



# NORDEN NEWS

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SONS OF NORWAY

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## FRA PRESIDENTEN

Greetings on the beginning of a new year!

As we begin a new year, I first want to thank all of you for your confidence and my election to a second term as your President of Norden Lodge #2 for 2006; it is an honor and privilege to be the President of such a fine group of individuals. I also want to thank all the executive and support officers who have been installed for 2006, many of which are also in their second term. Without these officers our lodge would be hard pressed to continue in the support of the members.

The past year has been challenging but also productive-, our business meetings, breakfasts and socials were well attended. We had a music concert by Valle high school students from Norway, we were Sponsors for and volunteered at "Tall Ships Tacoma", and received recognition for our member retention.

During 2006 we have several things in the planning stage that need all of your support. Major renovation of Normanna Hall, April rummage sale, recognition of Henrik Ibsen on the 1 100th year of his death, District 2 convention in Lynnwood, WA and International convention in Vancouver, BC. This is just an overview of 2006; as new items come up you all will be informed.

The 03 December 2005 Julebord was great, & I want to thank all the volunteers & caterer Shirley Haukeli & her crew for all their help. Awards recognizing Norden Lodge #2 Man & Woman of the year were given to Donald E. Anderson & Iona R. Dhaese for their exemplary service in 2005. Also Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Secretary, Joann L. Thompsen; Queen, Laura J. Anderson; Treasurer, Mariann M. Fletcher; Cultural Director, Earl O. Mikkelson; Justin M. Towne,- Social Director, Alyce V. Fletcher', Librarian, Alice E. Stephenson; Sports Director, Robert W. Stephenson-, and Vice President, Donald A. Barrett for all their hard work in keeping our lodge smooth running and all members well informed.

Upcoming is our "Don Lindgren Memorial Crab Feed" on Saturday, 21 January 2006, This very popular event has been sold out since the first part of January and 240 very happy people will be able to enjoy the food, friendship of others & the never ending raffle prizes.

Until next we meet, Ha det bra,  
Cliff Magnussen, President



*Donald E. Anderson and Iona R. Dhaese awarded Man and Woman of the year for 2005 by Cliff Magnussen*

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The scholarship fund was established to raise funds for scholarships for young adults with connections to our lodge. The concept was to invest the funds and use only the interest earned for scholarship money. Our original goal: to raise \$45,000 in three years - by March of this year. NOW THE GOOD NEWS:

We now have (as of Jan. 7) reached our goal and have \$45,000 in the Scholarship Fund! invested at the Sons of Norway International. Norden 2's members and friends are to be congratulated for their generous contributions to

the project and for a substantial anonymous gift!  
Tusan takk til alle! Thanks so much!  
If you have any questions, please call

Don Anderson, chairman, 253-759-5028

## LET'S SAVE SOME MONEY

Would you like to help the lodge save money? Mailing out a 'paper' newsletter is becoming increasingly expensive. Every month the Norden News is posted online before it goes to, the postoffice. We are currently compiling a list of members who may prefer to receive this publication via e-mail. If you wish to participate, send your email address to [norden2@comcast.net](mailto:norden2@comcast.net) and we will send you the next newsletter when it is available.

## SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

This is the time of year to start thinking about, and applying for, the many scholarships available to our members' children and grandchildren. Below is a very brief run-down of scholarships available from Norden 2 lodge, Sons District 2 organization and Sons International organization.

Scholarships are a wonderful benefit resulting from membership in the Sons of Norway. For further information, please contact either Don Anderson at 253-759-5028 or Vince Williams at 253-572-2621.

Scholarship application deadlines are strictly adhered to for application acceptance. The scholarships available are:

### NORDEN 2:

**CAMPER SCHOLARSHIPS** *Deadline March 1st.* Awarded at April meeting.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ADVANCED STUDIES BEYOND**

**K-12** These are awarded by Norden 2 to children and grandchildren of active lodge members. Last year our lodge gave out four scholarships and is prepared to do so again. Applications are available at this time from the committee. *Deadline for consideration is May 1st.*

### DISTRICT 2:

**CARL M. SALTVEIT SCHOLARSHIP** \$2500 for the applicant to attend the Oslo International Summer School at the University of Oslo. *Application must be postmarked no later than March first.* Forms are available at this time. Several years ago one of our members attended the ISS and found it both educational and enjoyable.

**SOPHIE/OLSEN SCHOLARSHIP** This scholarship is available for attending one of our three District 2 youth camps: Trollhaugen in WA; Camp Niclaros at Seaside, OR; and Camp Normanna at Arlington, WA. The recipient must first be accepted at one of the youth camps to receive this scholarship. *Application deadline is April 10.*

**DRAXTEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** To be eligible, campers must have applied for and been accepted to the camp of their choice, and have been awarded a camp scholarship from their local lodge. *Application deadline is April 30.*

**SONS INTERNATIONAL:** All qualifying information, and application procedures and forms are updated by November 1 each year and can be found in the Foundation section of the Sons of Norway web site ([www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation](http://www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation)). The lodge foundation director or secretary should also have copies of the materials available for distribution.

### **OLAV V NORWEGIAN-AMERICAN**

### **OSLO INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL**

### **ASTRID CATES/MYRTLE BEINHAUER**

### **TRONVOLD FOLK HIGH SCHOOL**

*Deadline for the above four scholarships is March 1, 2006*

### **NANCY LORRAINE JENSEN MEMORIAL**

*Deadline is April 1, 2006.*

## GOD BEDRING/SUNSHINE REPORT

If you know of anyone who is sick, in a nursing home, hospital or just needs some cheering up, please let one of us know, so that we might follow up right away. If there are any restrictions, such as allergies, or in a place not allowing flowers, etc, please let us know when you call. Thanks so much for helping us to remember our brothers & sisters and take care of our Norwegian family!!!

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Joann Thompson 253-564-4564 or [j\\_thompson@yahoo.com](mailto:j_thompson@yahoo.com)

Cards were sent to the following members:

L. Karen Aanes  
Carolyn Hafterson  
Diane Nelson  
Fred Tobiason  
Tom Harris  
Karen Dahl

Dave Ellestand (his mother-in-law passed away)

Don Barrett (his brother passed away)

Virgil Loken (his wife passed away)

We are saddened to announce the recent loss of the following members.

L. Karen Aanes  
Helen Fosen

**We wish to extend our sincere  
condolences to their families during this  
difficult time.**

### ADOPT A SCHOOL PROGRAM

Do you like to read to kids? Do you enjoy visiting with your grandkids but don't get a chance as often as you'd like? Here's your chance to indulge yourself in these activities at your local school (maybe not your grandkids', but someone's!) Sons of Norway International has initiated an "Adopt a School" program that gives you that opportunity. If you can spend an hour a day, week, or more, the schools would like to have your help. And the kids are always happy to have a grandparent or other grownup in the classroom. Just stop by your neighborhood school and tell them what you would like to do and they'll get you started.

You will have to be "approved" (school district's rules -it's for the safety of our children) - Some of dozens of ways you can help out include: helping on the playgrounds or in the school office, walking students to school or home, helping in classroom at the teacher's direction, helping with special projects inside or outside. Be sure to attend our 7:30 pm February 3 Norden 2 meeting. We are very fortunate to have a member who has volunteered at one Tacoma school for 17+ years. Questions? Ask her! Phyllis Melton, Adopt a School Chair 253-564-8636

## TUBFRIM

Tubfrim is an humanitarian organization owned by the Norwegian Health Association. The organization collects, sorts, repackages and sells used stamps to wholesalers and philatelists (stamp collectors) world wide and uses the profits to provide care and aid to handicapped children in Norway.

All kinds of stamps are used. Stamps can be cut off with a 1/2" border of paper around them so as not to damage the stamps, unless the items are more than 50 yrs old. **If items are more than 50 yrs old, do not cut off the stamps, but keep items intact.** Also accepted are: stamp collections; old envelopes and postcards (**if more than 50 yrs old, do not cut off stamps, keep items intact**); used ink cartridges; and used telephone cards.

If you are willing to contribute to our Stamps for Sons of Norway stamp project to support Tubfrim, please give your items to Grace Bredeson at our lodge meetings, leave them in the Tubfrim collection box on the table outside the meeting hall, or mail items to her at:

Grace Bredeson  
1826 S. Highland St.  
Tacoma, WA 98465  
253-564-8960

Thank you.

## SOCIAL CORNER:

The November Breakfast was a hit. We had 350 diners. We also had a GREAT crew for this event. Keep up the great work. I can only say THANKS for all the help you have given Don Barrett and me.

The Thanksgiving social was chaired by Iona Dhaese. We had a great dinner and the music was by Gary and Diane. If any of you missed this event, we hope to see you next year.

Julebord - This was a wonderful event for the end of the year. Mange Takk to Shirley Haukell and her crew for the wonderful buffet, Iona Dhaese who chaired the cookies committee ' and Mariann Fletcher for making the Kransekake, (I hope someone enjoyed the large plate that was left over as it was NOT for the event). My committee this year was Liv Engen, Fred & Sharon H elseth, Jim & Erna Lowe, Thor & Karen Aanes, and Cliff Magnussen. This crew helped set up for the dinner and dance and take down. Thanks also to Joann Thompsen, Mariann Fletcher, & Cliff Magnussen, who helped Steven & Michael Fletcher and myself wash, wipe, & put away. This is a very large undertaking, but it looked very nice & I cannot thank all who pitched in and helped. I hope all who attended enjoyed themselves and will be back next year.

Santa Claus (Dennis Dhaese) and Ms. Claus (JanetSmith) were a hit as usual. Janice & Gary Yost were taking pictures and money. At our December Breakfast we served 351 plus about 69 children. PLEASE, ALL OF YOU WHO WORKED ANY BREAKFAST EVENT IN 2005 PAT YOURSELF ON THE BACK!!! Mange Takk!!

Alyce Fletcher, Social Director

## A VISIT TO KIRKENES Sally Barrett (part one)

On December 19, I had the wonderful pleasure of visiting one of Norway's most northeastern cities, Kirkenes, once inhabited by Laplanders and reindeer. Currently working as an English language teacher trainer in beautiful St. Peersburg, my job brought me to urmansk. Knowing that Muriansk borders Norway, my mother's birthplace, I extended my trip an extra day to see the edge of the world for Norway too.

From Murmansk I took a five hour bus trip to Kirkenes. The journey was through quiet, snow-filled forests. I did not notice any buildings or signs of life but then again I didn't see the sun either, this time of year the sun never makes it above the horizon this far north -especially on practically the shortest day of the year. At Norway's border control I saw a sign that read, "The Kingdom of Norway".



*Norway border control*

## GRATULERER OG GOD JUL

Karen Gimse won the wonderful Norwegian sweater donated by Jannicke Tvedt of Seattle and raffled off at the Santa Breakfast.



*Autumn drew the winning name*

## SPORTS CORNER

Greetings from your Sports Director, Having enjoyed the holiday season, it is time to think about skiing and winter sports. This year we are blessed with a good snow pack in the mountains. To enjoy winter sports and general camaraderie of fellow lodge members, Cascade Lodge #87 is hosting a cross-country ski tournament at Trollhaugen on 2/6/06. Event contact person is Donald Post 425-957-7692. Depending on snow levels, you might need to call the lodge for transportation.

### **Schedule of events** (approx. times) is:

9:00-9:30am Registration at lodge, \$7/person

12:00-1:00 Races start

2:00-3:00pm Awards ceremony

Pea soup and rolls available. You should, however, bring your own lunch. If planning to overnight at the lodge, you need to call the lodge at 509-656-9997 for reservations. Bring your own bedding, pillows, toilet articles, a towel and washcloth, & food and snacks. Pay the manager for lodging (includes kitchen use).  
*Robert W. Stephenson, Sports Director*

## **MEMBER ADDRESS UPDATE**

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Tacoma, WA 98407  
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## **COMMUNITY AND FRATERNAL ACTIVITIES** **TRACKING PROCESS**

Please note that volunteer hours will need to be turned in to Joann Thompsen on a monthly basis going forward. Name, event length in hrs and total travel time should be recorded on the appropriate forms available from Joann. Thank you!

If you miss her at meetings or events, mail or email your hours to her at:

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215 Alameda Ave., Fircrest, WA 98466  
j\_thompsen@yahoo.com

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### *A Little in English...*

#### **Norway Gets a New Prince**

Saturday December 3rd at 10:45 AM Norway got a new prince. Crown Princess Mette-Marit gave birth to a son, and all was well with mother and child. Little Sverre Magnus is number three in the line of succession to the throne after his father Crown Prince Haakon Magnus and his sister Princess Ingrid Alexandra.

King Harald has decided that the new prince will not receive the title "His Royal Highness" and the prince's birthday will not be an official flag day.

"It was surprising...I presume that it was done to emphasize the main line of succession," says historian and royal expert Trond Noren Isaksen.

Noren Isaksen is, however, not surprised by the choice of name, which he had guessed. "Like last time they have followed both mom and dad's line. Mette-Marit's maternal grandfather was named Sverre," he says.

Crown Prince Haakon has already announced that he will take paternity leave in January. The Crown Prince also got leave the last time, but had to step in when his father, King Harald, became ill after some operations.

*from www.tv2.no*

### *Litt på norsk...*

#### **Norge får ny prins**

Lørdag 3. desember klokken 10.45 fikk Norge en ny prins. Kronprinsesse Mette-Marit fødte en sønn, og alt var vel med mor og barn. Lille Sverre Magnus er nummer tre i arverekken til tronen etter sin far kronprins Haakon og sin søster prinsesse Ingrid Alexandra.

Kong Harald har bestemt at den nye prinsen ikke får tittelen Hans Kongelige Høyhet og prinsens fødselsdag blir ikke offisiell flaggdag.

- Det var overraskende...Jeg antar dette er gjort for å markere hovedlinjen, sier historiker og kongeekspert Trond Noren Isaksen.

Noren Isaksen er imidlertid ikke overrasket over navnevalget, som var det han gjettest på. Som forrige gang har de fulgt både mors og fars linje. Mette-Marits morfar het Sverre, forteller han.

Kronprins Haakon har allerede annonsert at han vil ta pappapermisjon ut januar. Kronprinsen hadde også permisjon forrige gang, men steppet inn da far, Kong Harald, ble sykmeldt som følge av sine operasjoner.

*fra www.tv2.no*

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Trollhaugen Lodge.....	590-656-9997

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Sons of Norway, International.....	<a href="http://www.sofn.com">www.sofn.com</a>

## Sons of Norway Insurance:

Regional, Sverre Aasgaarden	800-877-4299
Local- Rose Stevens	800-210-0240

# Sale!

Time again for the Last Annual  
Rummage Sale.

April 7, 8, 9th, 2006  
Normanna Hall

Clean out your garage and bring those  
goodies down to the Hall during the first  
week of April. Call Iona for further infor-  
mation 253-845-5446



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# Mark Your Calanders Annual Schedule

## February

- 3 Business Meeting 7:30pm
- 6 Cross Country Ski Tourn. Trollahugen.  
Contact Donald Post 425-957-7692
- 12 Breakfast 9am to 1pm
- 18 Social-Swiss Steak Music: Dick Myking
- 25 Leadership Workshop.  
Contact Cliff Magnussen
- 27 Board Meeting

## March

- 3 Business Meeting 7:30
- 5 Valle Vidaregaande Skule Concert  
Believers Fellowship Church  
4112 Hunt Street, Gig Harbor. \$5  
Laila Hansen 253-851-5707
- 12 Breakfast 9am to 1pm
- 18 Social-Corned Beef, Music: Lyle Schaefer

## April

- 3 Board Meeting
- 7 Business Meeting 7:30
- 7-9 Rummage Sale, Normanna Hall
- 9 Breakfast 9am to 1pm
- 15 Social
- 21-23 District 2 Bowling Tournamnet  
Tordenskjold Lodge, Spokane

## May

- 1 Board Meeting
- 5 Business Meeting 7:30
- 14 Mothers Day Breakfast (am-1pm)
- 17 Syttended Mai Parade, Ballard
- 29 Board Meeting

## June

- 2 Business Meeting 7:30
- 11 Breakfast

## July

- 4 Fireworks/Picnic (Tom Heavey)

## August

- 5? Steak Fry, Trollhaugen
- 26 Norden 2 Picnic
- 28 Board Meeting

## September

- 1 Business Meeting 7:30
- 10 Breakfast 9am- 1pm
- 16 Social

## October

- To be announced:  
Lutefisk Dinner at Normanna
- 2 Board Meeting
- 6 Business Meeting
- 30 Board Meeting

## November

- 3 Business meeting 7:30
- 18 Social- Turkey Dinner
- 27 Board Meeting

## December

- 1 Business Meeting 7:30
- 2 Julebord
- 10 Breakfast with Santa and his mother.



*Ya Sure, you betcha  
c'mon down. Ve haff lots of fun.*

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## Sweetheart Ball February 18th

Bring your sweetie on down to Normanna and enjoy a dinner hosted by our Past Presidents. Mariann Fletcher will be cooking a great swiss steak dinner.

**Music By Dick Myking**



## Corned Beef Dinner March 18th

Iona and her team of leprechauns will be serving up a fantastic meal of Corned Beef and Cabbage.

Music by:  
Lyle  
Schaefer



Happy Hour 6pm,  
Dinner 7pm  
Dancing starts at 8pm.

\$14

**For further information:  
Contact Alyce Fletcher at (253) 759-2108**