

# Hvite Fjell Nyheter

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## Lodge Calendar

### May 2, Saturday

5:00 pm The Daughters of Norway will be having their annual Smorgasbord at the Senior Center at 9<sup>th</sup> and Sutro. The cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Call Ruth at 358-1394 for reservations.

### May 5, 2009 Monthly Meeting

6:00 Board Meeting

7:00 General Meeting followed by refreshments. Hosts are Naomi and Faith. A multimedia program "Snowshoe Thompson, The Viking of the Sierra" will be presented by Sue Knight of "Friends of Snowshoe Thompson".

"When John A. Thompson responded to an ad in the *Sacramento Union* that read, 'People Lost to the World; Uncle Sam Needs a Mail Carrier', he had no idea he was to become a living legend."

Even if you think you know plenty about this amazing man--arguably the most famous Norwegian immigrant in Nevada history--don't miss this program. Hear new stories

and learn about the activities the dedicated volunteers of Friends of Snowshoe Thompson have sponsored and are planning in order to keep the memory of this unique "Mailman on Longboards" alive.

### May 17, 2009

12:00 Our lodge will hold a Syttende Mai celebration at the Siena Hotel and Casino. There will be a buffet, a program and an initiation of new members. Page three of this Nyheter has more information.

### May 23, 24, 25, 2009 Memorial Day Weekend, Camp Norge

The Recreation Center Board for Camp Norge, Alta, California is sponsoring a 3 day camping experience over the Memorial day week-end. You may bring a tent or RV or you can call the Camp Norge Manager (530) 389- 2508 for a room. Meals are available from Saturday breakfast through Monday Breakfast. Activities include: Saturday, Craft Fair in the Meadow, Explore on your own and Bingo in the evening, Sunday, Horseshoe and other games and later a raffle drawing. Registration forms may be obtained by contacting Ken or

Faith Johnson at (775)747-0934.

There is a Pre-Registration deadline of May 15<sup>th</sup> so only the correct amount of food is purchased..

## President's Message

I will make this a quick message, because I am a bit short of time. The Legislative Session is really cooking along, and my work-days are getting longer. I would like to discuss three points.



President Barbara Dimmitt

First, many thanks to the

members and guests who attended the April meeting and watched the movie on the Marshall Plan and its effects on Norway and Norwegian-American relations. It just amazes me how much there is to learn about Norway. I hope all of you enjoyed the program as much as I did.

Second, our May 5th meeting will deal with matters closer to home. Representatives of the Friends of Snowshoe Thompson are driving up from

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### Lodge Contact Information

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The official web-site of Hvite Fjell Lodge is  
[www.hvitefjell.com](http://www.hvitefjell.com)



**Hvite Fjell Lodge** meets at the Odd-fellows Hall in Reno at 7:00pm the first Tue of every month except for July, October and December. Visitors are welcome.

Hvite Fjell's telephone number is

(775) 746-1200

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the Genoa area to speak to us. They will tell stories about the life and times of this famous Norwegian immigrant, who repeatedly carried the mail over the hazardous Sierra Nevada in winter, alone and on skis. They will also tell us about the work the Friends have done and the activities they are planning.

I'm willing to bet that no matter how much we think we know about this amazing man—who is arguably the most famous Norwegian in Nevada history to date—we will learn more on May 5th. Please come and bring your guests. Those of you who ski can look forward to getting some great leads for adventures next season!

Third, our Syttende Mai celebration this year will take place on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, at Lexie's on the River Restaurant at the Sienna Hotel Spa and Casino.

We will have a lovely private room, limited seating on a private outdoor balcony, and full access to Lexie's sumptuous champagne brunch. The waiter staff are very pleasant and professional and will be available to help. The Sienna has an adjacent parking lot and free valet service. (The valet service is great for anyone with mobility issues, and also when fans of Reno's new baseball team are looking for parking.)

I encourage anyone with a disabling condition or who prefers not to drive at night to seriously consider coming. Please give me a call or e-mail me if you need a ride. I will be happy to discuss with the management any special needs you may have. This is one of the most handicap-accessible restaurants in town.

Also, during our Syttende Mai celebration, we will be recognizing members for their years in the Sons of



Norway, thanking members for their contributions to the Lodge, and **initiating new members.** We will have plenty of Norwegian music and fellowship. Guests and interested members of the public will be welcome to make reservations. Members, please wear your traditional Norwegian garb if you have it. (This is one of those times when I wish I did!).

For more details about Syttende Mai, see the box elsewhere in the *Nyheter* and/or check our web-site at [www.hvitefjell.com](http://www.hvitefjell.com). There is a possibility that we will be able to take reservations and payments online.

In closing, let us all be grateful for the beautiful spring weather and for our friends in Hvite Fjell Lodge.

Barbara

**God Bedring  
Get Well Soon**

Eileen Bianchi      Ellen Hoel

Alf Stousland    Ruth Stousland

Billie Watne

**Minutes of the April Meeting**

President Barbara Dimmitt called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The minutes of Board meeting of March 3 2009 as printed in the *Nyheter* were approved - by motion of Faith Johnson and Perralina Palm, unanimously passed. The Treasurer report was given and approved.

Discussion of Memorial week-end at Camp Norge - Members going are Faith and Ken Johnson Saturday and Barbara Dimmitt and Naomi Sande on Sunday. We hope others will join them to help serve breakfast. - Barbara Rainey is the contact person.

President Dimmitt discussed the possibility of getting a consulate for the State of Nevada - She will investigate further.

Trygve will announce in the *Nyheter* the date for his fall Norwegian class.

Rosemaling class will meet at Faith Johnson's home - she will contact members who will be interested in attending.

Barbara and Naomi had menus for the May 17 celebration. We can have the brunch at the Sienna Hotel rather than a sit-down meal. Board approved by motion Faith and Ken Johnson - passed unanimously.

Naomi Sande will be checking on the project to "Adopt a School" and hopefully have information at our next meeting.

Rental for has been paid through June - We need to think of fund-raising to meet our expenses.

Daughters of Norway will have their dinner on May 2, 2009 at 5:00 PM. Adults: \$15.00 ; \$5.00 children 12 and under.

The August picnic will be at Donner Lake. Details will be on our Web Site and also the *Nyheter*.

We will continue to print the *Nyheter* once a month.

Meeting adjourned followed by the Documentary of the Marshall Plan.

Respectfully submitted, Recording Secretary Naomi Sande

**Gratulerer Med Dagen  
i Mai**

Allan Lund. . . . . May 19  
Jennifer Satre. . . . . May 23  
Joan Williamson. . . . . May 24  
Ellen Bjorkman. . . . . May 27  
Eileen Christianson. . . . . May 30  
Curtis Tang. . . . . May 30

A neighbor asked Ole why the Norwegian government doesn't draft men until age 45. Explained Ole, "Dey vant to get dem right out of high school.

Ole was a bit preachy to Little Ole, trying to inspire him to ambition. He told Little Ole, "When Lincoln vas your age, he vas splitting rails and vorking in a store." Answered Little Ole, Yah, when Lincoln vas your age he vas President of da USA.



## SYTTENDE MAI (Seventeenth of May) CELEBRATION

### WHO:

Members of Hvite Fjell Lodge No. 6-151

Visitors considering membership.

Interested members of the public.

### WHAT:

Elegant Champagne Brunch with plenty of Food Choices and Waiter Assistance .

Airy private room, with additional seating outside on a reserved river front balcony.

Traditional Norwegian music.

Initiation of New Members and presentations of Awards.

*Please wear your bunad or other traditional Norwegian attire you may have!*

### WHEN:

Sunday, May 17, 2009. From 12:30 to 2:30. (There is no set serving time, so please come even if you cannot arrive on the dot!)

### WHERE:

Lexie's on the River Restaurant\*\*

The Siena Spa Hotel and Casino

One South Lake Street in downtown Reno

(775) 32-SIENA or  
(327-2362)

### WHY:

To recognize Norway's Constitution Day, celebrated on Syttende Mai.

To demonstrate with your presence the importance of Sons of Norway to you, your families, and future generations.

To enjoy the company of old friends and new.

To honor our loyal veteran members and formally acknowledge and welcome our newest ones.

To support Hvite Fjell Lodge, the first Sons of Norway lodge in Nevada.

To hear more Per and Ola jokes!

(And for other reasons each of us knows in our hearts.)

### COST:

\$35 per person, which includes brunch, tax, and tip.

**Payment due by Friday, May 15th.** Please mail checks AND the names of all people in your party to:

Naomi Sande  
5845 Tappan Drive  
Reno, NV 89523

**NOTE: We hope to be able to accept online payments**

on our web-site, via Paypal, very soon. If you would like to pay online, please keep checking at: [www.hvitefjell.com](http://www.hvitefjell.com).

\*\*Adjacent parking lot and free valet parking.

\*\*Handicap accessible. There are no stairs Lexie's is close to parking, very close if you use the free valet parking. You do not need to walk all the way through the casino to reach the restaurant.

\*\*Please call (775) 746-1200 if you have questions or special needs, including transportation or think you might want help getting from your car into the restaurant.



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## Norway Day Opening Night

Friday, May 1st,  
2009 7:00 p.m.  
to 10:30 p.m.

Spend an  
Elegant



Evening Celebrating the Opening of the 2009 Norway Day Festival. World-renowned Chef Sven-Eric Renaa – voted Chef of the Year in Norway – will be flying in from Europe to partner with Chef Pelle Nilsson, the Bay Area's most respected Norwegian chef, to create masterful and stylish appetizers.

### Opening Night Details

## 2009 Norway Day Festival

May 2 - 3, 2009

The Norway Day Festival is the largest Norway-only festival in the United States, showcasing the best of Norwegian culture, food and music. This year, the festival is set to return to Ft. Mason's Herbst Pavilion in San Francisco.

More than 4,000 people are expected to attend the two-day event, enjoying a family-friendly atmosphere with live on-stage entertainment, cooking demonstrations, local vendors selling Norwegian crafts, clothing, food, art, and much more! There are plenty of activities for kids as well, including sing-alongs, dancing, storytelling, and games.

Buy your tickets online and save \$4 off the ticket price at the door!

#### Hvite Fjell Lodge Officers 2008

President - Ken Johnson  
Vice-President - Jim Bryn  
Secretary - Naomi Sande  
Assist. Secretary - Barbara Dimmett  
Treasurer - Perralina Palm  
Financial Secretary - Trygve Loken  
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#### Royal Norwegian Consul General

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#### Camp Norge

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