

BYGDELAGENES FELLESRAAD BULLETIN

December 2012

Almost all lag have dates and places set for 2013 stevner. **Nordhordlandslag** celebrates its centennial this year with Vestlandslag. Check to see if your listing is included in the 2013 calendar of events, listed on the official web site, www.fellesraad.com.

Please send the **name of the contact person for the print ad** for the Viking magazine with a phone number and e-mail from your lag by **JANUARY 15, 2012**. E-mail the.president@fellesraad.com. (Note: If it arrives late, the ad space will be blank, as the president will not be at home later on in January.)

Dues of \$5 per lag **plus** your lag's \$15 portion of the **advertising** cost are payable to the Fellesraad **JANUARY 1**. **Please mail the check of \$20 to Treasurer R. Lee Brown, 2210 Spruce Trail, Golden Valley, MN 55422. He will also take registrations for the annual meeting May 4.**

Guests are welcome to attend the **annual meeting** of Bygdelagenes Fellesraad, **Saturday May 4** with arrival coffee, lunch, program/speaker and rental fees covered by the registration fee. The board voted to hold the meeting at the Norwegian Memorial Church, 924 East 21st Street, Minneapolis, MN 55404-2952. **Registrations for all wishing to attend (lags in good standing may each seat two delegates) are to be postmarked before April 15 if you wish the \$16 per person rate; cost is \$18 per person thereafter, the same as last year.**

Presidents note: Names of **delegates and their mailing addresses** need to be received by President Marilyn D. Somdahl (the.president@fellesraad.com) **before February 20** so that they can receive the mailed *BF Bulletin* in mid-March with program details. Possible agenda items should also be submitted in writing to the president before March so that the board may look into those having merit for inclusion.

The Fellesraad Board wishes everyone

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The Board also reminds you to **write us of** names of former officers or their families (and position held)--who

have passed away since the annual meeting last year. Each will be recognized and included in a memorial. Each lag builds on the shoulders of those who led previously.

Norwegian Lag Week Convenes for Seventh Year

In Salt Lake City, March 17-20, 2013

If genealogy research in on your list of things to look into this coming year, you may wish to make plans to do so at the Family History Center in Salt Lake City, UT. This is the seventh annual Norwegian Lag Week at this venue.

Three organizations have been involved to plan this event, having done exploratory weeks and a pilot previously. These groups are Bygdelagenes Fellesraad, the national council; DIS Norge, the Norwegian genealogy organization primarily connecting with members via the Internet; and Family Search, related to the Family History Center, which makes the local arrangements. The event could not be planned without them. See www.fellesraad.com.

The week for 2013 is in two parts. Time from March 13 through March 16 is set aside for **research only**. This is an informal time but several people will be there to assist. "If we know who you are, we can make connections at the hotel and at the library," says Marilyn Sorensen, Fellesraad VP.

The second part of the week will begin with a meeting on **Sunday evening March 17** at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel, next door to the library. Special classes pertaining to Norwegian research and new developments continue **through Wednesday, March 20**. A block of rooms is available by contacting Rich Williams at 800-366-3674, ext.3007. Please work with him directly. Norwegian Lag room rates are \$82.00 plus tax for a single or double room. The rate will be honored until January 13, 2013. If rooms are available after the deadline, they will honor the rate for Norwegian Lag Week from March 13-19.

Cost for the week will be your transportation, hotel room and food. The Family History Library and Family Search Center are open to the public at no charge.

Just following the lag week is a Roots Tech Conference from March 21-March 23, 2013. Go to that web page for more information and note that it has a separate registration fee. Many hotels have Roots Tech rates, and it is a huge conference so the hotel rooms go quickly.

E-mail Marilyn Sorensen, rddlagen@usfamily.net or call her, 651-633-1329, for questions. Over 20 enthusiastic folks attended last year, and it helps to know how many are coming!