



**SONS of NORWAY**

Celebrating **125 Years**

1895-2020

# VEGAS VIKINGS

## NEWS



**Sons of Norway**

### Mission Statement

*The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and to preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.*



### Ord fra Presidenten

Summer is upon us! Our June meeting will again be held at the Jaycee Senior Community Center at 5805 W Harmon Ave at 6:30 p.m. Our potluck will be Summer Salads but you can bring breads or desserts, too. We will be hosting our scholarship winners and their families so please consider bringing a large main dish salad if you can. The program will be "Show and Tell"--bring an item you would like to share with the group such as a family heirloom, souvenir, artifact or photo. Tell us about the item and why it is special to you.

2022 is the year of our 30th Anniversary celebration. At our Syttende Mai gathering we were happy to honor those in our lodge who were charter members. They created a wonderful framework and legacy for us to follow and we thank them for all that they invested in our future and passed on to us. We love you all!

June is the month of Midsummer celebrations in all of the Scandinavian countries. This dates back to pagan times when Norwegians would light huge bonfires to ward off the evil spirits at the time of the summer solstice. In Norway today they always celebrate on June 23

and there have been recent bonfires as high as 51 feet. A bonfire in our dry desert probably isn't a good idea so instead we are planning a Viking Raid on the Blue Ox Tavern. Wear your Viking costumes (or Minnesota Vikings gear) and come for Happy Hour around 4 p.m. on June 23. Happy Hour goes until 6 p.m. so come when you can. And plan to stay for some darts and pool!

The Vegas Vikings will be taking the month of July off, so there will be no newsletter or general meeting. However I am planning to host a sewing day at my home on July 7 which would be our regular first Thursday. We will be working on Viking costumes for Renaissance Fair. See details elsewhere in this newsletter.

As you read this newsletter Roger and I will be on our honeymoon in the Canadian Rockies and then attending my niece's wedding in Seattle. Yes, we will take lots of pictures.

Fraternally yours,

Karen Buehrer

Birthday Name	Month
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Mikelle Torgesen	JUN
Jane Okerberg	JUN
Douglas Grangaard	JUN
Diana Ansok	JUN
Douglas Kittelson	JUN
Eric Maland	JUN
Roger Lesch	JUN
Jenna Becker	JUN
Seton Sibert	JUN
Siobhan Wolf	JUN
David Nygard	JUN
Tina Davis	JUN
Ivar Kristensen	JUN



## Kalendaren

Date	Event
6-2-5	District Convention, Mesa, AZ
6-9	Lodge Meeting
6-18	Board Meeting
6-20	Book Club
6-23	Midsommer Viking Raid

Lodge Meeting Thursday, June 9, 2022, at **6:30 p.m.**

**Jaycee's Senior Center:** There is an entrance gate with a code to enter. Someone will be stationed there to let you in between 6:00 p.m and 6:30 p.m. If you are going to be late, please text 702-290-1324 for the code.

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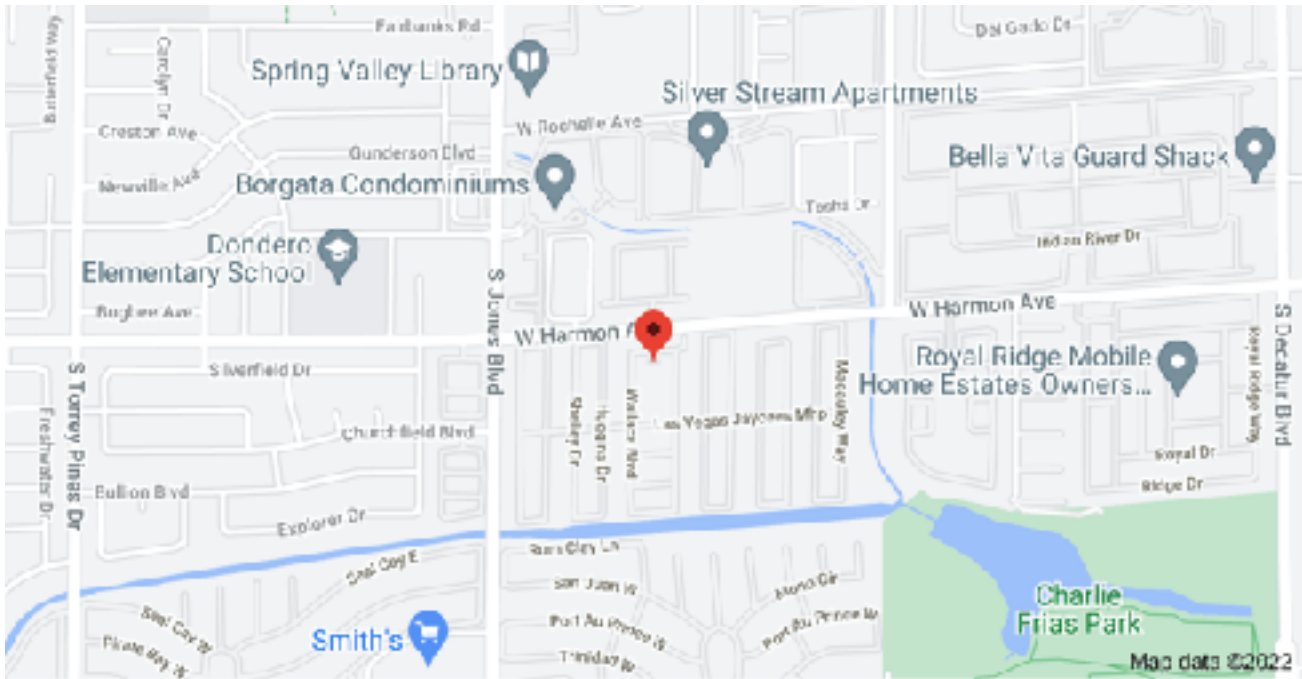
Change of address or email: Janelle Reed

Facebook: Vegas Viking    Twitter: vegasvikinggang    Instagram: @VegasVikingLodge

# Lodge Meeting Thursday, June 9, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

## Jaycee's Senior Center, 5805 W Harmon Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89103

Click this link for [Directions](#). It is located on the South side of the street. Someone will be stationed there to let you in between 6:00 p.m and 6:30 p.m. If you are arriving after 6:30am please text 702-290-1324 for the gate code. This will be a potluck, please feel free to bring your favorite dish. This month we will be doing "Summer Salads," however breads and desserts are always welcome.



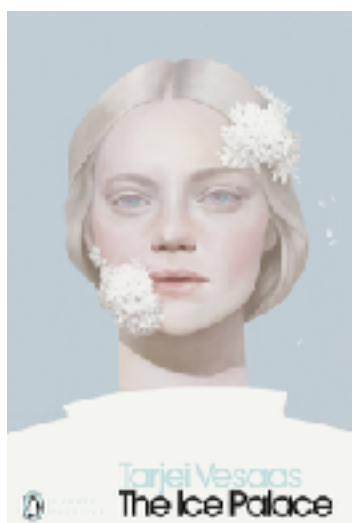
[Jaycee's Senior Center](#)

### MEMBERSHIP

In the month of April, we added 6 new members to our lodge! Join me in welcoming Charlene Fuentes, Tor Hamre, Michael and Terri Kurcab, Elise Lindborg, and Emma Muth. That brings our total of new members for the year to 10. We are well on our way to meeting our membership goal for 2022. Let's keep up the good work. And once again, welcome to our newest members! We are looking forward to getting to know you all better.

Janelle Reed, Membership Secretary

### BOOK CLUB



Book club meets every third Monday of the month at 10 a.m. For more details and location of meet up please see Lisa Kershaw.

[Click here](#) to purchase a copy of June's book of the month from Amazon.

Date	Book	Author
JUN	The Ice Palace	Terjei Vesaas
JUL	No Meeting	
AUG	Hakon of Rogen's Saga	Erik Christian Haugaard
SEP	Pilar-Guri: A Heroine of Old Norway	Translation by DeSordi
OCT	Biography (TBD)	
NOV	Hidden Falls	Carla Danziger
DEC	The Snowman (Discussion, Movie, & Popcorn Night)	Jo Nesbo

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DISTRICT 6 NEWS

# Sons of Norway District Six Convention 2022

**Sheraton Mesa Hotel, Mesa, AZ  
Thursday, June 2 – Sunday, June 5, 2022**



We want to wish our four delegates who are attending this years District Six Convention a safe and fun trip. We cannot wait to have conversations about the Cultural Program upon your return.

Attendees from left to right: Barbara Farmer, Chris Christensen, Lynelle Aanestad, Lene Thorsen Peters.





A Little Sunshine from Jeanette



**Sunshine Report:**



• Telephone visit with Lene Thorsen-Peters. She is recovering from shoulder surgery following a fall. In June, Lene and her family are traveling to Norway to spread her father’s (Carl Thorsen) ashes.

• Telephone visit with Gwen Knighton. She is recovering from COVID-19 and doing well.

• Card sent to May Edmundson, a former member, who has returned to Minnesota after spending the winter in Las Vegas.



• Brittany Lem and Michael Fahy will be expecting their second child in early November 2022.

• A Condolence card was sent to the Reed family, Wayne’s sister died unexpectedly.

My email is [grove7@aol.com](mailto:grove7@aol.com) and cell phone is (702)659-3225. Please contact me if you have news for Sunshine. Jeanette Grove



**Name Badges**

I continue to order Name Badges for members as they place their order with me. The Name Badges are \$7.00 each. Just see me at the lodge meeting or email or phone me and leave a phone message.

SuzanSibert  
email [arsibert@cox.net](mailto:arsibert@cox.net)  
phone 702-645-6666



**Pull Tops for Ronald MacDonald House:**

Thank you to Henny Morse for the pull tops. Please continue to collect your pull tops off your food canned items and drink items. Just bring them to the lodge meeting and I will drop them off at Ronald MacDonald House.

SPORTS MEDALS

# Link for sport activities while social distancing



Doug Kittelson, Sports Director

[https://www.sofn.com/resource\\_blog/tracking-sports-activities-while-social-distancing/](https://www.sofn.com/resource_blog/tracking-sports-activities-while-social-distancing/)

Follow this link to activities that can be done while following the social distancing guidelines. It links to YouTube videos on how to do the activities.

We have 9 members earning 12 medals. Remember for Gangmerke (walking) 2000 steps equals a mile. It is easy walk 2 miles while shopping. Many smart phones have an app that keeps track of your steps.

Submitted by Doug Kittelson



## Step up your game with our new sports medals



If you've been craving new fitness goals, we are here to help! These two medals are now available for anyone aiming to set the bar higher in the Sons of Norway Sports Medal Program.

Stay tuned to the [Sons of Norway website](#) for details on submitting points toward these pins!

The first of our new medals, **Idrettshelt** [*ee-dretts-hellf*]—the sports hero pin—is the 5<sup>th</sup> level within any sports medal category. **To earn this metal do double the enamel requirement.**

We've also added **Hederspris** [*hay-dersh-prees*]—the outstanding sports achievement award. This pin is for members who've earned the bronze, silver, gold and enamel medals in each of any **three** sports medal categories. **New to the Sports Medal Program? Get involved today.**

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS



The speaker for our May meeting was Sean Clark, a UNLV professor

*Sewing Day July 7th*

This even will be held at the home of Karen Buehrer at 9a.m.

- You WILL NOT be taught to sew, but if you have basic knowledge you will be helped some.
- Bring your sewing machine. There will be a couple of extra machines just in case.
- We will be making apron dresses and men's tunics with the possibility of women's underdress. Bring your own fabric. Tunics and apron dresses were generally made from linen or wool, but wool is too hot in Las Vegas. Linen is great but expensive, so check out the thrift store for drapes that have a linen look. Underdresses were made from muslin so cotton sheets in an ivory color work very well. Most of these garments generally take about 3 1/2 to 4 yards of 45" wide fabric.
- There are many articles online that can be found by Googling "Viking clothing" as well as tutorials on [You Tube](#).
- If you want to attend you must RSVP to Karen at 702-290-1324 to get the address and other details.

in the theater department. He has a long list of credits in TV, movies and stage. Twenty-four of our members attended his production of "The Hard Row" and thoroughly enjoyed it. At the meeting he presented us with artwork depicting Bergen in 1550. We will be raffling this off at one of our upcoming major events. Thank you, Sean!



Chuck and Jeanette Grove's grandson David was able to participate in the Oslo syttende mai parade.





MISCELLANEOUS NEWS-CONTINUED

## Slinningsbålet Midsommer Bonfire

In Ålesund, Norway, a tradition called Slinningsbålet is held every year in honor of the beginning of Midsommer. Each year, 30-40 young males build the tallest bonfire made from donated wooden crates. The team begins building the bonfire two months prior to the yearly event. People from all over the world come



to see this event in person. In 2010, Norway set the record at 132.71 feet tall bonfire. The structure is lit by a team that have to climb to the top of the

tower to ignite it. [Click here](#) to see live updates on their Facebook page for this year's bonfire which will be lit on Saturday, June 25th, 2022 at 12 P.M. PDT.

[Click here](#) to watch a short history video on YouTube.



Resources:

<https://designyoutrust.com/2019/12/slinningsbalet-the-battle-for-the-biggest-bonfire-in-the-world/>

<https://twistedstifter.com/2013/01/worlds-biggest-bonfire-alesund-norway-slinningsbalet-midsommer/>

## **CALLING ALL VIKINGS FOR A MIDSOMMER RAID!!**

Come celebrate Midsommer on June 23rd, 2022, at 4p.m. at the Blue Ox Tavern located on [5825 W Sahara Ave, Suit A, Las Vegas, NV 89146](https://www.google.com/maps/place/5825+W+Sahara+Ave,+Las+Vegas,+NV+89146/@36.125,-115.175,15z).



Viking costumes or Minnesota Vikings gear encouraged but not required. Happy Hour is from 4-6p.m. so come when you can and plan on staying for a game or two of darts or pool.

SYTTENDE MAI PICNIC , SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

Thank you to everyone who attended this year's Syttende Mai celebration. The company as well as the weather made for a perfect day. Vegas Vikings would like to give a special thank you to Chef Fleming, owner of Chef Fleming's Bakeshop in Henderson, NV for baking the beautiful cake.



For those who could not attend, the day consisted of a picnic lunch, which included hot dogs and hamburgers along with many summer salads and even more delicious desserts. Members sang the national



anthems of both the United States and Norway followed by a special recognition of the 30th anniversary of our lodge and a special honor to the current members who were Charter Members



when the Vegas Vikings first formed in 1992. A special thank you to each of those members for their vital role in starting our Vegas Viking Lodge and supporting it throughout the 30 years. Each have held officer and/or Board positions as well as contributed many volunteer hours to meetings and events over the years.



**SYTTENDE MAI PICNIC , SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022-CONTINUED**

At the time of the Charter Presentation on October 15, 1992, there were 110 Charter Members. Today we currently hold 214 members, including the Charter Members listed below.

- Jon Ansok
- David (ole) Jellum
- Gwen Knighton
- Christian Kolberg
- Carol Lommen
- Annie Mathieson
- Marlene McCauslin
- Henny Morse
- Alice Salvesen
- Else Schuster
- Arlon Sibert

- Suzan Sibert
- Lollo Sievert
- Robert Sievert
- Robert Sturgeon



We say  
mange  
tusen  
takk!!

The afternoon was spent having conversations with new and old friends, playing a few games of BINGO, and a small parade around the park.



Pictures taken by; Janelle Reed and Linda Colwell Mitchell-Turner

LODGE HISTORY FOR VEGAS VIKINGS & DESERT TROLLS

**The Vegas Vikings: A Strong Voice for Norwegian Culture & Heritage in Southern Nevada**

Like most Las Vegans, Ellen Rogers came from somewhere else. In her case, she missed what she had left behind in Southern California, a Sons of Norway lodge, which did not yet exist in her new community.



Norwegians interested in celebrating about their heritage simply joined in the activities of a pan-Scandinavian group called the Nordic Society of Las Vegas. Rogers decided to do something about it. She contacted the Sons of Norway headquarters in search of at-large members living in Southern Nevada. She took out advertisements in the Las Vegas Review-Journal newspaper. She wrote letters and placed telephone calls, aided by Lollo Sievert, who would later fill many roles, including co-editor of the lodge’s first newsletter with fellow Norwegian Olav Richard Crone-Aamot.

By December 1991, Rogers convened a meeting of 24 potential members at a local clubhouse and an interim board of directors was formed with Ellen’s husband, Roy Rogers, a Californian, serving as chairman-elect.

At the next meeting on January 19th, 33 people attended, including two Sons of Norway district directors, who described the offerings and benefits of the organization. Crone-Aamot, who hailed from Norway, gave a historical presentation about conditions in Norway and Europe generally that lead to mass migrations to the United States.

By the group’s fourth meeting in March 1992, 42 people were in attendance, and plans began being formulated for the lodge’s first Sytendde Mai celebration, which would also serve as the group’s first official general membership meeting.

At that May 16, 1992, official charter meeting, officers were installed, with Crone-Aamot becoming the first president of what would be named the Vegas Viking Lodge, a moniker he had suggested. The event was held at a popular local restaurant, the Port Tack, organized largely by E. Bernice “Bee” Belzone, originally from Minneapolis.

The official charter was issued five months later on October 15, 1992, with 110 members—with no more than one or two native Las Vegans and perhaps eight who were from Norway.

LODGE HISTORY FOR VEGAS VIKINGS & DESERT TROLLS-CONTINUED

In 1995, the lodge launched its first website with Lollo Sievert serving as “Web mistress.” Sievert, originally from Skedsmo, Norway, also designed the banner, unveiled at the lodge’s fifth anniversary banquet, held at “The Orleans” casino, and attended by Sons of Norway International President Penny Joseph-Knudsen. Today, the lodge also communicates through social media in the form of Facebook and Twitter.

Through the years, the activities of the lodge have remained relatively consistent. Monthly meetings held almost monthly have featured food, socializing and a program usually having a Norwegian or Scandinavian theme.

Significant annual events have included a holiday bazaar, Christmas party, Syttende Mai picnic, lapskaus dinner and silent



auction, the latter having b e e n discontinued in recent years, and a popular lutefisk dinner that was in its 21st year in

2019, an event originally organized by Art and Siri Poehls, a lodge president, and coordinated in recent years by lodge presidents Gwen L. Knighton and Robert L. “Bob” Sturgeon.

In 2005, the 100-year anniversary of Las Vegas’s founding and of the founding of modern Norway, the lodge constructed a Viking ship, named Ormen Korte, which it enters every year in the popular Sons and Daughters of Erin St. Patrick’s Day Parade in downtown Henderson.



The ship, whose construction was overseen by Sturgeon, is also featured at school events, special occasions, and the popular three-day Age of Chivalry Renaissance Festival, which the members attend in Viking garb. At 2018’s renaissance festival, more than a thousand people took turns climbing aboard the ship to pose for pictures.



LODGE HISTORY FOR VEGAS VIKINGS & DESERT TROLLS-CONTINUED

The lodge has also worked to highlight Norwegian and Scandinavian culture by hosting Norwegian musicians such as pianist Knut Erik Jensen and the Lindesnes accordion club. In 2019, it was hosting the Stoughton (Wisc.) Norwegian Dancers.



Members Annie Mathiesen, a one-time lodge president, and Alice Salvesen have taught Norwegian language classes over the years. Lessons in wood carving, lefse making, and other popular activities also have been offered.

The Vegas Vikings have been active in reaching out to Southern Nevadans by appearing at community events such as international food festivals, college international days, cultural exhibits at Las Vegas libraries and museums, and more. Lodge members have taken part in an "Adopt a School" program and attended California and Arizona Krestsstevnes and local sporting events, including baseball games and even a roller derby, where one of its members competed.

In 2001, with Knighton serving as president, Vegas Viking was named by Sons of Norway as its international and sixth district Lodge of the Year. Knighton served in many capacities, including newsletter editor since 1995.

In 2009, the lodge hosted a reception for Norway's consul general, whose visit was covered by the local NBC and Fox television affiliates, and in early 2010 persuaded Nevada Congresswoman Dina Titus to join the Friends of Norway Caucus in the U.S. House of Representatives. The 2000 U.S. Census showed 21,333 people who identified themselves as Norwegian as living in Clark County. Another 2,540 described themselves as Scandinavian. There also were 21,404 Swedes and 11,024 Danes in Clark County, according to Census figures. The 2010 Census did not break out Scandinavian ethnicities.

Charitable support has focused in recent years on providing more than \$30,000 in scholarships to deserving Norwegian-American students in the Las Vegas area pursuing college studies. But the lodge also has lent its support to a pledge drive for the local PBS television station and collected greeting cards and stamps for St. Jude's Ranch for Children and pop tops for Ronald McDonald House. The lodge has also been a strong supporter over the years of the Norwegian charity Tubfrim, sending in more than 3,000 pounds of stamps.



## LODGE HISTORY FOR VEGAS VIKINGS & DESERT TROLLS-CONTINUED

Other charities supported over the years include Goodwill Industries of Southern Nevada, The Salvation Army, Spirit Therapies, the Shade Tree Shelter for Women and the local First Presbyterian Church.

Spare change was often collected at Vegas Viking and community events for the scholarship fund via a small stabbur hand-made by lodge member George Eldridge, who also created a wall map of Norway that held the pins of lodge members. The map was erected at every lodge meeting and the pins showed the locations of the towns from which the members or their ancestors came.

Today, the lodge thrives with about 120 members and continues to do be an important voice for Norwegian and Scandinavian culture and heritage in Southern Nevada, as well as a magnet for those looking to celebrate our past while improving prospects for the future.

—Compiled by Lodge President Erik Pappa, Feb. 27, 2019

## DESERT TROLL LODGE 6-165 HISTORY

Desert Troll Lodge was established March 1, 2003, with the purpose of reaching out to interested people in Boulder City and Henderson, Nevada. Initial membership included 89 people. Lodge meetings were held in both communities on alternating months to accommodate members. In 2013, the Lodge was named Small Lodge of the Year. For many years, the Lodge was very active until key members began

moving out of the State. At that point, the Lodge members had to decide whether the Lodge could be a viable organization. After following SON protocols and with Vegas Viking Lodge’s (VV) concurrence, Desert Troll Lodge merged with Vegas Viking Lodge and members and Lodge assets (\$3700 and our storage shed inventory) were turned over to Vegas Viking on November 30, 2020.

The following are the many activities Desert Troll Lodge had:

### Lutefisk Dinner

The first Desert Troll Lodge dinner was held on November 6, 2004, and the lodge had dinners every November after that. Participants helped make lovely table arrangements, baked cookies and gathered items for both a raffle and a silent auction. Silent auctions items included golf rounds for four at golf courses in Henderson and Boulder City, as well as zip-line tickets, a spa treatment at Green Valley Ranch, Las Vegas Philharmonic Tickets, a beautifully decorated Christmas tree, a Kransekake, a doll dressed in a bunad and many other excellent items. Guests were “greeted” by Cactus Kjell, an animated Troll made by Olaf Stanton’s Characters Unlimited company. We served dinners to about 220 people each year.





**LODGE HISTORY FOR VEGAS VIKINGS & DESERT TROLLS-CONTINUED**

**Syttende Mai**

Desert Troll Lodge had a Syttende Mai picnic/parade every year on May 17<sup>th</sup>. This was especially designed for families with younger children and included children’s games. For a few years, the picnic was held at the Veteran’s Memorial Park in Boulder City. Then, in an effort to make this more of a community event, the picnic/parade was held at Bicentennial Park in Boulder City. After the first year, Desert Troll Lodge invited Vegas Vikings Lodge to participate in this event and we were pleased that about 350 people attended. Vegas Vikings Lodge brought their Viking ship which was a huge hit.

**Other Activities**

- Had twice-monthly Norwegian Language classes
- Participated in Rosemaling with VV members at VV member Alice Salvesen’s
- Hosted AAL Tour America
- Helped set up the venue for the Stoughton Norwegian Dancers
- Hosted Norwegian pianist Knut Erik Jensen
- Helped set up venue for “Blame It on the Walleye”
- Held a Christmas party each year
- Hosted a back-to-school swim party
- Participated in parking lot sales at Mac Donald Ranch and Anthem
- Participated in the Boulder City 4<sup>th</sup> of July Damboree Parade

- Invited Norwegian exchange students to give presentations to Desert Troll Lodge

**Charitable Activities**

- Participated in the Adopt-a-School program (Robert Taylor Elementary School)
- Participated in the Adopt-A-Vet program
- Set up a Lodge scholarship fund and provided scholarships
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- Gave charitable donations to a variety of local groups including Lend-A-Hand in Boulder City (provides services to seniors), Friends in the Desert, Henderson (provides meal and other services for homeless), Bob’s Bikes for Kids, Henderson, NV, as well as other organizations
- Participated in Family Promise in Henderson and in Boulder City
- Participated in “Tricky Tray”, a charitable event for Boulder City schools





**Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Lodge Meeting**  
**May 5, 2021 at Jaycee's Senior Center, 5805 W Harmon Ave,**  
**Las Vegas, NV 89103, 6:30p.m.**

President Karen Buehrer opened the meeting with the singing both of the American and Norwegian national anthems to those in attendance at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned for a potluck supper. President Holien Buehrer reconvened the meeting at 7:02 with 28 members present and four guests.

Sean Clark, professor at UNLV presented on the writing of the Norwegian play he wrote, "The HardRow," and what it took to get the presentation staged. 24 members plus guests attended the premiere in April.

**Business**

- The minutes for the April meeting were approved as presented in the Newsletter.
- Treasurer Terri Anderson presented the following monthly report.
  - General Treasury \$17,251.79
  - Scholarship Fund 2022-23 \$ 500.00
  - Wells Fargo Savings \$ 5,863.14
  - Headquarters Savings \$13,929.47
- President Karen Buehrer reported that the Lodge's Boat, (Ormen Korte) was on the scene for the grand opening at the new Amazon Distribution Center in North Las Vegas. Jim and Linda Turner as well as Bob Sturgeon, Rick Senzig and Stevie Pace were given special recognition for their efforts in getting the boat to location and presenting Viking Dress. The chapter will be given \$2,000 for our participation.
- President Karen Buehrer announced that the Lodge added 6 new members in April. The goal for the year is 30.
- Lynelle Aanestad, vice president, reported that the scholarship committee had met and awarded five scholarships in the amount of \$660 each. The awards will be presented at the June meeting.
- Jeanette Grove, sunshine chairperson, reported that two sympathy cards and one congratulatory card were mailed during the month.
- The book club will meet May 16 at 10 a.m. to discuss "Westward They Came." Location TBD

## Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Lodge Meeting-CONTINUED

### Old Business

- Syttende Mai; Bob Sturgeon, cochair, reported the annual Constitution Day celebration will be held at Veterans Park in Boulder City. Set up will begin at 1 p.m. with festivities to run from 2 to 6 p.m. with tear-down 6 to 7 p.m. Dave Anderson is co-chair, and Stevie Pace is chairperson of the games.
- Cadence Community project; Bob Sturgeon, chairman, reported meeting with the representatives of the Cadence Community Holiday Bazar committee and toured the grounds for the celebration. The event will be held Dec.3.
- Vice President Aanestad reported the Vegas Viking Holiday annual bazar will be held Nov. 12 at Community Lutheran Church.
- Chuck Grove, keeper of Ormen Korte, reported that the boat is in need of several repairs. President Karen Buehrer reported that there is money budgeted for the repair.
- The monthly board of directors meeting will be held at Saga Pastry and Sandwich Shop on May 14.

Following the raffles, the meeting adjourned at 8:16p.m.



**Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Board Meeting**  
**SAGA Sandwich & Pastry, S 10345 Eastern Ave, #100,**  
**Henderson, NV 89052, May 14, 2022, 9:00 a.m.**

Present were Karen Buehrer, President; Lynelle Aanestad, Vice President; Roger Buehrer, Secretary; Terri Anderson, Treasurer. Other members board members included Rick Senzig; David Anderson, Bob Sturgeon, Kristy McCumby-Hyland, Lene Thorsen-Peters, and three guests.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

**Committee Reports:**

- Syttende Mai/30th Anniversary Party. Bob Sturgeon, committee chairman announced setup would start at 1 p.m. at Veterans Park in Boulder City. Games will begin at 2 p.m. with entertainment provided by the barbershop quartet “Trim and A Shave” at 2:30. Food will be served at 3 with the Lodge providing sandwich fare. A program will follow to recognize charter members of the Lodge along with a history of the local Lodge. Clean up will follow.
- Cadence Holiday Market. Following a walk-through of the market area, Bob Sturgeon reported there will be enough room to bring in the Ormen Korte (the boat). Bob anticipates a budget of \$2,000 to \$3,000. A health inspection will be required. Cadence will conduct all publicity and marketing. At present the event will take place on one day on Dec. 3. Merchandise for sale must be ordered and a baking day will be required prior to the event.
- Marketing Committee. The Marketing Committee has been unable to meet.
- Membership Committee. No report.
- Convention Preparation: The Lodge is preparing to take at least 17 dozen cookies and our local banner to the convention with Chris Christensen providing the transportation for those items to Mesa, AZ.

**Business**

- August meeting; The Jaycee Senior Community Center is not available for a pool party. Lene offered her home for a garden party. Other venues discussed were Sunset Park, Floyd Lamb State Park. The item was tabled until the June board meeting.
- Midsommer (summer solstice) activity—June 21. It was agreed that the Lodge would conduct a “Viking Raid” with the Blue Ox Bar Tavern on Sahara as the target. President Karen Buehrer will contact Blue Ox management.

## **Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Board Meeting-CONTINUED**

- Christmas Party—Currently the Party is scheduled for Dec. 4. This may conflict with the Cadence Market Place. Community Lutheran Church was suggested as the location this year due to its kitchen availability. A motion was made by Lynelle to enter an agreement/contract with the church for a party Saturday Dec. 10 from 2-5 p.m. with set up beginning a 1 p.m. and clean-up to follow. Motion was seconded and carried.
- Renaissance Faire-The date was confirmed as Oct. 7,8, and 9 at Sunset Park.

### **Announcements**

- President Karen Buehrer is planning a sewing day in July at her home to work on Viking costumes. Date TBD.
- The June 9 general meeting will feature the annual presentation of scholarships to the winners. The potluck theme will be summer salads.
- Super Summer Theatre is presenting “Matilda” the 1988 musical by Roald Dahl from August 24 to Sept. 10. Roger agreed to head up a committee and investigate the possibility of a group sale.

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

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<b>Foundation Director</b>	David Anderson
<b>Youth Director</b>	Kim Becker
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<b>Volunteer Coordinator</b>	Vicdan Kittelson
<b>Name Tags &amp; Pop Tops</b>	Suzan Sibert
<b>Camp Norge Ambassador</b>	Arlon Sibert
<b>Sunshine</b>	Jeanette Grove

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<b>Scholarship</b>	Doug Kittleson, David Nygaard, Lynelle Annestad, Lene Muth, Marie Markstrom
<b>Book Club</b>	Lisa Kershaw (702) 556-0774
<b>Holiday Bazaar</b>	Lynelle Aanestad, Vikki Rennacker
<b>Syttende Mai</b>	Bob Sturgeon, David Anderson
<b>Renaissance Fair</b>	VACANT
<b>50/50 Raffle</b>	Chuck Grove
<b>District 6</b>	Lynelle Aanestad, Nancy Paulson, Roger Buehrer