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

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Connie Chrissis, Jean Knaak, Kathy Kaluza, Sharon Amann, Pat Carlson, Randy Youngs, Happy Youngs, Ron Stow, Susan Stow, Dianne Anerson, Dave Mutchler, Jill Hanson, LaRee Opdahl

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by President Kathy Kaluza.

SECRETARY'S REPORT-LaRee Opdahl: Minutes were approved as printed for the September meeting. There are 215 active members listed.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Connie Chrissis: There were no questions. The report will be placed on file for financial review.

BOARD REPORTS:

BREVET-Ingrid Bjorum: She previously announced she will be resigning as Editor at the end of the year. We will keep in mind that there are two possibilities as a replacement. Details will be revealed at a future time. Leif Erickson will work on the website and Facebook.

<u>JUNIOR LODGE</u>-Susan Stow: They had two new girls at their September meeting. There were samples of their craft project involving maps and magnets, which they will sell at the Taste of Scandinavia. They have been invited to perform at a music fest in February and Vennekretsen in March.

PROGRAMS-Jean Knaak: Chillon Leach will present the October program "From Sheep to Shawl", taking wool and turning it into yarn. In November Christopher, from the home office, will speak about the Foundation. October is Foundation Month, and we will have Christopher, our rep for the Foundation, speak about that at our November meeting. Our SON representative, Dave Okeson will update us on financial products available for members at our November or December meeting.

MEAL PLAN FOR NEXT MEETING-Happy Youngs: Vegetarian Chili will be served at our October meeting. Salad and dessert will also be served. We will serve BBQ's in November. A sign-up sheet will be available at our meetings for members to sign up for salads, desserts, and other things to complement the main meal. Sharon will provide a salad for October, and LaRee will provide pumpkin bars for November.

SCHOLARSHIPS-Jill Hanson: She had received a thank-you from Freya Haugen for the camp scholarship presented to her.

OLD BUSINESS:

TASTE OF SCANDINAVIA- Sharon Amann: She had an updated sheet of items being prepared for the Taste. She thought we should maybe call some people that haven't previously signed up, to see if they plan to attend and if they will contribute something towards the event. Gary Legwold will be furnishing rounds of lefse, and District 1 is giving us 10 pounds of pickled herring. We should plan to be at the church by 2:00 to help set up for Taste. The new Zone Director, Jim Townsend, plans to attend Taste.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE- Ron Stow: We will have to ask around for people to fill open positions, since no one answered the questionnaire he send out.

DUES INCREASE – Jean Knaak: Table until a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>GENEALOGY GROUP STATUS</u> – Ron Stow: Many of the members of this group do not plan to continue. Perhaps it is time for changes – i.e. meeting quarterly or connecting up with other Zones. A note of Thanks for all their work should be sent to them.

<u>GA CHURCH LETTER</u> – Ron Stow: We should look around for other alternatives, but that has not been very easy to do. Many members will meet at GA on Friday, October 11, to clean out the closet in the basement. We may be able to sell or donate some of the items, and, hopefully, eliminate the use of that space. That would reduce the amount we pay them for the use of their building.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, November 4, 2024 at Sharon's home. Her address is 1575 2nd St. NW, New Brighton.

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

Respectfully submitted,

LaRee Opdahl Recording Secretary