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January 2025,

I am sitting here trying to write this president's message and looking out the window at my orange tree. Thinking back at what it was like growing up in Norway and looking out the window at this time of the year, actually making a me a little "home" sick.

Hope you all had a nice holiday season and ready to put on your thinking caps for programs for the upcoming year. What would you like to learn about Norway or what would you like to share about your experiences when visiting Norway?

It was a nice turnout at the julebord with several kids in attendance. The kids were making Christmas crafts assisted by the young adults. We had a singalong and gifts. Everyone seemed to enjoy the evening.

An event like that takes a lot of volunteers, from planning, shopping, cooking, set up and of course clean up at the end of the day. A lot of details to make it a success. Thank you to everyone that had a hand in it, one way or another. I am passing the torch to someone else to be in charge of this event next year.

Wishing everyone a happy new year and hoping it will be better than last year.

Godt nytt år! Hilsen, Tove-Lise



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Coming February 26th...

"ZOOM" VESTERHEIM MUSEUM INTO YOUR HOME...

District Six has arranged for two live Zoom presentations from the Vesterheim Museum. The first was previously presented, but the second will be on February 26, 2025, at 6:00 Pacific Time.

You may join this Zoom presentation from your home via computer or smart phone, invite a group of friends for a watch party, or organize a watch party at your Lodge. We are limited by the number of connections (computers), not the number of viewers, so watch parties will allow more participants. If you are not able to attend the live presentation, a recording thereof will be made available.

UPCOMING PRESENTATION

Topic: In Trunks, Hands, and Hearts: What Norwegian Immigrants Brought to the United States.

Date: February 26 at 6:00 PM Pacific / 7:00 PM Mountain / 8:00 PM Central Time.

Speaker: Jennifer Kovarik, Collection Manager

Program Description: Between 1825 and 1980, nearly one million Norwegians left for new lives in America. Consider the reasons for leaving, what they brought, and where they settled. Explore the immigrant experience through stories associated with artifacts in Vesterheim's collection.

Request Zoom link here: https://sofn6.org/vesterheim-trunks-hands-hearts/

SONS OF NORWAY MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Announcing the 2025 Dates for District Six's Annual Language and Heritage Camps!

We are excited to share the dates for our 2025 youth camps, held at beautiful Camp Norge in the Sierra Mountains:

Trollfjell Folkehøgskule Dates: June 29 – July 12

Ages: 14 to 17 years old

Camp Trollfjell

Dates: July 13 – July 26 Ages: 8 to 13 years old

Since 1967, our camps have provided youth with a unique opportunity to celebrate and embrace Norwegian heritage. Attendees immerse themselves in cultural experiences, learning the Norwegian language and practicing traditional crafts like rosemaling, tablet weaving, and wire weaving. Campers also enjoy Norwegian folk dancing and making classic treats such as lefse and traditional cookies, while exploring Norwegian history and Nordic mythology.

Join Our Team in 2025!

To make this incredible experience possible, we are seeking enthusiastic volunteers. Family who volunteer are eligible for discounts—up to \$500 off camp fees. Contact the Camp Director for more information.

To apply for any of the following positions, please email us at camp.director@sofn6.org.

- Norwegian Language Instructor
- Dance Instructor (for July 8-12)
- Rosemaling Instructors
- Crafts Instructors
- Counselor in Training (16+)*
- Counselor (18+)*

Professional Roles:

- Lifeguard (afternoon shifts)
- Open Water Lifeguard
 (1 day for each camp)
- Nurse (to support our current medical staff)

Requirements for Positions:

- Successful completion of a background check
- Mandated reporter training
- · California DMV driving report
- First Aid and CPR certification★

Help us continue the tradition of celebrating Norwegian culture at Camp Norge!



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Sons of Norway is a financial services organization offering our members financial products that help provide real peace of mind. A portion of the revenues from these products is invested back into the organization and local lodges to support our shared heritage and values.

Members of Sons of Norway receive valuable member benefits, such as *Viking* magazine and access to discounts on a wide spectrum of products and services from local and national retailers.

Member benefits are non-contractual and subject to change without notice.

SONS OF NORWAY PRODUCTS

Life Insurance

- · Whole Life Insurance
- Term Life Insurance

Annuities

- Flexible Premium Deferred Annuity (FPDA)
- Single Premium Deferred Annuity (SPDA)
- Single Premium Immediate Annuity (SPIA)
- Multi-Year Guaranteed Annuity (MYGA)

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JULEBORD PHOTOS, DECEMBER 9, 2024





President Tove-Lise leading children in attendance in the singing of Carols. Lodge member and pianist Lars Gjerde at piano with partial view of guests in the background. Several other good photos are on the lodge Facebook page, produced by member Arlene Kozub. (facebook.com/sonsofnorwaysacramento)

Roald Amundsen Lodge CALENDAR 2025

<u>DATE</u>	<u>START</u>	MEETING/	COMMENT
January		None	Nein, Nada, Ingen
February	7:00 pm	Business,	
Tue, 11th		Cultural	
March	5:00 pm	Fish, Meatball	Social Event
Sat, 22nd		Dinner	
April	7:00 pm	Business	Planning for Scandinavi-
Tue, 8th			an Festival
April	10:00 am	Scandinavian	Multi-Lodge Event
Sat, 12th		Festival	
May	1:00 pm	"Syttende Mai"	Constitution Day Cele-
Sat, 17th			bration
June		None	
July		Lodge Picnic	In planning
August		None	
September	1:00 pm	BBQ	Camper Recognition
Sun, 11th			
October	7:00 pm	Business,	
Tue, 14th		Cultural	
November	10:00 am	Viking Festival	Food and Vender Festival
Sat, 1st			
December	5:00 pm	Julebord	Holiday Dinner;
Sat, 6th			2026 Officer Install

Like everything in this world, anything on this chart is subject to change, and especially the start times. Check website for updates, usually in the latest Navigator.

