

# Hvite Fjell Nyheter

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## Lodge Calendar

### May 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting

6:00 Board Meeting

7:00 Program: Carina Black, Project Director of the Northern Nevada International Center, will give a presentation.

The NNIC is a sponsored project of UNR. Its main objective is to foster better understanding between people through public diplomacy programs, language and culture projects, and foreign policy forums. The Northern Nevada International Center serves as a resource for local residents, as well as visitors, who are interested in international activities and events.

Hostess is Perralina Palm.

### June 1<sup>st</sup> Meetings

6:00 Board Meeting

7:00 General Meeting  
The program for this meeting has not been determined.

Hostesses are Nancy Maaiss and Barbara Dimmitt.



Barbara Dimmitt

### President's Message

Hai!

#### KNUT ERIK JENSEN CONCERT A SUCCESS

Well, the concert by Norwegian pianist Knut Erik Jensen is behind us, and was it ever terrific! We had a larger attendance than last year, and many people commented on how unique and enjoyable Knut Erik's performance was. He played a brand new, 9-foot Steinway grand piano that was brilliant and responsive enough to do justice to his talent. A hearty thanks to the members who contributed food, wine, time, and energy to making this concert a great success.

### SYTTENDE MAI IS APPROACHING FAST

The next big landmark for Norway is Syttende Mai, the 17<sup>th</sup> of May – Norway's Constitution Day. It is celebrated all across the nation, with parades, bands, flags, national costumes, festival services and festivities to mark the day in 1814 that Norway adopted its new Constitution. In Oslo, the children's parade is the main attraction, with all the city schools represented and with each contingent headed by the school's banner and brass band.

According to a 2009 article in *The Norway Post*, "With all of the important outdoor festivities, the weather is very important on this day, and the whole nation watches the weather forecasts days in advance, with joy or dismay as the case may be." Sort of reminds me of our 4<sup>th</sup> of July (especially when I lived in New York State, where the summer weather was much more unpredictable than it is in Reno)!

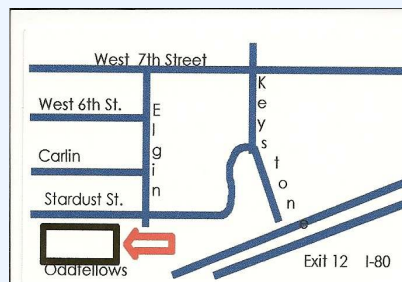
### DON'T FORGET THE DINNER!

I especially wanted to highlight Syttende Mai because – how did it get to be May already??? – this year our lodge will celebrate the holiday at a new location and time. We have planned a delicious dinner at 6 p.m. on Monday 17<sup>th</sup>.

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[www.hvitefjell.com](http://www.hvitefjell.com)



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

Hvite Fjell's telephone number is

(775) 746-1200

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We will have a private room in The Garden Restaurant, which is located in Arlington Gardens Mall on Plumb Lane. (More details are elsewhere in this issue.)

If you've been to Arlington Gardens, you know the floor is of heavy tile that make the walkways look at bit like cobblestone streets. We hope to have a couple of children with us this year (invite your grandchildren, friends, and friends' children!), so perhaps we can have our own "parade" to make the event more special for them.

We need to give the restaurant a good count in advance, so PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW – AND GET YOUR RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT TO NAOMI SANDE BY MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>.

**ONLINE FUN FOR INTERNET NEWBIES AND GEEKS**

You may have noticed that I quoted from *The Norway Post* earlier in this report. I happened to reacquaint myself with this resource while browsing the Internet for ideas. If you have a computer with an Internet connection, there are an incredible number of web sites from and about Norway. Here are just a few you might like to explore:

[www.norwaypost.no](http://www.norwaypost.no) *The Norway Post*

This is an online newspaper about Norway, written in English. Some recent article headlines are:

Norwegian chef wins Bocus d'Or" [a gourmet contest in Lyon, France]

"Alpine coach [Marius Arnesen] steps down"

"Six airports again re-opened" [when airspace was ruled clear of volcanic ash from Iceland]

"Strike in building industry ended" [after new wage agreement was reached]

<http://www.norwaynews.com/en/>

*Norway News, English Version* This is an online daily news site, "published since May 2003 by Independent Journalist on a shoestring budget."

Recent headlines in *Norway News* include:

"New driving rules in Norway" [Immigrants and expatriates from some countries will need to take a driving class before getting a Norwegian license, instead of exchanging their previous license for a Norwegian one.]

"19 countries Spying in Norway reaches 'all-time high'" [Reportedly, the nations "want access to high technology, confidential NATO information, and background into important decision-making."]

In addition, *Norway News* provides a list (with links) of 159 **newspapers in Norway** that are published in Norwegian (<http://www.norwaynews.com/en/~page.php?feedback> ).

If you'd like to listen to people speaking Norwegian – this is something Trygve Loken, our wonderful (and patient!) Norwegian language class teacher encourages – try taking advantage of <http://www.nrk.no>.

This is the web site of **the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation (NRK)**. Here you will find print articles, photos, radio broadcasts, and television broadcasts. More information about NRK (in English) is available at [http://fil.nrk.no/informasjon/about\\_the\\_nrk/1.3698462](http://fil.nrk.no/informasjon/about_the_nrk/1.3698462).

Happy browsing, if this is something you enjoy—and I look forward to seeing you at our Syttende Mai dinner. Let's make it a special evening!

Tusen takk, Barbara

**SYTTENDE MAI CELEBRATION DINNER**

Monday, May 17, 2010

6:00 p.m.

COUNTRY GARDEN RESTAURANT at the ARLINGTON GARDENS MALL  
606 West Plumb Lane  
Reno, Nevada 89509

**No-Host Bar: Wine and beer will be available for purchase**

Beverages (coffee, iced tea, or soft drinks) are included in the prices below.

*Syttende De Mai  
Main Entrees***MENU #1 -- \$26**

Cucumber Salad

Salmon with Dill Sauce, served with Mashed Potatoes and Cabbage with Bacon

Limpa Bread

Linzer Cookies

**MENU #2 -- \$22**

Cucumber Salad

Swedish Meatballs served with Mashed Potatoes and Cabbage

Limpa Bread

Linzer Cookies

**RESERVATIONS WITH PAYMENT DUE BY TUESDAY, MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>!!**

Please send your reservation (with number of people and menu choice for each) to

Naomi Sande

5845 Tappan Drive

Reno, Nevada 89523

Please make checks payable to Sons of Norway.

If you have questions, please call Naomi at 747-5778.

**March Board Minutes**

Meeting called to order 6:00 PM Perraline Palm gave the Treasurer's Report. Adoption of Feb. 2 minutes to be deferred until April meeting. Motion by Sara Jerpseth, seconded by Andy Anderson to charge \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students w/ID for the Knut Erik Jensen concert. Adopted. Perralina Palm reported that the multi cultural day at Western Nevada Community College will be held Saturday, May 15, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A table will be reserved for Hvite Fjell Lodge's display and participation. Naomi Sande reported that Alf Stousland is now living at Classic Residence Room 365, 3201 Plumas Avenue, 89509 (Tel. 825-2156) and would welcome communication and visits from Lodge members. Jenny Fallis offered to chair a music committee for the Lodge and encourages members who can play an instrument to contact her at 327-4097. Barbara Dimmitt said she would be driving to to the Friends of Snowshoe Thompson ski/snowshoe event and take others.

Barbara Dimmitt was elected as Lodge delegate to the District 6 Convention, June 23-26, Modesto, CA. Items given by Ruth Stousland were on display Adjourned. Refreshments provided by Kris Ellingsworth and Barbara Dimmitt. Respectfully submitted Recording Secretary Naomi Sande

**March General Meeting**

President Barbara Dimmitt opened the meeting at 7:30 PM. Guests were introduced by Sara Jerpseth. Counselor Ken Johnson initiated our new members: Suzanne Durichek, Victoria Fallis, Tom and Marcia Osloond, Jennifer Tavernier, and Johannes Fjellingdal. Members circled the new members welcoming them to our Lodge. Sara Jerpseth conducted a quiz - Victoria Fallis was the winner w/the most correct answers. The program followed: Video of a beautiful Norwegian chorus singing the Norwegian Anthem with background pictures of Norway's mountains and farmlands. Pictures of Vancouver with details of the preparation for the upcoming Olympics--many interesting items of interest were shown as members raptly watched and listened. President Dimmitt introduced Marguerite Sprague,

Executive Director of the Sierra Parks Foundation and Heather Spear of Summit Soire; both discussed the Scandinavian theme at Vikingsholm, Emerald Bay, Lake Tahoe relating events coming up this summer.

Respectfully submitted Recording Secretary Naomi Sande

**April Board Meeting**

President Barbara Dimmitt called meeting to order at 6:15 PM. Minutes of 03/02/2010 approved as read. Treasurer's report deferred as Treasurer not present. Motion to celebrate Syttende Mai on Monday May 17 w/dinner at Country Garden Restaurant 6:00 PM made by Nancy Maiss, seconded by Trygve Loken, passed unanimously. Cookies for District 6 Convention June 23-26 needed. Barbara will take them with her. Also desserts for Scandinavian Event at Vikingsholm June 27 for 150. Sara Jerpseth reported the Norway Day Festival in San Francisco May 1, 2. Nancy will check on the availability of a van for the day. Summer picnic discussed - Suggestions for possible locations were made - Idlewild, San Rafael Park, Galena, Bartley Ranch. Naomi will check for Norwegian outfits for the young children to wear May 17. Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted Recording Secretary Naomi Sande

**Gratulerer med dagen i mai**

- Eileen Bianchi. . . . . mai 30
- Marcia Osloond. . . . . mai 14
- Brian Root. . . . . mai 26
- Jenneifer Satre. . . . . mai 23
- Curtis Tang. . . . . mai 30
- Joan Williamson. . . . . mai 24

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OLE as he sat reading a magazine: "Lena do you know every time I breath, somebody dies?" LENA: Vhy don't you try gargling vid Listerine."

**God Bedring  
Get Well Soon**



Billie Watne

Alf Stousland

Ellen Hoel Johannes Fjellingdal

**Tribute to Snowshoe Thompson**

Øyvind Lurås writes the following:

Hello! My name is Øyvind Lurås and I come from Tinn/Telemark, Norway. I'm trying to get as many as possible to join my tribute site "Snowshoe Thompson" Jon Torsteinson-Rue to simply maintain the awareness of a true American/Norwegian hero. Pleas help me to spread the word. Perhaps there is new friends or family to found both in Norway and America :-). Kind regards Øyvind [entusijazzten@gmail.com](mailto:entusijazzten@gmail.com)

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Why are the people in Stoughton, Wisconsin, smarter than the people in New York?

Because the people in Stoughton know where New York City is. But, the people in New York City don't know where Stoughton, Wisconsin is.

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