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PRESIDENT NORM'S COLUMN:



Named after the Roman god of war, March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. This old saying has special significance in the current world situation. One hopes that calmer heads will prevail, and the month will end on a more peaceful note.

March is a month for major events in Norway beginning with the Holmenkollen World Cup Skifest, an event started in 1892. The event takes its name from the massive ski jump outside Oslo, site of the 1952 Winter Olympics. The 440-foot-tall structure is designed to give jumpers maximum distance. The current 2019 record is over 470 feet by Norwegian Robert Johansson. An interesting extensive history of the 130-year development of the area to its present form is available on Wikipedia. March is the month for enjoying winter in Norway. The longer days, warmer temperatures, allow one to enjoy the activities without enduring severe weather.

March in Sacramento is a time of blooms and budding trees, green beer on the 17th, and the Torsk, Lutefisk, and meatball dinner on the 26th. A feast for the eyes, a cause to celebrate, and a choice of meal for everyone. March is the month to leave the gloom of winter behind and look to the summer ahead. Prepare to enjoy the coming months and the full opening of the economy. Time to return to normal. Norm

(NOTE: OVER 75% SUBSCRIBED AS OF March 1st!)

Torsk, Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner

Saturday, March 26, 2022

Social Hour 5:00 pm / Dinner at 6:00 pm

Roald Amundsen Lodge 6-48

Sons of Norway

San Juan Masonic Center

5944 San Juan Avenue

Citrus Heights

Cultural program after dinner—short!

Prepaid reservations only: Adults \$25; Children 6 - 10 \$5;

Children 5 and under free.



RESERVATIONS LIMITED TO 50—NO AT-THE-DOOR SALES.

For reservations mail form and payment (check to Sons of Norway) to Tove-Lise Miller, 2656 Barbera Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-3742. If you need further information call 916/364-8704 or email to tovelise@aol.com.

MAIL BY MAR. 16, PLEASE!

TLM Dinner. Please reserve for the following.

(No tickets—Reservations will be checked at the door.)

Names: _____

Phone # and e-mail of submitter: _____

Adults _____ @ \$25 each Total \$ _____

Children 6—10 _____ @ \$5 each Total \$ _____

Children 5 and under _____ (NO CHARGE)

TOTAL ATTENDEES _____ TOTAL CHARGE \$ _____

DETACH AND MAIL WITH CHECK WITH YEAR DATE 2022!

REQUIRED COVID PROTOCOL WILL BE OBSERVED

ROALD AMUNDSEN LODGE – 6-48, GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 8, 2022

We met inside the Masonic Lodge with 15 members attending including a guest, Fred Hy-mans. We sang the three National anthems of Norway, Canada, and USA followed by the flag salute. The minutes of the January general meeting were reviewed and approved. Representative of the lodge's long time adjunct women's group the Viking Sisters, **LaRena Hannon and Ann Sandner**, presented a check for \$3,000 to Camp Norge representative, **Fred Hy-mans**, to contribute to the water project at Camp Norge. These funds were resulting from the closing of Sisters' bank accounts. Fred explained the camp ran out of water four times this past year. The plan is to revitalize an old well to supplement their supply. He stated that with this donation, they have almost raised all the funds they need. LaRena gave a little history of the Sisters and how they raised funds through crafts and bake sales to support numerous projects for Sons of Norway and the community.

The membership approved a lodge ad for the upcoming convention booklet. Also, a proposed slate of delegates to the convention was presented: Norm Hales, David Bailey, Donna Gordon, Steve Rosenthal, and Arlene Kozub. (Tove-Lise Miller will be attending as the Zone 1 Director.) We needed one more delegate and Peggy Hyde was nominated. Two alternates were nominated: Mike Gordon and Judy Hales. Motion to accept these slates of delegates was made and approved. Also, a stipend amount to help with attendance expenses was approved by the membership.

Hall and Park Treasurer Steve Rosenthal presented the annual 2021 financial report for the Association, which indicated that the Association experienced a very successful investment year.



We adjourned for refreshments. Steve made a presentation about Mother's Day in Norway which was to be celebrated the following Sunday. The first Mother's Day was Feb 9, 1919 and then it became a national holiday.

Respectfully submitted, Arlene Kozub, Secretary *(Abridged by Editor)*

Delegates: Sitting Peggy and Donna. Standing Norm, Tove-Lise, Steve, and Arlene.

SIDEBARS WITH THE EDITOR...



UPCOMING SCHEDULE ROALD AMUNDSEN LODGE

Get out your phones and make these calendar entries:

Sun Mar 13. Daylight time begins.

Sat Mar 26. Torsk/Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner, timing per flyer this issue. **NOTE THAT THERE IS NO MARCH TUESDAY NIGHT MEETING.**

Tue Apr 12. Monthly Meeting **6 pm start. See additional information on this supper event elsewhere in this issue.** Also, annual budget will be reviewed.

Tue May 10. Monthly Meeting 7 pm start

Tue May 17. Norway Constitution Day

Thurs May 26. Special Lodge Multiple Birthday Day

June 2-5 SON District 6 Conv. in Mesa, Arizona

Mon July 4. American Independence Day

July SUMMER PICNIC (PROBABLE) AT ROSENTHAL REDWOOD FOREST

Aug. No local events. International Convention from Minneapolis, 8/31—9/1.

Sun Sep 11. Lodge BBQ 12:30 start.

Tue Oct 11. Monthly Meeting 7 pm start

Sat Oct 15. Scandinavian Festival at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Granite Bay.

Tue Nov 8. Monthly Meeting 7 pm start

Sat Nov 19. Vikingfest, day hours TBD

Thurs Nov 24. Thanksgiving

Sat Dec 10. Julebord

The possibility of having a 2022 children's holiday party in December will be assessed later and depends on matters such as Covid restrictions, etc. All events are scheduled for the San Juan Masonic Lodge venue except for those noted as scheduled elsewhere.

SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL 2022

The 2022 Scandinavian Festival is scheduled for **Saturday, October 15th, with preparation the previous evening** at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 5365 Douglas Blvd. in Granite Bay. More information will be available in the coming months. Most of the Scandinavian lodges in the area participate cooperatively in this event.

CULTURAL SKILLS EXHIBIT AT CONVENTION

See the flyer in this issue. All the entry materials that you need can be downloaded from the District 6 website.

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DISTRICT 6 YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS



District Six offers up to four \$1,200 scholarships per year for students ages 16-23. These

scholarships are available for students attending an accredited post-secondary school or training institution. The deadline for this scholarship application is May 1, 2022. Also, District Six offers a \$1200 scholarship to the Concordia Skogfjorden Language Camp with application due April 14, 2022. Applications are available on the District Six website at www.sofn6.org. Please send completed applications to Luella Grangaard, PO Box 832, Morongo Valley, CA 92256 or e-mailed to morongo2@verizon.net. In addition there are many scholarships offered by the Sons of Norway Foundation at www.sofn.com. Please take advantage of these District Six Member and Sons of Norway member opportunities.

SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL AT CAL LUTHERAN

For anyone who is not attending the District 6 Convention, you might be interested in attending the 45th Scandinavian Festival June 4-5, 2022 at California Lutheran University,

Thousand Oaks, California. For



more information, go to <https://scandinavianfest.org/>.

SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES AND NATO

What Scandinavian countries are in NATO? Iceland, Denmark, and **Norway**.

Which are not? Finland, Sweden and the Faroe Islands.

And just for review, Great Britain, the USA and Canada are all part of NATO. And **Jens Stoltenberg of Norway** is the Secretary General of NATO.

NORWEGIAN FIRM INVESTS IN BATTERY METALS EXPLORATION STARTUP

One of **Bill Gates'** venture companies is backing a startup company, Kobold Metals, based in Berkeley. According to the Wall Street Journal, Kobold aims to use Artificial Intelligence to find metals needed for the electric vehicle boom. The company recently raised \$192.5 million for its prospecting purposes.

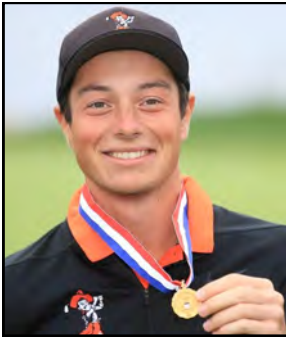
One of the other investors is Equinor Ventures, the startup investing arm of the huge **Norwegian energy company Equinor ASA**. According to its website, "Equinor Ventures invests in and supports innovative companies to shape the future of energy." The company's stock is publically traded in Norway and also on the NYSE (symbol EQNR) and current-

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ly trades for about \$30/share. The company has a very interesting website.

VICTOR HOVLAND ON TOUR



A new documentary series will follow Norwegian golfer Viktor Hovland and his fellow PGA colleagues documenting the 2022 season...

A new Netflix documentary series will closely follow the everyday lives, on and off the golf course, of Norwegian professional golfer, **Viktor Hovland**, and many of his colleagues. The producers of the hit Netflix show “Drive to Survive” hope to capitalize on this format to document the highs and lows of the professional golf circuit. PGA Tour media director Rick Andersen said, in a press release, that “the collaboration with Netflix gives the PGA Tour and the four major tournaments an opportunity to gain access to a completely new and different audience. This documentary series will give fans a unique insight into our athletes’ real lives, and what it means to win and lose through a season on the tour.”

FOLK ART SCHOOL AT VESTERHEIM

Their folk art school is open through June 2022 with new online and in-person classes in rosemaling, woodworking, metalworking, jewelry, cooking, fiber arts, weaving and heritage and language, plus special youth and

family programming . Registration is available at folkartschool.vesterheim.org.

RUSSIA AND NORWAY

Most people with Norwegian interests know



that northern Norway shares a 122-mile long border with Russia. For years Russia has been building its military capabilities

at coastal Barents Sea locations on the Kola Peninsula. The northern extremities of Norway also face the Barents Sea.

A 2018 article by Thomas Nilsen in a publication entitled *The Barents Observer* reports that there has been a major expansion of storage facilities for both nuclear missiles and conventional long-range high precision cruise missiles at various facilities in the Kola Peninsula.

The rather extensive article goes on to say:

“For Norway, being a NATO member with territories inside what Russia would define as its bastion, the rearmament of the Kola Peninsula is bad news for two reasons. *Conflicts in other parts of the world could if escalating trigger the military command to establish an anti-access, area denial zone including Norway’s coasts to the Barents- and Norwegian*

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In memoriam,

LODGE MEMBER DUANE ANDERSON



Duane Anderson was born in Hatton, North Dakota on June 21, 1931. As a child, Duane was a Life Scout and grew up enjoying hunting, fishing and sports. He lettered in 4 sports in high school. Growing up he had a series of jobs in order to help support the family. Among them: potato picker, road construction, dog-racing attendant, barn painter, milk truck driver and

hunter. At North Dakota State University he played four years of basketball and two years of football where he earned All City, All State and All Conference honors.

In 1951 his National Guard unit was activated for the Korean War. He became a platoon sergeant in the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea, seeing combat action on Heartbreak Ridge and in the Iron Triangle area. In the last 20 years he was very active in the 2nd Infantry reunions.

Also in 1951 - while on leave from the army in Gainesville, FL - he met Bettye Coleman. They were married in 1953 until her death in 2016 - 63 years.

After graduating from NDSU Duane coached football, basketball and track & field and taught biology in high schools in North Dakota and Florida before completing his Ph.D. degree at Michigan State University. He served as Director of Admissions, Records and Outreach and Director of Transfer Programs at California State University, Sacramento from 1965 until he retired in 1992. After retirement he loved fishing trips to his cabin at Lake Shasta, gardening, watching football, duck hunting and spending time with his family.

He is predeceased by his wife Bettye, brother Harold "Zeke" Anderson and is survived by his children Melinda Anderson, Dane Anderson, Wynn Anderson, and a number of grandchildren.

Duane, along with his late brother Zeke, would often bring their respective families to the lodge's various dinners and events. The lodge members offer their condolences to his surviving family members. (Some information from the Sacramento Bee.)

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Seas. (Italics by this editor.) Secondly, Russia can with its new supersonic cruise missiles launch accurate attacks against navy ships in the Norwegian Sea or military installations on shore in the northern parts of Norway, Finland or Sweden directly from the Kola Peninsula or Russian part of the Barents Sea."

Whether it will make a difference or not, who knows, but the USA is keeping an eye on things from the tiny Norwegian island of Vardo, which is about 40 miles from the Kola Peninsula Russian military installations. And it appears they have much to keep track of.

**First lady President of Sons of Norway
MANY LODGE MEMBERS KNEW HER...**



Penny Joseph Knudsen passed away Friday evening (February 4, 2022) at the age of 92. Penny was President of District Six from 1984-1988, then served as International Director, International Secretary and was the first female President of Sons of Norway, serving as our President from 1998 to 2002.

Penny's family is in the process of setting up a scholarship fund in her name at the Sons of Norway Foundation. The scholarship will be for members to attend Rosemaling workshops at Camp Norge.

While the fund is not set up yet, if you wish to send a donation in her name to the Foundation, please tell them it is for the Penny Joseph Knudsen fund and they will set it aside until the fund is set up.

Rest in peace, Penny, You always led us with dignity and grace.

Fraternally,

Janie Kelly

(Janie Kelly, a member of Nordahl Grieg Lodge, is a former President of District 6 as well as a former International Director.)



NORWAY DOMINATES WINTER OLYMPICS

Final Metals Count:

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Norway	16	8	12	37
ROC	6	12	14	32
Germany	12	10	5	27
Canada	4	8	14	26
Team USA	8	10	7	25
Sweden	8	5	5	18
Austria	7	7	4	18
Japan	3	6	9	18
Netherlands	8	5	4	17
Italy	2	7	8	17

2022 SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS CANCELLED

February 8, 2022. Greetings to all associated with the District Six Language and Heritage Camps; Managing the District Six Language and Heritage Camps, a.k.a. Camp Trollfjell and Trollfjell Folkehøgskule has become more and more difficult each year. The greatest challenge is finding qualified staff. Other issues, such as new state laws requiring special training for camp counselors and teachers, managing COVID protocols, and the busy summer schedules of today's children and youth not allowing a two-week activity are also factors.

Over the past several years, I have heard several ideas about how we could re-imagine our summer program. Some of these suggestions include making it a Family Camp, reducing each session to a single week, and combining the two programs together so the total time is just two weeks, not four weeks. These, and other ideas have both pros and cons.

To give us time to evaluate and plan the future of our Language and Heritage Camp(s), we are going to suspend our program this summer. Between now and the summer of 2023, we will seek input from members of District, current and past campers, counselors, and staff.

Any comments or ideas are welcome, please email me at vicepresident@sofn6.org.

Regards, Bruce Fihe, Vice President, District Six, and Executive Director, Language and Heritage Camps

APRIL MEETING INCLUDES SUPPER!

Our Tuesday April 12th meeting will start at 6:00 pm and will begin with a delicious light supper including soup, salad, bread, etc.



The supper will be followed by a short business meeting (including review of 2022 budget) and if time permits, a cultural program.

No charge. But please email (tovelise@aol.com) or call 916/364-8704 to let us know if you plan to attend. If you find you can come at the last minute please do so—a firm reservation is not required.

Venue: Masonic Lodge, 5944 San Juan Avenue, Citrus Heights. (About one long block south of Greenback Lane, east side of street.)

College/University Scholarships Available to students of Norwegian descent!



Henrik Ibsen Lodge #7, Sons of Norway, is grateful to have the Peder P. Johnsen Education Fund Scholarships available for full time undergraduate and graduate students of Norwegian descent.

Students who live in Northern California and have demonstrated academic rigor, as well as involvement in the Norwegian-American community are encouraged to apply. A minimum grade point average of 2.7 is required. Applications will be available after the first of the year and must be submitted no later than April 1, 2022.

We encourage you to notify students and their parents about this opportunity. This year we were able to fund 10 PPJ Scholars. The funds from the scholarship often assist the students with books and fees and, in one case, helped defray the loss of a summer job. Make application requests to:

Karen Rogenes Rende, Secretary

Peder P. Johnsen Education Fund, Henrik Ibsen Lodge, #7

Email: mormor154@gmail.com

Snail Mail: 154 Devonshire Blvd.

San Carlos, CA 94070

Phone Msg: 650-592-1857

Hey Roald Amundsen grandparents and parents, get your college age progeny to apply! So much better than borrowing the money!

Sons of Norway District Six Convention 2022

Sheraton Mesa Hotel, Mesa, AZ
Thursday, June 2--Sunday June 5, 2022



FOLK ART EXHIBITION

Hilsen!

The District Six Board of Directors is pleased to invite all members to participate in the 2022 District Convention Folk Art Exhibition. Participation in the Norwegian Cultural Skills Program continues to be a favorite activity of members. We hope that many of you will take advantage of this exhibition to add to your accomplishments in achieving Cultural Skills pins.

The District Board has decided to have only an exhibition at the 2022 Convention, foregoing the competition. Every participant will receive a certificate of participation. There will be several ribbons awarded to People's Choice items.

For Exhibition information, contact Doug Askegard, Norseman Lodge co-president:

Folk Art Exhibition Rules
Folk Art Exhibition Entry Form & Waiver
Folk Art Exhibition Identification Labels

Pre-registration of your folk art item(s) is essential for proper committee planning and space utilization. Please submit your Entry Form & Waiver before May 15

Mail to: Judy Purrington	scan and e-mail
PO Box 53900	judypurrington@aol.com
San Jose, CA 95153-0900	408-799-3262

The identification labels in the information packet are to be attached to your entry. Use labels "Item #1" and "Item #2" if you are entering two items in the same category. Use labels "Item #1" and "Item #1" if entering two items in different categories. Additional entry forms and labels may be reproduced or downloaded from the District Six website, www.sofn6.com.

Folk Art items may be brought to the Folk Art room between noon and 5:00 pm on Thursday June 2, or between 7:30 and 8:30 am on Friday, June 3. All items must be picked up following the Sunday business session. Any items not picked up will be returned to entrant C.O.D.

We look forward to a great convention and a wonderful display of Folk Art. Enjoy working on your folk art item(s), and thank-you for your participation and for sharing your talent and heritage. "Celebrate Your Roots" by sharing your heritage items.

Judy Purrington
District Six Cultural Director
District Six 2022 Lodge Meeting and Convention Committee

From Convention Committee:

CULTURE and LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS COMING TO

DISTRICT CONVENTION / LODGE MEETING OPEN TO EVERYONE!!!

Even if you aren't attending the District Lodge Meeting you can still come to participate in Culture –Heritage events as well as Leadership events.

Thursday, June 2

1-5:00 Genealogy-**John Saevre**. Canyon Ballroom A, B, D

1-3 Literature—**Lotte Sather & Luella Grangaard**. Canyon G

3:15-5 music—**Mary Beth Ingvaldstad & Tove-Lise Miller**. Ballroom G

5:00-6:00 Dinner on your own

Friday, June 3

8:30-12:00 Leadership workshop. Canyon Ballroom A, B, D

8:30-9:45 Sons of Norway presenter marketing—**Connie O'Brien**

9:45-10:00 coffee break

10:00-11:30 panel discussion: Communication is more than a newsletter.

Lis Barca, facilitator

11:30-12:15 Generational differences—**Luella Grangaard**

12:00 Lunch on your own

1:30-2:30 Newsletter. **Kristen Hunsbedt**

There is a nominal charge for each of these events. For further information go to the District Six Convention Website and check out the class descriptions at [Pre-Convention-sessions-2022-final-2.pdf \(sofn6.org\)](#). You can register for these sessions online.



A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people.

— Mahatma Gandhi —

CULTURE: Think of Ukraine—Editor