

# Nordic Gazette February 2013



<http://www.sfvikingskiclub.org>

## Calendar

**Wednesday, February 6 – General Meeting**  
**Bayshore Corporate Center conference room**  
**1710 S. Amphlett Blvd, San Mateo**

7:00 PM Board meeting  
8:00 PM General meeting

**Wednesday, March 6 – General Meeting**  
**Bayshore Corporate Center conference room**  
**1710 S. Amphlett Blvd, San Mateo**

7:00 PM Board meeting  
8:00 PM General meeting

## **MEMBERSHIP INVOICES TO BE EMAILED SOON**

Please let Margaret Glomstad know if your email address or other contact information has changed.  
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## **RECAP OF VIKING 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARTY AND CHRISTMAS PARTY, 2012**

What a special evening!!! Over 100 Vikings with their families and friends descended upon Nick's Restaurant, Rockaway Beach, Pacifica, to celebrate the club's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Festivities got under way shortly after 6:30 PM with two video and slide show presentations. First off was John Fox's video presentation, with sound, music and sub titles. John had spent many hours driving around the bay area interviewing several members about their remembrances of joining the ski club, working on work parties, and the friendships they formed over the many years they maintained their membership. Curt Haney then presented and narrated a slide

show presentation of the history of the cabin, going through the photo albums at the cabin, interviewing Norm Saylor (Donner Ski Ranch) who is very involved with the history of the Donner Summit., showing slides of the site where our cabin was to be build and pictures of early Vikings at work parties and ski club functions, a complete history of our cabin. Both John and Curt spent many hours working to make this evening a special remembrance for all.

We all sat down for another great dinner and then Janet Neilsen made presentations of fun necklaces to all Vikings who had been in the club for 50 years or more in this order:

1961-Marie Drew, 1960-Tom and Mary Lu Lowe, 1959-Jack Norton, 1958-Lee Lombard, Bob King, 1957-Ed and Fran Carcot, Janet Neilsen, 1955-Ray DeVincenzi, 1950-Berg Carlsen, 1947-Bea Lufi. Jan made the comment to all the newer members that it was going to be up to them to keep this wonderful ski club going and its traditions.

There were many 3<sup>rd</sup> generation members present: the Levin-Glomstad family, Lufi-Fiedler family, Mark and Ryan Sorensen, the Masek clan, Norma Anderson, the Karhau's, the Lowe's and the Sarles family. For longevity, the Sarles family takes the honors, Nick Sarles, Jr, Amy and Gail's farther Nick Sarles, joined the club in 1957, however their uncle Angelo join the club in the late 1930ths, before World War II, when Vikings were skiing in the sand dunes (Sunset District) in San Francisco, being pulled behind horses with a rope.

Alice Masek, with the help of Adam Flores, ran a very successful raffle, netting the club over \$500.00.

Mike Masek, white beard and all, played Santa Claus for the young members, while D'Anna McNamer helped with handing out the presents. Again, many thanks to D'Anna for donating the presents.

Longtime members and friends showed up for this party, including, Bob Moore, Mary Daley Pruyn, Maureen Dangel Sala and husband Andre, Mike McVay, and Maureen McVay Puddicombe.

To cap off the evening, a surprise birthday cake and crown was presented to longtime member (65) years to Bea Lufi, celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday, we all sang, "Happy Birthday Bea," an inspiration to us all, "Keep on Moving."

No one wanted to go home, everyone just stayed around and mingled, talked and visited with new and old members, we consumed 47 bottles of wine and many Vikings hit the dance floor out in the bar area for a few dances. It will be a night long remembered.

### **Cabin Report**

The major news about the cabin in January is the heating system modification. David Chan and I evaluated the air flow to and from the women's bathroom and found the combustion air was being sucked into the upstairs heater and water heater closet from the vent near the floor in the women's room. David designed and installed a temporary fix. The upstairs heater now supplies hot air to the lower vents in both the men's and women's bathrooms. He also installed a vent to allow warm air from the party room to be drawn into the bathrooms. We can now turn on the fan of the upstairs heater (the switch is located in the closet just behind the recycling bin) and send warm air into the bathrooms.

Mike

### **Reminders**

1. There is a very nasty flu bug going around right now. If you are not feeling well PLEASE do not stay in the cabin. If you feel something coming on, leave as soon as you can. If you come down with something during the night consider taking the mattress cover home to wash, there are some extras

in the closet next to the women's dorm.

2. Don't forget to clean out your food locker.
3. The blue trash bags are for recycling only. They are sorted out by the trash company after they are picked up. The heavy duty white trash bags are for the compactor only.
4. Please mark your skis, snowboards and bedding. It would be a good idea to mark jackets and gloves also, there are a number in the lost and found. In fact, there is nothing in the lost and found with a name on it.
5. Please initial your chore after you have completed it, it is easy to forget and many of us do forget.

Nanny Mike

### **How To Make Your Cabin Reservations**

Please note new contact information for cabin reservations: Diane Kemsley and Janet Neilsen  
Tel: 925-837-8664 e-mail: [janneilsen@juno.com](mailto:janneilsen@juno.com)

Please indicate VSC or cabin reservations in subject line, so that your email does not get deleted due to large volume of email.

Due to the increased usage of the cabin especially during holiday periods please use the following information to ensure we can get maximum usage of the cabin. Reservations must be made year round. (Work party reservations should be made with the cabin chair or person leading the work party.)

1. Email [janneilsen@juno.com](mailto:janneilsen@juno.com) or call 925-837-8664 **before 8 PM.**
2. Give the **nights** that you will be staying at the cabin.
3. Give the makeup of your group (i.e. 3 males, 2 females and guest or member).
4. Bunk or room preference.
5. If you do not receive confirmation within 48 hours email or call again.

### **Guests:**

Guests can get bumped from the cabin based on the needs of the members. The official deadline for bumping guests, per cabin rules, is the Thursday before the weekend of your reservation, but the reservations person will try to inform you before then.

### **Cancellations:**

If you are unable to make it to the cabin or need to change the nights of your stay, it is very important to inform the reservations person as soon as possible. This will allow for members/guests who might be on a waiting list to get a bunk in the cabin.

### **Rooms and Bunks:**

Requests for specific bunks or rooms will try to be accommodated. Unfortunately there will be times that your request will not be able to be fulfilled due to the needs to accommodate as many members/guests as possible. Once at the cabin, if you would like to change your assigned bunk/room see the weekend chair before making any changes to the bunk list.

### **Weekend Chair:**

Each weekend or holiday period, a weekend chair is assigned. The weekend chair assigns the chores, collects the nightly fees and mails them to the treasurer, and makes changes to the bunk list as necessary. They are also there to resolve any issues that might come up during your stay.

### **Important Information and Reminders**

- Please leave the water heater pilot lights on by turning the control to pilot.
- Turn off the upstairs furnace and close the doors to the dorms and Alpine and Donner. There are no water pipes upstairs subject to freezing.
- Leave the downstairs furnace on. It should be set to 35, enough to keep the pipes from freezing without breaking the budget.
- The first person at the cabin should take chore #1: shoveling the stairs to the solarium and removing the ice. This must be done at the beginning of your stay, and touched up while people are there. (Have cabin chair assign it to a second person if a storm comes through.) The stairs are our fire escape, and must be kept free of ice for safety. Also, shovel and remove the ice at the entrance.
- We have a "bear" box for the garbage which means we don't have to take garbage home with us! However, we still have to put it into the garbage can and put the can into the box. The waste disposal company will only take garbage in the can. Recycling, in a blue bag, can be set next to the can, or in the can, space available. To recycle cardboard, it needs to be in a blue plastic bag. If the garbage collector has to pull out loose

items that are not either in the trash can or a blue bag we are charged extra fees. Even stacks of cardboard that are bound together must be in a blue bag.

The box is located out by the road on the cabin side of the parking lot driveway. It's painted grey-blue and raised on stilts to keep it above the snow, so someone has to lift the can to get it in (ask for help if you need it.)

- Please keep Margaret Glomstad [mglomstad@comcast.net](mailto:mglomstad@comcast.net) and Anne Ording [ording.anne@gmail.com](mailto:ording.anne@gmail.com) informed of your current address, phone number(s), and email so that important information reaches you.
- We have Viking Ski Club stickers. They are available for \$2. The stickers must be displayed in your vehicle when parked at the cabin.
- Cabin keys are available from Mike Masek for \$3.
- Keep the front door to the cabin closed and locked at all times. Do not leave the door open with the expectation that someone else will close and lock it.
- If you are staying in one of the smaller rooms, please remember to vacuum the room as well as your assigned cabin chore before you leave.

### **Links to Ski Organizations**

There are many ski organizations that organize trips, publish newsletters, etc. Here are a few to check out online if you wish:

- <http://www.skibac.org/index.html>
- <http://www.fwsa.org>
- <http://auburnskiclub.com/>
- <http://www.fis-ski.com/>
- <http://www.nationalskiclubnews.com/home.html>

### **Truckee Donner Land Trust Events**

<http://www.tdlandtrust.org/news-events>

### **Check out the Donner Summit Historical Society newsletter:**

<http://www.donnersummithistoricalociety.org/PDFs/newsletters/news13/February13.pdf>

### **Editor's Note**

It's Super Bowl Sunday as I put this Gazette together. Go SF!

*Happy Trails,*

*Anne Ording*

*Gazette Editor/Corresponding Secretary*

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Club Meetings are held at 8:00 PM on the first Wednesday of every month at the Bayshore Corporate Center in San Mateo, unless otherwise noted in the Gazette or on the website.

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Please send all submissions via e-mail to the Nordic Gazette editor Anne Ording

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### Directions to the VSC Monthly

#### Meeting:

Bayshore Corporate Center, 1750 S. Amphlett Blvd., conference room, San Mateo, is off Hwy 101 just northwest of the intersection of Hwy. 101 and CA-92. Please see the Viking website for more detailed directions.

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