March 15 – Faarikaal Dinner

April 19 – Social event

May 17 – Syttende Mai celebration still in planning stage.

February 10-17 – Ski for Light will help at Mt. Bachelor. Lodge will have some involvement.

Grieg Lodge #15

Watch lodge newsletter for events

Sonja Lodge #38

Watch lodge newsletter for events

Thor Lodge #42

May 25 – Taste of Norway

Watch lodge newsletter for events

Breidablik Lodge #27

Mondays

1:30-3:00pm Quilt Class

7:00-9:00pm - Language Class

Feb 3- Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30am

Feb 13 – Book Club 1:30-3:00pm

Feb 16 -- Bunco with soup and salad 1pm

Feb 27 – Book Club 1:30-3:00pm

March 8 – Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30am

March 15-Lapskaus (stew) Social 1:00pm

April 5 – Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30am

April 19 - Social

May 17 Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner-call Bob at 360-423-7789 for tickets.

Fraternally,

Sandi Shin

Zone 1 Director

Zone 2 Director
Jane Bueing

As the year begins, activities are not always planned in advance; however, I would like to encourage all members to participate in other lodge activities when the dates are available. Many lodges have pancake breakfasts, festivals, Heritage days, dances, etc. The more activities we join together in the more active our membership be-

comes. Sharing ideas, friendships, and talents will help the district prosper.

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Lodges receive newsletters and advertisements from other lodges, check the dates and be sure your lodges are aware of these dates. Share their ideas with your lodges. I see ideas that can be used for lodge activities, functions, and youth. Make good use of the newsletters and be sure your membership does too. ***Be sure to call ahead to the lodges to let them know you would like to attend one of their functions.***

Whidbey Island Nordic Lodge #164 meets the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. They have many interesting programs. Some are listed here.

In February their program will be a Trip to the "Dooms day Vault" in Svalbard presented by Dick Johnson. In March their program will be presented by Sid Iverson and it will be a skit. In April, their program will be "The George Marshall plan and its effect on Norway" presented by Dick Johnson. In May, their program will be an afternoon Potluck and something to do with Norway's search for independence.

Respectfully,
Jane Bueing, Zone 2 Director
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<p>Zone 3 Director's Report Carol Ollestad</p>
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Events for Zone 3

Leif Erikson Lodge No. 1 – Meets the 2nd

Wednesday
Kaffestua 10-2:30 Monday to Friday and 2nd Saturday
Tuesdays: Leikarringen and Barneleikarringen (folk dance for adults and children),
Norwegian Ladies chorus, Library open from 10-2.
Feb 1st – 3rd Leikarringen ski and dance weekend at Trollhaugen

Feb 9th Hosting District 2 Ski tournament and Winter Carnival at Trollhaugen
Feb 10th Concert and lecture by Ingrid Hamberg
Feb 16th Swedish Cultural Club exchange
March 1st Queen tea/luncheon
March 29th Norwegian Heritage Day – Tastes of Norway
April 12th Norwegian Genealogy Workshop
April 19th Hawaiian Night spring dance
April 26th Pancake breakfast for scholarships, District 2 Bowling Tournament
May 10th Artwalk and Kaffestua
May 17th Syttende mai celebration
June 13th Einar Eimhjellens Gammaldans Orkester from Norway
June 21st Norway Park Midsommer
July 26th – 27th Ballard Seafoodfest
August 2nd Norway Park Picnic
August 12th Norsk Folkedans Stemmne Salmon Dinner – folkdance group Symra from Norway

Knute Rockne Lodge No. 12 – Meets the 3rd Friday. Location can vary so call first.

Terje Viken Lodge No. 31 – Meets the 3rd Friday

Cascade Lodge No. 87 – Meets the 4th Tuesday

Feb 26th Lodge meeting, Potluck theme Potato's
March 25th Lodge meeting, Potluck theme Irish Language lessons, folk music and 17th May party
Bothell Lodge No. 106 – Meets 3rd Thursday.
Arts and crafts before the meeting from 4-6.
Dance 1st Saturday of Feb, Mar, Apr and May.
Feb 2nd Dance with Bert Carlson Band
Feb 3rd Super Bowl party
Feb 16th Kransekake class at 10 am
Feb 21st Lapskaus dinner before the meeting
Feb 24th Lodge 35th Anniversary Dinner
March 1st Dance with Randy Bradley Band
March 3rd – 4th Cookie and Lefse baking days
March 8th Heritage Day.
March 20th Corned Beef dinner before the meeting
April 5th Lodge Dance
April 8th T-Shirt painting class
April 13th Brunch
April District 2 Bowling Tournament in Portland
May 3rd Lodge clean up party

May 15th Norwegian Sandwiches and youth program
May 17th Parade in Ballard
July 4th Parade in Bothell
July 13th Participate in Borderfest

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August 21st Lodge meeting with Steak and Chicken fry

Vesterdalen Lodge No. 131 – Meets 3rd Monday.

Informal gatherings before the meeting, often a film on Norway.

Feb 18th Movie Cool & Crazy

May Torsk (Cod) Dinner.

Strawberry Social in June.

Fraternally,

Carol Ollestad, Zone 3 Director

**Zone 4 Director's Report
Anne Vatshell**

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!

Gratulerer to all the new officers for 2008. Wishing your lodges progress and growth in the new year.

This will be my last Dynamic 2 article.

I have enjoyed being Zone 4 director the last 4 years. All of the 7 lodges in Zone 4 has always made us feel that we where "home" when we arrived at the lodge meetings.

We, John and I thank you all for your friendliness and friendship.

Upcoming Lodge Events:

Norden 2 ,

April 26 Norwegian Heritage Fest, PLU

Grays Harbor 4,

February 9 Crab Feed Social hour 6PM Dinner 7PM

May 18 "Syttende Mai" 4 PM at Lodge Hall

Poulsbo 44,

March 14 St. Patrick Dinner & Dance

March 22 Easter Egg Hunt

April Membership Dinner Date to be determined

May 16 Viking Fest Luncheon and Parade

June Heritage Camp Date to be determined
June 21 Midsommer Fest Time to be determined

Hovedstad 94,

April 19 NORWAY DAY Thurston County Fairground

May 17 Parade in Ballard

May 19 "Syttende Mai" Dinner

June 14 Musicians from Norway Performance, Time and place to be determined

June 21 "Midsommer Fest" Time and place to be determined

Zone 5 Director's Report

Asbjørn Rostad

Zone 5 Visits

It is hard to believe 2008 is here and we are inundated with snow in the Idaho Panhandle at the present time. However, some beautiful days in December and early January provided me with the opportunity to attend Christmas celebrations at Elvedalen #129, Lewiston and Blafjell #163, Walla Walla, on the same day.

Later in December I installed the 2008 officers for Odin #41, Yakima. The weather cooperated in January for me to be part of the installation of officers at Sol-Land #86, Kennewick, on Friday night and Elvedalen #129 on Saturday for their 25th Anniversary and installation of officers for 2008.

Elvedalen was sponsored by Tordenskjold #5, Spokane, so it was very nice to have the Chair for the upcoming District Two Convention, Reba Haugen Jewell, in attendance along with the Co-Chair Susan Kirkeby. Both had been present as part of the drill team for the Lodge Institution in 1983. To make installation more special, I used these two ladies as marshals. Reba talked about her memories from Elvedalen's start 25 years ago and also described the 2008 Convention plans.

Two past members of Elvedalen, Bodie and Owen Bratvold, who are now active members of Harald Haarfager #11, also attended the celebration. Bodie is a past-president of Elvedalen so their presence was much appreciated. Backing up a few months, it should also be noted that I at-

tended the Trollhaugen Steak Fry in August and then visited Columbia Basin #80, Moses Lake, for their annual potluck picnic (lots of food for one day!) Two big September events I enjoyed

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were Tordenskjold's Centennial and Walla Walla's 10th Anniversary. Harald Haarfager #11, Coeur d' Alene, had a daylong Heritage Fair in October that included lunch for 60. There are still two lodges on my Must Visit List, Grondal Lodge in Boise and Magic Valley Viking Lodge in Twin Falls, the ones furthest away.

Message to Lodges

My message to all lodges and lodge officers I talk to is that membership committees get results and involving the S/N field rep helps both the lodge and the Order as a whole in reaching their goals. A membership dinner works very well as a recruiting tool. I also emphasize the importance of sending delegates to the district conventions, participating in district functions including youth camps, and making use of as well as supporting the Sons of Norway Foundation.

Plans for the next months

The immediate task is to plan the next training seminars and my hope is to get those done before the District Convention, starting with Boise and Twin Falls in March. New lodge starts are also on the to-do list. Possible Idaho locations that come to mind are Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Sandpoint.

The plans for the 2010 International Convention in Coeur d'Alene are a continuous effort and a detailed presentation will be available for the District and International Conventions. In a November 07 update to S/N International, the following highlights were relayed:

1. Contract signed with the Coeur d'Alene Resort and \$1,500 down payment made
2. Vision Statement Prepared
3. Monthly Committee meetings established
4. Theme selected, Viking Spirit United
5. Plans in the works for souvenir items at 2008 Conventions
6. Secretary and Treasurers (committee of 3) acquired

7. Letter sent to new Ambassador from Norway to U.S. inviting him to Opening Ceremonies
8. Sign-ups started for subcommittees
9. Committee tour of the Resort in November
10. Lodge membership growth as key comment to convention preparation (Initiated 18 in 2007).

Upcoming Lodge Events

If the scent of lutefisk is reaching you, it's because at least 3 of the 10

Zone 5 lodges are serving it in February: Sol-Land, Feb. 2; Harald Haarfager, Feb. 15; Tordenskjold, Feb. 16.

Fraternally,

Asbjorn Rostad
Zone 5 Director

Zone 6 Director's Report

Martha Andrew

It's time for another issue of the Dynamic 2 and it's hard to believe that this is the last time that I will be writing as Zone 6 Director. My term ends and a new Zone 6 Director will be elected at the District 2 Convention in Spokane in June.

In the meantime, I am looking forward to the new leadership workshops that will begin in January. Meeting and working with multiple members of my Zone 6 lodges is such a treat. Hopefully, this new workshop provides more information that will allow our lodges to continue to grow and prosper in the future.

Many of the lodges have new names on their boards and I expect that we will see some exciting times and activities from one end of Alaska to another in Sons of Norway. New names, new faces, new ideas should blend with the old names, old (seasoned?) faces, old ideas in promoting our heritage and strengthening our membership. What a wonderful sense of anticipation this creates!

Fedrelandet Lodge No.23 has planned their annual Lutefisk/Potato Lefse Dinner for February 10th. It is open to members and guests at no

charge and is run by the men of the lodge. February 24th is the Frokost Fundraiser for a new Chiller/Refrig for the kitchen. Raffle tickets will be sold for wonderful prices at \$1 each. A Hverdag Bunad Class will be held in March, date to be

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announced, as will a second Chiller/Refrig fundraiser. April will have the Lodge Garage Sale, which helps to fund convention delegate travel. May is busy, busy with Blessing of the Fleet on the first Sunday, Festival Parade, Bunad Style Show and Luncheon on May 16th, Kaffe Hus luncheon on May 17th. And, Little Norway Days is celebrating their 50th Anniversary so May is going to be party time in Petersburg! Oh, and there is Bingo every Saturday night all year long, upstairs at the Hall.

Midnatsol Lodge No. 32 did not send me their events calendar but they have a number of new members and will have enjoyable activities as well. Contact their lodge directly for information.

Svalbard Lodge No. 33 is still working on their event planning but there will be a Membership Appreciation Dinner on February 9th. March 8th will have a Walk-A-Thon followed by a dinner.

April 12 is their popular Frokost (Norwegian Breakfast). May 10 is dinner at Thane Ore House. Many members of Svalbard travel to Petersburg for the Little Norway Festival each year. June will have the Summer's Eve Picnic. On July 4th, Svalbard participates in Juneau's 4th of July Parade. And their Annual Summer Picnic will be in August, probably at Auke Bay Recreation Center.

Bernt Balchen Lodge No. 46 celebrates the Iditarod Sled Dog Race (and it's Norwegian mushers) at the start in downtown Anchorage and the restart in Wasilla on March 1^s & 2nd. There will be Woodcarving on March 8th and the Easter Ski Weekend at Hatcher Pass on March 22/23. April 19th is the Smoked Cod Dinner, April 26th is the SON's Day at the Zoo. Mother's Day in May will feature the Mother's Day Brunch. May 17 is the Syttende Mai Parade on the park strip at 11 am with the banquet to follow

at 5 pm. A Midsummer Picnic with the Orienteering Club is on June 11th. August 17 is the Fish Boil.

Arctic Viking Lodge No. 117 has a Winter Dinner party on February 2nd and Fastelavn (outdoor activities) on February 24th. The Syttende Mai Celebration & Potluck will be at Pioneer Park, Wilderness Pavillion on May 17th. June will feature their MidSommer Picnic/Fish Boil on June 29th.

Norske Venner Lodge No. 119 did not send me their calendar of events. However, this small lodge in Sika would welcome visitors if you should happen to be in their beautiful town. Contact their lodge president.

Island Viking Lodge No. 145 has a Valentine's Ice Cream Social and preview from the St. Innocent's Academy production of Cyrano de Bergerac on February 7th. A Rummage Sale will be held in April, as will a Scandinavian Film Festival of documentaries by Swedish Film maker Stefan Quinth (dates to be announced). May 17th will bring the Viking Float traveling around Kodiak. The Viking Float will be in the Crab Festival Parade on May 24th and the lodge will have a booth selling Scandinavian jewelry at the festival as well. A picnic Potluck on June 2nd will round out their summer activities.

All these wonderful activities make one want to just hop a plane and make the rounds of all of our lodges to join them in their festivities.

I would like to thank the Zone 6 lodges for all their assistance and support and teaching during my terms at Zone 6 Director. It has truly been a wonderful experience and I feel so privileged to have had the opportunity to meet and work with such an outstanding number of lodges and members. My life is so much richer for this experience. Thank You!!!

Fraternally,
Martha Andrew
Zone 6 Director

Nordic Heritage Museum

Location

Nordic Heritage Museum

Museum Hours

10am - 4pm Tuesday-Saturday



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