

# SUNDFJORD SUN

Sundfjord Lodge # 6-065

January 2012

First Place winner at the 2006, 2008 and 2010 District Convention



**Meeting Location:**  
**Rock of the Foothills Church**  
**4630 Wheeler Ave.**  
**La Verne, CA 91750**  
**Second Saturday at 12:00 Noon**



**Kalender**  
(Coming Events)  
2012

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

- JAN**  
16 **Sons of Norway's  
Founder's Day**
- FEB**  
11 **Sundfjord Lodge  
Meeting**
- MAR**  
10 **Sundfjord Lodge  
Meeting**  
13 **SPPC Fundraiser at  
Shaker's Restaurant in  
Glendale**  
17 **Valhall Lodge # 25  
100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
San Diego**
- APR**  
14 **Sundfjord Lodge  
Meeting**
- MAY**  
7-14 **Bunad Class at Camp  
Norge, Alta, CA**  
12 **Sundfjord Lodge  
Meeting**
- JUN**  
6-9 **Sixth District Convention  
At Holiday Inn in Meza,  
Arizona**  
9 **Sundfjord Lodge Meeting**



### President's Message



**HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
Thanks to all who helped make our December "Julebord" so great, the fabulous cooks, all those who brought toys for needy

children and the many who stayed and helped with clean-up. We had a full house again. We are off to a good start for 2012 with three new members, even another one from Norway. Let us keep up the good work and continue to build our lodge. Remember. We are small but we are mighty!

Pauline Pederson

### Vice President's Message



Godt Nytt År til alle!  
I wish good health and happiness for all our members. Let it be a better year for our country with hope and kindness by

helping others.  
Our Installation of Officers is this month, make sure you are present. Thanks you to all who have served the last two years and to those who will be serving for the next two years.  
Don't forget that February is our annual "wear your Norwegian sweater".  
Looking forward to another great year!

Agnes Deeb

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**Gratulerer med dagen**

(Happy Birthday)



**January**

- 6.....Matt Stewart
- 8.....Dennis Robinson
- 15.....Hope Horsh
- 30.....Clare Pederson
- 30.....Pauline Pederson

**February**

- 3.....Esther Schan
- 6.....Erik Fleming
- 7.....Martin Feste
- 7.....Madeline Phipps
- 10.....Liv Høvring
- 16.....Harold Shellum
- 21.....Adam Martinez
- 28.....Agnes Deeb

**God Bedring**

(Get Well)

(Please let us know if any of our members are under the weather).



**Sports Medals**



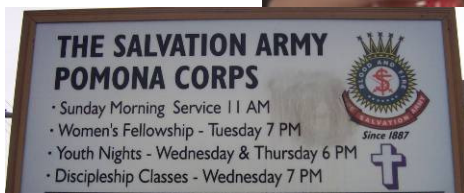
Sports Director Jim Stewart presents Bronze “sykkel market (biking) and Bronze Sports and Fitness medal to Lise Fleming.

## Sundfjord's Christmas Party



From left; Betty Partaker, Paul Christianssen, Brian and Walli Stranahan, Agnes and Bill Deeb, Dennis and Sherry Robinson, Ashley Davis, Kristen Shelby, Irene Davis, Art Aslesen, Hailey and Ruth Higley, Lola Peterson, Carl Voien, Harold Shellum and Gene St. Pierre.

From left; Hailey and Ruth Higley, Lola Peterson, Carl Voien, Harold Shellum, Gene St. Pierre, Jim and Mary Stewart, Pauline Pederson, Char Nelson, Bibi Schau, Lise Fleming, Diane Griego, Betty Partaker, Paul Christianssen, Brian and Walli Stranahan.



Toys collected for the Salvation Army. Thanks to all our members for their generosity.



Carl Voien was the winner of the flag stepping stone.

## New Members



Walli Stranahan



Birgit (Bibi) Schau

their fledging group would go on to become the largest, with more than 66,000 members, and longstanding organization dedicated to promoting and preserving Norwegian culture.

In commemoration of this day, Sons of Norway is encouraging all lodges to participate in the **second official Founder's Day celebration.**

So on this day, wear your membership pin, vest or any Sons of Norway clothing.

To learn more about Sons of Norway's history, visit

[www.sonsofnorway.com](http://www.sonsofnorway.com)

Select "about us" and then the "history" link.

### Installation of Officers

All elected officers need to be present at the January 14 meeting for the Installation.

Zone 5 Director Ordale Johnson with his wife Charlotte will do us the honor of installing our Officers.

### Potluck Etiquette

- \* Each person should bring enough food to serve 6 to 8 people. If you are a couple, you need to bring more food.
- \* If you bring guests you need to bring more food.
- \* Please do not go up to the table for the second time before everyone has gone through the line.
- \* Do not take other peoples food home with you unless you have asked them.



### Wear your Norwegian Sweater Day

February is designated as "wear your Norwegian sweater month" so all of our members who own a Norwegian sweater, wear it with pride at our February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### Sons of Norway's Founder's Day

January 16<sup>th</sup> marks the 117<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Sons of Norway, which began as a simple and practical way for members to support each other through times of hardship.

At the time it is likely that none of the 18 founders would have guessed



### Annual SPPC Fundraiser at Shaker's Restaurant in Glendale

Every year in March, the Southland Past President's Club (SPPC) holds a fundraiser that gives ½ camperships to Sons of Norway children who attends Camp Trollfjell (the Language and Heritage Camp) at Camp Norge in Alta, CA.

This fundraiser is held **Tuesday, March 13** between the hours of 3:00 – 8:00 pm at **Shaker's Family Restaurant, 801 N. Central Ave, Glendale.**



When you order your meal, tell the server that you are with the Sons of Norway group. If you purchase items from the bakery, it also counts. 25% of your dinner tab and bakery purchase will go to the ½ campership that the SPPC awards District Sic children attending the 2 week summer camp. Shakers (not the pizza place) is a family restaurant that served good home-cooked meals so bring your family, friends and neighbors etc. You **don't have to be a Sons of Norway member** to participate. Come and celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Shakers.

**If you can't go, please consider giving a donation!**

### Look to Sons of Norway for Affordable Insurance and Annuities

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# Sons of Norway

## Mission Statement

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and

provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

### Sons of Norway Websites

Sundfjord Lodge [www.sundfjord.org](http://www.sundfjord.org)

International [www.sofn.com](http://www.sofn.com)

District 6 [www.sofn6.com](http://www.sofn6.com)

Camp Norge [www.campnorge.com](http://www.campnorge.com)

### Bunad Class at Camp Norge



Details for the first ever bunad class at Camp Norge have finally come together.

If anyone plans to make an embroidery bunad, the kits are custom made and must be ordered in January in order for you to have them in time for class.

**Pamela Groth**  
President of Freya Lodge

The dates are **May 7-11, 2012** at Camp Norge, Alta, CA. The class is taught by Sue Sutherland of Bunad Butikken in Ely, Minnesota.

Anyone interested in attending this class, see Lise Fleming for registration form and more information.

## The World's Oldest Paddle Steamer Skibladner of Norway

PS Skibladner is a paddle steamer operating on Norway's largest lake, Mjøsa in Norway. It is a side-wheel design and her maiden voyage was on August 2, 1856, making her the "world's oldest" paddle steamer still operating.



Originally she was intended to provide passage and transport goods from the train station in Eidsvoll to the towns of Hamar, Gjøvik, and Lillehammer along Lake Mjøsa. She still operates the same route but now offers scenic tours and cultural events during the summer months. The ship sank while in winter storage twice once in 1937 and again in 1967. After having being raised, she underwent significant renovations. Her operating speed is 12 knots and she takes 230 passengers.



On June 14, 2005, the Norwegian Directorate for Cultural Heritage decided to make Skibladner subject to a preservation order. This was the first time in Norway that an operating vessel was listed.

Skibladner has the nick-name of "The white swan of Mjøsa." The steamer is named after Skibladnir, the ship of Freyr in Norse mythology.

# Celebrating Anniversary

## Gala

Saturday March 17th, 2012

KONA KAI RESORT

Black Tie Optional

1551 Shelter Island Drive  
San Diego, California

BUNADS Encouraged!

6 p.m. Registration and No Host Bar  
7 p.m. Dinner and Celebration

For hotel reservations, contact the Kona Kai 619-221-8000 or [www.ResortKonaKai.com](http://www.ResortKonaKai.com). Reserve early for the limited number of rooms available at the special SON rate of \$129 plus tax.

Price: \$65 per person

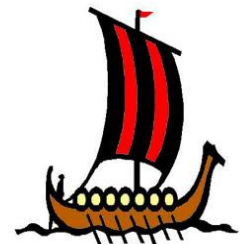
Reservations due by Monday March 5th, 2012

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### VALHALL LODGE 100TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

Please make checks payable to "Valhall 100th Anniversary"

Mail payment and dinner selection to:

Sig and Tam Stautland

1901 Titus St.

San Diego, CA 92110-2145

619-299-9237

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Selection: #1 Feta Stuffed Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

#2 Pistachio Crusted Halibut \_\_\_\_\_

#3 Vegetarian Plate \_\_\_\_\_

Number \_\_\_\_\_ at \$65 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed

# Nyheter fra Norge

## Norway is longer than you think

In a new report released by the Norwegian Mapping Authority (Statens kartverk), the Norwegian coastline is 18,000 kilometers (11,185 miles) longer than previously calculated.

Norway's total coastline is 103,000 kilometers,



compared to the former official figure of 85,000 kilometers. Norway has not actually grown, but it now has more detailed information available about the coastline. Over the past two years, the Norwegian Mapping Authority has combined map data from charts and local maps, studied aerial photographs and compared these with the existing official map.

Among other things, they recorded all 240,000 islands that have not previously been

included in the official cartography and that alone make the coastline much longer. Improved measurement technology, fjords and islands contributes to the fact that Norway has a very long coastline.

Only one country in the world has a longer coastline than Norway and that is Canada.

## Norwegian film had a winning year

Never before have so many Norwegian films won so many international prizes as in 2011.

And now looms perhaps the biggest prize of all. The Norwegian Film Institute could report this week that locally made films harvested 52 prizes at film festivals at home and abroad. All told, 35 Norwegian films had their premiere during their year, which newspaper *Aftenposten* reported was 10 more than normal. An unusually large number of them were sold for distribution in the US, Great Britain and other countries, including such hits at home in Norway as *Trolljegeren* (*The Troll Hunter*), *Sykt lykkelig* (*Happy, happy*) and *Hodejegerne* (*The Headhunters*). It was a film aimed at youth, *Keeper'n til Liverpool* that won the most international prizes: 13 in all. Seven prizes went to *Kongen av Bastøy*, while young director Anne Sewitsky's *Sykt lykkelig* won five prizes and was chosen as **Norway's entry for Best Foreign Film at the Academy Awards**. Sewitsky also recently won rave reviews for her film in the industry journal *Hollywood Reporter*, which called *Sykt lykkelig* a serious contender to win an Oscar nomination. She's up against films from 62 other countries to first make a

short list of nine films and, finally, the five nominees that will be announced on January 24. The Academy Awards will be presented on February 26.

## Population approaches 5 million

Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg mentioned it in his New Year's speech and State Statistics Bureau (SSB) has the numbers to confirm it: Norway's population will surpass the 5 million-mark some time this year. The country's population stood at 4,985,000 on New Year's Day. That's up from 4,479,000 in 2000, and more than double Norway's population of 2,240,000 in 1900.



Stoltenberg said that a child born later this year will bring the official population to 5,000,000. SSB reported that only around 30 percent of the population growth this year is expected to derive from births in the country, though, while 70 percent is tied to immigration. That's exactly opposite the situation just over 30 years ago, when net births accounted for 70 percent of population growth. SSB reported that population growth in 2011 was the highest ever registered in Norway. Oslo officials were reporting that the population growth in the Norwegian capital would require as many as 100,000 new homes to meet housing demand in the coming years.

## Warmest and wettest for 100 years

Last year started out bitterly cold but turned into the warmest and wettest year in Norway since weather statistics started being recorded 111 years ago. State meteorologists could confirm the wild weather trends when 2011 ended with a hurricane. News bureau NTB reported that residents of Nord-Trøndelag, Nordland and Troms counties experienced the biggest rise in temperatures, with weather stations there reporting average temperatures that were 2.5-3 degrees higher than normal. Farther south, in

Rogaland County on the west coast, the average temperature landed at 8.9C for the year, compared to the meteorologists' norm of 7.4C. Last year also matched 1983 as the wettest years since precipitation statistics started being kept in 1900. Even though it



rained heavily in the Oslo area through most of the summer, the greatest increases in rainfall were recorded in parts of the inland counties of Oppland and Buskerud along with the western counties of Sogn og Fjordane and Møre og Romsdal and the northern areas of Trøndelag and Finnmark.