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### Savoring Your Membership

**Kathy Brown, President**

What does being a member of Stein Fjell mean to you? Friendships? Culture? Activities? Food? Thursday nights? If you have been a member for more than a year or two, there IS something or you would not have renewed. This year, we have been trying to meet your needs. Are we succeeding?

Savoring your membership is a two-way street, however, that requires reciprocal action on your part. That doesn't mean attending every meeting and activity possible, but it does mean actively participating.

Since January there have been lots of fun and interesting programs created by members and involving other members. Were you one? Why not? Is there something you're interested in that could be turned into a program? In September, a roster of programs for 2015 will be developed – THIS IS YOUR CHANCE.

For the non-night drivers, there has been a midday Saturday activity nearly every month. Have you come to any? These are primarily social times meant to build and reinforce friendships. If you are craving laughter and conversation, these are for you. Come next time.

Losing our dining room meeting area seemed like a disaster until we stopped trying to replicate it in the sanctuary. The first half hour of each lodge meeting has been MAGICAL. It is purely time to savor our membership by visiting with others, checking the library, enjoying light refreshments, signing-up for coming activities, preparing for the meeting. It is a very relaxing time for all of us.

If you haven't been savoring your membership, STOP THINKING ABOUT IT AND REALLY JOIN US. You will feel the energy and joy. I hope to see you in June. Kathy

### JUNE Calendar

8: Whit Sunday

9: Whit Monday

**12: Lodge Meeting 6:30**

15: Father's Day

22-25: District 6 Convention, CA

28/29: Scandinavian Midsummer Festival, Estes Park CO

### Juli Calendar

4: Fourth of July – Independence Day

29: St. Olav's Day

### September Calendar

4: Lodge Meeting

18: Board Meeting

### Norwegian phrase for Juni

Vær så god

Please

Takk for maten

Thanks for the food

Vel bekomme

You're welcome

The total is in! Stein Fjell has collected and donated 995 Box Tops and 382 Labels for Education to Benjamin Eaton Elementary School so far in 2014. Way to go, Stein Fjell members! Though the competition for this year is over, please keep on collecting and bringing them to the meetings. Thank you all so much.

Maria Reichel

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## KULTURHJORNET (Culture Corner)

Nancy Dunn, Cultural Director



### **Our Guest Speaker is Deane Motis –**

*Director of Sales Western USA for Hurtigruten.*

Deane Motis, a Greeley native, brings more than 30 years of combined sales, marketing and operations experience in the travel & transportation industries to Hurtigruten. Before joining Hurtigruten in its Bellevue, Washington office, Deane was the owner of Rails North-West, a private marketing & imaging company doing business in the Pacific Northwest and Canada. His travel industry experience includes senior director and managerial level positions at Holland America Line, Cruise West & Princess Tours. Deane is an alumnus of the University of Colorado, Boulder and is a member of both the Norwegian Commercial Club and Norwegian American Chamber of Commerce.

***Hurtigruten is unique in the world. A different purpose from the very start.*** Simply put, just about everything is different from a conventional cruise. Each Hurtigruten departure is a purposeful voyage providing a transportation lifeline between Norway's cities and villages while exploring stunning fjords and UNESCO World Heritage sites along with more than 1,100 miles of pristine coast waterway. This mixture of local encounters, spectacular scenery and utterly unique shore activities provides an unmatched opportunity to explore and interact with the beauty and charm of Norway and its people. Travel experiences are as much about the people you touch along the way. One of the great pleasures aboard Hurtigruten in Norway is that you encounter local residents, the Norwegian crew and travelers from different countries – all with various reasons for being on board. This creates a wonderful setting for a unique blend of personal encounters. Travellers are there to connect with the natural world and are eager to share their culture and heritage.

Our history goes back to 1893 when Richard With, along with Norway's polar heroes, Nansen and Amundsen, became the nation's maritime pioneers providing a service for everyone. Today, the eleven coastal ships of Hurtigruten sail year round along the rugged & pristine Norwegian coast between Bergen, in the south, to Kirkenes situated well above the Arctic Circle.

### **MEETING REMINDERS FROM RAS**

Stein Fjell Host Coordinator.

Our **June 12th** Refreshment Hosts are: Midge Parkos (Chair), Bonnie Heberlein, Grace Noteboom, & Rod Skaflen.

Looking forward to **September 4th**... Our refreshment hosts are:

Lyn Warrick (chair), Karen Everett, Russell Knutson, Darlene & Jim Miller & Maria Reichel

Mange tusen takk for hjelp.

### **REGARDING CULTURAL SKILLS.**

Several of you have indicated an interest in other Cultural Skills. The first step is then to find out what the requirements are. If you haven't done so, please go to the Sons of Norway website [www.sofn.com](http://www.sofn.com), sign in as a member, click Resources, and then Cultural Skills, and then on the Cultural Skill of Interest. If you then have a serious desire to learn that cultural skill, please contact Ras Erdal

The Hardanger Embroidery group currently meets on certain Fridays, from 1-3 PM, but we will not meet this June. We are scheduled to meet Friday July 11 if you would like to join us!!



### **SUNSHINE**

We are glad to hear that Harlan Fretheim is making a speedy recovery from his heart attack, on Easter Sunday. He was hospitalized for a few days, and is now home and back to enjoying life!

## Here are the Juni, Juli, & August birthdays:

### JUNI

- 1 Matthew Strand
- 3 Olin Klovdahl
- 3 Christine Moe
- 8 Kjell Gjelle-Bennett
- 8 Jodi Sprague
- 20 Kerwin Rakness
- 27 Jim Miller
- 27 Grace Noteboom
- 28 Joann Harris
- 29 Bonnie Heberlein



### JULI

- 1 Jon-Eirik Holm-Johansen
- 1 Mickey Schmidt
- 1 Nissa Yestness
- 8 Casey Heinz
- 8 Marilyn Loustalet
- 9 Kaja Gjelle-Bennett
- 9 Richard Linsenmann
- 9 Kelsey Wright
- 24 Tony Tysdal
- 28 Ryan Parkos



### AUGUST

- 3 Almina Ringdahl
- 4 Kris Bakich
- 8 Marit Gjelle-Bennett
- 16 Barbara Nolin
- 20 Yvonne Morton
- 20 Kira Wright
- 28 Gary Zook



*Please respect fellow members' privacy. names, Phone Numbers, and Addresses must not be redistributed, or used for commercial purpose*

### CONVENTION

Visit the District Six website and see what's going on at the convention this summer. The address is: <http://sofn6convention2014.org>



We've talked about publishing a Stein Fjell Cookbook for years ....so... **LET'S DO IT!**

Help your lodge by bringing one or two of your favorite recipes (family favorites or Scandinavian) to the next lodge or business meeting or email them to JoAnn Kison or Kathy Browne (info below).

**The lodge needs your help** to make this endeavor successful. We'll sell the cookbooks at the Lutefisk Dinner, so we need to work on it NOW. Please help! Kathy Browne at [browneks@gmail.com](mailto:browneks@gmail.com)  
JoAnn Kison at [jkison@comcast.net](mailto:jkison@comcast.net).

### DITT OG DATT

#### **This 'N' That**

We welcome Olin Klovdahl, son of member Nils Klovdahl. Olin is 16 years old and will be an Unge Venner. "Velkommen, Olin."

Stein Fjell Lodge thanks member, Maria Reichel, for teaching the Advanced Group in Norwegian Language. Maria will be heading for Norway now for a vacation. Gud Tur, Maria!!

Mary Ann Rakke will be moving to the Denver area to be closer to her daughters. Mary Ann, please let us know your new address – you might even have a few Stein Fjell visitors out on a tour!

Did you see it??



This picture is in the Viking June 2014 magazine!!

**From SON e-post: Imagine That!!  
Two Norwegians are behind the world's smallest  
computer**



Norwegian TV moguls Stig Eide Sivertsen and Hein Espen Hattestad are going to take on the world using a computer weighing less than an ounce.

Finansavisen reports that Sivertsen and Hattestad have backed Norwegian technology company FXI Technologies with 5.25 million kroner to bring the world's smallest computer to the mass market. A year ago FXI Technologies started sales of the mini-computer Cotton Candy, which weighs less than an ounce and at just over 3 inches, is about the size of a thumb drive.

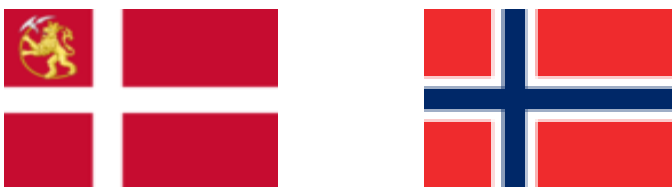
**Syttende Mai Celebration at Stein Fjell 2014**



In line, waiting to enjoy our wonderful food!!



Sailing the Sloop's



## Traditions International

Remember that cute little Scandinavian store in Estes Park?



We're having a final Clearance Extravaganza!

The store closed in 2008, but Colleen Swanson von Bernuth still has many "left overs" from the store, and is having one last grand "Garage Sale" and Scandinavian celebration at her house on May 31, 2014. In addition to an opportunity to browse the remnants, there will be Swedish (Scandinavian!) pancakes for all. This will be a fun opportunity for your Scandinavia members to reconnect with other Scandinavians, to visit with Colleen, and take advantage of some great bargains. No reasonable offer refused – all sales are final.

### **Come join us!**

**Saturday, May 31, 8:00am –  
3:00pm**

**13125 E County Line Rd,  
Longmont**

**Follow the balloons – ¾ mile  
North of Hwy 66 on County Line  
Rd, Longmont.**

### **Labor Day Weekend at Camp Norge**

Northern California Kretssteve (NCK)

August 29 – September 1, 2014

All members of District Six's Sons of Norway Lodges are invited to come to **Camp Norge** for a weekend of fellowship, friendship, and fun. Whether you come in your RV, stay in the dorms, bring tents, or stay in a local motel, we know you will have a great time!!

#### Camp Norge Room Accommodations

The rooms fill up quickly. Call Sandy at 530.389.2508.

(No site reservations required for RV's & tents.)

Meal packages will not be available day of the event.

Meal Registration Deadline is August 22, 2014.

Questions? Mary Beth Ingvaldstad at 707.987.2404 or mbingvoldst@aol.com



#### **Recruitment Pins**

Rod Skaflen

Stein Fjell Lodge has received recruitment certificates and pins for 2013. The recipients are Inger Ingvaldsen, Marian Erdal, and Terry Thompson. Respectively, they recruited new members Barrett Ingvaldsen, Torill Morton, and Kaitlyn Prescott. These awards will be presented at the June 12th lodge meeting.

There is a 2014 Recruitment Challenge through Sons of Norway in both a large and a small lodge category??

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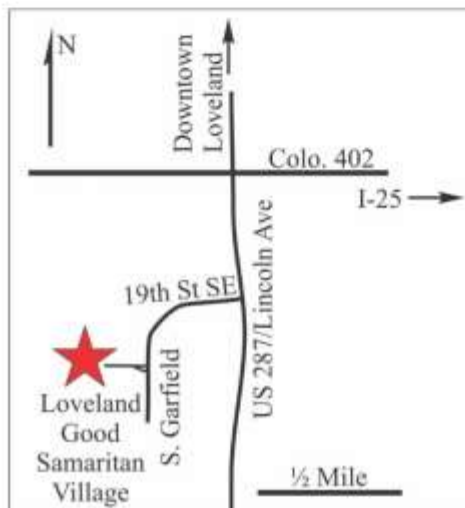
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**STEIN FJELL LODGE** meets on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Spiritual Life Center, Good Samaritan Society – Loveland Village, 2101 S. Garfield Avenue, Loveland, Colorado. Board meetings are held on the third Thursday of every other month at the home of a member. **YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!**



# SONS OF NORWAY



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 provide quality insurance and financial products to our members.

*Sons of Norway misjon er å fremme og ivareta norske kulturtradisjoner, feire vårt forhold til andre nordiske land, og samtidig tilby de beste forsikrings og finansprodukter til våre medlemmer.*