Synnøve-Nordkap Lodge #1-008 Board of Directors Meeting Monday, August 5, 2024 at Ramsey County Library, Maplewood, MN 6:00-8:00 p.m. In Person and Zoom MINUTES

<u>MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE</u>: Lynn Hoffmeyer, Connie Chrissis, Jean Knaak, Kathy Kaluza, Sharon Amann, Pat Carlson, Randy Youngs, Happy Youngs, Ron Stow, Susan Stow, Dianne Anderson, LaRee Opdahl, Ingrid Bjorum

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by President Kathy Kaluza.

<u>SECRETARY'S REPORT</u>-LaRee Opdahl. Minutes were approved as printed for the June meeting. There are 208 active members listed. It was noted of the recent death of Jackie Carlone, a former member of our Lodge.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Connie Chrissis. Connie had sent the Budget Spreadsheet to the Board. There were no questions. The report will be placed on file for financial review.

BOARD REPORTS

JUNIOR LODGE-Susan Stow: She has a list of all the CD's available for the Jr. Lodge to use for their performances and activities. Dave Mutchler has provided all the music they use on CD's, as well. The dancers will be performing in Victoria, MN on September 7th for the Nordic Music Festival.

PROGRAMS-Jean Knaak: Lowell Johnson will present the New Land, New Life display at the September meeting. The program "From Sheep to Shawl" will be presented at the October or November meeting. Be sure to invite guests that might be interested in textiles to that meeting. It was suggested that we have a Zoom presentation for our programs for those unable to attend the meeting. However, we do need permission from each speaker to do that. We will check with Dave Okeson to see if he will speak at one of our meetings about products available for members to purchase, especially since only a small percentage of our members actually own products.

<u>MEAL PLAN FOR NEXT MEETING</u>-Happy Youngs: Tacos made with pulled pork and black beans will be served at the September meeting, along with home-made salsa and other condiments. Dessert will be provided.

SCHOLARSHIPS-There was no report due to Jill Hanson's absence.

OLD BUSINESS:

SUMMER PICNIC- There were 32 members, including 4 guests present at the picnic that was moved inside because of inclement weather. The food was great, with so many choices of goodies. Lowell Johnson talked about the "New Land, New Life" display being used for the 2025 Bi-Centennial. Ole offered a humorous honor for fathers for Father's Day.

SON DISTRICT CONVENTION

Our lodge will furnish the 3 flags. The troll from Taste of Minnesota will also be present. Any lodge banners need to be free-standing and not hung. Kathy showed pictures of the basket she purchased for the Silent Auction. The lodge will provide a Keurig coffee maker, coffee, 4 cups and napkins. Other items may be added and given to Kathy Kaluza to include in the basket. Jean explained menus for meals and banquets, and snacks for hospitality area. Sharon suggested we purchase denim/chambray shirts with our lodge logo embroidered on them. They would cost \$40. See Sharon to order.

<u>TASTE OF SCANDINAVIA</u>- Sharon Amann: To be held on Saturday, October 26. Sharon passed around a sign-up sheet for things to bring. She also will write up something for the Brevet and include the sign-up sheet. The lodge will pay for the meatballs, and Jill will make the delicious gravy.

<u>PUBLICITY DIRECTOR AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY</u>-Ron says there are other positions on the Board that have not been filled, as well. Job descriptions would be most helpful in attracting members to the open positions.

NEW BUSINESS

SELLING WAFFLE MAKERS- Pertinent information as to size and weight need to be listed. We could possibly sell them at the Convention. Sharon Amann made a motion to sell the two waffle makers for a minimum of \$600, or best offer. Motion was seconded and carried.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE- Ron stated we need two volunteers before the next Board Meeting. Kathy is automatically on the Committee, but we still need one more volunteer.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Thursday, September 5, 2024 at Ramsey County Library, Maplewood, MN 6:00-8:00 p.m. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DAY OF THE WEEK. .

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaRee Opdahl Recording Secretary