The **Posten**

January 2019

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Desert Fjord Lodge 6-133 P O Box 1716





President's Column

I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays—the food, the precious times with family and friends, the special events and concerts. Now that the hustle and bustle of the past weeks are over, it's time to set our focus on the new year before us!

Once again the Scandinavian Folk Dancers of Phoenix are being hosted here at Desert Fjord. A number of them are members of our lodge that's wonderful all by itself. They bring mostly old dances from Norway and Sweden, dances



that express the life in the countryside where they originated. There is fun in these dances and good exercise, too! Come see the dancers and catch a glimpse of Scandinavia. You'll be invited to join in for some dancing, so bring your dance shoes!

A Scandinavian Festival is being planned at Desert Fjord—this will take place on Sunday, March 24th. Save the date ... expect to be hearing much more about this. Also, please expect to get involved! Details will be forthcoming. (Page 4 displays a flyer created to spread the word.)

Quite a good deal of space has been devoted to show members what an abundance of scholarship opportunities are offered through Sons of Norway. Desert Fjord offers scholarship/grant money, thanks to the generosity of one of our former members, Agnes Stieler. There's scholarship money available from District 6 as well. The rest of the scholarships are offered by the Sons of Norway Foundation. You or your child or your grandchild are invited to apply for these monies meant to foster growth and development through education.

As members of Desert Fjord lodge we're associated with Sons of Norway, a fine organization doing a great deal of good in the world. We should be proud of our Norwegian heritage and also of our Sons of Norway membership!

Scottsdale, AZ 85252-1716 ~ Happy New Year!



Heritage and Cultural Meeting—January 13th at 2 PM Masonic Lodge, 2531 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale

<u>Program</u>: THE SCANDINAVIAN FOLK DANCERS OF PHOENIX PLEASE JOIN US!!



The folk dancing group was started by members of the VASA Order of America in the early 1970's. The group's goal is to preserve traditional dances and costumes of Scandinavia.

Primarily made up of Norwegians and Swedes, the group wears traditional costumes, and they always present a colorful performance. Bruce Carlson, director of the group, says "A wide range of traditional couple and group folkdances from the Scandinavian countries are demonstrated by the dancers. A wonderful benefit is that we also have a great deal of fun doing it! We invite you to make a few friends, get a little exercise and have fun along with us."

Membership is open to anyone and all are welcome to come and dance or just watch. Please come and enjoy the colorful dancers. The dances range from child-like fun movements, to more intricately woven pieces. Examples of dances are Parisian Polka, English for Three Couples, Weaving Dance, Schottis, and more, including audience participation dances.

Business Meeting at 1:00 pm, Saturday, January 5th

Scottsdale United Methodist Church, 4140 North Miller Rd, Scottsdale, AZ

Menu: (at our Heritage and Cultural Meeting)

- Meatballs and Potatoes
- Green Pea Stew
- Carrots and Lingonberries
- Dessert
- Coffee and Tea

Price: Adults \$15.00; Children—\$7.50

Reservations: Via the link online (click "online")

or call Phyllis Bergo by January 11th! (480) 812-9762



Make your check payable to Sons of Norway & mail to: Phyllis Bergo 2589 East Erie Ct, Gilbert AZ, 85295

District and Lodge Scholarships

The Sons of Norway Foundation partners with Districts and Lodges to offer the following scholarship opportunities. More information and the applications are available by contacting the District or Lodge directly.

- The Desert Fjord Agnes Stieler Scholarship allows members of Desert Fjord Lodge, 6-133, their children and grandchildren to receive support for college or to receive funding for a Norwegian educational class. Go to https://desertfjord.org for application details.
- The District Six Sons of Norway Scholarship supports District Six students who are planning to attend an accredited vocational training school or accredited college or university. Sons of Norway membership is required for eligibility. The deadline is May 1, 2019. Go to https://sofn6.org.

The Sons of Norway Foundation is dedicated to funding activities that preserve and promote Norwegian heritage, positively affect members and make Sons of Norway communities more vibrant places to live.

For more information about Sons of Norway Foundation scholarships, contact scholarships@sofn.com, call (800) 945-8851, or check out the website at https://www.sofn.com/scholarships/. Each scholarship has specific criteria that applicants must meet.

See Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarship offerings on page 6 and page 7.

Save the Date!

Sunday, March 24, 2019 2531 N Scottsdale Road 2 PM to 5 PM

- Performance by the Stoughton Norwegian Dancers
- Genealogy Presentation
- Cooking Demonstration
- Food Samples
- Craft Exhibits and Demonstrations
- · Children's Activities
- Authentic Costumes

Scandinavian Festival

Celebrate and explore your Viking roots! Experience the sights, sounds, skills and tastes of Scandinavia.

For additional information visit:

www.desertfjord.org











Desert Fjord Lodge Renewal



Library Corner

By Arlys Medlicott

Librarian

Janis Johnson has donated several books to the Library:

- Betraval
- The Greenhouse
- The Hanging
- The Ice Swimmer
- Until Thy Wrath be Past
- Operation Napoleon

All these are mysteries/crime fiction by Scandinavian writers. It's great to have these additions to our library. These are certainly worth checking out and reading ... something for you to do after the holidays during the bleak mid-winter.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS by Sherrie Loomis, Membership Secretary

GODT NYTT ÅR! Wishing you and your family the best in 2019.

As the new Membership Secretary, I am still learning the ropes, but hoping to keep you updated with interesting facts and news of our current members. I will also be keeping the Desert Fjord database current. If you have any changes (such as address or phone number), please notify me as soon as possible so you will continue to get all the current news.

If you have children or grandchildren, please consider signing them up as a member of Sons of Norway. Their membership dues are FREE!

Heritage Member (under age 16)

Unger Venner Member (age 16 – 23)

They will receive a quarterly newsletter filled with lots of fun activities and information on Norway. Please see me at one of our Desert Fjord meetings for an application.

As a reminder, our **Desert Fjord Lodge Renewal** is coming up very soon. It's happening Sunday, March 24, 2019, from 2pm to 5pm. Please invite your family and friends to celebrate and explore your Viking roots! Experience the sights, sounds, skills and tastes of Scandinavia. We are fortunate to have the Stoughton, WI High School Dancers perform as well as other presentations and activities. SAVE THE DATE! (see the post elsewhere in this Posten)

I hope to meet all of our new members at our next meeting. If you have questions before that time, I can be contacted by email at sherrie@jloomis.com or by phone at (480)786-4232.



January Birthdays

Laura C Kuegemann	1st
Kathleen A Gabrielson	3rd
Karen L Crofton	6th
Deborah L Shaffer	6th
Jackson B Loomis *	7th
Peter A Flanders	13th



Floyd L Downs	21st
Hannah C Bergo	25th
Annika M Clunk	25th
Reidun J Daeffler	27th
Sharon T Clunk	28th

Gratulerer Med Dagen - Happy Birthday!!

^{*} Heritage Member



Contact: Corrie Maki Knudson at 612-821-4632

Sons of Norway Foundation 2019 Scholarship Opportunities

The Sons of Norway Foundation awards 25 scholarships to promising students each year. The programs promote cultural exchange and support higher education to help students follow their dreams. Although application deadlines vary from Jan. 15 to March 1, 2019, it is not too early to think about applying for support for the 2019-2020 school year. The following scholarship applications are available through the Foundation website at www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation:

- The King Olav V Norwegian-American Heritage Scholarship was so named when His Majesty King Olav V of Norway gave the Foundation permission to name his honor a fund to underwrite activities in which American and Norwegian heritages are explored, studied and shared by applicants who meet the fund's criteria. The application deadline is Jan. 15, 2019.
- The Oslo International Summer School Scholarship assists students attend the six-week University of Oslo summer program that offers a wide range of undergraduate courses focusing on Norwegian language, culture and society, as well as a number of graduate courses with a broad international focus. Applicants must be current members of Sons of Norway or children or grandchildren of current Sons of Norway members. The application deadline is Jan. 15, 2019.
- The Helen Tronvold Norwegian Folk High School Scholarship supports the Sons of Norway Foundation's objective to provide cross-cultural experiences for youth. Folk high schools (folkehøgskole) allow students not only to study theory but also to practice their chosen field, from music to language to sports to the arts. Applicants must be current members of Sons of Norway or children or grandchildren of current members. The application deadline is Jan.15, 2019.
- The Helen Tronvold Adult Learner Scholarship supports the Sons of Norway
 Foundation's objective to provide cross-cultural experiences for adult insurance members.

 Applicants must be current Sons of Norway members aged 40 and over who own a Sons of Norway annuity or insurance product. The application deadline is Jan. 15, 2019.
- The Lund Fund Scholarship is to be used for study abroad at any accredited, postsecondary education institution. Special consideration shall be given to military veterans. Applicants must be current members of Sons of Norway or children or grandchildren of current members. <u>The application deadline</u> is Jan. 15, 2019.
- The Douglas Warne Rolf & Wenche Eng Scholarship creates an opportunity for qualified applicants to attend educational institutions in Norway and assists with the costs of tuition, room and board. The application deadline is Jan. 15, 2019.



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- The Astrid G. Cates Scholarship is designated specifically for students interested in post-secondary training or vocational/trade school. Applicants who are between the ages of 17-26, United States citizens and current members of Sons of Norway or children or grandchildren of current members eligible to apply. The application deadline is March 1, 2019.
- The Dan and Betty Rude Scholarship is offered specifically to undergraduate students majoring in elementary education (K-8). Candidates must have completed at least one year of college and be United States citizens. The deadline is March 1, 2019.
- The Myrtle Beinhauer Fund offers scholarships to individuals who are current members of Sons of Norway or children or grandchildren of current members in Sons of Norway Districts 1-6. Furthermore, applicants must be enrolled in college or have proof of enrollment prior to receiving funding. The application deadline is March 1, 2019.
- The Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to encourage young women to enter the fields of science and engineering. Applicants must be American citizens aged17-35 and a current female Sons of Norway member or the daughter or granddaughter of a current member of the Sons of Norway. The application deadline is March 1, 2019.
- The Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship assists with college tuition costs for American citizens of Norwegian and/or German heritage who have been accepted or are enrolled in an accredited four-year college or university or two-year community college in the United States. The application deadline is March 1, 2019.

Something you might not know— Desert Fjord Lodge supports Ski for Light, Inc.

The mission of Ski for Light is to enhance the quality of life and independence of visually or mobility-impaired adults through a program of cross county skiing.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!





District Six President: Mary Beth Ingvoldstad

District Six is made up of the following states:

Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Hawaii - Website: www.sofn6.org

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/377019032437840/

Zone Seven Director: Benny Jo Hinchey

Zone Seven is made up of lodges in the following states:

Arizona: Scottsdale #133-Desert Fjord; Sun City #134-Sol Byer; Mesa #153-Overtro Fjell; Flagstaff #167- Nor-

dic Pines; and Yuma #168-Sola

Utah: Salt Lake City #83-Leif Erikson

OTHER SONS OF NORWAY LODGES IN ARIZONA

Nordic Pines 6-167 - 3rd Sunday, Family

Resource Ctr., Flagstaff, AZ

Overtro Fjell 6-153 - 3rd Saturday

at 11:00 am, St Peter Lutheran Church,

1844 E Dana Ave, Mesa, AZ

Sola 6-168 - 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm,

Faith Lutheran Church,

2215 S. 8th Ave., Yuma, AZ

Sol Byer 6-134 - 3rd Saturday at

11:00 am, Elks Lodge, 10760 Union

Hills Dr., Sun City, AZ

LODGES IN OTHER STATES

Go to: https://members.sofn.com/lodgeDirectory/

Most post their monthly newsletter

on their lodge website.

OTHER CONTACTS

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Webmaster: Jan Loomis

Happy New Year, everyone!

And to our Editor, Laura, we want to say, "Happy Birthday" as well!!

Mange tusen takk, Laura, for putting up with our late submissions for the Posten and for working with us to get the news out to our lodge members!

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A favorite quote from one of our Founding Fathers:

"Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every New Year find you a better person." (Benjamin Franklin)





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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 for our members.

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