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**VALHALL
LODGE**

Meetings
at the
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Lutefisk Dinner &
Lille Butikken
Nov. 21, 2015

Next Lodge Meeting
Mon Dec.7, 2015
7:00 pm

Newsletter Deadline:
Nov. 23, 2015

President's Message

Here is some very important news for all members of Valhall Lodge. Back in July, at the Board Meeting, the next year's schedule was discussed at length. I had been told that the Manager of the Masonic Lodge wanted to know what our schedule would be for next year, and after deciding at that meeting what would be done, I spoke with Tim, the manager, who did not speak of any problems at that time. Subsequently, Rick Hausvik and I met with Tim to discuss the lease for the upcoming year. It was at that meeting that I found out that the Masons had already booked events for several of the weekends that we wanted. I was told at that time that Tim was going by the schedule that we had followed for this year to book for next year. Why he did not tell me this during our phone call after the July Board meeting, I do not know.

As a result, the Board has begun a search for a place where we can hold our meetings and socials. This may facilitate a move as soon as February, 2016. The Board has looked at a couple of venues, and we are seeking any suggestions that the membership might have. Keep in mind that we need storage space in addition to a room in which to hold our meetings and socials. Moving to a different venue will certainly mean the loss of our library, as most places will not be able to accommodate that benefit to our lodge. This has been a very stressful time for the Board, and we welcome any input that you might have.

On a happier note, our Lutefisk dinner is coming up, and I, for one, am very much looking forward to it. I LOVE LUTEFISK! Of course, there will be meatballs, too, lovingly prepared by Helen Seiler and her family. MMM Good!!! So come one, come all to the dinner and the Lille Butikken, too.

We will have a lodge meeting on Monday, December 7, and the Juletrefest on Saturday, December 19, so please mark your calendars, get your reservations in early, and join in the fun.

Vennlig hilsen,

Susan Cody



Valhall Lodge No. 6-025 Sons of Norway
East San Diego Masonic Temple
7849 Tommy Drive, San Diego, CA 92119

ANNUAL LUTEFISK DINNER

Saturday, November 21, 2015

Bar opens at 3:15 PM

Seatings will at 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, and 6:30pm

At each sitting you can all join in singing Lutfisk songs lead by Sven Olsen,
Come have fun and enjoy our once-a-year World Famous Lutfisk Dinner!



MENU

Lutfisk and/or Meatballs
Boiled Potatoes, butter
Vegetables, Limpa Bread
Coffee, Tea and Dessert

Adults \$20 with Pre-reservation (\$24 at the door with no reservation)

Children/Grandchildren of Valhall members 15 and under – FREE

Please specify # of adults, # of children and meatballs, lutefisk or 50/50

MAY PAY AT DOOR BUT PLEASE REGISTER BY Nov. 17, 2015

Call or send reservations to:

Millie Wright

14215 Pecan Park Lane, #5A

El Cajon, CA 92021

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Jo Nesbø's Oslo: Guided tours in the footsteps of Harry Hole

Travelers to Norway's capital have an intriguing new way to get acquainted with the city: guided walking tours that cover the stomping grounds of Harry Hole, Jo Nesbø's most famous character. His ten-part crime novel series, translated into 46 languages, are the most successful Norwegian crime novels of all time.

Following in the gumshoe's footsteps, you'll read about a variety of locales, like the Royal Palace and back-alley "crime scenes." The tour guides, who have received Jo Nesbø's seal of approval, pepper their tour with interesting facts on Oslo's history, and details about the author and his famous character.

Amble down Karl Johans Gate while the guide points out the sites of various crime scenes, as well as the haunts of Nesbø's criminals. You'll see the University of Oslo, National Theater, Hotel Continental, Storting, Egertorget Square and Oslo Courthouse. A quick stop at Nesbø's publisher, Aschehoug Publishing House, provides some background on the books, and then you pick up the trail of Harry Hole again, following him to St. Olavs Square. See Vår Frelzers Gravlund (Cemetery), described in several books, and visit the graves of Edvard Grieg and Henrik Ibsen. Stroll through the Bislett/St. Hanshaugen neighborhoods to Sofies Gate, which Harry Hole calls home. Get a glimpse of old Oslo and eat traditional Norwegian fare at Harry's favorite eatery, Schröder Restaurant, established in 1925.

Nearby you'll find the watering hole here Harry is a regular, the Underwater Pub. On Tuesdays and Thursday evenings, come back for live opera performances. Stop under the balcony of the Royal Palace and hear the history of Norway's Royal family, and a bit of Norway's political background.

Available in Norwegian and English, tours take place Tuesdays at 5 p.m. Meet up location is the lobby of the Best Western Karl Johan Hotell. No registration is necessary and 200 kroner cash is payable directly to the guide for a two-hour walking tour (100 NOK for kids). The tour wraps up at the Summit Bar, on the 21st floor of Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel. Private group tours may be booked separately in German, English, Russian or Norwegian through the Oslo Guidebureau.

You don't need to know any of the Harry Hole novels to enjoy the tour- about half of the content is dedicated to Nesbø's famed anti-hero, and the rest of it highlights Oslo's architecture and famous Norwegians. *Fra SON newsletter files*

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Happy Birthday
 Gratulerer Med Dagen!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Kristine Thraillkill
- 3 Carol Amundson
- 7 Millie Wright
- 8 Ruby Johnson
- 8 Shirley Ellingboe
- 9 Charles Gorder Sr.
- 11 Laurel Tucker Litchfield
- 11 Marc Schaefer
- 12 Carmen Cleary
- 13 Cody Wheeland
- 14 Philip Hinshaw
- 15 Sandra Yeaman
- 15 Rebecca Bourdage
- 15 Frank Burstrom
- 19 Cecilia Wandiga
- 21 Audun J S Davik
- 21 Agnar Eike
- 25 Joyce Olsen
- 27 Laura Wendling



Barnas Klubb
Crafts, Cooking, & Culture
Valhall Lodge Kids Activities at Socials

**Free classes in Rosemaling
 for Valhall members.**

Thursdays at 11:00am to 2:00pm

MEETING AT CARMEN'S.FOR NOW.

2nd and 4th Thursday of each month 11:30 til 2:00, except November and Christmas.

Contact Instructor Carmen Cleary by phone at 619- 922-6071 or email carmencleary@gmail.com for more information.

Congratulations to Susan Cody

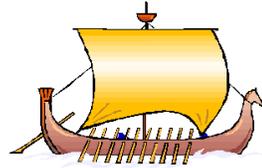
Our president Susan Cody has just finished earning a Masters Degree in Health



**Sons of Norway
 Mission Statement**

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and to preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

LOV NOTES



October 2015

Next Meeting: November 7, 2015 at 9:00am. Denny's Restaurant in Fletcher Hills

Hostesses: Arlene LaBree and Millie Wright

Halloween arrived early for the ladies this month. Our hostesses supplied surprise Halloween gift bags and candy treats for the lucky seven names drawing at the close of our meeting. The first thing on the October agenda was to present Linda Rawlinson with a LOV pin making her an official member of the group. Joyce Oen reported for the nominating committee that our current officers will be voted on in November to continue leading our group through 2016.

Joyce Oen and Myla Coleman volunteered to chair the Lillie Butikken Committee. Susan Cody will organize a lefse making date. In the past Susan had a large group of Valhall members come and experience this fun activity. Gjetost cheese and calendars will also be available to buy at the November 21st Social. The signup sheet to make cookies is on its way to be filled. We are happy to accept the donation of Norwegian and other items in good shape to be sold at our Lillie Butikken fund raiser. Please contact Joyce Oen (858 217 6229) or Dale Roybal (858 278 7521) to make arrangements to have the items picked up before our planned day of pricing donations.

Ragnhild Amble introduced, her friend, Ase Bence from Carlsbad who has created an incredible collection of American Doll knitted and crocheted patterns. She has developed over one-hundred designs including some ethnic patterns, one of which is a Norwegian bunad. For those of us who do not knit, we were happy to discover that she also sells finished garments. She grew up in Arndal Norway and has been knitting since the age of five. Ase's website is www.knittingfordolls.com and sales@knittingordolls.com

In November our group is looking forward to seeing Thelma Johannesen's latest quilted creations. She always has us spell bound with her work that has been in several local quilt shows.

Dale Roybal, LOV President



*Dale Roybal, 2015
LOV President*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



November 21

Plan to holiday shop at the



Ladies of Valhall

Annual Lille Butikken

Norwegian-inspired gift items,
food items such as

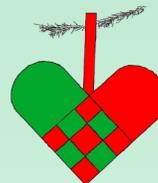
Gjetost

Lefse

Julekake

Norwegian Christmas Cookies,
And more will be available.

**3:30—7:00 on the day of the
Lutefisk Dinner
Stays open through
dinner and after.**





Minutes of the Valhall Lodge Meeting

Monday, October 5th, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: President Susan Cody called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM

DRAPED IN HONOR: The Charter was draped in honor of Helen Sorensen. Our deepest sympathies are extended to her family. Susan Cody read a brief obituary, services were held on April 3.

CORRESPONDENCE: Janet Weber read a postcard from Solskinn Lodge, inviting Valhall Lodge to their 25th Anniversary celebration on October 17, 2015 .

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the June Lodge Meeting were accepted as printed in the August Valhall Viking, Number 6. The July, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes were accepted with the correction that they were incorrectly titled Lodge Meeting Minutes in the Valhall Viking September 2015, Number 7.

COMMITTEE and DIRECTOR REPORTS:
Membership: Aprell Bigler reported that John Grisholm has joined online and she will be following up with him.

Social Director: Judy Sawyer was absent, Susan Cody reported about upcoming socials, Lutefisk Dinner and Lille Buttiken on November 21, and Christmas potluck on December 19.

Cultural: Susan Cody reported for Sven Olsen, as he is home caring for Joyce who is recovering from a recent accident. She hopes he is submitting a photo to the Viking magazine.

Editor: Arlene La Bree was absent, Susan reminded members to submit articles to her by the newsletter deadline.

Website: Steve Rawlinson will add an announcement page to the website.

Sports Director: Ellen Spitzer reported that she had many medals for Erling Nyhammer, but since he was not at the meeting, she will present them another time.

Financial Officer Reports: Aprell Bigler reported both the Treasurer's and financial reports as Millie Wright was unable to attend the meeting.

President's Report: (1) Susan Cody reminded us that the Krettstevne deadline is approaching. She and Rick plan to be there and hope others will come too. (2) Susan Cody reported that the Valhall schedule for 2015 may need modifications due to Lodge scheduling conflicts. She will be meeting with building manager Tim to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS:
Susan Cody reported that she received information from the Colorado lodge about a folk art competition to be held at the upcoming convention.

NEW BUSINESS:
1) Rick Hausvik reported that Vinland Lodge will be celebrating their 20th Anniversary at the Glen Oaks Clubhouse. He plans to attend this event.

2) A motion was made by Rick Hausvik to send a \$25 anniversary gift to both Vinland and Solshinn Lodges. Aprell Bigler seconded this motion. There was no further discussion and the motion was passed.

2) Rick Hausvik reported that we will need to decide if we wish to place an ad in the program for the District Convention which will be held in Loveland, CO. He will have more infor-

mation soon and this will need to be voted on.

AWARDS:
President Susan Cody presented the following awards:
-40 year pin to Raymond Johnsen
-10 year membership pin to both Mary and Philip Henshaw
She thanked them for their long and loyal service to Valhall Lodge.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:
1) Susan Cody reminded us that she will be performing at the Cabaret Showcase on October 20. Tickets are \$15 and more information is available on the website. It is a really fun show!

2) Susan Cody told us that she completed her Master's degree in Nursing. Congratulations Susan!

ADJOURNMENT: The next board meeting is October 21. The next social is November 21. The next lodge meeting is December 7.

There were 19 members present and the lodge meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM .

Respectfully submitted by:
Janet Weber
Secretary
Valhall Lodge #6-25

Minutes of the October 5, 2015 Corporation Board Meeting of Valhall Sons of Norway, Inc.

The regular October meeting of Valhall Sons of Norway Inc. Board was held prior to the October meeting of Valhall lodge No 6-025. It was called to order by President Allen Johannesen at 6:25pm.

Present: President: Allen Johannesen, Vice President: Sigurd Stautland,
Treasurer: Rick Hausvik, Secretary: Aprell Bigler, and Directors Susan Cody, Don Balmer and Andreas Ueland.
There were no absences.

The minutes of the regular board meeting held on April 6, 2015 were read and approved.

The "First Quarter and Second Quarter of 2015" treasurer report was reviewed and discussed. It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the treasurer report.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- 1). The required Statement of Information (SI) is due by November 30, 2015. The secretary will complete the Statement of Information. The SI is required every two years. The next filing will be in 2017.
- 2). Rick Hausvik and Susan Cody met with Tim, Manager of the East Masonic Lodge, on October 5, 2015 at 5:30pm to discuss Valhall Lodge's lease. The lease negotiations are ongoing at this time.

Good of the Order: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.

The next regular meeting of the Valhall Sons of Norway Inc. Board will be determined at a later date. The board will be notified via email when the next corporation meeting is scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,

Aprell Bigler, Secretary



Susan Cody presenting membership certificate and pin to Raymond Johnson at the October 5th Lodge Meeting. Congratulation!



Philip Hinshaw, Susan Cody and Mary Hinshaw at the October Lodge meeting where Susan presented the Hin-



IN MEMORY

HELEN J. SORENSEN

It is with great sadness that I share with you the passing of J Helen Sorensen. She was 91 years old. Helen was a long and faithful member of Valhall Lodge having joined in March of 1991. Helen will be greatly missed by all her Valhall friends. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Sorensen Family.

There is no obituary to share at this time.

*In Recognition
of
Forty Years of Membership,*

*Sons of Norway awards a Certificate
of Appreciation and Pin
to the following member for her long
and faithful service:*

*Forty Years of Membership
Jean Shogren*

*Congratulations to you!
Valhall Lodge 6-025 ~ Sons of Norway*

*In Recognition
of
Ten Years of Membership,*

*Sons of Norway awards a Certificate
of Appreciation and Pin
to the following members for their
long and faithful service:*

*Ten Years of Membership
Amelia Seeto-Murguia
Charles Gorder Sr. R
hona Gorder*

*Congratulations to you!
Valhall Lodge 6-025 ~ Sons of Norway*

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*In Recognition
of
Thirty Years of Membership,*

*Sons of Norway awards a Certificate
of Appreciation and Pin
to the following member for her long
and faithful service:*

*Thirty Years of Membership
Kristine Olsen-Thraillkill*

*Congratulations to you!
Valhall Lodge 6-025 ~ Sons of Norway*



It's that time



Time for Lefse lesson



It is time once again to have a lefse lesson....**Saturday, November 14, 9:00 am.** Please bring a small amount of riced potatoes (about 4-6 russet potatoes) that have been combined with seasonings and fat (butter, lard, shortening, etc.) **WITHOUT THE FLOUR.** Also bring any lefse tools that you have, griddle, stick, rolling pin, etc.

Because there was so much interest in this class two years ago, I am limiting the class to 10 students. A second class at 11:00 that morning will be added if there are more folks wishing to attend.

Please call Susan at 619-303-5220, or email at happychef5@cox.net to sign up for the class as soon as possible. All lefse made will be sold at the Lille Butikken on November 21.

Knitting

The knitting process is simply pulling loops through loops through loops with needles.

Well yes, it is much more complex than that, but it can ultimately become a relaxing activity on those long winter days inside. In Norway it is extremely common to get together in knitting groups and share new styles or techniques while enjoying friendly conversation.

The knit style in Norway is very unique. Most people can point out a Norwegian sweater from afar and even recognize a nice pair of homemade mittens.

Learn to knit (<http://tinyurl.com/9w4pe6b>) by starting with the basics. All you need are two knitting needles and your choice of yarn. Be patient and remember that once you get the hang of it, it's a great way to pass the time on those cozy winter days inside.

If people are going to be coming to the house for knitting groups, it's important to provide them with some baked goodies. Norway's pepper cookie is popular around Christmas time and is also quite easy to make. Add the pepperkaker (<http://tinyurl.com/8q9ucb5>) recipe to your list for winter baking days. Make a strong pot of coffee and you are ready to enjoy. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/9j7ug8c> for a few other signature Norwegian dessert recipes to tackle during the holiday season.

Take advantage of Sons of Norway's Cultural Skills program this winter – check out the Traditional Norwegian Cooking and Knitting units on the Sons of Norway website.



LOV Those Doll Clothes!



Ase Benche with some of the knitted doll dresses she brought to the October LOV meeting.

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Know a Prospective member?

Introduce them to our lodge's website at <http://www.lodgeofvalhall.com>.

The following information is easily found on our lodge's web site:

- Lodge Hall Location
- Schedule of meetings, socials, and other activities
- Link to the lodge's Facebook page
- Information up-to-date and well maintained.
- The latest Valhall Viking newsletter.
- The web site shows events, including pictures, of our active lodge.

Libraries changing, but not in Crisis

Public library use is in decline. So are the number of check-outs. But this isn't a crisis for public libraries, say researchers. Today [August 28th] is Norway's first national Library Day. The Norwegian Library Association wants to remind us of our libraries. It may be necessary. New figures from Statistics Norway (SSB) show that the use of public libraries is clearly down. Only 40 percent of Norwegians have visited a public library during the past year. This is a decrease of about 10 percent since 2005. While the youngest and the oldest use the library less as before, the decline particularly pronounced in the age group 16 to 44 years.

A new cultural center? More people are using the library's online services, SSB statistics show. A third of those surveyed stated that they've visited exhibitions at public libraries last year, while one in four have attended meetings, performances, courses, debates and similar things organized by the library. This is especially true for those over 45. "Although use has declined, there is no other cultural institution with nearly as much public use as libraries," says Professor Svanhild Aabø at Oslo and Akershus University College. A study she conducted on three Oslo libraries revealed that the majority of users do not borrow anything. They use libraries in other ways. Where everyone meets Aabø's research has shown that the library is a place where people of all ages and all cultures meet and thrive. Most other cultural arenas are segregated. If you go to the theater, you mostly meet gray-haired people of a certain echelon. At the library you can meet the fancy lady in the mink coat and the young girl with piercings and purple hair, she believes.

"People feel that the library belongs to them." Asylum seekers also see the library as a place they have a right to be, says Aabø. She believes that the library can also support people who are becoming marginalized. Library creates confidence Andreas Vårheim, a professor in the Department for Culture and Literature at the University of Tromsø, has done studies on refugee and immigrant experiences at public libraries in Norway and the USA.

The Tromsø library is a very important meeting place for participants in the introductory program for refugees. Help with homework and the reading group for women are key initiatives. "We found that the library made the refugees feel safe. Confidence in the library and other library users was high. Former participants in the introductory program continue to use the library as a meeting place." "This could be the gateway for increased trust in others in Norwegian society, neighbors and people they meet on the street," Vårheim believes.

Norway Celebrates Father's Day

The second Sunday in November is Father's Day, November 9th. It is tradition to do a little extra for your father, maybe make him breakfast in bed or give him a Father's Day card. But what do you write on the card. To father? Or papa?

"Loved children have many names" or "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet" (Romeo & Juliet), as some say, but parents can be called a bit of everything. What do you usually call your parents?

The University of Oslo has a large college of dialect speech recordings of men and women, young and old, from all over the country. In this collection, linguist Ruth Vatvedt Fjeld made some interesting discoveries. She found that in the oldest voice recordings, from 1951 to 1984, it was clear that most said 'mother' and 'father'. But this has changed.

In the newer voice recordings, from 1998-2012, 'mama' and 'papa' are much more common. An explanation for why 'mama' and 'papa' outperform 'mother' and 'father' can be that we are influenced by other countries. In Sweden, mama and papa have been much more common than mother and father, and the vast majority of Americans say 'mommy' and 'daddy' or 'mom' and 'dad' instead of 'mother' and 'father'.

When it comes to Father's Day, Norway has also been influenced by Americans. Father's Day was first celebrated in the USA in 1909. Norway began to first celebrate after World War II, when in that time period it was still common to say 'father'. So it is no wonder the day was called Father's Day. Imagine if we had started the tradition now. Would we possibly be calling it Papa's Day?



International Architecture Competition Underway for New Viking Museum

In September Norway's Minister of Education and Research, Torbjørn Røe Isaksen, officially announced the opening of an architectural competition for a new Viking Age Museum at Bygdøy in Oslo.

A companion to the Museum of Cultural History, which is part of the University of Oslo, the current Viking Ship Museum in Bygdøy is a tourist destination boasting a rich collection of Viking Age artifacts including the Tune, Oseberg and Gokstad ships. Fittingly, the current building was also the product of an architectural competition, won by prominent Norwegian architect, Arnstein Arneberg in 1913.

Due to a lack of sufficient space as well as the need for structural upgrades, the Norwegian government began evaluating how best to expand and preserve the current building at Bygdøy and consolidate collections from the Viking Ship Museum as well as the Museum of Cultural History in 2013. With the creation of a new Viking Age Museum, the Norwegian government hopes to create a globally leading center for the dissemination of knowledge about the Viking Age and ensure future generation's access to it.

The Ministry of Education and Research has tasked Statsbygg (the Directorate of Public Construction and Property Management) with management of the architectural competition to create the new facility and a winner will be selected in March of 2016. Architectural submissions must take into account several requirements that include:

- Finding solutions that secure and preserve the Viking collection for future generations in a professional manner, while also creating good conditions for display to the public.
- Ensuring architectural quality and expressions that reflect the importance of the building.
- Finding good environmental solutions that facilitate and minimize the museum facility's overall environmental footprint.
- Finding solutions that combine the old and the new building in an appropriate way.

Set to comprise roughly 13,000 square meters, the entire facility will be nearly three times larger than the current museum at Bygdøy upon completion in autumn of 2017.

From SON newsletter files



IN MEMORY

Jostein Ottesen

It is with great sadness that I share with you the passing of Jostein Ottesen. Jostein passed away peacefully in his sleep on Sunday morning, October 18th. He was 75 years old. Jostein was a long and faithful member of Sons of Norway having joined in 1990. This month Jostein was to be awarded his Sons of Norway twenty-five year membership pin. Jostein and his wife, Else, both were members of Bergen Lodge in Norway until 2010 when they both joined Valhall Lodge. Jostein will be greatly missed by all his Valhall friends. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Else for the loss of her husband and to all the Ottesen family.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Jostein on November 7th at 2:00PM at the home of Else Sjostrand Ottesen. The address is 1976 Harton Road, San Diego, CA 92123. There will be no obituary.

Per Oskar Larsen

Per Oskar Larsen passed away on May 17, 2015. He had suffered with heart problems for a long time. Per and his wife Martha were members of Valhall Lodge since 1992. They enjoyed attending the special lodge dinners and programs.

Per and Martha immigrated to USA from Kongsberg, Norway in 1995. Per had 5 uncles and several cousins in the US and could have certainly moved in with any of them, but for some reason they chose San Diego, and the Norwegian/American gang here is so happy that we got to know them.

Per worked several years for Solar here in San Diego. He was a super good soccer player and played on the German team here in San Diego. Per will be greatly missed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Martha, who is planning to move to Norway, where she has sisters and other relatives. We will miss you, Martha but hope everything turns out well for you!

Norwegian Heritage in Wine Country

By Pamela Stutrud Groth, Freya Lodge

As Dorothy Gale so aptly stated in *The Wizard of Oz*, “When you are searching for your heart’s desire, perhaps you don’t have to look further than your own back yard.” I was lucky enough to witness the bautastein unveiling at the Tulocay Cemetery in Napa, California in May of 2004.

Earlier that year I had attended a presentation done by Keith Wheeler of Fram Lodge 6-13 about a project he’d been working on involving bringing a stone from the farm where his great-grandfather had been born in Norway. It was Keith’s plan to bring the stone to America to replace his great-grandparents’ current head stone with a traditional Viking bautastein used during pagan days.

His great-grandparents (Jacob Anderson Slogvig and Serena Tormodsatter Madland) had left Norway and had sailed on a small 54’ sloop *Restauration* that had become known as the Norwegian Mayflower. It was the first organized group of immigrants to leave Norway for America. They had sailed the Atlantic with a group of 52 people who left Stavanger, Norway in 1825. The group on board became known as the sloopers. They landed in New York where the captain and cargo were promptly taken under arrest for breaking a law he was unaware of but eventually received a presidential pardon. The law had to do with the limitations of how many passengers one could carry on board. This proved to be just a bump in the road and the majority of the group had already moved on and settled in Orleans County New York, which was the first Norwegian settlement since Leif Eriksson 1,000 years before.

Jacob and Serena were married in upstate New York and took the Americanized surname of Anderson. They kept moving west, having settled for a time in Illinois and then Iowa but eventually went even farther west to settle in Soscol in Northern California. Soscol was then a small community south of Napa and today what remains is only Soscol Boulevard. Jacob had developed a farm there and died ten years

later. Serena turned the home into a boarding house. The building still exists and now is occupied by Villa Romano, an Italian restaurant. Jacob and Serena Anderson came farther west than any of the other passengers on the sloop they crossed the Atlantic Ocean with.



The stone was shipped from Norway and carved by Ira Kessey in Turlock, California. He carved a likeness of the *Restauration* on the stone. It now stands over the burial site of Jacob and Serena Anderson. Several Sons of Norway Lodges from the San Francisco Bay Area and a delegation of slooper relatives from Norway attended this event. We met in Fairview Park across the street from Tulocay Cemetery. We had a beautiful procession lead by a contingent of color guard, danciers, musicians, and guests from the park through the cemetery for the unveiling. The story of the ship and the stone were told and at last the bautastein was unveiled to honor the Andersons and their incredible contribution to Norwegian immigration to America.



Swedish Glögg

Recipe by Chef Marcus Samuelsson
Adapted from foodandwine.com, serves 10

Ingredients

- 4 cinnamon sticks
- 2 tsp green cardamom pods
- 2-inch peeled fresh ginger, chopped
- 4 tsp finely grated orange zest
- 12 whole cloves
- 1 cup vodka
- 2 750 ml bottles dry white wine
- 2 cups dry rosé
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 tbsp vanilla sugar
- ½ cup blanched whole almonds
- ½ cup raisins

Instructions

Use a mortar to crush cinnamon and cardamom. Pour into a quart jar and add ginger, orange zest, cloves and vodka. Cover and set aside for 24 hours. Strain vodka, discarding the solids, into a large saucepan. Add white wine, rosé, sugars, almonds and raisins to pan and stir over moderate heat. Heat until bubbles form around edges but do not boil. Serve hot.

For a more traditional glogg recipe made with red wine, visit the recipe box at sonsdofnorway.com

Social Committees & Events

November 21 Lutefisk Dinner

Don Balmer	Sig & Tam Stautland
Collette Burgess	Mary Conklin (krumkaker)
Douglas Swensen	Karina Maloney
Dean Seiler	
Maury, Graciela, & Erica Lee	

December 7 Lodge Meeting—Elections

December 19 Juletre Fest (party & potluck)

Chair: Ellen Spitzer	Kaitlin Hovland
Helen Andrewson	William & Mary Stedham
Kim & Bob Bardin	Amelia & David Murguia
Aprell & Don Bigler	Cody & Sara Wheeland
Wendy Hovland-Henry	Laura Sutton
Doug & Jerilynn Hovland	

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Calendar of Valhall Events

November

7	Sat	Ladies of Valhall
12	Thu	Rosemaling
21	Sat	LOV Lille Butikken at 3:00 PM
21	Sat	Lutefisk Dinner

December

7	Mon	Lodge Meeting
7	Mon	Corp Meeting
9	Thu	Rosemaling
TBD	Sat	Ladies of Valhall Jul Brunch
19	Sat	Juletefest— Christmas Party and Potluck

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