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The mission of the 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.

Lodge Meeting

Tuesday, December 18,2018

(This is earlier than usual because of the Christmas Holiday)

Cedar Falls Woman's Club

3rd and Clay Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Hors d'oeuvres: 5:30 p.m.

Bring hors d'oeuvre and/or

Julefest cookies and pastries to share.

Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$12.00

Menu

Smothered Pot Roast w/Potatoes Carrots & Onion, Garden Tossed Salad Rice Pudding

Rev. David Nerdig



"Letters from Pleasant View Lutheran Church" tells the stories of fifteen Christmases as they unfold in the lives of those who worship at the white framed church planted firmly in the snow swept plains of South Dakota. With humor, bite, and grace its characters struggle with what it means to live in a community that is a bit too human but never the less richly blessed with God's unconditional love. He is from Jewell, IA; he will his his book for purchase.

Reservations by Thursday, December 13th. Cancellations by Saturday, December 15th. If your caller misses you, or if you are not a

member and would like to attend, please call **Chris Johnson, 483-5071.** Also call **Chris** for cancellations. Remember, if you reserve and do not attend, you are asked to pay for your meal.

Keith Jorgensen will have the books and calendars that have been ordered at this meeting. Also, bring items for the food bank, and/or money contributions.

Fra Presidenten

Greetings all,

There are less than 25 shopping days until Christmas! Hello, December! The 2018 calendar year is almost gone! Where did it go? Well, we had a busy year at *Solglimt* Lodge. It was filled with monthly meetings, food booth days, District Convention, a couple of fun "cultural" trips and much more. Now we need to turn our attention to 2019, both personally and as a lodge. Hopefully, it will be filled with good things for each of us.

Solglimt is such a kind and generous lodge. Why? Well, at our November meeting your lodge president offered you an Ole and Sven joke about the two of them job hunting. All of you in the spirit of great and forgiving kindness laughed and smiled, even though the punch line was messed up! Dropped in the set-up was the fact that Ole had answered the 19th question on the test as "I don't know." And Sven's answer was "Me either", thus not being selected for the job. What a great audience!

The "cultural" trip on December 12th to the Old Creamery Theater at Amana is coming together with approximately a dozen folks signing up to enjoy the day. <u>There is room for more</u>. Let me know if you wish to join us.

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We are exploring other trips in the new calendar year. More to come on those as things develop. Your lodge is trying to offer you activities beyond just monthly meetings. We want to be more than just "once a month" members. Remember, all these activities are offered to anyone. You do not need to be a member to join the fun, but maybe someone would consider becoming a member in the process of attending our various activities. Also, if you have ideas for "cultural" trips, let us know.

You need to be congratulated! If you haven't noticed, attendance at our monthly meetings has been edging upward. On average, we are seeing five to ten more individuals over the number attending a year ago. Besides just being a generally good time with friends, it is important to attend our monthly meetings as often as you can. Lodge meetings will inform and entertain you. You will feel more "connected" to your lodge by attending whenever you are able. And hey, you should come away from the meeting with at least one new Ole and Lena joke to share with friends! So join us when you can, and bring a friend!

From your president,

Keith Jorgensen

Secretary's Notes, November 6, 2018 Business Meeting

President Keith Jorgensen called Solglimt's monthly business meeting to order on Tuesday, November 6, at his home in Cedar Falls with Gloria Tehven, Joel Johnson, Chris Johnson, Jon Tehven, Jim Miller, and Eunice Becker attending.

Minutes of the October meeting were approved as written (**Jon/Chris**).

Treasurer Jim Miller had recorded receipts of \$460 and disbursements of \$520.30 for a balance of \$4, 664.34 in the Lodge operating account as of October 31. Treasurer's report accepted, (**Jim/Gloria**).

Jim also shared a thank you from the 1st District Scholarship Trust Fund for the Lodge's donation in memory of **Helen Lippold**.

Social Director Jon Tehven reported that arrangements are in place for the November meeting with Marion Elmquist and her presentation on Ski for Light.

Editor Gloria Tehven requested reports and news items for the next issue of the **POSTEN** by December 1.

Jon announced that the Lodge website is now up and running. (Details in the **POSTEN**).

Coordinator Joel Johnson presented for review and discussion a Cost Analysis of the 2018 Sturgis Falls Booth operation. A new pricing structure is being considered for next summer's event.

Details will be given at the November Lodge meeting regarding a possible December 1 Membership Dinner. **Keith** will check on venues.

It had been decided that no changes will be implemented at this year's Silent Auction event under the direction of **Coordinator Robin Voster**.

2019 calendar and nook orders continue to be taken for Christmas delivery.

Chris Johnson noted that this year's Festival of Trees at Wartburg would set-up November 27 and run through December 12th. Waverly's Christmas on Main takes place on Thursday, December 13, from 6 to 8 pm. Norwegian pastry for sampling is being lined up.

Announcements:

- Strategic Planning Nov. 8- Jorgensen residence, 2 pm. (Later postponed)
- Lodge Meeting Nov. 27 CFWC, 6:30, preceded by Silent Auction, 5:30 pm
- Business Meeting Dec. 4 Jorgensen residence, 3 pm.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Eunice Becker, Secretary

Secretary's Notes, November 27, 2018 Lodge Meeting

Solglimt's monthly Lodge meeting was called to order by **President Keith Jorgensen** on Tuesday, November 27, at the Cedar Falls Woman's Club. Prior to and during the meeting a Silent Auction of items donated by Lodge members was held.





Leading the anthems, Pledge of Allegiance and table prayer were **Musicians Sonja Lynch**, accompanied by **Kathy Schuhmacher** on piano.

As dinner was served, guests Martha Stone and Sue Mohlis, both of Cedar Falls, were introduced and welcomed.

Sunshine Chair Bev Haugen reported on her activity during the month.

Calendar and book orders were being taken for Christmas delivery.

Following dinner, members were invited to revisit the Auction and check on their bids.

Those celebrating November birthdays were acknowledged.

Duane Lindberg, accompanied by **Kathy Schuhmacher**, led the singing of "Kan du glemme gamle norge?" and "Den glade vandrer."

Keith declared the Silent Auction closed and reminded patrons to settle up with **Treasurer Jim Miller** at the end of the meeting. Thanks to **Robin Voster** for coordinating this event. (Note: The Auction added \$387.50 to the Lodge treasury.)

Announcements:

- Treasurer's report is in the **POSTEN** (page 5).
- Strategic Planning meeting scheduled for November 29 canceled.
- Reservations for the trip to the Amanas for the Church Basement Ladies performance on Wednesday, December 12, at 2 pm are being taken. Cost for tickets is \$31.50. Lunch

beforehand is on your own. Rides are being arranged. Contact Clare Palmer, 266-8635 to sign up. (Ed. Note: You can also contact Keith Jorgensen, 277-1537 for more information—such as ride sharing, etc.)

Thanks to **Chris** and **Joel Johnson** the Lodge's Christmas tree is on display at Wartburg's Festival of Trees. Volunteers are welcomed at Waverly's Christmas on Main event Thursday, December, from 6-8 pm. *Kringle* for sampling has been lined up.

Keith put out a call for alternative storage needed for the Lodge Viking ship. Contact him if you can provide space.

With the reading of the 2019 proposed slate of officers by **VP Dottie Roiseland**, and no nominations from the floor, the entire roster as read was elected. Officers will be installed during the January *Frokost*.

In introducing the evening's speaker Marion Elmquist of Des Moines, **Social Director Jon Tehven** told of the beginnings of Ski for Light in 1975, modeled on a similar program in Norway. It is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization whose mission is to teach the sport of cross-country skiing to visually and mobility impaired adults.



Ms. Elmquist told of her involvement with Ski for Light and took us on an imaginary ski run by asking us to close our eyes while she "guided us over a typical trail." She also shared information on becoming a guide, and answered questions from the audience. The Sons of Norway foundation is a supporter of Ski for Light as is our lodge.

Gloria Tehven reminded members of the November 30 deadline for contacting her with their answer to the **Posten's** Reader Contest in order to be entered in the drawing for an item *rosemaled* by **Elsa Waschek**.

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Dwight Allbee was the winner of the drawing for a Lodge Dinner.

With a wish for peace and harmony to prevail within the Lodge, **Keith** adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Eunice Becker, Secretary

Lodge Member News

Healing thoughts are sent to **Joel Johnson** as he recuperates from surgery.

Delores Laube was featured in a recent <u>Courier</u> article about a new group exercise program held at The W in Waverly.

Jan Olson and Ski for Light's Marion Elmquist had a reunion of sorts at the November meeting. Their acquaintance goes back to where both were raised near Osage.

Editor's Note: The Wartburg Festival of Trees is on display November 28-December 12 in the ground level hallway between Neumann Auditorium and the Chapel. You can see *Solglimt's* tree there from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., free of charge!

The Christmas on Main event in Waverly is from 6-8 pm on December 13. Our tree and treats will be at the corner of 2nd Street and E. Bremer Avenue.



Christmas on Main 2017

Food Bank Information from Linda Slattenow

We had 23 pounds of donated food items at our November meeting. In December a basket for financial donations will be passed, and food items will also be accepted. This is a great way to share the Christmas spirit!

Family Membership

Since January 1, 2018, Sons of Norway members have had two options for their yearly dues: An Individual Membership for \$60 or a Family Membership for \$95. (There may be some variations in the family rate if the household includes a golden or life member or a Sons of Norway financial product owner.)

To qualify for a Family Membership, members must reside at the same family residence and share a mailing address. College students who live at a different address during the school year may be included under the family rate if they use their home address as their permanent address in the Sons of Norway database. Members do not need to be related. Family members can be added to an existing membership at any time.

Applying for a Family Membership: New members can use the application form to apply for a Family Membership by completing the information for the primary member on the first page and adding family members on the second page. Or, a prospective member can select "Family" when joining online.

Adding to an Existing Membership: Current members can use the application form to add family member(s) to an individual membership or expand an existing Family Membership by providing their member number on page one and information on the new family members on page two. No dues should be collected at the time a membership category change is made (Individual to Family Membership). Any change in the membership fee (from \$60 to \$95) will be done on the member's next renewal invoice.

Adding Family Members Online: Adding new family members to an individual membership or expanding an existing family membership online is also available. Current members can click on "Join/Renew" on the homepage (even if they are not renewing) and then "Add Family Member."

Have a question about family memberships? Contact Membership Services at 612-821-4632 (direct)., 800j-945-8851 ext. 4645 or supply@sofn.com.

(posted Fri., Nov. 30 2018 by Sons of Norway)

2019 Solglimt Lodge Officers	
President	Keith Jorgensen
Vice-President	Dottie Roiseland
Secretary	Eunice Becker
Treasurer	Jim Miller
Membership Sec	retary open
Past President/Counselor	
	Steve Norby
Social Directors	Robin Voster
Clare Palmer	
Ass't Social Direct	tors Beebs
	Downing
	open
Cultural Director	Cheryl Moore
Foundation Direc	tor Jon Tehven
Editor	Gloria Tehven
Trustees	Hovey Brom
	Jim Miller
	Steve Mauer
Marshal	Dave Haugebak
Greeters Ror	n & Sharon Lance
Publicity	JoAn Headington
Historian	Deloris Laube
Musicians	Sonja Lynch
Kathy Schuhmacher	
Sports/Youth Dire	ector Jim Walsh
Librarian	open
Auditors	Mike Butler
David Palmer	
Adopt a School Coordinator open	

Treasurer Jim Miller's Report For period ending Nov. 30, 2018

1. Checking/Savings Accounts

- 2. Certificates of Deposit 4 \$1000 Certificates....\$4000.00
- 3. Savings Bonds (none)
- 4. Cash on hand.....\$50.00

Total Financial Assets 11/30/2018 \$8647.29

Note: Silent Auction income was \$387.50.

Kalender

A Little Sunshine

If you know of anyone who could use a little sunshine, contact:

Beverly Haugen
Western Home Communities
5300 Main Street #45
Cedar Falls IA 50613
bhaugen@cfu.net
266-2269

Sons of Norway Benefits

To learn more about the many financial benefits offered by Sons of Norway, contact our Benefit Counselor:

Scott Johanssen, FIC Riverland Insurance Group 1970 Spruce Hills Drive Bettendorf IA 52722 Phone: 563-503-5400 Cell: 563-543-5157

Book Club

The Book Club will not be meeting in December. The book for January is <u>Cave</u> Man by Jorn Loir Horst. Watch for more information in the January POSTEN.

A POSTEN Reader's Contest

Here's the riddle for this month:

In what two places can you see *Solglimt's* Christmas tree this month?

Your answer must be received by **Gloria Tehven** before December 18th. The drawing for the prize, an awesome rosemaled item made by **Elsa Waschek,** will be at our December meeting.

You can telephone, email, or snail mail the answer, but voice messaging on the phone is not available. Send your answer and any info you'd like to see in the January POSTEN to:

Gloria Tehven 1507 Hickory Heights Drive Waverly IA 50677 352-6094 gtehven@live.com

Solglimt Lodge Website

It has arrived! Check it out!

The *Solglimt* Lodge Website is available at either:

<u>www.solglimt.org</u> or <u>www.solglimt-lodge.weebly.com</u>

Here you will find all sorts of information:

Membership

- Lodge Meetings and programs
- Officers
- Join Us

News

- Scandinavian Hour interview with Joanne Lane
- Solglimt POSTEN from April 2017

Gallery

 Solglimt Pictures going back in history - in progress

Resources

 SON and Norwegian website addresses



Sons of Norway Solglimt Lodge Christmas Tree on display at Neumann Auditorium, Wartburg College. Thanks to Joel and Chris Johnson.

Nov. 28-Dec. 12: Wartburg Festival of Trees

Dec. 4: Lodge Business Meeting

Dec. 12: Church Basement Ladies at the Old Creamery Theater

Dec. 13: Christmas on Main in Waverly

Dec. 18: Lodge Meeting
"Letters from Pleasant View
Lutheran Church"

Dec. 25: Merry Christmas!

Jan. 1: Happy New Year!

Jan. 8: Lodge Business Meeting

Jan. 26: Lodge Meeting
Frokost, 9:30 am
Kris Meyer, presenter



Just a load of lefse, can go a long way. Just a load of lefse

Solglimt POSTEN
Gloria Tehven, Editor
1507 Hickory Heights Drive
Waverly, IA 50677

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



A Little Humor

Ole bought Lena a cell phone for Christmas. It rang when she was shopping for groceries.

"Do you like your phone?" asked Ole.

"Yah," said Lena, "but how did you know I vas as da grocery store?"

Ole: Lena didn't haf much luck Christmas shoppin' today. Dere vas a power failure at da mall, and she vas stuck on da escalator for hours.

Lars: Vy didn't she yust valk down?

Ole: She vas goin'up.