



Daughters of Norway (Døtre Av Norge)

Hulda Garborg Lodge #49

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Shorts from the Prez:

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I enjoyed the dancers, so much. And all of you who participated did a fantastic job! And of course, the food was great, as usual.

Looking forward to the cookie exchange. I'm actually going to try my hand. It will be a lot of fun.

For those of us going on the cruise, I know we're going to have a great time! I've done this cruise before, and it's so relaxing to just sail the ocean blue without a care. (For a while, anyway.)

Tusen Takk (Thank you)

Get Well Wishes to Vi McGregor

English-Norwegian Words

Thanksgiving brings food to mind....

turkey	kalkun
potato	potet
onion	løk
corn	mais
cranberry	tranebær
roll	rundstykke
pumpkin	gresskar

Birthday Greetings to:

♥ Kay 11-5 ♥ Pam 11-25
♥ Linda G. 11-27

Hulda Garborg Lodge #49

Meets at Grange Hall
2160 Rainbow Valley Blvd.
Rainbow, CA 92028

Mailing address:

210 W. Vermont Ave. #106
Escondido, CA 92025

2nd Saturday of each month

Board Meeting 9:00 am

Program 11:00 am

Lunch 12:00 pm
Business meeting 12:45 pm

Upcoming Programs

November 12th
Seven Kinds of
Christmas Cookies

December 10th
11:00 am
Christmas Luncheon
Mimi's Restaurant
Temecula

January 14th
Location TBA
Genealogy

Upcoming Events

November 12th Saturday
Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner
Turid Jespersen Lodge
email Laila Bergheim at
lailab@cox.net for details

November 18 Friday 6:30 pm
Jul Open House at The Little
Viking Gift Shoppe in Temecula

November 19th Saturday
Lutefisk and Lefse
at Norge Lodge

For more info contact Julie Watts at (951)676-8896 or disneywatts@gmail.com

**See pages 2 & 4
for more events**

CULTURAL PROGRAM on Nov. 12th Seven Kinds of Christmas Cookies

Many ladies have stepped forward to bake some of their favorite cookie recipes for this meeting. There should be plenty to share for tasting and bakers should be able to go home with at least 7 different kinds of cookies for the holiday season.



We hope to show you how to make fattigman, rosettes and krumkake. And you should be able to practice making at least one type of cookie during the meeting. I do not think we will need practice eating them though!

Non- bakers, don't forget to bring non-dessert food for lunch or we will be hurtin' for certain.

(related story *How did they do it?* on page 3)



SALES TABLE PREVIEW on Nov. 12th

I've just finished creating folk costumes for some larger porcelain Scandinavian looking dolls and I would like to give you a chance to see them before they go on sale at the lutefisk dinners.

One doll is dressed like she is celebrating Syttende Mai. These dolls will be for sale at our Nov. meeting. The larger dolls range from \$15 to \$20. You will have to go to a TJ or Norge Lodge Lutefisk Dinner if you want to purchase any of the other merchandise we had on display at our last meeting.

Sat. Nov. 12th Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner Turid Jespersen Lodge - email Laila Bergheim at lailab@cox.net for details

Fri. Nov. 18th Open House at the Little Viking Gift Shoppe in Old Town Temecula

on 28480 Front Street at 6pm
Southern California Damekor will perform (at 7 pm) and refreshments will be served. What a way to spend a Friday evening and kick off the Christmas shopping season!

Sat. Nov 19th Lutefisk Dinner Norge Lodge
Visit Norwayhall.com, go to Welcome page, then Events page, and click on flyer for details.

Sat. Nov. 26th Rosemaling Demonstration by Astrid Fisher at the Little Viking Gift Shoppe in Old Town Temecula from noon to 3 pm. If you didn't get a chance to see the beautiful rosemaling Astrid had on display at the Viking Festival, don't miss this.

DECEMBER CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON SATURDAY DEC. 10th

Mimi's Café at 11am
40825 Winchester Ave.
Temecula
www.mimiscafe.com



(Take the 15 freeway to Temecula and take the Winchester off ramp north towards the Promenade Mall. Mimi's Café is on the left hand side of the road. If you get to Margarita Road, you have gone too far.)

Yes Ladies, it's that time of year again when we try to take it easy and just have a nice social get together during a busy time of year. All you have to do is show up for some DoN Sister time and be ready to enjoy lunch.

This year there is no set menu, so you can order what you want. Mimi's will provide separate checks so you don't even have to figure out what you owe individually (I hate math). With luck we should have a separate room all to ourselves. We will have a Christmas raffle with \$1 tickets and six tickets for \$5.

HOW DID THEY DO IT?

By Janna Armbruster

As if it was yesterday, I can picture Mom and her sisters in my aunt's kitchen baking their 7 Norwegian Christmas cookies plus other favorites. My aunt had 2 big ovens allowing them to bake several sheets at once.

The floors in the dining room were heaped with cookie tins and a small table in the kitchen was spread with paper towels for cooling the cookies. The dough for each cookie was made in advance at each of their homes and stored in the second refrigerator in the garage.



They gathered the weekend after Thanksgiving every year for this annual event. This allowed plenty of

time before Christmas for my mom and her sisters to give gifts of assorted cookies to friends. Their cookies were beautiful, golden and delicious and not a burnt one in the lot. Because they did not use timers, they were always yelling at each other to mind the ovens.

All of us cousins were shipped off to the movies, one of the parks or a field trip with the dads during the day. Casseroles, prepared in advance, were taken out of the fridge for dinner. Kids were not allowed in the kitchen until the last day when the sugar cookies were made in various holiday

shapes and we could decorate them to our hearts content.

Cousin Karen tediously took a good 10 minutes on each cookie, while her brother dumped as much as he could manage on each. He especially liked the chocolate sprinkles which our mothers called mouse turds in Norwegian. (It sounded better in Norwegian.)



Krumkake, fattigman, raisin spice cookies, spritz, almond balls, chocolate drop, jingle bell

and sugar cookies emerged golden and tantalizing to the senses from that hot kitchen.

Now, I have baked most of them except for the fattigman which brings me to my present quest. Once you have tasted the perfect fattigman, like mother use to make, one can't settle for anything less. Her fattigman was light in color, delicate to taste and bubbly all over making it ethereal.

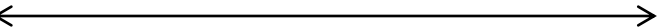


I searched high and low for my mother's cookbook to no avail. So, I found a recipe in a Norwegian cookbook. My first batch came out tasting okay but was a cross between Indian fry bread and a doggy chew toy. Dismayed, but not undone, I have found another recipe and will try that one next.



Meantime, I am spending a small fortune on Crisco, Canola oil, (I refuse to use lard), cardamom, eggs and

cognac. I will say the cognac came in useful when I became so frustrated. Oh Wow! I remember now. Those darling ladies sipped sherry as they baked. Now I know how they did it.



*Happy Halloween
from Tristan & Christine*

Primstav - Ancient Norwegian Calendar Stick



November 1- Feast of All Saints As far back as the year 155, a manuscript mentioned the "birthday" of a saint, meaning his death. As more and more were executed for their faith it became impossible to celebrate them individually, and in the 4th century there is the first mention of a feast honoring the martyrs of the entire world. However,

pagan beliefs existed long after the introduction of Christianity to Scandinavia, and All Hollows Eve was a terrifying time when witches flew about and all sorts of evil spirits were thought to roam the countryside.

This was often a time of heavy rains mixed with snow, and if the All Hallows Flood did not arrive on this day, it would come in the spring. The symbol is a church.

November 11-ST

MARTIN'S DAY This symbol is a goose, and goose was customarily eaten on this day. Martin, was a simple man of simple ways, son of pagan parents and former soldier. It is told that Martin had founded a monastery, but, he was so shy that when church officials came to make him Bishop of Tours, he tried to evade them by hiding in the goose pen. The geese honked and gave him away, thus, Martin became a Bishop. On this day any farm animals that were not to be kept through the winter were to be slaughtered. This is presumably because it had been established that meat would stay frozen from this time.

Information from Bjorn Sæterbo Trevare, N-6642 Stangvik, and Janet Smith Scandinavian Days -- Puyallup Washington.



Damekor

Lynne Bradley

After a brief hiatus while their klutzy director was vacationing in Escondido, Damekor is back working hard to prepare for their Jul performances.

We're excited about the music we are singing and the opportunity to share this special and beautiful music with our audiences.

We hope that you will help pass along information about our performance schedule and also that you will be able to come hear us.

Fri. Nov. 18 6:30 pm Jul Open House at The Little Viking Gift Shoppe in Temecula

Sun. Nov. 20 11am (?) Sjømannskirchen Worship and Bazaar in San Pedro

Fri. Dec. 2 time TBA December Nights in Balboa Park

Wed. Dec. 14 7 pm Jul Concert at Pala Mesa Resort in Fallbrook

Tusen, tusen, tusen takk

Words can't begin to express my gratitude and amazement at the outpouring of concern and assistance from so many of you after my stupid stunt at the Viking Festival.

The wonderful cards, visits at the hospital, and calls of encouragement uplifted my spirits and reminded me how special you all are.

Then, since returning home, my grocery shoppers, chauffeurs and offers of help have been amazing and overwhelming!!

You sisters rock!!

Thankfully, I'm healing well and looking forward to being good as new before too long.

Oct 8th Cultural Program - Skandia Dance Club

David Coughlin invited a group of his fellow dancers to show us a fine selection of Scandinavian dances. And they even taught us a Rylander dance. There were extra men in the group so any Sister who wanted to dance had a male partner. Very thoughtful.

Skandia Dance Club is a social group not a performing dance group. So we felt lucky they could show us a few dances! They meet every Wednesday at the Folk Dance Center in San Diego.



Most everyone in the dance group had a folk costume and we enjoyed asking questions about their outfits. Margaret (*left*) had a bunad made by a Norwegian friend. Margaret is of Scottish descent and she had a plaid vest (with lots of silver) to honor that heritage. Her husband, Walker, a Norwegian American was wearing a beautiful silver brooch he got in Norway. He told the story of how he ordered a bunad in Norway and when it came in the mail it was way too big, so he never wore it. The bunad was eventually donated to a charity where it raised a great amount of money in a dance club auction.

Gail's folk costume was a lovely example of an everyday type bunad (*right*). Dave's outfit had the typical yellow pants favored by the Swedes.



Thanks to all who were brave enough to try a dance and a good time was had by all.

Tales from the "Old Country"

Berit Austin Funnemark

Hello from "the old country," for me that is. Things certainly are not what they used to be when I lived here.

I can quote and show for a fact that old people here do not mean anything. They are the ones that worked with hardship long before the modern oil Norway emerged.

I am truly ashamed to see how the counties prioritize "other things" more important than the old people. (I remember one old lady, an artist, telling me that she would never live in America, because they don't take care of the elderly?) The articles and stories I hear from friends and relatives shock me. One hospital is known for people going in to be operated on and coming out feet first.

The other day I was over in Sweden to shop (much, much cheaper than Norway), and on the way back we went from Moss to Horten on a ferry. A cup of coffee was 24.- or 26.- kroner. I don't indulge in drinking coffee on the ferries. (currencies @5.52 kr. to 1\$.)

When Eivind and I went to Oslo with our old 1964 Ford Falcon (only one we could afford to register here, had to be 30 yrs. or older) we went through an automatic toll which cost us 15.-kr. but will cost us 50.-kroner in charge for the bank to pay it.

I am in total confusion why the Norwegians give out tons of money to other countries. Here it is total mess, old people not taken care of, sick people waiting for tests to come through with results or not at all, and can you believe it, all merchandise bought in the grocery store...14% tax on all food and I believe 25 or 28 % tax on paper goods and other items

Later I will tell you more from here, Berit and Eivind