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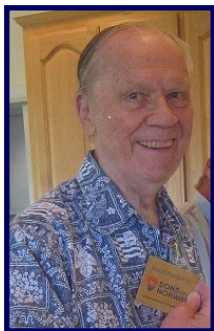
**December 8th
Christmas
Open House**

**see page 3 for flyer
Don't miss it!!!!!!**



Ord fra Presidenten

My Ord this month is based on three sayings/proverbs to help all of us close out 2018 and help us 'glide" into 2019!!



First, a saying that I heard on TV today: "There is a place and time for everything under the sun". For example, our upcoming VOL's 13th Annual Scandinavian Christmas Open House on **Saturday**, December 8th between 12 and 3pm. It will not only feature great Scandinavian food and our traditional Santa Lucia Pageant but also a great raffle, calendar sales, caroling around the tree and a membership table manned by our new VP, Paul Astrup along with sons Adam and Gordon. We are just two new members short of our membership Goal(5)—just ask your friends and neighbors to join! Sign 'em up!

Second, a saying ascribed to Pete Seeger in his folk song: "Turn, Turn, Turn: To everything there is a Season". As we close out 2018, what better way to "glide" into 2019 than to reach our Membership Goal of 5 new members than to ask your "new best friend" to join VOL in our quest to succeed in #Growing to 2020"!

Third is the Norwegian Proverb : "Good Neighbors make Good Friends". We collectively in Sons of Norway, and specifically in VOL, are not only Good Neighbors and Good Friends but also **FAMILY!** Bring your friends and neighbors to join your VOL Family on December 8th! See ya there:

GOD JUL, GLÆDELIG JUL and FELIZ NAVIDAD!

Carl Peter

Typically, We Meet At:

Galilee Lutheran Church Community Center
8860 Soda Bay Road, Kelseyville, CA 95451

Usually every Second Sunday—1:00pm

A Delicious Meal followed by a Very Special Program

Check our website at www.vikingsoflakelodge.org and/ or visit our Facebook page

Heritage and Culture Day—November 11th—Veterans' Day Celebration



Judith Bergstrom at the table!!



Lots of folks having fun—32 total this day!



Irene Tisell and Ev Robison savoring the good foods!!



Lawrence and Sue Hammer yukking it up!!

What is your Lodge President's Home Town? First Lodge member to call 707-580-8052 with the correct answer will receive \$20.00 in Raffle Tickets for the Scandinavian Christmas Open House!!



Irene and Phil Walker hit the dessert table!



Kirby Aasen shared a very informative presentation on Camp Norway during WWII and how it evolved!



Scandinavian Christmas Open House

Saturday, December 8, 2018 12:00n~3:00pm Free Admission

Galilee Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall 8860 Soda Bay Road

Scandinavian Christmas Décor with assorted delicacies:

Danish Æbleskiver



Krumkake

and much more!!!

Lefse



Open-faced Sandwiches



Rommegrøt



Hosted by Vikings of Lake Lodge #6-166



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Santa Lucia Pageant



Caroling around the tree

Viking Raffle: Beautiful baskets filled with goodies, handmade ceramic pieces, jellies and more to benefit our Adopt-a-School Community Service Project

Besøk vår Bakeri (Visit our Bakery)

For your holiday pleasure, purchase a variety of Scandinavian cookies , Lefse , Almond Cakes and more

Purchase your 2019 Scandinavian Calendars—Norwegian, Swedish and Danish

*For more information: Call Jo at
279-4698*





The Real 12 Days of Christmas

The well-known carol was used to teach children Christian doctrine during a time of persecution in 16th century England.

The First Day—Partridge in a pear tree—*The partridge was known as a valiant bird, willing to fight to the death in order to defend its young. The bird's readiness to die made it an ancient Christmas symbol of Christ. The pear tree represents the cross. John 10: 14-15*

The Second Day—Two turtledoves—*When Jesus was forty days old, Mary and Joseph took him to the temple and brought a sacrifice of two turtledoves. Luke 2:22, 24*

The Third Day—Three French Hens—*These were costly birds that symbolized the three valuable gifts brought by the wise men. Matthew 2:10-11*

The Fourth Day—Four Calling Birds—*Reminders of the four Gospel writers, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. John 20: 30-31*

The Fifth Day—Five Golden Rings—*Valuable and treasured— the rings represent the first five books of the Old Testament. Deuteronomy 34: 10,12*

The Sixth Day—Six Geese a-laying—*Eggs represent new life and become reminders of the six days of creation. Genesis 1: 1,31*

The Seventh Day—Seven Swans a-swimming—*Symbolize the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. Romans 12: 6-8*

The Eighth Day—Eight maids a-milking—*Represent eight unique teachings of Jesus sometimes called the Beatitudes. Matthew 5: 3-12*

The Ninth Day—Nine Ladies Dancing—*Reminds us of the nine different fruits that The Holy Spirit produces in the lives of God's children. Galatians 5: 22-23*

The Tenth Day—Ten Lords a-leaping—*They symbolize God's ten basic laws, known as the Ten Commandments. Exodus 20:3-17*

The Eleventh Day—Eleven Pipers Piping—*represent the eleven apostles who were chosen by Jesus and remained faithful to him. Mark 3: 16-19*

The Twelfth Day—Twelve Drummers Drumming—*Represents the twelve vital Christian beliefs as stated in the Apostle's Creed.*

Ed: Thanks to Gail Yerkes of Gateway to Florida Lodge





Give the Gift of Heritage

Christmas is when I really remember my Norwegian heritage. That was the time of the year we had lefse and meatballs that grandma Grangaard made. Of course there was lutefisk. We read the Christmas story every year. And I remember the gifts and Santa, but now as an adult I wish I had learned more about my heritage growing up. That my Norwegian heritage and culture was more than lefse and something we celebrated only at Christmastime. It would have been a great gift.

Heritage is a very special gift to share with family and friends. Those of you reading this realize this because you are a Sons of Norway member. This year give the gift of a membership to Sons of Norway. It is very easy to do. You can do this online https://www.sofn.com/join_or_renew/ or call Sons of Norway 1-800-945-8851 ext. 4654 and sign up a family member or a friend.

Have a joyful holiday season.

Luella

Luella Grangaard
District Six President

Ed. Vikings of Lake Lodge only needs two more new members to meet our 2018 Goal for the Growing to 2020 Contest. Help!!

We're Growing to 2020! As the year draws to a close, the 2018 Recruitment Campaign is wrapping up. Please help our lodge grow and win a prize for meeting the 9% recruitment goal. Lodges that meet the goal receive:

- First access to an exciting new Cultural Program
- \$100 cash card the lodge may use as it prefers
- 2018 Recognition Certificate .

Velkommen til oss!

**We welcome new Vikings of
Lake Lodge member:
Bill Clausen of Lompoc,
California!**



CAMP OLDFJELL

**Folkehogskule for
Voksne**

This Folk School for Adults will be held at our beautiful Camp Norge Tuesday, September 10th through Sunday, September 15th. Cultural Skills classes will be offered in topics such as:

Music, Literature, Hardanger, Vikings, Cooking, Tablet Weaving, Folk Dancing and Rosemaling.

**Thank you for continuing to be a part of our
Sons of Norway Family!**

Clu Carradine

Jack Wall



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A Nordic Christmas Wonderland

Deep within the Norwegian mountains, the town of Røros, Norway, transforms into a magical Christmas market for one weekend, every

year. The streets of Røros are lined with more than 60 market stalls, Christmas food and traditional activities. Drawing in hundreds of visitors, Røros offers a wonderful start to the Christmas season.

Experience Røros by taking a romantic sleigh ride, exploring the nooks and crannies of the old copper mining town or warm up with some freshly made gløgg. This picturesque, Nordic town was the inspiration behind Disney's movie, Frozen. Kids can meet the beloved reindeer Sven, build snowmen or try tobogganing.

Temperatures regularly dip below freezing, but the Christmas market thrives every year. This year's festivities will be taking place on December 6-9. To learn more about the Christmas market held in Røros, visit <https://www.roros.no/en/the-roeroschristmas-fair/>

More about enchanting Røros can be found online in the November 2016 Viking. Log in at www.sonsofnorway.com, then access the Viking archive by clicking on the Norwegian Culture drop down menu on the homepage.

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*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.*



desember Fødseldager

4—Michael Contos
14—Claire Grieve
19—Ron Kram
30—Judith Bergstrom



Kringle

Add your own Christmas twist to this Old Norse inspired cookie. Submitted by Christopher Mohs, Vikingland Lodge 1-495, Detroit Lakes, MN

Ingredients:

1 cup sugar
1/2 cup melted butter
1 cup buttermilk (or 1 cup regular milk soured with 1 tbsp of lemon juice or white vinegar)
1 tsp baking soda (added to the buttermilk)
1 large egg
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp ground cardamom
3 cups flour (may take more)

Directions:

In a mixer, add sugar, melted butter, egg, salt, cardamom and the buttermilk mixture (that includes the baking soda). Mix together well and then add the flour, 1/2 cup at a time until the dough becomes stiff. (It will still be a little slack, slightly looser than a sugar cookie dough.) Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight.

The next morning pre-heat the oven to 350 degrees and remove the dough from the refrigerator. On a floured board roll out approximately 1 1/2 tbsp of dough into ropes that are approximately 6-8 inches in length. Dip your finger in water lightly, wet both ends of the rope and seal together to make a ring or circle. Give the ring one twist to form a figure eight and place on a parchment lined baking sheet, leaving approximately 1/2 inch between each one to allow for the rise while baking (they will double in size). Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until just starting to brown. Remove and let cool before enjoying.



PRALINE YAM CASSEROLE

Ingredients:

5 large sweet potatoes or yams
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup sugar
2 eggs beaten
1 tsp vanilla
1/3 cup milk *may sub cream for milk*
1/2 cup heavy cream
1 cup lt. brown sugar
1/3 cup melted butter
1 cup chopped pecans *may sub almonds*

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Scrub yams and bake in oven for approximately 40 minutes or until tender. Cool, halve, scoop out into a bowl and mash well (should yield about 3 cups). Mix softened butter (1/2 cup) into potatoes along with sugar, eggs, vanilla, and milk. Pour mix into 2 quart baking pan or casserole dish.

Put cream in a small sauce pan, simmer and add brown sugar, stir until dissolved. Cook mix over medium heat until soft ball stage on candy thermometer is reached. Remove heat, beat in melted butter and pecans. Pour over potatoes and bake until hot and mixture starts to brown.

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From Robin Marsolek

This is from the November Potluck and it is one fabulous dish! Try it and you will be hooked!!

Thanks, Robin!



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