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SCHEDULE

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Thursday, June 28, 1984 International Ballroom

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration 6:00 p.m. Flag Raising Ceremony 6:30 p.m. No Host Cocktails 7:30 p.m. Dinner

> Friday, June 29, 1984 International Ballroom

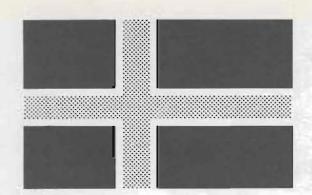
9:30 a.m. Grand Chorus rehearsal 11:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon No Host Cocktails 12:00 Noon Singer's and Ladies Luncheons

Chabot College, Hayward, CA
Singers leave for rehearsal at concert hall immediately
following luncheon
8:00 p.m. Grand Concert
Buses will leave at 6:00 p.m.

There will be a no host cocktail hour in the International Ballroom foyer following the concert

> Saturday, June 30, 1984 International Ballroom

10:00 a.m. Annual Business Meeting 6:30 p.m. No Host Cocktails 7:30 p.m. Grand Banquet and Ball



Greetings from the Consul General of Norway



On the occasion of The Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association's 75th Sangerfest in Oakland on June 28, 29 and 30, 1984, I have the honour to extend to you all, on behalf of the Norwegian Government the best wishes for a successful event.

I appreciate the importance of the work being done over the years by your Association. By your activities and through your singing, you are worthy Ambassadors of Norwegian Culture in America, demonstrating your devotion to your Norwegian heritage.

Con ul General of Norway



SINCE 1902

Historical Sketch of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association

SONG AND MUSIC are a birthright which have been entrusted to all nations in a greater or lesser degree.

That such a birthright has been richly entrusted to the Norwegian Nation is a well known fact. As music lovers, composers and performers the Norwegians have always been in the foremost ranks. Singing, and then in particular male chorus singing, has a very broad place in the daily musical life of the country. Virtually every little community has its singing societies which contribute much towards keeping the high standard of patriotism and love. Everybody takes part and the great Sangerfests with massed choruses numbering 5000 to 6000 men are realities.

Immortal composers like Grieg, Sinding, Svendsen, Ole Olsen, Kjerulf and numerous others have given us male chorus compositions of lasting beauty, compositions that rightfully belong among the finest the world has produced in this form of music.

The Norwegian sons and daughters who have emigrated to America have brought with them this great love for song and music, and have contributed honorably to make this country an outstanding musical nation. For over sixty years Norwegian singing societies have existed on the Pacific Coast, and in 1902, chiefly through the efforts of Mr. F. A. Tomte, Portland, Oregon, the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association was organized in Seattle, Washington. The first officers were John Norman (Everett), President; A. J. Thuland (Seattle), Secretary; Dr. O. A. Loe (Seattle), Treasurer, and Dr. Carlo A. Sperati, Director-in-Chief. The original founders of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association are as follows: Norwegian Glee Club, Portland, Oregon, organized November 6, 1886; Normanna Male Chorus, Tacoma, Washington, organized October 15, 1888; Norwegian Male Chorus, Seattle, Washington, organized December 6, 1889; Norden Sangforening, Ballard, Washington, organized in 1901; Everett Norwegian Male Chorus, Everett, Washington, organized August 5, 1902; Norwegian Male Chorus, Vancouver, British Columbia, organized September 14, 1927.

The first Sangerfest was held in Everett, Washington, August 1, 2 and 3, 1903. Since then Sangerfests have been held and celebrated in the principal cities of the Pacific Coast.

The Grand Chorus had a very successful concert tour of Norway in 1981. Reports from Norway show that our music touched the hearts of the people of Norway and the experience touched the heart of every singer. The entire forbund is very proud of this accomplishment. It is our fervent hope that each of you will enjoy this Sangerfest and concert.

PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION

ROSTER OF CHORUSES

Oakland, California Normanna Glee Club Bellingham, Washington The Bellingham Male Chorus Eugene, Oregon The Eugene Norsemen Everett, Washington Norwegian Male Chorus Los Angeles, California Norwegian Male Chorus Portland, Oregon Norwegian Glee Club San Francisco, California Norwegian Singing Society Norwegian Male Chorus Seattle, Washington Tacoma, Washington Norwegian Male Chorus Norwegian Male Chorus Vancouver, B.C. Salem, Oregon Norwegian Male Chorus

DIRECTORS-IN-CHIEF

Carlo A. Sperati	1902-1916
Rudolph Moller	1916-1935
George S. Johnson	1935-1937
Monrad Malmin	1937-1939
George S. Johnson	1939-1940
August Werner	1940-1946
Henry Ringman	1946-1950
Gunnar J. Malmin	1950-1952
Henry Ringman	1952-1953
Gunnar J. Malmin	1953-1955
Monrad Malmin	1955-1957
Henry Ringman	1957-1959
August Werner	1959-1974
Gunnar J. Malmin	1975-1978
Alf Knudsen	1978-1981
Ed Amundsen	1981-1984

RECORD OF CONCERTS

	Place	Year		Place	Year		Place	Ye	ear
1.	Everett	1903	26.	Everett	1933	51.	Seattle	19	960
2.	Seattle	1904	27.	Vancouver	1934	52.	San Francisco	19	961
3.	Portland	1905	28.	Bellingham	1935	53.	Salt Lake City	19	962
4.	Tacorna	1906	29.	Seattle	1936	54.	Tacoma	19	963
5.	Astoria	1907	30.	Portland	1937	55.	Portland	19	964
6.	Seattle	1909	31.	San Francisco	1939	56.	Oakland	19	965
7.	Eureka	1910	32.	Tacoma	1940	57.	Bellingham	39	966
8.	Everett	1912	33.	Grays Harbor	1941	58.		19	967
9.	Spokane	1913	34.	Everett	1942	59.	Everett	19	968
10.	San Francisco	1915	35.	Seattle	1944	60.	Santa Monica-Los	Angeles 19	969
11.	Bellingham	1916	36.	Tacoma	1945	61.	Seattle		970
12.	Seattle	1917	37.	Portland	1946	62.	Tacoma	19	971
13.	Portland	1918	38.	Vancouver, B.C.	1947	63.	San Francisco	19	972
14.	Tacoma	1919	39.	Los Angeles	1948	64.	Vancouver, B.C.	19	973
15.	Grays Harbor	1920	40.	Everett	1949	65.	Oakland	39	974
16.	Astoria	1921	41.	Oakland	1950	66.	Seattle	79	975
17.	Everett	1922	42.	Seattle	1951	67.	Eugene	79	976
18.	Edison-Bellingham	1923	43.	Spokane	195.2	68.	Everett	19	977
19.	Seattle	1924	44.	Tacoma	1953	69.	Oakland	75	978
20.	Portland	1925	45.	Portland	1954	70.	Salem	19	979
21.	Tacoma	1926	46.	Bellingham	1955	71.	Bellingham	19	980
22.	Vancouver	1927	47.	Los Angeles	1956	72.	Seattle	19	981
23.	San Francisco	1928	48.	Vancouver, B.C.	1957	73.	Tacoma	19	982
24.	Astoria	1929	49.	Everett	1958	74.	Eugene	79	983
25.	Grays Harbor	1931	50.	Eugene	1959	75.	Oakland	19	984

Welcome to the



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GREETINGS!

On behalf of the NORMANNA GLEE CLUB and THE LADIES AUXILIARY of OAKLAND we extend a very warm welcome to this the 75th annual Sangerfest.

We are looking forward to a Sangerfest filled with the "Sangerspirit" which we have become so accustomed to, and extend a very special welcome to those of you who are attending for the first time.

The Normanna Glee Club is celebrating its 61st anniversary this year, so please have an extra "Skal" or two on our behalf.

May your stay in Oakland have many pleasant memories now and in many years to come.

MED SANGERHILSEN

Olav Laxo President, Normanna Glee Club



Rolf Sabye Sangerfest Chairman



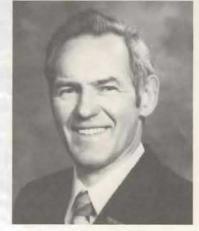


Sverre Olav Staurset President

PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION



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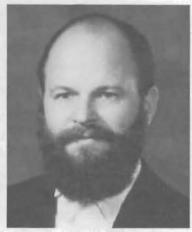
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Ed Amundsen Director in Chief



Gunnar Malmin Director in Chief Emeritus



Alf Knudsen Assistant Director in Chief



Richard Meyer Director Oakland



Sharon Klykken Concert Accompanist



Harvey Mathiesen Honorary Grand Marshall





Al Nelson Marshall

NORMANNA GLEE CLUB

NORMANNA GLEE CLUB of Oakland, was organized June 12, 1923 with fifteen members.

Arne H. Arneson, one of the organizers, became the first director. He held the position for 19 years. Other directors have been: Phillip Hillstrom, Karl Ingebritsen, Edgar Thorpe, Theodore Gorbacheff, Kaare Klykken and now Richard Meyer.

The Normanna is fortunate in having a Ladies Auxiliary that gives wonderful support and encouragement to the singers.

Oakland has hosted four Sangerfests, 1950, 1965, 1974, 1978 and now is the proud host of the 75th Sangerfest.

The average membership has been thirty. It makes appearances at many Bay Area churches and social functions.

NORMANNA GLEE CLUB

President: Vice President: Secretary:

Secretary: Treasurer: Olav Laxo Jerry McClure Roy Wold Dave Jewitt



Richard Meyer Director





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Treasurer: Arlene Jewitt

Bulletin Editor: Greta Kessey

Chairman of Sangerfest: Barbara Soderstrom

NORMANNA LADIES AUXILIARY

President Herman Botn and the members of the NORWEGIAN CLUB of San Francisco take this opportunity to express our respect and appreciation for the work the Normanna Glee Club of Oakland has done over the years in supporting and encouraging interest in the Norwegian cultural activities of the Bay Area.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION ON THEIR DIAMOND JUBILEE SANGERFEST.



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NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS LOS ANGELES

THE NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS OF LOS ANGELES was organized Jan. 1, 1920. The first great event sponsored by the Chorus was a "Songfest" in which Norwegian, Swedish and Danish Choruses in Los Angeles and San Francisco participated under the direction of Axel Philstrom of San Francisco.

The Chorus joined the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association in 1927.

The Chorus has hosted three Sangerfests: 1948, 1956 and 1969.

NORWEGIAN GLEE CLUB PORTLAND

THE NORWEGIAN GLEE CLUB of Portland marks its 85th Anniversary this year. No other group of its kind can equal this length of service to a community.

Many noted musical personalities have been directly or indirectly connected with the endeavor.

Something new was added in 1965 and we believe it is a great addition to the Norwegian music possibilities in the City of Roses. The Nordic Choraliers organized only a few months ago. The ladies have assisted in several major programs under the direction of Robert McCoy. They have come a long way in a short time.

MED SANGERHILSEN Bellman Male Chorus, Vancouver, B.C.



PROGRAM NOTES

LUGN VILAR SJØN: Now rests the sea among the mountains and fjords.

ASTRI MI ASTRI: A Norwegian folk song. A man sings of his former sweetheart and how well he remembers her.

Å KJØRE VATTEN—Å KJØRE VED: An old Norwegian folk song about hauling wood and water from the mountain.

BRUDERFERDEN I HARDANGER: Bridal procession on the Hardanger fjord with the church bell ringing in the background.

BARNDOMSMINNE: This is the national anthem of northern Norway. When the people are away they dream of the northern lights, beautiful fjords, and the midnight sun.

NORØNNA FOLKET—KONGE-KVADET: Two royal brothers rule the country. One a restless warrior, the other a peace loving man. The song depicts the glories of the Crusades. The ending is the praise to both brothers.

I MIDNATTSOLEN: In the midnight sun.

OLAV TRYGVASON: In a battle with the Danes, King Olav Trygvason of Norway lost his life.

EN GLAD TRALL: A happy ditty about three maidens strolling down a country lane.

SOMARKVELD VED FJORDEN: Sunset by the fjord and seagulls soaring over the water.

LANDKJENNING: Landsighting: One of the mightiest of male chorus songs tells the story of King Olav's dramatic return to his native Norway.



SANGERFEST PROGRAM 1984

16. Landkjenning	E. Greig	
13. Olav Trygvasson14. En Glad Trall15. Somarkveld ved Fjorden	F. A. Reissiger Körling Henrik Lyssand	
GUNNAR MALMIN DIRECTOR EMERITUS	A. Wold	
12. I Midnattsolen	A. Wold	
ALF KNUDSEN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	THE WELL HE	
11. This Is My Country	Jacobs	
RICHARD MEYER SOLOIST	Li Circig	
9. Norrønafolket 10. Konge-Kvadet	E. Greig E. Greig	
ED AMUNDSEN SOLOIST		
7. Brudeferden i Hardanger8. Barndomsminne fra Nordland	Kjerulf Thomsen	
INTERMISSION		
RICHARD MEYER DIRECTOR		
4. Simple Gifts5. Battle Hymn of The Republic	Shaker Hymn Steele	
3. Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho	arr. E. Bacon	
 Consider Your Self At Home (OLIVER) Sheep May Safely Graze 	L. Bart J. S. Bach	
(With the San Francisco Boys Chorus) Selections by The San Francisco Boys Chorus		
6. Chorus of The Hebrew Slaves (NABUCO)	G. Verdi	
ED AMUNDSEN DIRECTOR IN CHIEF	Artiful Sullivari	
4. Edelweiss 5. The Lost Chord	arr. K. Klykken Arthur Sullivan	
Å Kjøre Vatten, Å Kjøre Ved Astrid, Mi Astrid	arr. R. Moller arr. F. Wick	
3. Two Norwegian Folk Songs		
 Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee Lugh Vilar Sjön 	J. S. Bach H. Pfeil	

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GOOD LUCK ON THE 75th SANGERFEST

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BELLINGHAM'S NORSKE MANNSKOR

BELLINGHAM MALE CHORUS

THE BELLINGHAM MALE
CHORUS was organized in the
spring of 1916 as the Norronna
Singing Society with Selim
Lindborg as the first director.

It was decided to extend an invitation to the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association to hold the 11th annual Sangerfest in Bellingham, and it was accepted.

Since then it has held Sangerfests in 1923, 1935, 1955, 1966 and 1980.

Of the original members Emil Olsen is still active.



Barbara Robertson



BELLINGHAM MALE CHORUS—BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON Barbara Robertson, Director

GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL 75th SANGERFEST



NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS OF SEATTLE

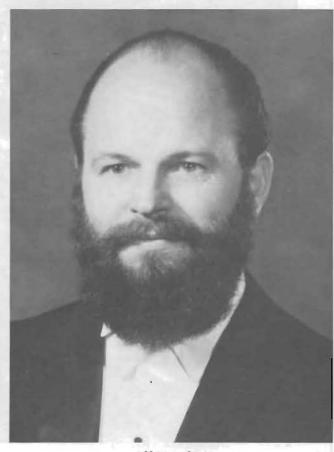
Bjarne Harestad President Alf Knudsen Director Harry Solheim Secretary

NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS OF SEATTLE

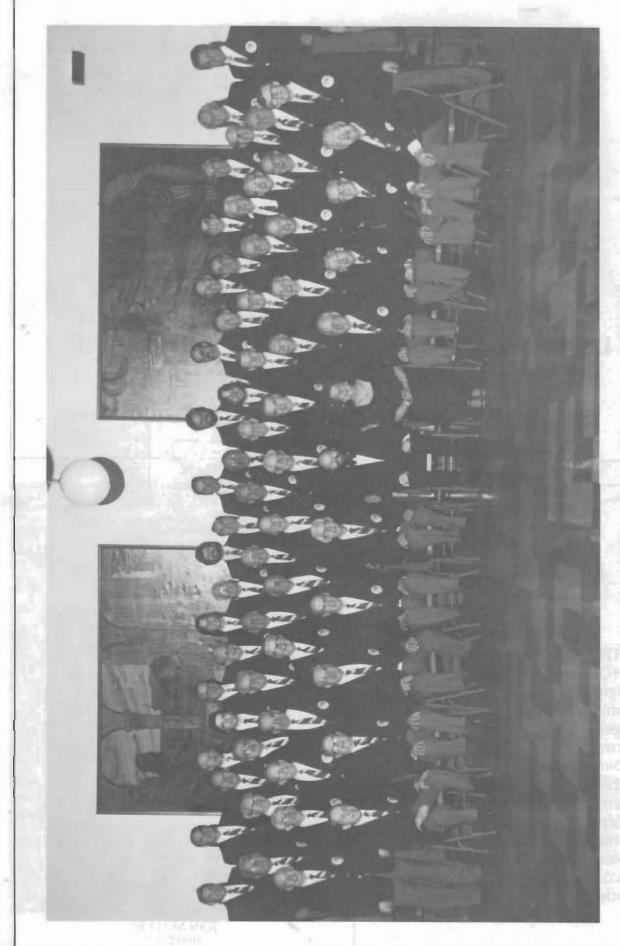
THE NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS of Seattle was originally organized on Dec. 6, 1889, six months after the founding of the City of Seattle and three weeks after the State of Washington was admitted to the Union. It is the oldest acappella chorus in Seattle.

This Chorus has been the host of 11 Sangerfests and 4 Directors in chief.

It is a very active Chorus with 85 singers.



Alf Knudsen Director



NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS—SEATTLE, WASHINGTON Alf Knudsen, Director

BEST WISHES TO THE NORMANNA GLEE CLUB FOR '84 SANGERFEST



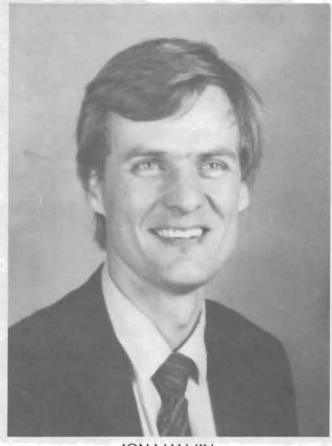
NORMANNA MALE CHORUS OF TACOMA LOOKING AHEAD TO '88—OUR 100th YEAR

Harold Beck President Dr. John Malmin Director Harley Olsen Secretary

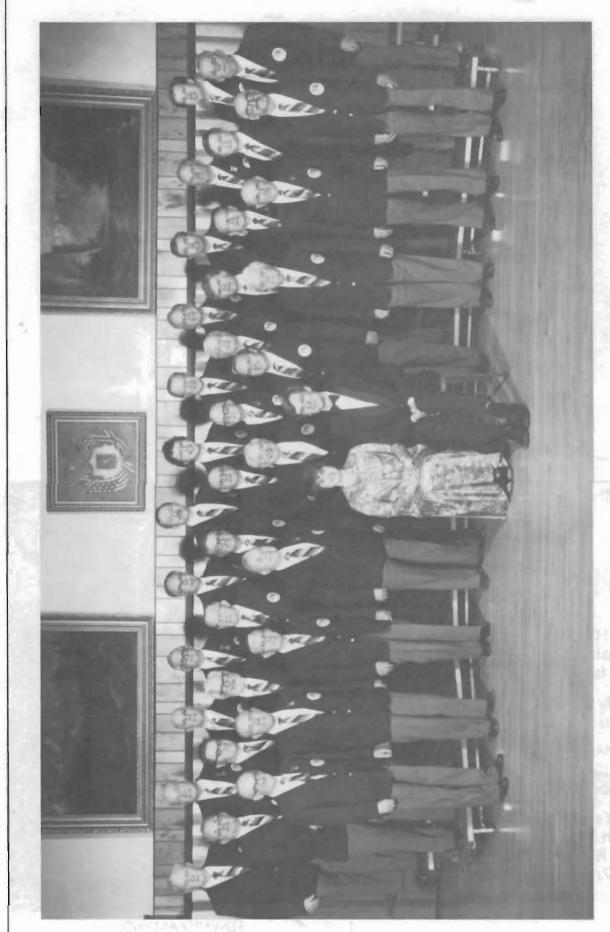
NORMANNA MALE CHORUS TACOMA

THE NORMANNA MALE CHORUS of Tacoma had it's origin when eight Norwegians from Parkland, Washington, got together in October of 1888 and formed what was then known as "Den Norske Sangforening".

Later, as the group grew in membership and moved to Normanna Hall in Tacoma, the name was changed to "Normanna Male Chorus of Tacoma", and was incorporated under that name in 1922.



JON MALMIN DIRECTOR



NORMANNA MALE CHORUS—TACOMA, WASHINGTON Jon Malmin, Director

BEST WISHES FOR A GRAND AND GLORIOUS 75th SANGERFEST



THE EUGENE NORSEMEN

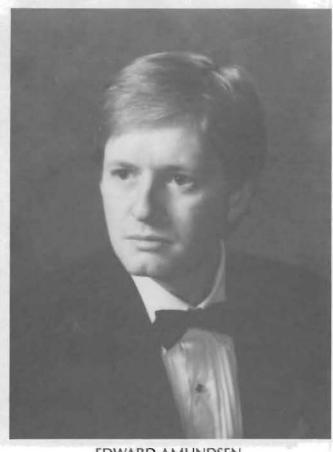
THE EUGENE NORSEMEN

THE EUGENE NORSEMEN was organized in Eugene, Oregon in the fall of 1951.

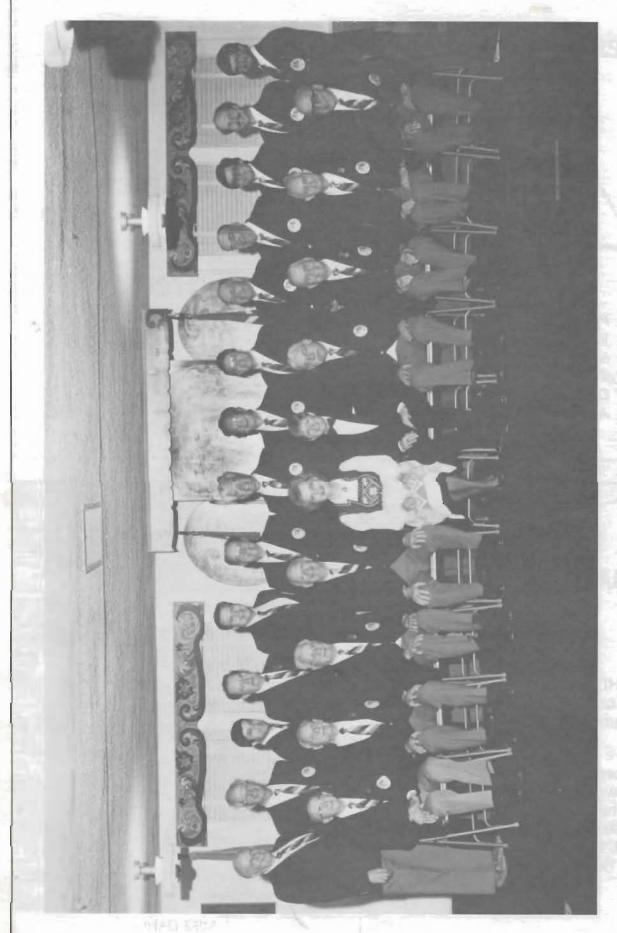
By 1954 we had a Chorus of 17 men that met regularly.

We became members of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association in 1958.

It was our pleasure to host the 50th Sangerfest in 1959. Since then we have hosted Sangerfests in 1967, 1976 and 1983.



EDWARD AMUNDSEN DIRECTOR



THE EUGENE NORSMEN—EUGENE, OREGON Edward Amundsen, Director

Best Wishes for a Successful Sangerfest Oakland, 1984



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Vice President: Helmer Melland

Secretary: Richard Dale Treasurer: Finn Hedin Director: Michael Dale

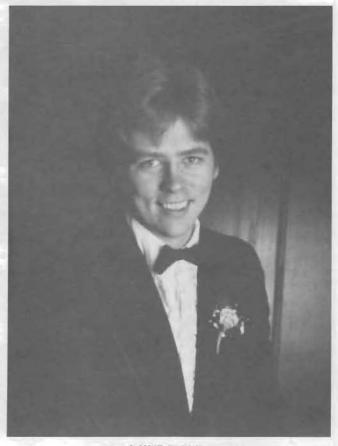
Accompanist: Julie Swenson

Velkommen til Everett Sangerfest 1985

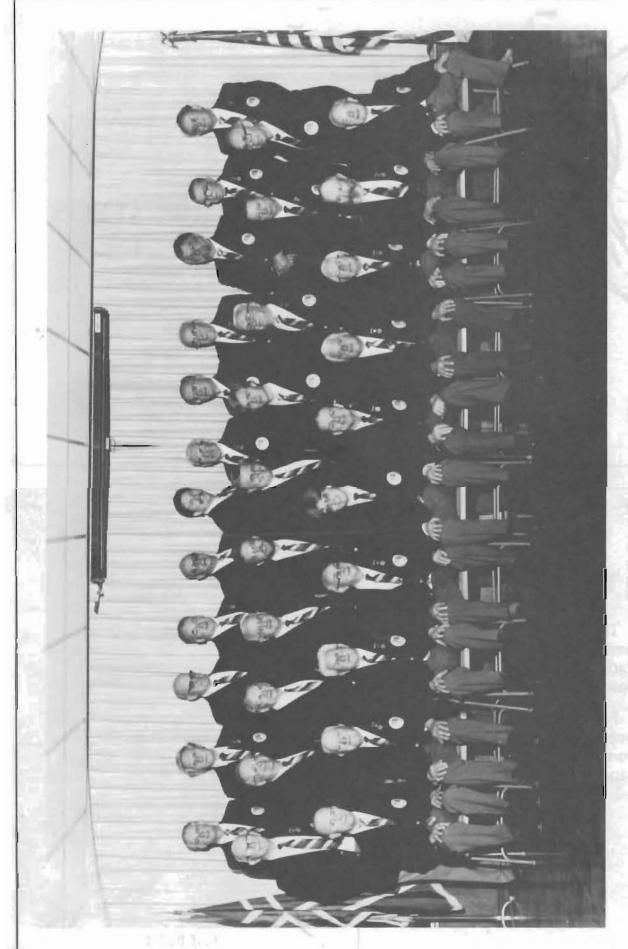
NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS OF EVERETT

THE EVERETT MALE CHORUS was organized August 5, 1902 in Quam and Clausen's Store.

We are one of the first Chorus's to form the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association. We have hosted the Sangerfests in 1903, 1912, 1922, 1933, 1942, 1949, 1958, 1968, 1977 and will host the 1985 Sangerfest.



MIKE DAHL DIRECTOR



NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS—EVERETT, WASHINGTON Mike Dahl, Director



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THE THORSMEN

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Founded in 1976 they have been very active in their community and hosted the Sangerfest in 1979.





PETE BUTLER
DIRECTOR



THE THORSMEN—SALEM, OREGON Peter Butler, Director



NORWEGIAN SINGERS SAN FRANCISCO

THE NORWEGIAN SINGING SOCIETY of San Francisco was organized September 30, 1903, with 20 singers. We joined the Pacific Coast group May 6, 1904. The first president was Klaus Olsen.

San Francisco was host to the Pacific Coast Sangerfest in 1915, 1928, 1939, 1961, 1972.

They participate in many Bay Area Scandinavian festivities.



DAN RYAN DIRECTOR SAN FRANCISCO



NORWEGIAN SINGING SOCIETY—SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA Dan Ryan, Director





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Normanna Glee Club and The Ladies Auxiliary of Oakland



wish to express our gratitude to the Norwegian Singing Society

The Jolly Girls of San Francisco for their support & assistance in preparing for this Sangerfest

Mange Tusen Takk

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