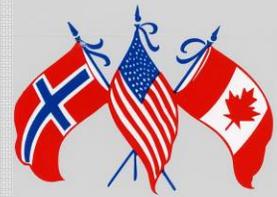


# THE NAVIGATOR

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## INAUGURATION COVERED FOR NORWAY BY NAVIGATOR'S SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER, DICK TRACYSEN

The Navigator is honored to have its reporter picked to escort Norwegian princess and provide color commentary of America's premier event.

Ever willing to help the mother country, **The Navigator** answered the call when **King Harald IV** of Norway requested that the newsletter's special investigative reporter, **Dick Tracy**, escort **Princess Märtha Louise** to all of the "in" inaugural events during what might arguably have been, in the eyes of the world, the most important US presidential inauguration since that of Abraham Lincoln in 1860.

*Princess meeting VP-elect Biden on the train.*



Since the call came with barely a week to prepare prior to the event, Mr. Tracysen really had to scramble to make suitable arrangements. First, he had to secure tickets to all of the important venues. Fortunately, given his admittedly seedy background, he knew just where to go and what to do, making a quick trip to lower Market Street in San Francisco to see what he could barter with the scalpers who hang out there. He first offered up two season tickets to the 49ers for 2009, but all that caused were some impolite yawns, some belches and – oh well, you get the idea. But, thankfully, Tracysen had been sitting on two tickets for the Super Bowl, and after announcing this, tickets to any and all of the inaugural events were rather easily obtained in exchange.

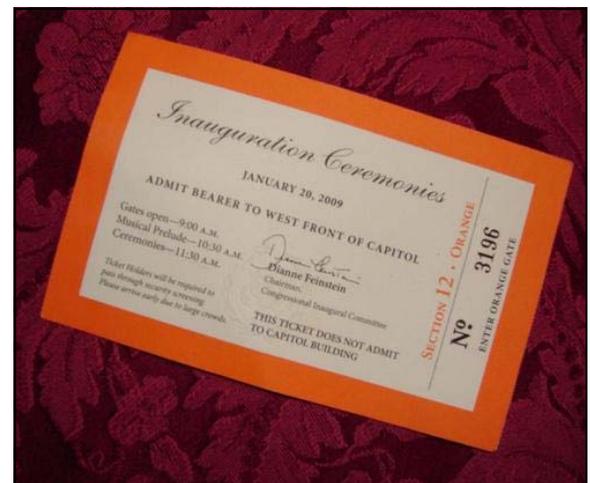
After the princess flew into Philadelphia, Tracysen picked her up and somehow got them on board the "Lincolnesque" "Whistle Stop" train carrying the presidential party to Washington. The princess was thrilled to meet the president-elect, the always smiling Joe Biden. Do you suppose Joe was smiling this time about the big paycheck that goes with the no-duty job he was about to assume?

Next, Tracysen and the princess attended the pre-inauguration Lincoln Memorial concert, featuring many American artists. The princess thoroughly enjoyed this fine example of American

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*Princess and Tracysen at Lincoln Memorial concert.*



*The princess's ticket to the Inauguration.*

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**Inauguration...**

culture and meeting **Jon Bon Jovi.**

After resting over the Martin Luther King holiday, the two tourists were ready for the inauguration. Tracysen had secured tickets in the front row, which thrilled the princess. She did not even notice when **Chief Justice Roberts** flubbed the oath of office. The Chief Justice was later heard to exclaim, "I was doing fine until I got confused when that jerk in the front row began translated the oath into Norwegian as I spoke!"

The final events of the day were the inaugural balls. Tracysen and the princess tried to attend all of those the new president and **Mrs. Obama** attended, but they couldn't keep up. But, the princess was radiant in her new, scarlet **Isabel Toledo** gown (just like that of the new first lady), and she enjoyed mixing with the new Washington crowd.

Tracysen reports that the princess had a grand time, loving all of the pageantry (even though it wasn't European), the balls, and the actual swearing in ceremony. In fact, she has chosen to stay here in the US for a while, as she has decided she wants to go to that American event that is even bigger than the inauguration – the Super Bowl! As of this writing, our reporter is not sure how he is going score two ducats to the game, like the ones he bartered away...



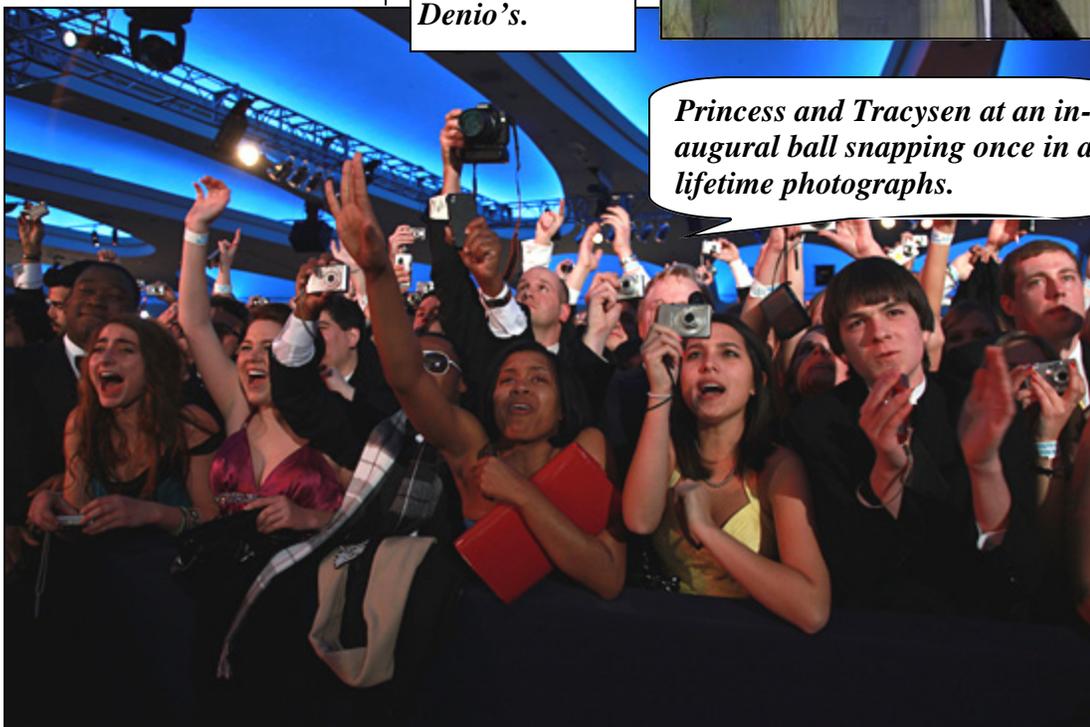
*Princess's Isabel Toledo gown, which Tracysen found for her at Denio's.*



*Princess and Tracysen at the Inauguration.*



*Norwegian Secret Service watching out for the princess.*



*Princess and Tracysen at an inaugural ball snapping once in a lifetime photographs.*

## FROM ROALD AMUNDSEN LODGE 6-48 PRESIDENT CAROL FRANCIS:

I have been President of Roald Amundsen Lodge for one year now, and I still feel a sense of honor and awe in this role. Last year I said that I felt both excited and a bit scared taking on the presidency, and these feelings still fit for me. I feel fortunate to be working with an excellent Board of Directors, and am pleased with the long-term planning and cooperation that we have achieved in the past year. I worry about our future without a vice president who can eventually step into the presidency role. Last year I set three goals, and want to report on our progress in these areas:

1) More children involved: I hoped that we would meet the District criteria of three events for children in this past year, and we did, for the first time in many years. We celebrated the 17th of May outdoors in Norwegian fashion, and had several children in our barnetog, or children's parade; we hope to have many more this year. In September all six of our language camp scholarship winners gave a presentation at a potluck gathering, and we even had two extra kids. I am working with Youth Director **Sharon Mahnken** to have her plan the program with the kids for next year. Our biggest success was the Family Christmas Party on December 28th, with over 15 kids in attendance, spanning a wide age range. This event included storytelling by **Cynthia Hayashi**, Christmas caroling around the Christmas tree, our very own Santa and gifts, and yummy treats; it was very successful!

2) Library: Getting a functional library is turning out to be a much bigger job than any of us anticipated. We have worked out in the storage shed twice, once on a very successful cleaning mission, and then going through the books. We made it through about a third of the books, and still have a big job ahead of us. We are keeping Norwegian classics, and books about Norway in English; we are recycling, donating or selling Norwegian translations from other languages, as we cannot display all the books. We need a librarian to



start bringing out a few of the books at each meeting, so members can borrow them. And we will go back into the storage shed this spring to sort more of the books; please come help us if you can.

3) Modernizing the lodge meetings: Our meetings are more relaxed and informal, and we have just initiated ten new members: **Steve Krogh, Erik Pedersen, Jessica Brown, Steve Loberg, Yvette Loberg, Mike Jones, Leonard Jacobsen, Dale Baker, Lorraine Hordorff and Loren Weatherly.**

What can we offer them to keep them as members and make the lodge meetings more inviting and interesting? Our goal this year will change to membership retention. We will be doing our own Membership Challenge Workshop III on February 28th, for any lodge members willing to work on the important topic of membership retention. We are getting steady requests for information from our web site [sonsofnorwaysacramento.com](http://sonsofnorwaysacramento.com). Have you checked it out?

We have existed for eighty years as of this year, and I want this to be a very special year for the lodge! To do this, I continue to need your help. We continue to need more members involved in the work of the lodge, to share the load and build a healthy future. We also need a vice president and a cultural director to help us grow as a lodge, and retain members.

I hope to visit with you in person at our Torsk and Meatball Dinner on Saturday, February 21st, and at our 80th Anniversary Luncheon on Sunday, March 29th. I am excited about all of our new members, and hope we can teach them about their wonderful Norwegian heritage. I enjoy passing on my knowledge of Norway to the lodge, and hope I can motivate others to learn about Norway through lodge participation and leadership. Thank you for your continued trust in me. Tusen takk! **Carol Francis**

**Financial News:  
NEW VIKING VOYAGER REPLACES  
VIKING 23**

By Don Waage, Financial Benefits Counselor



*Don Waage*

Many of you were familiar with the Viking 23 term life certificates for children. Sons of Norway has just released a replacement called the Viking Voyager, a new and improved way for you to provide coverage for your children or grandchildren, nieces or nephews at very affordable rates.

This unique policy is a way to provide life insurance protection for the young people in your life, but also provides a guarantee of future permanent insurability as they grow into adulthood.

The Voyager is a term policy that can be issued for children from ages of 0 to 17. After issue, the policy will terminate at age 26.

There are three level death benefit amounts that can be chosen: \$10000, \$15000 or \$25000 per each certificate, with a maximum of 2 certificates per child. For convenience, and simplicity, the premium for each certificate can be paid annually or in a single lump sum payment.

At any time before the term expires at age 26 the Voyager can be upgraded to a permanent Nordic Elite II universal life policy. At the time of conversion, even if the young person has developed a serious illness, they are guaranteed to be issued coverage of up to three times the original policy amount.

Think about giving a gift to the young person in your life. This truly is the gift that keeps on giving. For more information call my office at 866-828-0210.

**MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE WORKSHOP III**

Saturday, February 28, 2009

10 am - 3 pm

Mills Station Light Rail Station  
Rancho Cordova



**Who:**

Any lodge member wanting to improve lodge cultural events, membership retention, communications, or activities.

**How:**

Small and large group discussions, questions and answers

**What:**

What is Sons of Norway and where is it going?  
Cultural and heritage programs, how to build?  
Membership retention, what do members want?  
Fraternal benefits, how to assist members?  
Family and youth memberships, activities?

**Where:**

Mills Station SART building, Highway 50 to Mather Field Road, go north; Turn left at light onto Mills Station Road, before Folsom Blvd; Turn right in first driveway, light rail building is next to tracks;  
Seminar on second floor, with elevator. Free parking near building.

Lunch will be provided. **Please RSVP to Nancy Ottum by Wednesday, February 25th, at 530-756-8479, or [nancyottum@mac.com](mailto:nancyottum@mac.com).**

**TORSK AND MEATBALL DINNER SPEAKER**

Our speaker for the February 21<sup>st</sup> Torsk and Meatball Dinner will be **Elliot S. Naess**, who was born and raised in Oslo, and moved to the United States in 1976, working as a writer for a Norwegian magazine. He will talk about the differences and similarities between Norwegian and U.S. culture, from WWII to the present. For example, in the 1960s, the television comedy series *The Monkees* was banned in Norway as a bad influence on youths.



**OFFICER INSTALLATION COMPLETED JANUARY 18TH**  
**Anxious officers rush to take their oaths two days before the Presidential Inauguration**



*Current or past presidents all: Cynthia Hayashi, Carol Lee Solheim, President Carol Francis, Tove-Lise Miller, and Ann Sandner*

The annual installation of officers was held on January 18<sup>th</sup> at Mills Station Community Hall in Rancho Cordova. As is typical at this event, the potluck featured various Norwegian delicacies and other excellent dishes. Carol Francis was reinstated as President, and the other officers as listed in the January Navigator were likewise installed (One exception: Ron Jespersion found that he could not serve as Auditor, and Dawn Bayer has agreed to serve – thanks, Dawn!). Carol Lee Solheim, Region One Secretary and member of Roald Amundsen Lodge, was the installing officer. The Nominating Committee is to be commended for all the work they did in putting together this sterling complement of officers. (Who was the chair of the Nominating Committee, anyway?)



**MORE INSTALLATION PHOTOS**



*2009 Officers (above). Re-installed President Carol Francis with Marshalls Tove-Lise Miller and Ann Sandner.*



**FIRST FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY EVENT A GREAT SUCCESS**

As **Carol Francis** indicated in her column, the lodge's first Family Christmas Party of the recent era was held this past December 28<sup>th</sup> at St. Mark's Church. Organized primarily by **Cynthia Hayashi**, who was ably helped by many others, the children's activities were especially enjoyable. Here are some comments from Cynthia:

The children and grandparents were so fun, and they learned about medieval traditions and history in Norway during Christmas! They learned all about the Julenisse, and the Twelve Days of Christmas! And also a story about the Boy and the North Wind.

Also, we had a Sing-Along. **Janet Moe** was the pianist. The Saint Nicholas (Santa Claus) was **Joe Hannon**. The children received goodie bags prepared by Nisse **Carol Lee Solheim**. We had apple cider and coffee and Norwegian fudge and cookies!!! **Cindy Hayashi** was the story teller.

*Photos: Children learning about Julenissen; children with St. Nicholas, including pulling on his hat..*



**ANN SANDNER MAKES THE ADOPT A SCHOOL PROGRAM HER MISSION**  
**Mills Middle School thanks the lodge for its contributions.**

Probably no one has done more for the Adopt a School program within the Roald Amundsen lodge than has **Ann Sandner**. She has spent many hours helping a several schools, and she was the driver who asked the lodge to make a monetary gift to Mills Middle School for its reading program. The materials reproduced here indicate how much it meant to the program.



**Mills Middle School**

10439 Coloma Road  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-2198  
916/363.6544 Fax: 916/361.3744

Peter Maroon, Principal  
 Kristie Perkins, Vice Principal  
 Janette Neuburger, Vice Prin  
 Mike Dobson, Athletics

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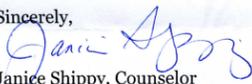
Sons of Norway:

Allow me to express my deepest appreciation for your generous gift to the Mills Middle School Book Club. Every dollar you contributed will go toward the purchase of new books for our students to read, first in the Book Club and then as they are donated to the Mills library. I started the Book Club a few years ago when a number of girls requested to meet and read books together. Several of the girls have sisters who have participated with me in previous years.

As you can see, many of the participants are second language students whose parents do not speak or read English. These girls have a love for reading that is amazing and inspiring. I enjoy them so much.

In past, I have spent my own money on used books and have been limited in the selection and quality of books. Because of your generosity, I have been able to buy new Scholastic Book Club books, getting excellent deals and many more books from which the girls can choose.

Thank you again for your generosity; your support has meant a great deal to me and will be put to good use now and in years to come...

Sincerely,  
  
 Janice Shippy, Counselor  
 Mills Middle School



**Ann receiving framed photo from President Carol**

**SIDEBARS FROM THE EDITOR....**

**Norwegian Wing Suit Base Jumping!...** This is one of the most incredible things you will ever see! Paste the following into your browser and fly along with them:

[http://vimeo.com/moogaloop.swf?clip\\_id=1778399&server=vimeo.com&show\\_title=1&show\\_byline=1&show\\_portrait=0&color=&fullscreen=1](http://vimeo.com/moogaloop.swf?clip_id=1778399&server=vimeo.com&show_title=1&show_byline=1&show_portrait=0&color=&fullscreen=1). Unfortunately, those of you that receive this by mail will have to type it in... Here is a shorter URL that may get you there, too: <http://technology.todaysbigthing.com/2009/01/06>. Are these guys crazy, or what?

**2009 Officer List:** By now most members should have received their new lodge directories. Although an errata sheet was included, there are additional updates to the officer list: **Dawn Bayer** will be an auditor, in place of the listed Ron Jespersen. The Historian is **Cynthia Hayashi**, not Karen Nelson. The Publicity Director remains **Nancy Ottum**, not Sharon Mahnken.

Also, you may want to note in your new directories that **Ernest Kenoyer** is deceased. Other corrections can be called to the attention of **Carol Lee Solheim** at [solheim2636@earthlink.net](mailto:solheim2636@earthlink.net).

**Housing prices declines in Norway...** The prices for private homes fell by 4.4 per cent in 2008, but only 1.1 per cent from November to December, according to year-end figures presented by real estate agencies. The decline in prices for the whole year was less than expected by the Norwegian Association of Real Estate Agents (NEF).

Since housing prices peaked in August 2007, the cost of private homes has dropped by 14 per cent according to the latest figures. NEF expects the market to recover by the end of 2009. Sacramento should be so fortunate...



The **Knut Erik Jensen** performance is a "go." Here are directions to Peace Lutheran Church: From Route 49 north, exit at Colfax Ave. At bottom of ramp, turn left. After 0.2 miles, turn left onto Main Street Church will be on the

right after about 0.3 miles. (Main Street becomes West Main Street somewhere before you arrive at the church.)

Also, we are not responsible for the spelling in the advertisement for him that is displayed elsewhere on this page!

<p><b>'NORDIC ELEGANCE'</b>  <b>PIANO RECITAL</b>          by <b>KNUT ERIK JENSEN</b>  <b>FRIDAY, February 6, 7PM</b>          at  <b>Peace Lutheran Church</b>  <b>828 West Main Street, Grass Valley</b></p> <p>Music by E. Grieg, G. Tveitt, H. Saeverud, C. Sinding and D.M. Johansen</p> <p>A reception will follow the concert          Freewill offering          Sponsored by Gullaldalen Lodge of Sons of Norway</p>
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**Norway standard of living...** Norway is often touted as having the highest standard of living in the world. But, do you believe it? Consider the following comments that I recently received from a cousin in Norway. I believe he is a retired schoolteacher:

*In summer we usually spend two months or more at our summer place in Arendal. The water is often a bit cold, 16-22 C degrees, but we go swimming with our grandchildren.*

*We like fishing. We have a small, fast boat, making 30 knots. Very often we are lucky and get more than we can eat. We freeze it, and in winter in Hamar we have fine fish from Arendal.*

*In Sept./Oct. we spent twenty days in Athens, Greece, and had beautiful weather and water at +30 C degrees. We visited the islands of Syros and Tinos. There are a lot of small and beautiful villages with old paths between them. They have been used by the inhabitants since ancient ages. Our using them allowed us to get*

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### NORWAY'S KONGSBERG AUTOMOTIVE JOINS THE MAQUILADORA TREND

**Production in USA apparently becomes uneconomic.**

Norway's Kongsberg Automotive, a global supplier of automotive, commercial and industrial products, have announced that they are restructuring their production operations in North America. Production at their Van Wert, Ohio facility will be transferred to their Nuevo Laredo, Mexico facility. This closure will affect approximately 105 jobs at the Van Wert facility, and the entire facility is expected to close sometime in the summer of 2009. This announcement follows a recently announced cutback at this same location.

Production at their Haysville, Kansas facility will be transferred to their Matamoros, Mexico facility. The Haysville facility is also expected to close sometime in the summer of 2009, and approximately 100 jobs will be lost.

"This restructuring is driven by the global automotive market collapse" said Olav Volldal, CEO Kongsberg Automotive Holding ASA. "KA, like other automotive suppliers, has seen drastic volume reductions globally over the last few months, and the largest impact has so far been in North America. These cuts are necessary to align our manufacturing to the new market realities."

Kongsberg Automotive is headquartered in Kongsberg, Norway and has more than 50 facilities in 20 countries on all continents. The company has annual revenues of about \$650 million (USD), employs over 9,500, and provides system solutions to vehicle makers around the world. Their product portfolio includes gearshift systems, cables for a wide variety of applications, fuel lines, tubing and hoses, couplings, clutch actuation, stabilizing rods, seat heaters, seat ventilation, lumbar supports, head restraints, arm rests, steering columns, pedals, electronics and displays. – based on on-line information from *The Norway Post*. (Editorial comment: What a shame to lose these US operations. Does the US Congress need to get going and provide some incentive for Americans to buy American cars? Most car experts agree that at least some of the Big Three models are very competitive, quality wise, with foreign models.)

### DEATH NOTICES

We regret to have to inform the lodge of the passing of **Ernest Kenoyer**. Ernest was the husband of lodge member **Arlene Berg**. We send our condolences to Arlene.

Last month we reported the passing of member **Frank Kahn** this past November 19<sup>th</sup>. We have learned that Frank was a 17-year veteran of the Sons of Norway fraternal insurance operation, serving as Regional Manager. During his tenure he helped organize 15 new lodges and trained many new representatives. He was credited with bringing in over 2,000 new members to the Sons of Norway, and for producing significant insurance product business. He was well known to home office personnel and past district six board members. The lodge sends its condolences to his widow, **Ilene**, and his daughter, **Kathleen**, both of whom are members of Roald Amundsen Lodge.

### SIDEBARS (Continued from page 9)

*closer to the Greek people.*

*My wife and I like traveling by rail. We meet a lot of nice people and get opportunities to practice different languages and to see nature and animal life from the railway windows. We traveled through western Europe on our way to Greece and through eastern Europe on our way back home. In the past we have traveled the Trans-Siberian Railway, and we have visited Budapest, Prague, Wien, Berlin and Dublin by rail.*

*Except for the trip to Greece, this past autumn we mostly stayed in Hamar working on our house and garden, but we also visited the new opera house in Oslo; we had two buses with 100 music lovers from Arendal. We often travel on music tours with friends from Hamar or Arendal. With the same group we have gone to Salzburg, and we have been in St. Petersburg, Wales and Wien together with them.*

Well, readers, where have you been this past autumn? I think I got to the movies once or twice.



**10 NEW MEMBERS INITIATED AT THE JANUARY MEETING**

*The new members (L to R): Steve Loberg, Yvette Loberg, Erik Pedersen, Loren Weatherly, Mike Jones, Leonard Jacobsen, Jessica Brown, Dale Baker, Steve Krogh, and Lorraine Hodorff. (We apologize if we have persons out of order—will try and get it right in the next issue.)*



**HURTIGRUTEN CRUISE**  
**Formerly Norwegian Coastal Steamer**  
**SAILING DATE JUNE 2-9, 2009**  
**BERGEN TO KIRKENES**  
**M.S. KONG HARALD**

*Paid Advertisement*

Have you ever dreamed of traveling up the coast of Norway from Bergen to Kirkenes on the Hurtigruten cruise ship, formerly Norwegian Coastal Steamer? Carol Francis is a travel agent for Action Travel in Citrus Heights, and has reserved sixteen cabin on the June 2, 2009 sailing of the MS Kong Harald at rates 5.2% less than the early booking rates. She has reserved sixteen cabins, and is planning daily cultural lectures to enrich the cruise. Hurtigruten's website is [www.hurtigruten.us](http://www.hurtigruten.us) if you would like to check the ship and amenities.

Prices for cabins range from \$2339 to \$3626 per person double occupancy (ppdo), and include port taxes, all meals on ship, and one way air fare from Kirkenes back to Oslo. A fuel charge of \$84 may be adjusted closer to sailing. Airfare to either Bergen or Oslo usually runs in the \$1100-1200 range (Carol can book it for you at \$20 per ticket, or you can do this).

Participants may travel with Carol by train from Oslo to Myrdal for the Flåm railroad, cruise the Sognefjord, overnight in Balestrand, and cruise on to Bergen (\$699 ppdo), or join the group in Bergen. Participants need to be in Bergen by June 1, 2009, and she can book hotels in both Oslo and Bergen. She is also planning a three day add-on from Kirkenes to experience Sami culture on a trip called A Taste of Lapland (\$799 ppdo).

A deposit of \$300 per person will hold the cabin until final payment 70 days before sailing. Cabin prices are good through January 31, 2009. For questions and/or to reserve your cabin, contact Carol on her cell phone 916-390-0953, or email [csfnorge@jps.net](mailto:csfnorge@jps.net).



ROALD AMUNDSEN LODGE  
SONS OF NORWAY



**TORSK & MEATBALL**

(Icelandic Cod)

**DINNER**

**SAT., FEBRUARY 21, 2009**

Social Hour 5:00pm Dinner 6:00pm

**SAN JUAN MASONIC HALL**

5944 SAN JUAN AVE., CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA



Cultural program after dinner.  
Door prizes.

**NOTE: DEADLINE TO MAIL IS FEB. 13**

**PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS ONLY**

ADULT S/N MEMBERS \$17.00 NON-MEMBERS \$20.00

CHILDREN 10 & UNDER \$5.00

Ticket Sales Limited to 100

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE -**  
Get a 'FREE dinner' for new people signing up for membership! ...Call for questions, and send in your membership application form.

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**NO TICKET SALES AT DOOR.**  
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**NOTE: There will be an interesting guest speaker! See page 4.**

Make check payable to "SONS OF NORWAY"

MAIL TO: CINDY HAYASHI, P.O. BOX 814, CARMICHAEL, CA 95609

(Questions? 916.488.9901 email: cindycyc@surewest.net)

www.sonsofnorwaysacramento.com

Please reserve the following tickets: (no ticket sales at door)

Tickets will be held at the door for you.

Member name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Non-member/Guest names(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number & e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

# Members \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$17.00 each

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Non-members \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 each

Total \_\_\_\_\_

# Child tickets \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 5.00 each

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**(DETACH AND MAIL TO ABOVE ADDRESS BY FEB. 13, 2009)**

**FORTY NINTH**  
**ROSEMALING SEMINAR AT CAMP NORGE**  
**April 25/26, 2009**

It is time to make your reservations for the adult (18 years and over) spring Rosemaling Seminar at Camp Norge. We will have three classes. The teachers are Julie Anne Droivold, Kay White, and Cherly Seath. We will be using the firehouse for classes.

We will be painting on a beautiful ten inch clock. Julie Anne is teaching a Hallingdahl pattern with a red/orange background. Kay is teaching a Valdres style on a greenish/blue background with red trim. Cherlyl Seath will be teaching the beginner's class using a Telemark Red Embroidery (with gold accents) on a black background. Look on the Camp Norge Website for pictures of all three projects: [www.Campnorge.com](http://www.Campnorge.com).

Please make your room reservation with me. I develop the list of who is in which room. You will pay for your room when you arrive at Camp. It is not included in your class fee. Bring your current membership card. Members pay \$15 per night; guests pay \$20 for dorms, plus 8% Placer County Occupancy Tax. Only members are allowed to stay in the main house and the cozy cabins. For people who want to room together, I need to receive the list of names with the first reservation. RV's are encouraged as we have a limited number of beds. Members pay \$20 per night for up to four people per RV. Guests pay \$25 per night for RV's. We have electrical and water, but no sewer hookups. Tents are \$15 for up to four people for members, \$18 for non members. Pets are \$2 per night. Pets are not allowed in any of the buildings, pool area or sleeping rooms at any time.

Please include your full phone number, address and lodge name and number when registering. If you have e-mail, please include your e-mail address. It is so much faster and cheaper if I need to talk to you. As soon as the supply lists are available from the teachers, I will send them as I receive your registration form and check. **ABSOLUTELY NO E-MAIL RESERVATION REQUESTS.** I need the check and registration form together. Be sure to send a self addressed stamped envelope for your supply list and class confirmation information if you do not have e-mail. I will not be sending you a supply list unless you send me a self-addressed, stamped envelope or your e-mail address with your registration form. I use Microsoft Word running on an XP program and all attachments will be attached from that program.

The cost of the seminar will be \$80 for registration which includes the class and wood piece all base coated and ready to go, the fire hall rent and clean up, and the meals. There will be \$25 cancellation fee for any cancellations, but absolutely no cancellations after April 5th. Registration fees (less cancellation fee) can be refunded if you have to cancel up to April 5 if there is someone on the waiting list who wants your space. It is difficult for people on the waiting list to take your place if they do not have at least three weeks to make their plans. Melanie Souza will again do our cooking. The cost for food for the weekend is included in the \$80 registration fee. The food includes breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. You were so very generous and cooperative with the cookies last time. I do so appreciate that. We will ask just one class to bring cookies, and will rotate those classes each time. The information will be in your supply list letter.

My e-mail address is [pennyjknudsen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pennyjknudsen@sbcglobal.net). My phone number is (916) 941-6433. Please complete the following registration form, make your check payable to Penny (not Camp Norge) and return as soon as possible with your stamped, self-addressed envelope for supply list if you do not wish to receive it by e-mail, to: Penny Joseph Knudsen, 3774 Park Drive, El Dorado Hills, California 95762

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**APRIL 25/26, 2009 ROSEMALING SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ I need a room reservation: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ I want to room with:

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

Class I want is: Julie Anne \_\_\_\_\_ Cheryl \_\_\_\_\_ Kay \_\_\_\_\_ I am bringing my RV \_\_\_\_\_

I am enclosing \$80 for registration fee for food and class. I am bringing my tent \_\_\_\_\_

My spouse and/or family will be eating with us and I enclose \$30 for each \_\_\_\_\_

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2009**  
 (Current as of 1/24/09 but still subject to change)  
 Roald Amundsen Lodge 6-48  
 San Juan Masonic Center  
 5944 San Juan Ave., Citrus Heights, CA  
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 please call them to the editor's attention. Thank you.

**NORWEGIAN OIL DRILLING COMPANY JVs WITH COLOMBIAN COMPANY FOR US EXPLORATION**

**StatoilHydro joins with Ecopetrol to drill in the Gulf of Mexico.**

StatoilHydro has signed an agreement with the Colombian oil company **Ecopetrol America Inc.**, under which the two companies will form a Joint Exploration Team for US Gulf of Mexico operations. The two companies will drill three or more wells in the gulf in the coming years, and will explore additional areas. Two drilling vessels will commence activities next year.

"This agreement is in line with our long-term Gulf of Mexico strategy. We are starting our drilling operations next year in some of the prospective leased areas," explains senior vice president in StatoilHydro, **Øivind Reinertsen**, who is heading up the USA and Mexico region. "We have a good portfolio of promising prospects and we are happy to have Ecopetrol America joining parts of our exploration program in the coming years," he adds.

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
<p>13<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, Initiation of New Members 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> – Installation of Officers – Mills Station – 1:30 p.m., Sunday</p>	<p>10<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>21<sup>st</sup>—Torsk Dinner (Saturday)</p> <p>28<sup>th</sup>—Member Challenge Workshop, Mills Station- 10 am—3 pm (Saturday)</p>	<p>10<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>29<sup>th</sup> - 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner – Sunday – Carmichael Elks Lodge</p>
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
<p>14<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>24<sup>th</sup> - Lodge Social Friday</p>	<p>12<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>17<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> of May Social, 12 noon – Park in Loomis (Sunday) (time tentative)</p>	<p>9<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p>
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
<p>NO LODGE MEETING. NAVIGATOR NOT PUBLISHED.</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Board Meeting – Carols Francis' house</p>	<p>11<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>? - Multi Lodge Picnic</p> <p>21<sup>st</sup> – BBQ Dinner, Friday -6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>8<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p>
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – Scandi Festival, Saturday</p> <p>10<sup>th</sup> - Lutefisk Dinner, 5:00 p.m. Saturday</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>10<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>21<sup>st</sup> – Vikingfest, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Saturday</p>	<p>8<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Meeting, 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>12<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Social, 5:30 p.m. Saturday</p> <p>27<sup>th</sup> – Children's Party – Mills Station, Sunday</p>

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### KALENDEREN

<u>Viking Sisters</u>	<b>Feb 10</b>	<b>Lodge Meeting</b>
<b>President</b>	<b>Feb 21</b>	<b>Torsk Dinner</b>
<b>Ann Sandner</b>	<b>Feb 28</b>	<b>Member Challenge Workshop</b>
<b>916.366.8071</b>	<b>Mar 10</b>	<b>Lodge Meeting</b>
	<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>80th Anniversary Dinner!</b>

### **Viking Sisters:**

Call Viking Sisters President for Viking Sisters meeting information. Meetings now held at Denny's, at the southeast corner of Watt Avenue and Auburn Boulevard, just south of Business Route 80 freeway. Generally, they meet the second Saturday of every month at 9:00am.