

Synnøve-Nordkap Lodge 1-008
Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES
Monday, March 2, 2026
Ramsey County Library, Maplewood, MN
6:00-8:00 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Kathy Kaluza, Dianne Anderson, Sharon Amann, Pat Carlson, Connie Chrissis, Ron and Susan Stow, Randy and Happy Youngs, Becky Foro, Jean Knaak, Sheryl Hove and Jill Hanson.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By President Kathy Kaluza at 6:07 PM.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sheryl Hove. Minutes accepted as printed. Submit Volunteer Hours sheets to Sheryl by March 1 by mail or email.

MEMBERSHIP: 166. Includes Juvenile Members with active insurance.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Connie Chrissis. Treasury Income and Expenses and Balance Sheet were sent previously to the Board. Report accepted. The report will be placed on file for financial review.

BREVET: Becky Foro. Submit contributions for *Brevet*.

PROGRAMS: Jean Knaak. The March meeting will be children's book author Barbara Linert and the meal will be meatballs. The April Meeting will be on Woodworking and the meal will be a Soup Cook-off contest.

JUNIOR LODGE: Susan Stow. Music expert, Sarah Pradt of St. Olaf College, gave a presentation on the Hardanger fiddle. The Per Gynt Dancers were accepted to perform at the International Festival of Minnesota on April 11.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Jill Hanson. She has not received any applications as they are not due yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF MINNESOTA: Kathy Kaluza & Pat Carlson, Co-Chairs. The location is the St. Paul RiverCenter. The dates are Friday, April 10 and Saturday, April 11 from 9 AM to 9 PM. Students will attend on Friday from 9 AM to 3 PM. Baking Day will be Monday, April 6 at Gustavus Adolphus Church. Food items will be purchased by Kathy, Pat, Sharon Amann and Susan Stow. Arrangements are being made for the "Norway Café". Volunteers will sign up at the Lodge Meeting. The website is: IFestmn.org .

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS/ANNIVERSARY PINS: Ron Stow. Presentation of the Anniversary Pins will be held at the March 10 Lodge Meeting. The Installers will be Sharon Amann and Susan Stow.

DISTRICT I CONVENTION: Connie Chrissis. The Convention will be held from Thursday, June 25 through Saturday, June 27, 2026 in Willmar.

-Advertising in Convention Booklet. Becky Foro will adapt the new *Brevet* banner with text for the ad for \$135. Sharon Amann contacted Gary Legwold about including and the Lodge paying \$135 for a separate half page ad for his lefse business and he was very appreciative

-Silent Auction Donation: The Lodge will provide the Calendar. Ron will contact Lowell Johnson regarding payment for his wooden Calendar Frame.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONVENTION DELEGATES: Connie Chrissis

-Delegates: LaRee Opdahl, Kathy Kaluza, Sharon Amann and Andy Chrissis.

Alternates: Ron Stow, Dianne Anderson, Jean Knaak and Jill Hanson.

A motion was made by Jean Knaak and seconded by Ron Stow for the Lodge to make payments for Delegates' expenses and it passed unanimously. Delegates must register by April 1 and be reimbursed for their rooms.

TREATS: Provided by Kathy Kaluza.

ADJOURNMENT: Kathy Kaluza adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM.

OUR NEXT BOARD MEETING: Will be held Monday, April 6, 2026, 6:00-8:00 PM, at Ramsey County Library in Maplewood, MN.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Hove

Assistant Recording Secretary