



Solglimt Newsletter



Palm Desert

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September 2011



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Ord fra Presidenten

Did you have a wonderful summer? Resting and relaxing? I only was able to catch a few days of relaxation. I was busy at work all summer with lots of excitement and challenges. Ask me and I will tell you about them. But my vacation is this month, when Nancy Madson and I embark on an adventure with Sons of Norway International President and other members of Sons of Norway on an adventure in Norway. The theme of our trip is Norwegian Stave churches. This will be the topic of next social. Hopefully Nancy and I will have beautiful photos of our adventure to share with you all. And I am sure we will have stories to share also.



The unfortunate events in Norway this summer impacted all of us. The way the people of Norway have faced this tragedy is an example for the world that love and peace brings forth love and peace. Give no power or energy in the form of anger to feed the fire of hatred and thereby you extinguish that flame and stop it from spreading. This is a wonderful example for all of our lives.

Thank everyone who brought food and helped with our social in June. It was nice just to visit and get to know everyone. Some of our members we haven't seen for a while were able to come and that was a wonderful treat. And thank you to Nancy Madson for hosting the event at her home.

This next "season" has many events, culture activities and some new things so mark your calendars now. And any additional ideas you may have to make our lodge better please let us know. Think about

attending the southern or central Krestsstevne it is not really camping like you did as a kid. You can stay in a motel in Buellton and rent a trailer or cabin in Pio Pico. I will be at both and would love to see more of our members. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally,
Luella Grangaard

Business Meeting
At Nancy's House Tuesday Sept. 6
Everyone Welcome.
RSVP 760-343-0848

September Social
Note date change
4th Saturday
which is
September 24, 2011
See you all there

| Date | Event | Location/time |
|--|---|---|
| September 6 ***note date change | Business meeting | Nancy Madson's home 4:30 PM, 760-343-0848 |
| September 24 ***note date change | Social/Potluck—Program Stave Churches | Hope Lutheran Church 5:00 social, 6:00 dinner |
| October 22 ***note date change | Social/Soup & Salad--Lodge Anniversary/foundation event | Hope Lutheran Church 5:00 social, 6:00 dinner |
| November 19 | Social/Viking dinner and Viking Program | Hope Lutheran Church 5:00 social, 6:00 dinner |
| December 17 | Christmas Dinner Reservations | Hope Lutheran Church 5:00 social, 6:00 dinner |
| January 21 | Brunch/Movie | Hope Lutheran Church Brunch 11:00, Movie 12:00 |
| February 18 | Lutefisk Dinner | Hope Lutheran Church reservations |
| March 17 | Heritage Day | Hope Lutheran Church |
| April 14 ***note date change | Salad & Potato Dinner --- Program Wood carving | Hope Lutheran Church 5:00 social, 6:00 dinner |
| May 19 | Cold Potluck –Program Norway Today | Hope Lutheran Church 5:00 social, 6:00 dinner |
| June 16 | Social | Location TBA |

CULTURE PROGAM

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| September 8 | Hardanger/Fiber Arts | Phyllis Petersen's home call 760-200-1306 to RSVP and directions 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM |
| September 10 | Wood Carving | Luella Grangaard's home call 760-363-7704 to RSVP and directions 3:00-5:00 PM |
| September 29 | Hardanger/Fiber Arts | Cheryl Jensen's home call 760-321-2380 to RSVP and directions 3:00-5:00 PM |
| October 13 | Hardanger/Fiber Arts | Connie Fleischner's home call 760-776-6657 to RSVP and directions 3:00-5:00 PM |

OUT OF AREA EVENTS

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| September 24 - 25 | Viking Festival | Vista, California go to www.vikingfestival.com |
| October 7-9 | Central California Krestevenne | Buellton, CA |
| October 12-14 | Southern California Krestevenne | Pio Pico, Jamul |

September Birthdays

- 1 Madson Nancy T
- 2 Monson Andrew E
- 2 Ridgway Virginia L
- 3 Strom John C
- 4 Namtvedt Lois R
- 9 Blodgett Anne S
- 9 Fleischner Constance C
- 11 Gerner Royda
- 14 Fleischner MD J R
- 17 Karlsen Edward
- 17 Willis Ardis K
- 18 Curtis Carol Louise
- 20 Clymens Noah
- 20 Rommereim Duane C
- 25 Candelaria Bianca A

Hurra for deg som fyller ditt år, ja deg vil jeg gratulere.

Alle i ring omkring deg vi står, og se, nå vil vi marsjere.

Bukke, nikke, neie, snu oss omkring, danse for deg med hopp og sprett og spring, ønske deg av hjerte alle gode ting og si meg så, hva vil du mere?

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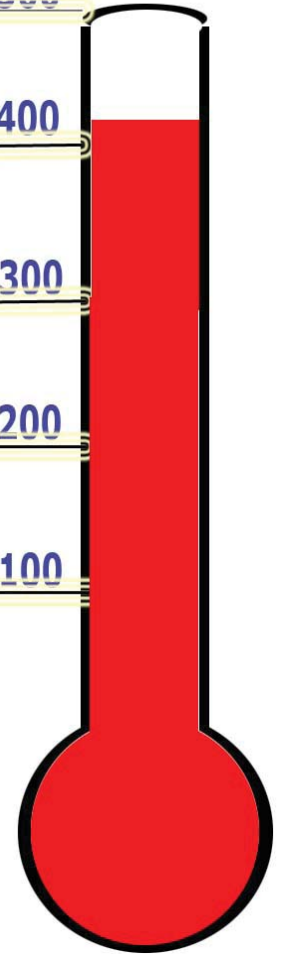
\$500

\$400

\$300

\$200

\$100



Our little pink pigs have been hibernating during the hot weather and are now ready to be fed. You have been great putting your loose change and bills into the pigs sitting on the tables. We are over half way to our goal of \$500, currently at \$414. Im sure with your help well be able to surpass that amount. The Foundation supports programs that keep the Norwegian Culture alive and well. We can apply for grants to provide cultural events for our local lodge.

If you wish to make a larger donation and would like a receipt to claim it for your taxes, that can be done. We are a 501 c3 nonprofit organization and ALL donations are tax deductible.

October is Sons of Norway Foundation Month

At our October meeting we are planning to have a silent auction to raise funds for our Foundation. If you have items - books, clothes, nick-nacks, paintings, coins, etc. that you would like to donate for the auction, please contact me. We would like to have the items several weeks before our meeting so the proper forms can be printed and items picked up if necessary. My phone number is 760 674-1933. These items are also tax deductible. Thanks in advance for your support.

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David Lutes*

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OBITUARY

GAYLORD CARL HANSON,

a longtime resident of Santa Barbara passed away peacefully on June 15, 2011. He was born on April 16, 1923 to Carl and Helga Hanson with a mid-wife attending in Whitehall, Wisconsin. In less than a year the family moved to Winona, Minnesota where he spent 16 years. He grew up during the great depression and became a successful self-made man. At 8 years old he started selling vegetables door to door. Then he became a shoe shine boy at the Winona Barber Shop in the Winona Hotel before moving his shoe shine kit over to Haddad dry cleaning, laundry & shoe shine. His father needing construction work uprooted the family and moved to San Antonio, Texas for his last year of high school. It turned out to be the best year ever. In January 1943 he enlisted in the Air Force but within 6 months a doctor found his ear drum damaged and he was discharged. He began studies at the University of Texas in Austin and was voted president of the University YMCA. After two semesters he left school to volunteer in the foreign services as a carpenter which led to building an Air Force base on Shimya, the closest Aleutian Island to Japan. He returned home and moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where he married Marilyn Witt in September 1945. She was the mother to his four children.

His working career was always in sales starting with Dunn & Bradstreet. He was a natural born salesman and stayed there 7 years. He continued his sales career with the Research Institute Company of America in Chicago. In October 1954 he began working for the Josten's Company in Owatonna, Minnesota. He started a completely new commercial division serving the business community that he help build into a multimillion dollar division as National Sales Manager. Gaylord decided to start his last employment where he wanted to retire so moved his family to Santa Barbara in February 1967. He became successful as a Qualified Correlator of Financial Planning with Investors Diversified Services. He retired as an Executive Vice President with Bateman, Eichler, Hill and Reichards.

He enjoyed traveling all over the world, playing golf with his buddies at La Cumbre Country Club, and was proud of his philanthropic work in his community that he loved. His numerous charities include: Trinity Lutheran Church, Goleta Boys & Girls Club, Hospice Visiting Nurses, American Lung Association, Transition House, and United Way of Santa Barbara. He was a Mason, a Shriner serving as president, and had perfect attendance for 25 years with the Rotary Club of Santa Barbara. He was finance chairman when the new church was built on La Cumbre & Foothill Roads, helped start their Endowment Fund, and began the funding for the church Fellowship Hall.

He is survived by four children.

The family would like to thank Doctors Jeffrey Harb and Alan Brown along with the nurses and caring staff of the Samarkand of Santa Barbara.

A celebration of his life was held on Friday, June 24, 2011 at 10:00 am at Trinity Lutheran Church 909 N. La Cumbre, Santa Barbara, CA 93110 with a luncheon following in the Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers please consider a contribution to the Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund.



Gaylord Hanson

COMING TO SOLSKINN LODGE, PROFESSIONAL ROSEMALING CLASS!!!

I am so excited to announce we will be holding our first rosemaling class with a professional instructor. Our instructor is Mardella Ivers. Connie Fleischner and I took a class from her at Camp Norge this last spring. She has agreed to do a class for our lodge. I am still putting the information together but this is what I have so far. We will be doing an 8 1/2 inch ruffled heart plate. You can go to the Camp Norge website for an example of what this plate looks like. The design is Telemark which is what we have been working on. The class cost will include the piece to be painted; the piece will be background painted and have the design traced on. In addition paints will be provided. There will be a list of brushes and miscellaneous other items to bring. In addition we are going to provide lunch in the registration fee. The fee for members will not go over \$40.00. So mark the date for this wonderful opportunity. January 28 2012 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Hope Lutheran Church. The class will be limited to 20 people. For further information call Luella at 760-363-7704 or e-mail morongo2@verizon.net.



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Stave Churches

The stave churches of Norway are considered to be unique in world architecture. There are 28 preserved churches in Norway and none are alike. These wood churches date from the middle ages.



According to history King Olav Tryggvason forced Christianity on to the people in 997.

The church was Catholic throughout the middle ages. The bishops of Norway were subordinate to the Archbishop of Bremen until 1104, when an Archbishop was appointed for the Nordic countries in Lund in Sweden. In 1153, the country became a separate province of the Church directly under the Pope in Rome. Norway's Archbishop was based in Nidaros—present day Trondheim, where the northern most cathedral was built on St Olav's grave.

None of the original or first generation of stave churches remain. Most did not stand more than 100 years because the posts on which the building stood were embedded in holes in the ground which caused them to rot. During the twelfth century the problem was solved by introducing sills, upon which the planks and staves rested, then raising the walls above the ground level and protecting them from rot. This method proved so effective churches from the twelfth century are still standing today.



It is the method of construction which has given the stave churches their name. A stave wall consists of vertical planks with their bases in a groove in the sill beam, and their tops in a groove in the wall plate. At each corner is an upright post connected to the sill below and the wall plate above. Thus, a stave wall has a solid frame consisting of sill, wall plate and two corner posts. This frame is filled with vertical planks. The sills of the four walls form a solid horizontal frame on which the whole church rests. The wall plates form a corresponding frame at the top.

When examining a stave church there is a unique mixture of the Viking ornamentation mixed with the themes common to Christianity. The stave churches are construction of high quality, richly decorated with wood carvings. In virtually all of them the door frames are decorated with carvings from the top to the bottom. The tradition of rich ornamentation appears to go back to the animal carvings of the Viking age. The stave church doorways are, among the most distinctive works of art to be found in Norway.

To learn more join us at our September Social. By *Håkon Christie, Culture in Norway Handbook for Tour Operators.*

Norwegian Literature

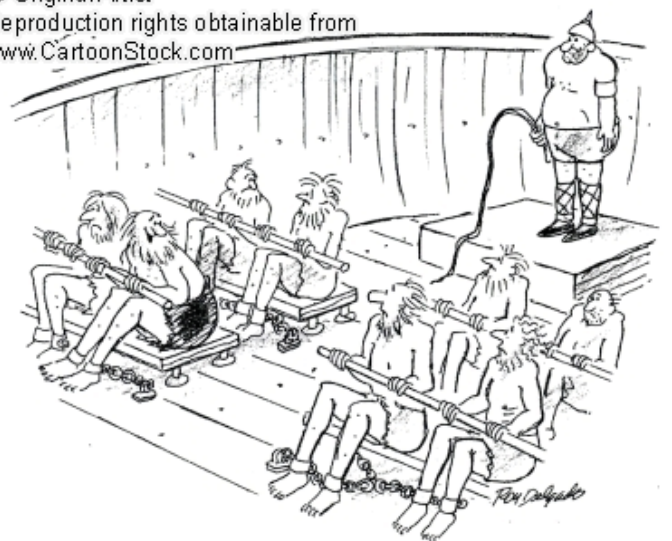
Norwegian Literature Culture Skills Unit: Have you tried one of the Sons of Norway Culture skills programs yet? Do you like to read? This may be the unit for you. I like to read, but don't have much time and I kind of assumed I don't know why that Norwegian literature would be kind of depressing. But it is not. I have read some wonderful books that were delightful, interesting, and provocative and I just couldn't put some of them down. Many of them I have reviewed for you in the newsletter.

What do you have to do? Go to the sons of Norway website and log in under members log-in on the top right. That will give you directions on how to get your password and username. Then go to culture skills and the Literature Chapter. Level one is just to make a list of books and select at least two to read and write a report. There are guidelines on what to do and a log for the books you read. And the elective activities are many in this unit, much more than any other units. Don't have any Norwegian books this includes North American Norwegian authors or books about Norway not necessarily authored by Norwegians. The choices are endless. There is a resource list in the unit. And you could join or read our lodge literature blog at www.solskinn.org.

At our next lodge meeting Vaughn Simon will do a short overview of Norwegian Literature. And don't forget we have a member lending library. OR give me a call and I will assist you.

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"Thank goodness he's gone through **sensitivity training.**"

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Nancy and Rex



Luella Grangaard

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Thousand Trails, Pio Pico Campground
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 October 14 - 16, 2011



- Drive in for the day, \$ 5.00 per vehicle guest fee (pay by the gate)
- Bring your own RV or tent and rent a space
- Rent an on-site trailer or cabin for a 2-night stay

Please complete the Registration Form below and mail along with your check made out to:
Southern California Kretsstevne by October 1, 2011 and mail to:

Nancy Madson
 28-351 Via Las Palmas
 Thousand Palms, CA 92276

Home phone: (760) 343-0848
 e-mail: norsknm@earthlink.net

Early reservations recommended! Limited number of on-site trailers!

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Name(s): _____ Lodge: _____

 Children: _____ Age: _____
 _____ Age: _____
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 _____ E-mail: _____
 Comments: _____

SCK Registration Fee (required) _____ Adults @ 7.50 each/Family \$15.00 \$ _____

Fri. Night Lapskaus Dinner _____ Adults @ \$ 7.50 each/Children under 12 Free \$ _____

Sat. Noon "lite" potluck, bring a dish to share.

Sat. Tri-Tip Dinner _____ Adults @ 12.00 each/Children under 12 Free \$ _____

Breakfast may be eaten at the Thousand Trail's Cantina for a small charge.

Please indicate how many in your party will have breakfast at the Cantina.

_____ Saturday _____ Sunday

All pets must be leashed at all times. No pets in select units.

Accommodations for 2 nights: Circle selected option and add to pricing on right.

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| \$ 162.00 | 29' Deluxe Trailer, 1 queen + 2 bunks, sleeps 6 | \$ _____ |
| \$ 208.00 | Cabin, sleeps 5 | \$ _____ |
| \$ 232.00 | Cabin w/separate bedroom, no pets, sleeps 5 | \$ _____ |
| \$ 258.00 | Get-Away Cabin, no pets, sleeps 6, inc. linens | \$ _____ |
| \$ 14.00 | Linen Package: | \$ _____ |

TOTAL AMOUNT, check written out to: Southern California Kretsstevne \$ _____

Make all inquiries to Nancy Madson; please do not contact Thousand Trails.

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September Social

Hope Lutheran Church Social Hall

Saturday, September 24, 2011

(note date change)

5:00 Social

6:00 Dinner

6:45 Program

Potluck Dinner, bring your favorite dish

Program:

Nancy and Luella's Norwegian Stave Church
Adventure

and

Vaughn Simon, "A Brief Look At Norwegian
Literature"

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