



Embla Lodge #2, Daughters of Norway Business Meeting Minutes October 1, 2015

PRE-FUNCTIONS

Prior to the opening of the business meeting members, visitors, and guests enjoyed a delicious dinner and were entertained by Karen Goettling and Don Loremor who presented a Scandinavian dance demonstration.

CALL TO ORDER

President Diane Nelson called the October 1, 2015, business meeting of Embla Lodge #2, Daughters of Norway, to order at 7:50pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN AND NATIONAL ANTHEMS

Marshal Julie Touchette led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America as well as the singing of the National Anthems of both the United States of America and Norway.

OPENING SONG AND PRAYER

Candace Brown, substituting for Cultural Director Karen Bell, led members in singing *Nidelven*. She also gave the opening prayer.

VISITORS AND GUESTS

President Nelson welcomed visitors and guests.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Secretary Garner silently recorded the roll of officers. The following were noted as being present: President Diane Nelson, Vice President Lisa Ottoson, Judge Mardy Fairchild, Secretary Carlene Garner, Treasurer Chris Engstrom, Financial Secretary Kari Stackpole, Marshal Julie Touchette, Assistant Marshal Kirsten Bell, Greeter Suzy Johnston, Head Trustee Sarah Callow, Two-year Trustee Carolyn Benson, and Three-year Trustee Sharon Groeneveld,

MINUTES

The minutes from the September 3, 2015, meeting were attached to the meeting notice. The minutes were approved as presented.

REPORTS

The following reported:

Vice President Lisa Ottoson thanked the evening's hostesses for setting up and preparing for the pot luck dinner: Wendy Neptun, Torun Parker, Karen Curtis, Julie Touchette, Gail Harris, Carol Voigt, Carolyn Benson, and Denise Anderson.

Vice President Ottoson announced that both the November and December slate of hostesses is full.

Sunshine Chairman Marilyn Mahnke reported that Karen Lynn was having sinus surgery, Kalma Christianson broke her hip, and Karen Bell is suffering from four compression fractures in her back.

Trustee Groeneveld reported for Cooking Class Coordinator Judy Willison reminding members that the dates for the fall classes are October 6, 14, and 24. The cost is \$5.00 per class and all classes will be held at PLU's Scandinavian Center from 10:00am to 12:00 noon.

President Nelson reported that Embla would be baking cookies on Monday, October 5, from 9:00am to 4:00pm at the Scan Center in preparation for the Nordic Festival. Those bringing home made cookies should bring them on that day so they too can be packaged for the Festival.

Vice President Ottoson reported for Service Project Coordinator Karen Bell and thanked members for their donations of paper products for the Family Renewal Shelter; she asked that Thanksgiving type canned goods be brought to the November meeting.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

President Nelson reminded members that Secretary Garner has the car wash tickets from Brown Bear. The tickets cost \$5.00 each with the proceeds going to the Convention Fund.

President Nelson reminded members that Embla's Nordic Festival will be held on Saturday, October 10, at Edgemont Junior High. Members are needed for the Monday, October 5, cookie baking when Sue Kidd from The News Tribune will be present.

President Nelson also reported that over 800 rounds of lefse were made on August 24, and September 28. The packaged lefse will be for sale at the Festival.

President Nelson also reported that help will be needed for the Friday afternoon set up prior to the Festival. Marshal Touchette

asked members to bring six foot tables, as well as card tables to the set up.

FLOWER MARCH

The Flower March was conducted.

NEW BUSINESS

President Nelson conducted the election of the Embla Nominating Committee. Those elected to serve were: Lisa Ottoson, Mardy Fairchild, and Karen Kunkle. The election of 2016 Officers will be held at the November meeting.

President Nelson conducted the election of delegates to the 2016 Grand Lodge Convention. Those elected to serve as delegates were: Lisa Ottoson, Marilyn Mahnke, Sarah Callow, Sharon Groeneveld, Kari Stackpole, Suzy Johnston and Carlene Garner. Those elected to serve as alternates were: Janet Ruud, Sue Bentz, Esther VanNoy, Judy Rogers, Wendy Neptun, Karen Bell, Mardy Fairchild, and Nadine Lewtas.

NOTE CARDS

Past Lodge President Mardy Fairchild reported that the Past Presidents are selling note cards with antique Nordic drawings. The price is \$5.00 for a package of four.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Chris Engstrom announced that the financial reports are available on the back table. She reported that the proceeds from the September auction totaled \$473.50; and the garage sale proceeds totaled \$691.73, with \$70.00 going to Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the use of the facilities. The garage sale proceeds will go into the convention fund.

President Nelson thanks members for their contributions in making both the auction and the garage sale successes.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

President Nelson announced Valkyrien Lodge #1, will be celebrating its 110th anniversary on October 7; Nellie Gerdrum Lodge #41 will be presenting its Scandinavian Fair on November 7; and Solveig Lodge #31 will be hosting a "Bit of Norway," on November 7.

Financial Secretary Stackpole reminded members that dues are payable in December and Joan Anderson will be collecting due in Secretary Stackpole's absence.

NEXT MEETING

President Nelson announced that the next meeting would be November 5, at 6:00pm. The election of 2016 officers will take place during the meeting.

CLOSING

Judge Fairchild read the closing.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm

Carlene Garner, Secretary

Greeter Suzy Johnston, with Carol Else, who was substituting for Greeter Nadine Lewtas, conducted the 50/50 Drawing. Daniele Brown was the lucky winner.