



# Skjold

Skjold Lodge #5-100  
Sons of Norway  
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## Kommentar Fra



Jostein Bakken

### Seasons Greetings!

1999 is fast coming to an end—only a couple months left and we will be welcoming in the new millennium. It is exciting to speculate what might happen when the year 2000 rolls around.

This year has brought many surprises. One big surprise to me is that the Scandinavian Club has been sold. Skjold Building Society is a shareholder in the Scandinavian Club. This means that temporarily or permanently, Skjold Lodge has to find another place to have their meetings after the first of the year. It has not been

decided what the Scandinavian American Cultural Society will do in the future about building a new place or not. After 20 years of the Scandinavian Club, it is going to be a big change to move. It is like saying “good bye” to an old friend. What will happen in the future? Only time will tell, but we have to make the best of it! I have appointed a committee to find a new place for Skjold Lodge to hold our meetings.

At the September meeting, we nominated a committee to come up with a slate of officers for the year 2000. I will be stepping down as president. I took office in 1999 only because no one else would take the position. It was a last minute decision. We cannot run the organization without a president. I hope somebody will step in that can put more time into it than I can. My job of president for District 5 Sons of Norway is taking much of my time and next

year, with the convention coming up, I will have my hands full. Skjold Lodge needs a president that can put all the time and effort that is needed into running the lodge and lead the lodge into the next century.

I want to say “Thank You” to all the officers and members in Skjold Lodge who helped me this year. We have a group of hard working members within our lodge, but we need others to step in and help out.

Wishing you all the very best for 2000 and a happy and safe holiday season.

Mange Takk,

Fraternally,

Jostein

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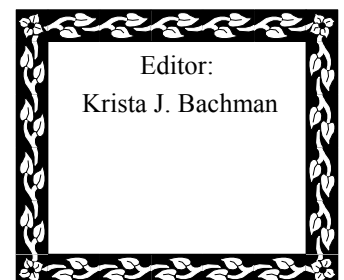


### *The 19th annual Christmas Bazaar set for November 21<sup>st</sup>*

You are invited to the nineteenth annual Scandinavian Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, November 21, 1999 from 10:00 a.m. until 4 p.m. There will be a booth filled with a variety of items includ-

ing crafts, rosemaling and home baked goodies. Skjold is donating a beautiful Norwegian sweater to the “super raffle” at the bazaar. Volunteer to help in the booth-- it is really a fun experience! Contact Gene

Kaczmarek if you are interested in helping!





# Har Du hørt?



By Evelyn Eck

**Ann Christiansen** went to Lackland Air force Base in San Antonio, Texas on Memorial Day weekend to attend the wedding of her niece. On June 23<sup>rd</sup> she traveled to Lexington, Kentucky to “cat sit” while her daughter and son-in-law went to Santa Barbara, California. Ann spent the 4th of July with them before returning home July 6th.

In May, **Karin and Tom Baseler** drove to their home in Denmark, Maine to spend the summer. They enjoyed visiting with their son who lives in the home year round. The culinary skills of a friend of their son’s freed Karin from cooking every day, but she was assigned clean up duty (with no dishwasher!) She did cook one meal, she said— Tom’s birthday dinner! On their way back to Illinois in August, they stopped to see Niagara Falls— something they had not done before. Karin and Tom were very impressed by the size and beauty of these spectacular falls.

**Karin Wulf-Jaeger** and her husband, Bob, started their summer by joining an Elderhostel group at the Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. Afterwards, they spent a day seeing Washington D.C., Gettysburg, Ft. McHenry and Annapolis. Visits to see friends in Wisconsin and Iowa were followed by a trip to the home of Bob’s son on L.B.J. Lake near San Antonio, and finally a few days in Houston. Karin’s son, Rudy, completed building his beautiful summer place at Apple Canyon Lake near Galena . Currently, Karin is in Ft. Lauderdale to join in the celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of her stepfather, Peter Christensen—a great milestone! Karin flew there alone while Bob was performing with the Elgin Symphony Orchestra and practicing for a concert on October 16<sup>th</sup>. They are busy people!

**Ray and Rose Haakonsen** have returned from a vacation in Los Angeles where they attended the wedding of their son, Kevin. It was a beautiful wedding with both the ceremony and reception held at the Mandalay Beach Resort on the ocean in Oxnard, California on September 4<sup>th</sup>. The bride and groom’s honeymoon was in Tahiti (Bora Bora) where they enjoyed the South Pacific in a thatched roof cottage on the reef. Ray and Rose also visited the Seaman’s Church (Den Norske Sjomannskirken) in San Pedro. It was interesting to learn Crown Prince Haakon had just visited there on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The church’s newsletter had a nice article and many photos of his visit. A copy of this newsletter is available if anyone cares to read it. However, it is in Norwegian! On October 7<sup>th</sup>, Rose and Ray will leave for Oklahoma City for the reunion of the 8<sup>th</sup> Air force, 303 Bomb group to reminisce about their time spent in England, the B-17s, and the missions over Europe during WW2.

**Ruth Ecklund** enjoyed a visit with her daughter, Linda, who flew here from Boston in September. They spent several days visiting some of the specialty stores in the area which can’t be found in Boston, then saw local sights and toured Long Grove with a stop at the Viking Store, of course. Linda left for home on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Lois and Lester Amack** vacationed in Disney World September 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>. They took granddaughter, Kali and her boyfriend Ted and stayed at the Contemporary Resort, where the monorail comes right to the lobby! Another granddaughter, Maya, works for Disney World in quality control; she spent three days with them, going to all the theme parks, and got them big discounts! “It’s a small, small world” for the Amack’s, as they ran into Skjold members **Cheryl and Eric Burseth and family** at Disney too!

Christin Black of Stoughton, Wisconsin is a student at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. She is the recipient of the *Astrid G. Cates Scholarship* for \$500. Her grandmother, **Edel Betty Johnson** is a member at our lodge.

## In Memorium



Skjold member **Sigward A. Stavnes** passed away last March. In July, we were notified that **Vivian Gerard** also had died. Vivian was a long time and well known Skjold member. She was part of the Drill Team and performed with them at many Sons of Norway functions. To the families and their friends of Sigward and Vivian, we extend our deepest sympathy.



Remember the true meaning of Christmas this holiday season.

# Foundation Foundation Foundation!

(Everything you always wanted to know, but were afraid to ask!)



The Sons of Norway Foundation was established in 1966 for the purpose of collecting funds by bequests, donations and gifts to be used for charitable, scientific, literacy and educational endeavors in the form of scholarships or grants. Contributions are accepted from individuals, Sons of Norway lodges, corporations and other organizations interested in supporting the goals and objectives of the Sons of Norway Foundation. The Sons of Norway is a 501 (c) 3 organization, and contributions are therefore deductible on tax returns for United States residents. The following are the Sons of Norway Scholarships available:

**King Olav V Norwegian-American Heritage:** Those eligible include any American, 18 years or older, who has demonstrated a keen and sincere interest in Norwegian heritage or any Norwegian who has demonstrated an interest in American heritage. The grants may range from \$250 to \$3,000, and would finance the study of arts, crafts, literature, history, music, or folklore at an institution of higher learning.

Winners are selected based on grade point average, participation in school and community activities and education and career goals, as well as references.

**Astrid G. Cates Scholarship Fund:**

Applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 22 and must either be members of Sons of Norway or the children or grandchildren of members. Applicants must show clear financial need.

Winners are selected based on financial need, clarity of study plan, long-term career goals, grade-point average, extracurricular activities, and a letter of recommendation. Grants range from \$500 to \$750.

**Nancy Lorraine Memorial Scholarship:**

Applicants must be female American citizens between 17 and 35 years old on the date the application is submitted. Applicants must be either Sons of Norway members or the children or grandchildren of members. Employment at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, may be substituted in lieu of belonging to Sons of Norway.

Applicants must be full-time undergraduates who have completed at least one term, majoring in chemistry, physics, or chemical, electrical, or mechanical engineering.

**Oslo International Summer School:**

Summer school students who are either Sons of Norway members or whose parents or grandparents are members are eligible to apply for an Oslo International Summer School scholarship. Two \$1500 scholarships are awarded.

**Camp Norway—Language and Culture Institute:**

Camp Norway scholarships ranging from \$250 to \$1000 are available to high school and college students. Applicants must either be Sons of Norway members or the children or grandchildren of members. Applicants must apply to Camp Norway before applying for the scholarship.

Applications for the Sons of Norway Scholarships must be received by January 15, 2000. Please send them to: **Arthur Kleven**, Foundation Director, 1930 Verde Drive, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004. Questions can be directed to Art at (847) 870-1679 or **Marge Wittrock** at (847) 392-4525.

*Skjold Scholarship*

Applications for the Skjold Lodge Scholarship are being accepted by **Marge Wittrock** (1220 Village Drive, apt. 377. Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004). You can contact Marge at (847) 392-4525 if you need an application or information. The \$300 scholarship is available to any children or grandchildren of Skjold Members. Scholarships may be used for college or trade schools.

*Cy Wittrock and Olav Eide Academic Scholarship*

This is a \$300 scholarship for a youngster to attend trade school or college. The money can even be used for buying books.

*Foundation Night Dinner and Entertainment!*

This year's Foundation Night will be held on Sunday, October 24, 1999. The evening will begin at 4:00 p.m. with cocktails and dinner beginning at 5:00 p.m. The delicious dinner buffet will be available for only \$20.00 per person. Dr. Charles Peterson from North Park College will be speaking. Afterwards, we have the popular Elk Grove **Town Criers** for musical entertainment.

Please contact **Marge Wittrock** for reservations at (847) 392-4525. If, however, you cannot attend but would like to make a donation, please cut and mail the coupon below. TUSEN TAKK!

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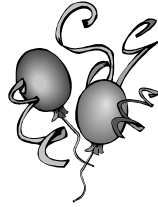
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# Gratulaere Med Dagen

## By Lois Amack



### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01	Marilyn Turchi
02	Harriet Olson
04	Karin A. Blumenthal, Charles Enge, Suzanne Enge, Gust Olson
06	Howard L. Foss
07	Lily A. Beutler
08	Evelyn J. Eck
09	Tordis S. Kaczmarek
10	Alice C. Freier
12	Ann M. Christiansen
17	Richard Fredrickson
21	Karen M. Schroeder
22	Marit Berge Bartlett
23	Edward Waters
24	Edith A. Andersen, Jordis B. Frasher, Selma Gunderson, Bengt R. Magnusson, Karin L. Klima
25	Bjarne Solem
26	Ingeborg BoHansen, Jean M. Peterson
27	Torleiv M. Moi
28	Kathryn Madsen, Karin K. Moseid
29	Norman H. Andreasen
30	Edward R. Larsen

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

01	Alice L. Perry, Maya E. Amack-Ratner
02	Norman A. Berg
04	Michael A. Hanson
06	Lars O. Borke, Harold G. Warp
07	Peter Orum
12	Evy Johansen
13	Milton A. Gustafson, Florence A. Sorensen
14	Margaret Haugsness, Lee M. Howard, Eugene R. Kaczmarek, John Wise
15	Arne Johansen
16	Irving Gunderson, Kenneth Johnson
17	Lillian R. Bakken, Doris Larsen
18	Carol Ann Larsen, Michael Mogil, Bruce H. Olsen
19	Anny S. Kyrk
20	Delores J. Hansen, Arthur Scheldrup
21	Laila Luscalzo
22	Helene Andersen
24	Edel Betty Johnson
25	Judith Nicholson
28	Connie Sena
29	Anne Kristin Olimb, Stig E. Ostgaard
30	Palmer Larsen





## Upcoming Events!

### **Tuesday, November 23**

Plan on a fun evening because it is turkey raffle night! The membership will be electing new officers for the year 2000. This is also "sandwich night" so prepare your favorite "open faces" for us all. The meeting begins at 6:30!

### **On Tuesday, December 21, 1999,**

we are all going to celebrate the holiday season together with a festive potluck buffet. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m.

Please bring a favorite dish to share for our potluck buffet.

A gift exchange is planned after the meal. Members and guests are encouraged to bring a wrapped gift and label it "his or hers". Christmas carols will also add a nice flare to the evening.

### **Thursday, January 20 at 7:30 p.m.**

we will be having a Skjold Building Society meeting at 7:30. There will be election of officers as well as updates on the current building situation. God willing, the

meeting will be held at SACS unless you hear otherwise.

### **Tuesday January 25,**

**2000** is the lodge meeting with the installation of officers! A potluck buffet will be served at 6:30! Come all and come HUNGRY!



## SACS Children's Christmas Party!

On Sunday, December 19, 1999, the SACS Children's Christmas party will take place from 3:30 till 6:00 p.m. Santa Claus, ice cream, cookies and singing are just a few of the fun things the little ones can enjoy!

Please bring a wrapped gift (\$5-10) for your child and mark it "From Santa".

**Tordis and Gene Kaczmarek** represent the Skjold Lodge with this event. **Krista Bachman** can be contacted for further information at (630) 372-8446.

## MEMBERSHIP CONTEST!!!!

The District Five Board approved a membership incentive program. Each lodge that increases its membership by 4% (or more) between May 1999 and April 30, 2000 will receive a cash reward of \$150. Lodges may use this award for any worthwhile cause.

The membership count to start the contest began April 30, 1999, so we are already under the gun!

A simple motto to remember is "EVERY MEMBER, SIGN UP A MEMBER" So, Skjold Lodge #100, lets show the District which lodge has the most gusto!

## Velkommen!

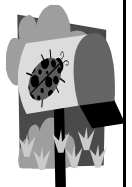
Welcome to the our Skjold –  
5-100 family!

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## Letter From Your Editor

Krista Bachman

Happy Holiday!!

Well, I have been at this whole editor thing for almost a year, and WOW, what a year it has been!

A lot of things have happened this last year in Sons of Norway - some good, some not so good. I saw us almost lose a dear friend to a biking accident and I saw Ted pull through some difficult times and still remain smiling. I am witness to a major change in our lodge with the building being sold and a membership drought in full force!

However, for each unpleasant event I see ten positives. I was privileged to celebrate Barney's 89<sup>th</sup> birthday with him (I got to sit right next to the guest of honor). I

shared in the joy of a new marriage with Tordis and Gene, I found out that hard work really does pay off (pssssttt: The Skjold News Benefit), and I made friends here at the club that I couldn't imagine life without! So all and all, the good out weighs the bad.

I just wanted to take this opportunity to wish all of you safe and happy holidays, and to thank you for a fabulous year! Your stories and contributions to this newsletter make this an excellent publication. This year was good, next year will be GREAT!

Krista Bachman

## TAKK TAKK TAKK

This months "TAKK TAKK TAKK" section is donated to the Skjold News Benefit!

♥ There were dozens of lovely gifts that were auctioned off. Thank you to all the folks who thought of the benefit during their travels and donated those fine items.

♥ **Karen Wulf-Jaeger, Florence and Herbert Sorenson, and June and Steinar Steine** made generous donations to our newsletter (and didn't even receive a gift for doing so!). Mange Tusen Takk for your loyal support.

♥ The Editor (me me me) would like to thank her side-kicks for the evening, **Lois and Lester Amack, Judy and Ted Torgersen, Gene Kaczmarek, Don Hogsan, and Diane Overby!** Hey! Lets start making calls for next year Guys!! (Just Kidding!) You all made my stress so much less, and I appreciate your help.

♥ Oh and Tusen Takk for laughing at my joke even if it wasn't all that humorous!

## Recipe of the Month

### Rhubarb Bar Dessert

- 3 Cups Cut Up Rhubarb
- 1 Teaspoon Vanilla
- 1 1/2 Cups White Sugar
- 2 Tablespoons Cornstarch
- 1/4 Cup Water
- Cook all these ingredients –add 1 cup of raisins

#### Crust:

- 1 1/2 Cups Oatmeal (Quick)
- 1 1/2 Cups Flour
- 1 Cup Brown Sugar
- 1/2 Teaspoon Baking Soda
- 1 Cup Soft Margarine
- 1/2 Cup Chopped nuts for top

Make like a pie crust. Put 3/4 of the mixture in bottom of 9x13 pan which has been sprayed with cooking spray. Put rhubarb filling on top. Evenly sprinkle rest of crust mixture on top. Add nuts (optional). Bake at 375 degrees for 30-35 minutes. Cut into serving pieces. Add light topping or ice cream if desired.

*Thank You Doris Lodin for the recipe!*

## HA HA HA

There is a cute story about how old Sven dies and goes to heaven where he is met at the pearly gates by Saint Peter. Peter gives Sven an entrance examination which includes the question "What is God's Name?"

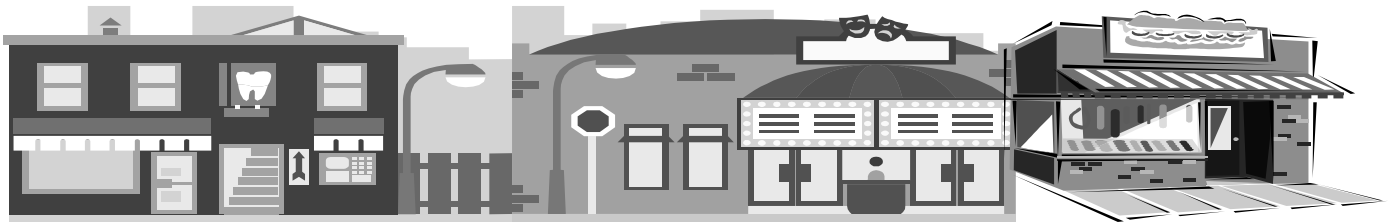
"UFF DA!" gasps Sven as he thinks really hard. He then blurts out, "Now I remember! God's name is Howard."

"Howard?" asks Saint Peter, "What makes you think it's Howard?"

Sven answers, "It's in dat prayer, ya know... 'Our father who art in Heaven, HOWARD be thy name!'"

*Thank you Doris Lodin for making us laugh!*





# What's Happening Around Town

## National League

## District Five Information

Mark Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> on your calendar. That is the day for the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church in Chicago (Minnekirke) to have their annual Christmas Bazaar.

On Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> "Christmas Around World" will be at the Museum of Science and Industry at 4:00 p.m. Come one come all to sing and dance around the Christmas tree. If you desire more information, please contact **Lynn Sove Maxon at (847) 297-1656**. You can always email Lynn too at [somax@chicago.avenew.com](mailto:somax@chicago.avenew.com)

**October 30**—This is a special evening for District 5. Plan on attending the 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the district at Giovanni's Restaurant. The guest speaker for the evening is our Sons of Norway International President, Penny Joseph Knudsen. The cost is \$30 per person and there will even be a DJ for your entertainment (look out Gene and Lester...hehehe)! If you desire more information or specifics, you can contact **Krista Bachman at (630) 372-8446**.

November 6—Polar Star 472 Aurora, Illinois will have a kumla and ham dinner starting at 1:30. The cost is only \$5.00 and you should bring a side dish to pass. Please let Burt Severson know you are coming (asap!) at (630) 322-9800.

November 13—Nordland Lodge 544 Janesville, Wisconsin will have their annual LUTEFISK dinner. Contact: Bill Hendrickson (608) 754-3751.

November 27—Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson 97, Park Ridge, Illinois is celebrating their 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They are having a dinner at Monastero's Restraunt for only \$15 per person! Call Beverly Trusdell at (847) 945-6267 for reservations before November 20<sup>th</sup>.



## SACS

SACS is having their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on November 27, 1999 at the club. The fun begins at 6:30 and the cost is \$40 per person. Contact the club to make your reservation on or before November 20, 1999 at (847) 870-1710.

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Here is a once in a lifetime opportunity to greet a new millennium! Why not celebrate with your friends at the club?! There will be complimentary hor d'oeuvres, party favors and decorations, and a Champaign toast at midnight. There is an open bar from 7:00-midnight and dancing all night to the Dave Kirk Band!

Your menu will include cream of asparagus soup, garden salad, chateaubriand or fresh salmon with dill sauce and our famous dessert buffet.

Reservations with prepaid payment of \$100 per person (no refunds) must be made to SACS at (847) 870-1710. Call today, there is limited space available!



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