



NORDEN NEWS

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Fra presidenten

To Norden 2 members,

Thank you for electing me your president for 2002. I will try to keep up with the duties of the office.

In December we had a wonderful Julebord catered by Shirley Haukeli. We also had a highly successful "Breakfast with Santa" with Dennis Dhaese and Janet Smith as Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Gary and Janet Yost took pictures. These events concluded the year 2001 and on January 4th we started 2002 with installation of new officers. Marit Kristiansen, International Director, was the installing officer and Guttorm Gregersen and Sissel Barrett served as installing marshals. On January 13 we had another successful breakfast with 320 guests, and on January 19th the Normanna Board put on a fabulous Crab Feed.

Computer classes will begin on February 3rd under the leadership of Will and Kathy Fry. I understand the first classes have been filled.

We will continue to serve a complimentary dinner before our business meetings at 7pm. The cultural presentation will begin about 7:30 and the meeting will start at 8pm.

We are hoping to get some baking classes started, especially lefse making, with 'hands on' experience. Everyone will learn how to make them round and thin.

Our 100th anniversary will be in August of 2004, we are in the early stages of planning for that event.

As you know, volunteers are the backbone of our organization. We have many fine people that work very hard to make our events successful. If you haven't been working or been active in our lodge, come on down, we have a great time. Call myself or Social Director Alyce Fletcher to learn more. Also, I will no longer be able to run the rummage sale. This has been a fundraising event here at Norden 2 for 16 years. If you would be willing to take on that task please let me know.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our meetings. It's a good way to get acquainted with your fellow lodge members.

Iona

President's Message

This is my last message as your president of Norden 2. I Thank each of you for allowing me to serve in that capacity. In anticipating the challenge, with advisors, there were several objectives set for the year.

1. Membership. A goal was set to gain 40 new members. We exceeded the goal as we obtained 48 new members or an increase of 12.00%.

2. To have a complete set of officers. This was accomplished. We also added two assistants to the social director, and assistant cultural director.

3. Increase attendance at the meetings. This was accomplished by having a complimentary meal at the start of the meeting followed by Norwegian language lessons. It was also an objective to have a cultural program at each meeting, and this was done. The net result was a substantial increase of members attending the meetings.

It was my objective to make our meetings more enjoyable, and I hope this was accomplished with a little humor tossed in for good measure.

Was pleased we had a successful summer picnic with the daughters of Norway, along with a joint rummage sale with the Danish Brotherhood.

I am certain we can all agree our social programs have been a great hit with well over 100 attending most of our socials.

The computer/library remodel work has been completed and now the lessons start. What a great project.

There were several other notable projects such as the food box, T-shirts, two rummage sales, refinished the lodge floor, a new \$6,000 cooler, and the list goes on and on.

The September 11 tragedy was a terrible wakeup call. Our lodge responded with a \$586.00 donation to the victims fund to be handled through the Sons International organization.

I believe this event makes us realize how important it is for each of us to show concern for each other and to lend a kind word or helping hand when needed.

We have elected a fine set of officers for the year 2002. Please help when called on to do so.

Thanks for all your support during the year.

Don

Velkommen til nye medlemmer

Norden 2 would like to extend a warm welcome to each of you and we hope to see you often at our meetings and lodge activities.

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We look forward to meeting you at the next meeting.
Please try to join us.

GOD BEDRING

Gudrun Balstad has moved to an extended care facility.

Fred and Sharon Hjelseth were ill after their cruise. We're happy to see them feeling better.

Shirley Haukeli had surgery recently and is at home recovering.

Mildred Baker is ill at home.

Herb Daun's wife Muriel has been ill

Norden 2 lost long time member **Bill Maloney** on December 13, 2001. Our condolences to his family, he will be missed.

The Lodge sends its best wishes to each of these members, as well as to any we haven't heard about. Call Frances Lingwall at (253) 531-5023 when you know of a member who is ill, injured or hospitalized.



SCHOLARSHIP

Applications Due March 1st.

By far the largest scholarship available to members of District 2 is the Carl M. Saltveit Scholarship.

This scholarship for \$2500 will be granted to a person who has been accepted at the Oslo International Summer School in Oslo, Norway. It is named for Carl M. Saltveit Sr. to celebrate his contributions to the Norwegian-American community through his affiliation with Greig Lodge #15, Portland, Oregon. Applications for this scholarship are available from your lodge president and should be postmarked by March first, 2002.

District 2 Sports Calendar for 2002

February 2nd- Cross Country Ski Tournament at Trollhaugen. Registration 10:30, Race starts at 11:30
Entry fee: \$7, includes lunch. Pre-register by calling Bill Fosmoe (206) 782-5175 or Erik Ekenes (800) 817-5437

April 6-7 Orienteering Class and Meet at Trollhaugen
Instructional class on Saturday and Meet on Sunday. This will be a unique opportunity to learn more about maps and compasses.

April 20-21 Bowling Tournament. Hosted by Normanna Lodge #3. Held at Glacier Lanes in Everett.

July 27- District Golf Tournament. At Hangman Valley Golf Course in Spokane. Hosted by Tordenskjold Lodge #5

September 21- Horseshoe Tournament. This event is moving from Trollhaugen to Kennewick for 2002, and will be hosted by Sol-Land Lodge #86

CULTURE

Cultural Director Marlene Beggins would like to inform us that at the February 1st meeting Sonya Barrett will talk of her experiences at Norwegian Language Camp. At the March 1st meeting we will be entertained by the Washington Oldtime Fiddlers Contra Dance Band.

From the Editor:

I would like to thank Kathy Fry for her help through this transition. Please inform me of any mistakes or omissions. Newsletter articles for the April edition should be received by March 10th. Any ideas or submissions are welcomed. Thanks

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SOCIALS

February 16th with Lyle Schaefer

Bring your sweetheart to an evening of good food and great entertainment. Alyce Fletcher and the past presidents of Norden 2 will be serving a marvelous dinner of Swiss steak.

March 16th

Put on your green and join us for a corned beef and cabbage dinner. Iona Dhaese and crew will be cooking up a great meal.

Happy Hour begins at 6pm,
Dinner will be served at 7pm
Dancing starts at 8pm.
Cost is \$12

For tickets or further information contact:
Alyce Fletcher at 759-2108

TUSEN TAKK

Pancake Breakfast

Second Sunday of the month 9am to 1pm

Our pancake breakfast continues to be a tremendous success. At the December 'Breakfast with Santa' we served 360 people and Santa visited with 70 children. In January we served 320 and made \$1187.00 for the lodge.

We would like to thank all of those who have volunteered their time to make this event enjoyable for all.

Those working at the January breakfast included: Shirley Haukeli, Liv Engen, Ingvar & Alma Drage, Lori & Jeff Fudge, Kate & Melissa Anderson, Ron, Wendy & Bree Beckerdite, Lloyd & Audrey Kvernvik, Sissell Barrett, Tom & Nancy Heavey, Greg Dallum, Harvey Johnson, Dick Olson, Dennis Flannigan, Alyce Fletcher, Shawn Lowe, Elinor Bystrom, Karen Feroy, Russ Gunderson, Marge Kunschak, Janet Smith, Ted Dahl, Herb & Muriel Daun, Don Lindgren, Bob & Lu Bergum and Joe Murray. (I hope no one has been left out)

Cost is \$5. for adults.

If you would like to come down and help out please give Iona a call at 845-5446. We have a lot of fun.