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# VEGAS VIKINGS NEWS



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

Hilsen alle sammen.

Thoughts of December always turn to Christmas. What are your favorite Scandinavian traditions? The cookies? Riscrem with the prize almond? Or singing "Jeg er så glad," around the Christmas tree? Maybe it's the smell of lutefisk cooking in the kitchen (that one is permanently imprinted in my brain!)

One Norwegian custom you may not know of is Julebakking (the Julebakk is the Christmas goat). During the Romjul, the period between Christmas and New Years', people disguise themselves in costumes and go from house to house asking for treats and maybe libations. A more festive form of julebakking includes singing Christmas songs from door to door. In small-town North Dakota the tradition is still alive. The bars even give free drinks to anyone in costume! I remember one night hearing a knock on the back door, and there stood a man in a Richard Nixon mask carrying a drinking straw. We gave him a beer which he drank through his straw, never uttering a word. To this day, I have no idea who that Julebakk was!

Our Holiday Bazaar was a rousing success thanks to Co-Chairs Lynelle Aanestad and Vikki Renneckar. We sold out of lefse in 20 minutes! It was good to



see Gwen Knighton and Elaine Halvorson "manning" the lefse booth again. The baked goods were gone in a couple of hours and many were endored

disappointed they didn't get rosettes!! Bob Sturgeon and crew made dozens of waffles and many sat for most of the morning drinking coffee, eating waffles and visiting. Lots of people expressed interest in joining our lodge and our Membership Secretary Janelle Reed gave out lots of applications. Thank you to all the people who worked so hard to make this day successful.

#### ORD FRA PRESIDENTEN CONTINUED

Our next project is *The Cadence Holiday Bazaar* on December 3, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Jim and Linda Turner will have the dragon boat, the *Ormen Korte*, set up and ready for photo ops. Kristy McCumby-Hyland is in charge of retail sales and has lots of interesting items for sale to the public. Tracy Barkuff will be telling troll stories and we will also have some games for attendees.



Unfortunately, we will be unable to sell cookies or lefse because of regulations of the Health District. Bob Sturgeon has been coordinating the event and would welcome more volunteers. Call

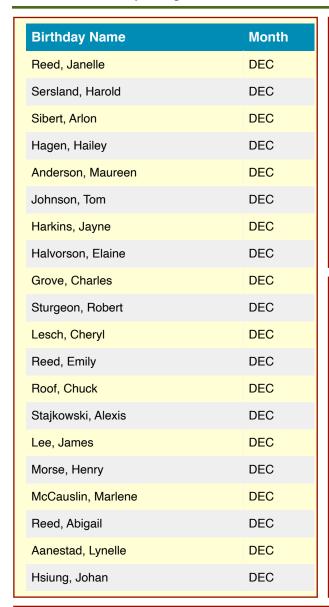
him at 702-464-9100 if you can help out, even for a few hours. Or attend an organizational meeting for volunteers on December 1, at 6:30 p.m. at the Jaycee Senior Community Center, 5805 W Harmon Ave.

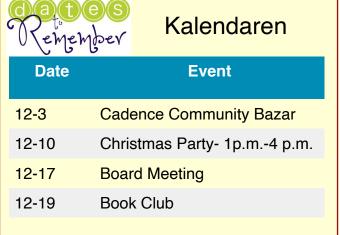
Mark your calendars for our annual Lutefisk Dinner, January 28, at the Boulder City Elks Club. We are in need of some people to help with organizing, so please call me if you are able to pitch in. Many of the sub-chair positions have already been filled which makes our project so much easier. See elsewhere in this newsletter for how to purchase your tickets.

December 10, is the date for our annual Christmas Party and Julbord. Please bring the family, especially children and grandchildren. The party goes from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Jaycee Senior Community Center, 5805 W. Harmon Ave. Consider coming an hour early to help set up, or stay until 5 p.m. for clean up. There will be a potluck Christmas dinner with ham furnished by the Lodge and cooked by Bob Sturgeon. If you can, bring something Norwegian. Call your mom or dig through your grandma's recipe books. There will be music, a craft table, games and of course, a visit from Santa. Bring a gift for your child LABELED WITH THEIR NAME for Santa to put in his bag. Hope to see you all there.

Fraternally yours, Karen Holien Buehrer









There will be no Lodge Meeting for the month of December.

Please see information for the Christmas Party on page 4.

Contact Us: <a href="https://vegasviking.sofn6.org/site/">https://vegasviking.sofn6.org/site/</a> Webmaster Vacant; Newsletter information and submissions: <a href="mailto:vegasvikingsnewsletter@gmail.com">vegasvikingsnewsletter@gmail.com</a>



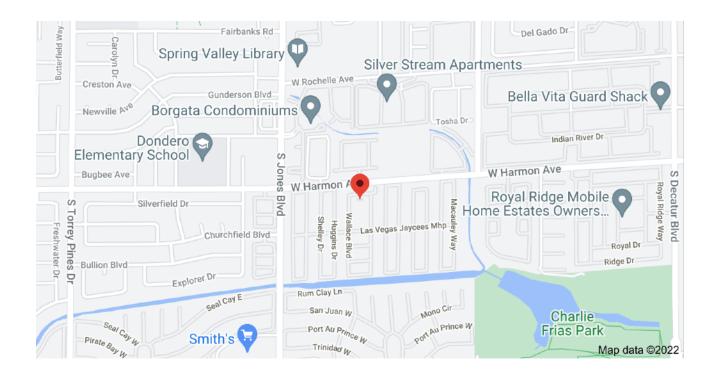
Change of address or email: Janelle Reed

Facebook: Vegas Viking Twitter: vegasvikinggang Instagram: @VegasVikingLodge

## Lodge Christmas Party, 1:00 p.m.

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

Click this link for <u>Directions</u>. It is located on the South side of the street. The gates will be open from 12:30pm-1:00 p.m. If you are arriving after 1:00 p.m. please text 702-290-1324 for the gate code. Please bring the family, especially children and grandchildren. Consider coming an hour early to help set up, or stay until 5 p.m. for clean up. There will be a potluck Christmas dinner with ham furnished by the Lodge and cooked by Bob Sturgeon. If you can, bring something Norwegian. Call your mom or dig through your grandma's recipe books. There will be music, a craft table, games and of course, a visit from Santa. Bring a gift for your child LABELED WITH THEIR NAME for Santa to put in his bag. Hope to see you all there.



Jaycee's Senior Center

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

I am happy to report that 6 new members have joined our lodge: Daniel Fulkerson, Julie Miramontes, Jon Hansen, Michelle Harris, Todd Van Buren, and Benjamin Reed. In addition, we had several people express interest and take applications at the Scandinavian Holiday Bazaar. Please continue to invite friends and relatives to our upcoming events, especially our Christmas party! Thanks!

Janelle Reed, Membership Secretary

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#### **BOOK CLUB**

The Book Club will meet on Monday, December 19, 2022 at Ellen King's home (Contact Lisa Kershaw for directions.) at noon to share a potluck and book/movie discussion of The Snowman by Jo Nesbo, one of Norway's famous crime writers. Please bring a potluck item to share.

We have chosen the books we will read during 2023. (See below) We are open to new members, on occasion visitors and book lovers from our Vegas Viking Lodge. You are always welcome and feel free to bring a fellow book lover!

Date	Book	Author	Genre
DEC	The Snowman (Discussion, Movie, & Popcorn Night)	Jo Nesbo	
January	Haymaker in Heaven	Edvard Hoem	Historical Fiction
February	A Coat Dyed Black	Don Pugnetti Jr.	WWII Historical Fiction
March	Little Drummer	Knell Ola Dahl	International Mystery & Crime
April	The Resistance Girl	Mandy Robotham	WWII Historical Fiction
May	The Saboteur	Andrew Gross	Special Operations (military science)-fiction
June	Sixteen Trees of the Somme	Lars Mytting	Historical Fiction
July	No Meeting		
August	The Axe	Sigrid Undset	Fiction
September	Land of Dreams	Vidar Sundstol	Historical Mystery
October	TBD		Biographies
November	The History of Bees	Maja Lunde	Bees-Fiction
December	No book-watch movie		



### A Little Sunshine from Susan & Jeanette



#### **Sunshine Report:**



- Congratulations to Brittany Lem and Michael Fahy on the birth of their son, Fergus John Torben Fahy.
- Alice Salveson is home from rehab. She was in the hospital and rehab previously.

My email is <u>grove7@aol.com</u> 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 orders 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 <u>arsibert@cox.net</u> phone 702-645-6666

# Pull Tops for Ronald McDonald House:

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 McDonald 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/?

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.

Sports medals earned:

- Lynelle Aanestad-Idrettsmerke 8th
- Chris Christensen-Gangmerke Enamel
- · Chris Christensen-Svømmerke Silver
- Bjorn Hsiung-Idrettsmerke Gold
- Johan Hsiung-Idrettsmerke Enamel
- Julien Hsiung-Idrettsmerke Gold
- Douglas Kittelson-Idrettsmerke Enamel

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-hellt*]—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.** 

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDS

# Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarships

https://sofn.com/foundation/scholarships

The Sons of Norway Foundation awards approximately 25 scholarships to promising students each year and promotes cultural exchange and support education to help students prepare the next generation of workers.

All scholarships are open for application from October 1 – March 1.

**Domestic Scholarships** 

Astrid G. Cates Vocational Scholarship

Dan and Betty Rude Scholarship

King Olav V Norwegian-American Heritage Scholarship

Myrtle Beinhauer Fund (membership required)

Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial
Scholarship Fund (membership required)

Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship

**District 4 Scholarship** 

**Bernt Anker Scholarship** 

Sissel and Roger Espeland Memorial Scholarship Fund

<u>Elaine Nelson Scholarship</u> (membership required)

**International Scholarships** 

<u>Douglas Warne – Rolf & Scholarship</u>

Helen Tronvold Norwegian Folk High School Scholarship (membership required)

<u>Lund Fund Scholarship</u> (membership required)

Oslo International Summer School Scholarship (membership required)

Please contact the Foundation with any questions or for more information.

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A way to help our youth with furthering their education is to donate to The Vegas Vikings Scholarship Fund. The fund is a 501 c(8) donation for tax purposes.

Please make checks out to Vegas Viking 6-152 and in the memo write *Scholarship*.

You can mail your donation to:

Terri Anderson

6217 O'Bannon Dr.

Las Vegas NV 89146

Terri will also accept your donations in person, at lodge meetings. Thank you for giving wisely!

#### MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

#### New Website Debuts Dec. 1

The marketing committee will unveil the Lodge's new Website on December 1. The new site will feature all the things members and guests need to know about the Vegas Viking Lodge, 6-152

You want information about our history, type <a href="www.vegasvikings.org">www.vegasvikings.org</a> and click on "who we are." If you want applications for a scholarship, type <a href="www.vegasvikings.org">www.vegasvikings.org</a> and click on scholarships. It is that easy, and there is so much more.



There will be lots of pictures of members and our youth to help you walk through the pages. In addition the pages will be easy to maintain.

"The marketing committee has been working on the new Website for more than six months and we're all excited to see it come to fruition," said President Karen Holien Buehrer. "There will be a focus on our youth as we begin an effort to get them more involved in Lodge activities."

To get to this point, the chapter employed the services of a Web designer, who will be maintaining the site as well as other social media activities of the Lodge. The marketing committee is also developing a new brochure about the Lodge for general distribution, which will also be on the Website as well. Other activities include, new business cards for all members as well as a repository for all Lodge photos, and more social media presence. President Karen Hoilen Buehrer encouraged all members to look through their photos on their phones and email them to Lene Thorsen-Peters at smuthies@yahoo.com.



Serving on the marketing committee are Erik Pappa, Roger Buehrer, Lene Thorsen-Peters, Nancy Paulson, Kim Becker, and Emma Muth.

#### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

# ARE YOU WONDERING WHAT HAPPENED TO TUBFRIM?

For most of the Vegas Vikings history, we saved stamps that were packaged and eventually made their way to Norway. This article explains why we haven't been able to do this anymore. For many years the late Roy and Mickey Kristiansen made this their project and after they were gone Suzan and Arlon Sibert took over. We want to thank them for the many service hours they completed for a worthwhile charity.



Tubrim will cease operations next summer Article 20 October 2022 © Provided by ABC News

Such collection bags for used stamps have, over many years, collected over NOK 26 million for children and young people. In recent years, the business has focused on internet sales, but now Tubfrim is shutting down for good. There are simply not enough letters sent with proper stamps anymore.

It is the board of the National Association for Public Health that has decided to shut down operations next summer, writes Hallingdølen.

As of Monday, ordinary operations will cease, while Tubfrim will draw its last breath after 95 years of operation only in the summer.

The change in people's postal habits means that fewer and fewer letters are sent with stamps. This trend has persisted for several years and last year Tubfrim received only 20 percent of the amount of stamps they received in 2000.

The large reduction in the quantity of stamps means that we cannot expect a profit. We cannot therefore defend the operation if it is spent on saved funds, says managing director Kåre Myro to the newspaper.

He promises that the country's stamp collectors will be able to buy their last stamps from Tubfrim at an end-of-life sale.

Tubfrim was founded in 1928 and the profits went to children who were affected by tuberculosis, which at the time was one of the most frequent causes of death in Norway. As tuberculosis was eradicated, the surplus was channeled into health and well-being promoting measures for children and young people.

In total, Tubfrim has distributed over NOK 26 million for such measures.

#### HOLIDAY BAZAAR 2022

#### **HOLIDAY BAZAAR 2022**

We had a very successful Holiday Bazaar 2022; the first one since 2017. We weren't sure how many people would come to the bazaar after Covid, but the turnout was excellent. We think everyone was anxious to resume participating in another favorite event this year. We know we will increase our order of lefse for next year since there was such a high demand for it. The cookies were all sold by the end of the event and most of our merchandise was sold.

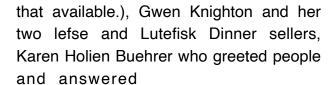
Without the tireless work of all the volunteers, our Bazaar would not have been the success it was. Volunteers included cookie bakers and sellers, along

with Karen Holien Buehrer setting up our

baking day and Linda Turner for hosting at her home, everyone who helped with Friday night set up, Bob Sturgeon and his waffle

makers and

sellers, merchandise arrangers and sellers, Dave Anderson who was in charge of our photo ops—the Dala horse and the Scandinavian flags, our two sets of cashiers, Terri Anderson who handled credit card sales (First time we ever had



any questions, Janelle Reed who managed the membership table and urged people to join our Lodge, everyone who helped clean up, and all of you who came to support our



lodge. As the saying goes, "It takes a village. . " The village of volunteers who donated their time and talents to this project is the reason this year's bazaar was such a success. Our final profits will be shared at a future lodge meeting.

In addition, a group of us went to eat at Ichabod's on Friday night after all was ready for Saturday morning. We do love to spend fellowship time together.

We are so grateful for all the cooperation and help in making this the success that it was. If you weren't able to assist this year, we hope that you will be able to be involved in putting on this event in the future. It is such a wonderful way to meet new people and other members and share a fun time.

Lynelle Aanestad and Vikki Renneckar



# Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Lodge Meeting November 3, 2022 at Jaycee's Senior Center, 5805 West Harmon Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89103

The November meeting of the Sons of Norway Lodge 6-152 was held Nov. 3 with 16 members and four guests present. Following the singing of the national anthems for America and Norway, a potluck dinner was served.

After the dinner President Karen Holien Buehrer called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Minutes of the October meeting were approved as printed.

President Holien Buehrer presented one item from the finance committee. The Lodge now has the ability to use a credit card reader and it will be used for the first time at the Scandinavian Bazaar. We receive a cash back on all card transactions.

#### **Director's Reports**

- Membership Director-The new membership packets are now ready and will be given to new
  members starting the first of the year. Assistant Membership Director Nancy Paulson
  announced the service award recipients for November: 5-Year, Alexis Zayas; 10-year, Richard
  Senzig; 15-year, Kristen Torgesen, Gerald Torgesen, Camille Torgesen, Spenser Torgesen; 30year, Lynda Bennes.
- Sunshine Report-Dave Farmer is recovering from surgery; Brittany Lem gave birth of a new son; Janelle Reed is celebrating the birth of a new grandson; Alice Salverson, the oldest member of the lodge, celebrated her 94th birthday.
- Book Club-Ellen King will host the Book Club on Nov. 14.
- Volunteer Coordinator-Vicdan Kittelson reported that only 10 surveys have been returned.
   Copies of the volunteer-interest survey were made available to those in attendance.

#### **Project Committee Reports**

- Renaissance Fair-Co-chair David Anderson reported 2,053 people boarded the Lodge's dragon boat *Orman Korte*, the largest number of fair visitors to ever visit the Lodge's encampment.
   \$489 was collected in donations. The executive committee met and awarded John Hanson and Michelle Harris, Hurricane, Utah, memberships to the Lodge. The two volunteered and provided overnight security.
- Cookie-Making Day-The annual cookie-making day will be held at the home of Linda Turner on Nov. 10 starting at 10 a.m. In addition rosettes will be made at the home of Chuck and Lynette Grove. Anyone interested and helping and learning the art of Norwegian cookie making is welcome to attend.
- Scandinavian Bazaar- Co-chairs Lynelle Aanestad and Vikki Renneckar reported plans are all but complete for the Bazaar. Setup will be on Friday, Nov. 11 at 5 p.m. at Community Lutheran Church. Volunteers will go to the storage facility and move the Swedish Dala horse to the church. The sale will open on the 12th at 9 a.m. Lefse will be on sale for \$110 per package and tickets to the annual lutefisk dinner Jan. 28, 2023, will be available for \$25.



### CONTINUED-Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Lodge Meeting November 3, 2022 at Jaycee's Senior Center, 5805 West Harmon Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89103

- Cadence Holiday Bazaar—Co-chair Bob Sturgeon and Kristy McCumby-Hyland reported that
  many volunteers are still needed. The bazaar will be held at Cadence Community Park east of
  Henderson Dec. 3. The *Orman Korte* will be available for picture taking, Norwegian ware and
  cookies will be for sale as well as Norwegian waffles. Setup and cleanup is set for 7 a.m. and 5
  p.m. respectively.
- Christmas Party-McCumby-Hyland reported the annual party will be held Dec. 10 at the Jaycees Park Community Room. A potluck will be served. Those attending are encouraged to bring a covered dish. Children and grandchildren of members are welcome and members were reminded to bring wrapped presents for the children with their names on them. Set up is at 12 noon and cleanup at 4 p.m.
- Marketing Committee-Secretary Roger Buehrer announced that work has begun on a new
  website for the Lodge (vegasvikings.org) and is expected to go live sometime in November. The
  Lodge has hired Krystal Buehrer Santana (Secretary Buehrer's daughter-in-law) as the new
  Webmaster as well as its design and maintenance. Buehrer Santana asked the membership to
  look through all their pictures they have taken of Vegas Viking activities and send them to Lene
  Thorsen-Peters, who has established a repository. She in turn will share those with Ms Buehrer
  Santana.

#### **Business**

- Lutefisk dinner—The dinner is set for Jan. 28 at the Elks Lodge in Boulder City. Tickets will be on sale for \$25. Seatings will be held at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. President Holien Buehrer announced a general chairman is still needed for the dinner.
- President Holien Buehrer announced plans are for the Lodge to take on a community project for Thorsen-Peters' school by sewing the skirts for the practice costumes for her Spanish dance groups. Discussions are underway to have the dancers provide entertainment at one of the Lodge meetings.
- Jaycee Community Center-President Holien Buehrer announced the board has approved giving the Jaycee Park \$300 for the use of their building this past year. Currently there is no monthly fees as the Lodge has been charged at other locations.
- Social Event-President Holien Buehrer announced plans are underway for the Lodge members to participate in a mead tasting at the Meadery in Henderson. The event will take place after the first of the year.

#### **Program**

Cultural Director Lene Thorsen-Peters provided the program on Norwegian whaling.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Roger Buehrer Secretary



### Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Board Meeting Blue Ox Tavern, 5825 W Sahara Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89146, October 22, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

The October 22 board meeting of Lodge 6-152 was called to order by President Karen Holien Buehrer, at 9:10 a.m at the Blue Ox Bar and Restaurant with the following members present: President Holien Buehrer, Secretary Roger Buehrer, Vice President Lynelle Aanestad, Membership Director Janelle Reed, Culture Director Lene Thorsen-Peters, Social Director Kristi McCumby-Hyland, Trustee Bob Sturgeon, Assistant Membership Director Nancy Paulson, Sports Director Doug Kittelson, Volunteer Coordinator Vicdan Kittelson, Historian Rick Senzig.

The August Board Minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

#### **Directors' Reports**

- Membership Director: Janelle Reed reported the following:
  - The new membership packets are nearing completion. The packet will include a
    brochure on the Lodge, a coupon which must be turned in to get a Lodge Sons of Norway
    coffee cup, a copy of the Sons of Norway magazine, and a brief history of the Lodge.
  - The new heritage members do not count toward the annual membership goal set by national.
     5-year pins will go to members starting age 17, the year they are no longer heritage members not when they first become heritage members as first thought.
  - There were three new members who joined the Lodge in September, Jon Hansen, Michelle Harris, and Gavin Hamre (heritage member). The Lodge's goal for the year is 30, and as of Sept. 30, we had 16 new members.
- Cultural Director: Director Thorsen-Peters announced that the November program will focus on Norwegian whaling. She will promote the program on FaceBook. She encouraged members that when they open the posting, that they "share" it as a way to promote the program and the Lodge.
- Volunteer Coordinator: Vicdan announced that the new volunteer survey is out. All members are
  encouraged to complete the survey and return it to her as quickly as possible. The goal is to
  match the memberships' interest and abilities with the needs of the Lodge. She also announced
  that she is about out of items for the Raffle. Members are encouraged to find items such as gift
  cards. Proceeds from the raffle go to the Scholarship Committee.
- Scholarship Committee: Chairman Doug Kittelson announced that Charlene Fuentes, who is a new member, has volunteered to fill the vacant slot for the Committee. Application forms are are scheduled to go on Facebook and the new Website in January.
- Foundation: October is Foundation Month. There is a tradition in the Lodge to have a Foundation
  Piggy Bank for donations to The Sons of Norway Foundation. The money is used to provide relief
  to Lodges which are in trouble or have a project that needs an infusion of cash. In 2021, the
  Foundation provided more than \$100,000 in scholarships money. The Board recommended
  requesting a financial statement from the foundation and requested information on how to
  successfully complete a grant request.

#### **Project Committee Reports**

- Lutefisk Dinner, Jan 28.-Erik Pappa will assist with publicity; Gwen Knighton has volunteered to get posters and tickets printed with the hopes that tickets will be available at the Bazaar.
- Cookie-making day-Nov. 10.-Cookies are being baked at two locations. Rosettes will be made at the home of Chuck and Jeannette Grove, and other Norwegian/Scandinavian cookies will be baked at the home of Linda Turner. More bakers are still needed.



### CONTINUED-Vegas Viking Lodge 6-152 Board Meeting Blue Ox Tavern, 5825 W Sahara Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89146, October 22, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

- Renaissance Fair results. President Holien Buehrer reported on behalf of Co-chairs David and Terri Anderson that more than 2,053 people visited the Dragon Boat *Orman Korte* and \$479 were received in donations during the three-day affair. According to President Holien Buehrer, it was one of the most successful Renfair participations in recent years. In addition, 12 people were added to the distribution list for the Lodge Newsletter. Two visitors from Hurricane, Utah, visited the site and volunteered to camp at the site for the weekend. The Executive Committee agreed to give the two volunteers memberships to the Lodge.
- Scandinavian Bazaar-Nov. 12-Vice President Aanestad reported the insurance certificate has been
  delivered to the church. Thorsen-Peters will supply the sound system. Flags will be present.
  Volunteers are still needed to help move the Dala horse. Flags will be on display. Advertising is being
  provided by the church, and members are encouraged to distribute flyers to family and friends.
- Cadence Holiday Market Place-Dec. 3.-A second cookie baking day is scheduled for the week of Nov. 28 at the home of Linda Turner. Many volunteers are still needed. In addition to cookies, Bob Sturgeon is heading up waffle making and a variety Scandinavian trinkets and gifts will be on sale. There will be entertainment, games and storytelling. The *Orman Korte* will be available for picture taking. All volunteers are encouraged to wear their Norwegian dress for the event.
- Marketing Committee-Secretary Buehrer reported that the Marketing Committee had met twice and discussed plans for making a presence on social media for the Lodge. Secretary Buehrer had met with Krystal Buehrer and laid out plans for a new lodge Website. She also submitted an estimated cost to do the redesign with a new domaine name. The board then discussed the costs. A motion was made to pay Ms Buehrer \$1,000 to complete the redesign. The board also agreed to proceed with the design for the Lodge brochure and include a QR code that will drive those interested to the new Website for additional information. Buehrer stressed the need for photos that have been taken by members through the years and send them to Thorsen-Peters, who has developed a photo repository for all Lodge publicity,
- District 6 Convention 2024. President Holien Buehrer reported that the Site Selection Committee
  was scheduled to come to town Tuesday, Oct. 25 to select a hotel site for the convention. Members
  of the Lodge Convention Committee will meet with the District 6 representatives after their tour.

#### **Other Business**

- President Holien Buehrer recommended that the Lodge give a donation to the Jaycee Community for the use of their building in 2022. Thorsen-Peters moved that the Lodge give the Jaycee Community a \$300 donation.
- There was a discussion about utilizing a new leadership/volunteer pin and the possibility of resuming the life-time achievement award. The issue was tabled.
- President Holien Buehrer introduced the possibility of having a social event at the Deadwood Meadery. Cost would be \$16 per person and include a tasting of five different flavors of mead with simple food parings. It was agreed to bring the issue up to the general membership, but it would be better to wait with all the lodge activities in November and December until after the first of the year.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Roger Buehrer, Secretary

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Youth Director	Kim Becker
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Greeter	Britt Wood
Publicity Director	Erik Pappa
Marshall	Chris Christensen
Historian	Rick Senzig
Librarian	Amy Myers
Newsletter Editor	Brittany Lem
Volunteer Coordinator	Vicdan Kittelson
Name Tags & Pop Tops	Suzan Sibert
Camp Norge Ambassador	Arlon Sibert
Sunshine	Jeanette Grove

COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS	
Lutefisk Dinner Chairpersons	Bob Sturgeon Kitchen Chair
Scholarship	Doug Kittleson, David Nygaard, Lynelle Annestad, Lene Thorsen- Peters, Marie Markstrom
Book Club	Lisa Kershaw (702) 556-0774
Holiday Bazaar	Lynelle Aanestad, Vikki Renneckar
Syttende Mai	Bob Sturgeon, David Anderson
Renaissance Fair	Terri and Dave Anderson
50/50 Raffle	Chuck Grove
SoN District 6 Convention 2024	Lynelle Aanestad, Nancy Paulson, Roger Buehrer, Chris Christensen, Lene Thorsen-Peters, Barbara Farmer



