

District #7

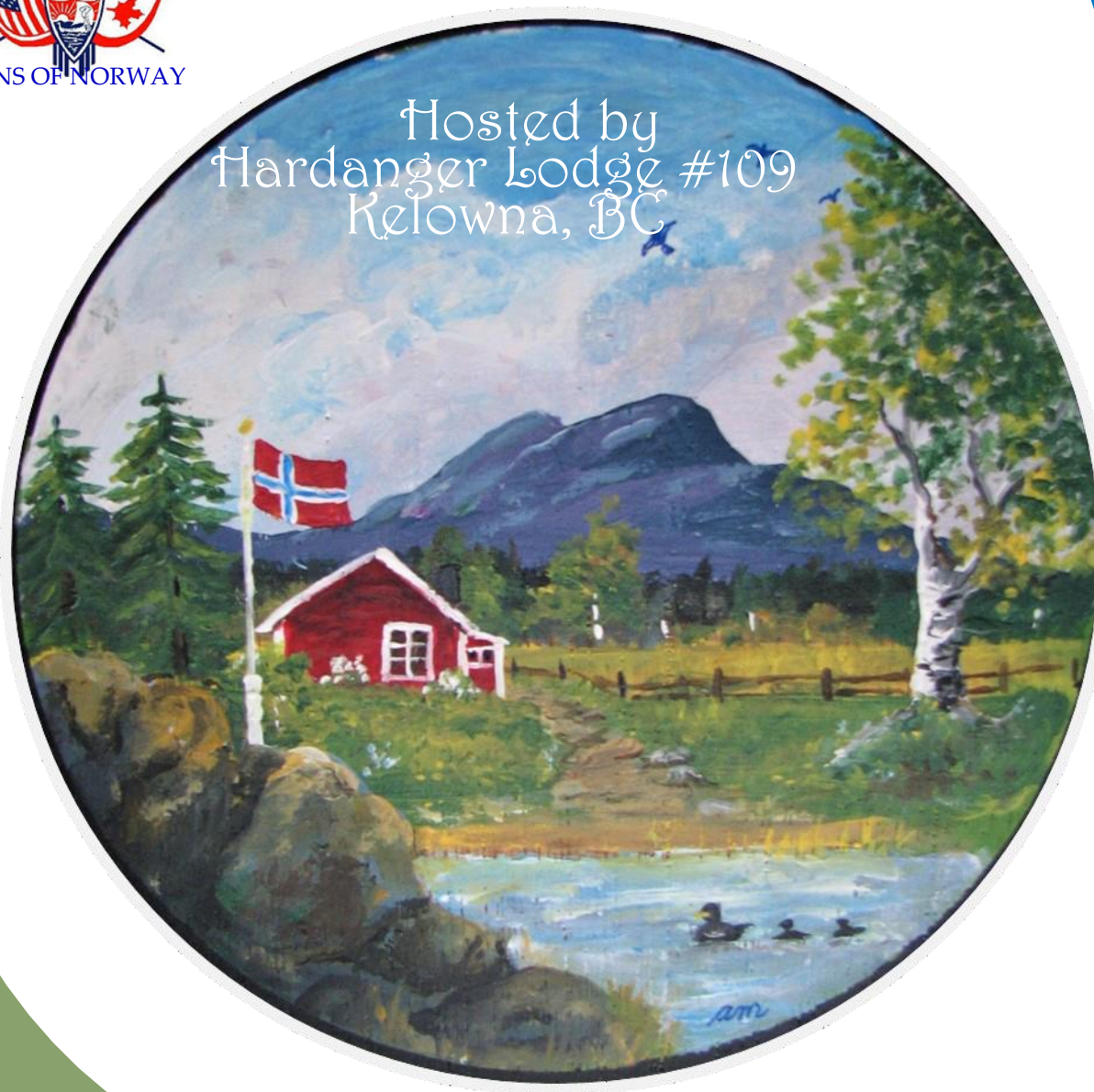
27th. Biennial Convention

Friday and Saturday

May 27 & 28, 2022



Hosted by
Hardanger Lodge #109
Kelowna, BC





2022 District #7 Convention & Lodge Meeting

Host: Hardanger Lodge 7-109
27-29 May 2022

VELKOMMEN!!

Hardanger Lodge 7-109, Kelowna, BC is delighted to host the 27th Biennial District #7 Convention and Lodge Meeting. This event will take place at the Royal Anne Hotel, 348 Bernard Avenue, downtown Kelowna from 27 May to 29 May 2022. This hotel is just a block from the lake where you will find lots of small shops and restaurants, close to parks to stroll, wineries and orchards to visit. We invite Delegates and Guests to come and enjoy the beautiful Okanagan.

The District Lodge Meeting will take place the evening of Friday, May 27 and all-day Saturday, May 28. The District Board and the Convention Committees will begin meeting the evening of May 26 and all-day Friday May 27. May 29 will be a meeting of the old and newly elected Boards of District #7 - to say farewell to those leaving and to welcome those beginning a new term. Watch for updates on a proposed Workshop for Delegates and Guests during the day Friday May 27.

If you are considering running for a position on the District Board, all nominations should be completed and sent to the Nomination Chair, Patty Schwartz. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Patty at gordonorpatty@shaw.ca. A list of the duties of the District Board can be found at this website by clicking on 'Resources' and checking out the "Bylaws" and "Resource Book" documents listed here. We will send out registration and hotel information to each Lodge; as well, we will post the forms on this site once they are finalized. Please adhere to the deadlines as this will allow the District and our Committee to complete all the preparations prior to your arrival in Kelowna.



HARDANGER CONVENTION COMMITTEE

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Tentative Agenda:

Several factors will affect the final Agenda once delegate numbers, resolutions, new business, etc. are received but this will provide you with an idea of the proceedings:

Thursday, 26 May 2022

Arrival and meeting of District Board and Convention Committees

Friday, 27 May 2022

All Day – District Board Meeting
Convention Committee Meetings
Workshop - open to Delegates and Guests

Afternoon - Registration Desk opens

Cultural Room accepts Folk Art
6/7 pm Opening Ceremonies
8/9 pm Question & Answer Session with International and District Officers
Social time

Saturday, 28 May 2022

8 am Final Registration
Cultural Room - open for viewing
9 am Lodge Meeting
Memorial Service
Lunch
Election of Officers
5/7 pm Installation of Officers
7 pm Dinner
8 pm Raffle Draws and Presentations
9-11:30 pm Entertainment

Sunday, 29 May 2022

9 am District Board Meeting (past and new)

Sunday may be a great day for visiting some of the sites around Kelowna, taking a wine tour, or relaxing by the water, or come prior to the Convention and enjoy some sunshine!



District #7 Convention Registration Form (One form per delegate or guest)

Delegate Member # _____ or Non-Delegate Name _____

Lodge Name _____ Lodge Number _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ City _____

Postal Code _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Delegate Convention Package

Delegate Package includes registration fee, meals listed below as well as coffee breaks and Q & A Reception.

Friday Night Q & A – Refreshments

Registration Fees & Coffee Breaks

Saturday Lunch

Saturday Banquet

Total Delegate Registration Pkg \$180.00

Non-Delegate Individual Meals

Non-delegates may choose which items they wish to participate in or choose all items.

☐ Friday Night Refreshments \$30

☐ Sat. Coffee Breaks (am/pm) \$20

☐ Saturday Lunch \$30

☐ Saturday Banquet \$65

Total Non-Delegate \$ _____

☐ **or Entire Non-Delegate Pkg \$130.00**

Please Note: Tickets will be provided with registration bag and **MUST** be presented to participate. No on-site ticket sales will be available.

Special Dietary Needs such as vegetarian, gluten free, lactose free, etc. call Darlene at 250 470 1850

CASH BAR will be available at Friday night's Q & A following the Opening Ceremonies as well as Saturday night following the Installation of Officers. Please note: **Cash only** – no credit or debit cards for bar service. (If you forget, there is a bank next door to hotel.)

Please note: Friday night Refreshments will be finger food only so please plan on having dinner on your own prior to Opening Ceremonies. The Royal Anne Hotel provides a continental breakfast (6:30 to 10 am) located between the elevators and Cutters Banquet room in foyer.

Payment: Registration forms and payment for each delegate and non-delegate must be received no later than **MARCH 31, 2022**. Cheques/money orders should be made out to Sons of Norway Hardanger Lodge. Payment should be mailed to Registrar Darlene Osterlin, #602 – 485 Groves Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 0C1. If you have registration questions, you may also email Darlene at dosterlin@telus.net.

Hotel reservations are available by calling the Royal Anne Hotel at 1-888-811-3400 with Reservation Code: "Sons of Norway". Complimentary airport shuttle service is available to and from hotel but must be pre-booked with Royal Anne Hotel.



CONVENTION DELEGATE INFORMATION

Delegate Election:

You have been elected as a delegate to a District or International Lodge Meeting of Sons of Norway. This election affirms the confidence others have in your interest and enthusiasm for the work of Sons of Norway as well as their trust in your judgment to perform conscientiously the important duties of a convention delegate.

Sons of Norway Organization:

Sons of Norway is organized into geographical Districts covering North America and Norway with hundreds of local Lodges throughout the eight Districts. Each Sons of Norway member is encouraged to attend meetings, vote, hold office, and participate in the social, cultural, and civic activities. Local Lodges elect delegates to the District Conventions.

Voting members of the District Lodge are the elected officers and directors, delegates from the Local Lodges elected according to the By-Laws of the District, and the elected International officers and directors within the District.

Visiting members of the International Lodge are the elected officers and directors of the International Lodge and the delegates from District Lodges, all of whom shall be benefit members. The International Board is the supreme governing body of Sons of Norway.

Convention Purpose:

The purpose of a District Convention is to discuss the operation of your Sons of Norway District. Resolutions may be considered that are recommended by the Local Lodges. Those resolutions may either affect the District and its operation or be a recommendation to the International Lodge. The District Lodge holds elections to elect officers and directors for the District for the coming two year period. The District Lodge also elects the delegates who will go forward and represent the District at the International Lodge meeting.

Conventions are a great opportunity to communicate with other Sons of Norway members, share success stories about your Local Lodge, and learn from your brothers and sisters what has been successful in their lodge. As a fraternal benefit society, we have a democratic form of government and your participation is crucial.

Delegate Preparation:

As a convention delegate, you should:

- Be well informed on the business to be brought before the convention so you may enter into discussions intelligently
- Know the background on the issues and be acquainted with various phases of the work
- Study all pre-convention reports and materials provided to you before the convention – you will not have time at the convention to study this information in detail
- Ask your officers to assist you in interpreting reports and materials, if necessary

Delegate Registration:

Requirements for registration are made known to delegates prior to the convention. Please review all materials and observe all instructions sent to you by the convention committee. Delegate registration packets include, but are not necessarily limited to, delegate registration form, convention site visitor information, travel and lodging costs and options, convention program and special event fees and schedules, and payment options.

At the Convention:

Elected delegates need to verify their status:

- Credentials are examined by a special committee and approved
- Convention delegates with approved credentials are seated



348 Bernard Avenue, Kelowna, BC

Phone 1-888-811-3400

Reservation Code: Sons of Norway

Executive King Rooms \$199 +taxes per night

Premier Corporate Queen Rooms - \$169 +taxes per night

Classic Double Queen Rooms - \$169 +taxes per night

Room rates apply May 27th to May 29th, 2022. To ensure these rates, **book prior to MARCH 31, 2022.**

The typical guest room includes 2 Queen sized beds; all rooms are equipped with work desks with task lighting. Our junior suites offer a slightly larger room and have 2 Queen sized beds while the 'executive' suites provide a King-sized bed and separate sitting area. All rooms feature coffee maker, hair dryers, irons & ironing boards, wireless high speed internet access, continental breakfast (7 am to 10 am), parking (limited availability), access to fitness room, access to his and hers saunas.

Located on Bernard Avenue in the "Heart" of downtown Kelowna, the Royal Anne Hotel is just three blocks from Harvey Avenue/Highway 97, the main highway entry into the city. This location ideally places the hotel within an easy walk of the popular Kelowna lakefront, the new Prospera Place – the Okanagan's premium entertainment centre, and the exciting Lake City Casino.

Need a ride from the airport? Complimentary airport shuttle service is available for transportation to & from Kelowna International Airport, by Kelowna Concierge. The service is NOT available 24 hours per day & MUST be pre-booked through the hotel.

Hotel has limited parking but there is a covered parkade – Chapman Parkade – at 345 Lawrence Avenue, just two blocks south of hotel. The Royal Anne and Chapman Parkade are both between Water Street on the west and Pandosy Street on the east. Free parking on weekends but is pay parking during week.



FROM: District #7 Biennial Convention Committee 2022

RE: Convention Souvenir Booklet Advertising

Sons of Norway is 127 years old!!! Hardanger Lodge 7-109 is delighted to be hosting District #7 Convention and Lodge Meeting on May 27-29, 2022. As is normally the tradition for our Lodges and Members, we wish to give you an opportunity to place ads in the Convention Souvenir Booklet to greet and send wishes to members, delegates, and other Lodges. This is also an opportunity for advertising upcoming events or advertising your services or products.

The Souvenir Booklet is planned to be a standard 8.5" x 11" format with 20 pages.

Submissions for ad copy, along with the payment, must be submitted no later than **30th March**. Submissions should be in digital form, copy ready, with any email submissions saved in pdf file format. Please make the cheques payable to: **Sons of Norway Hardanger Lodge** and can be directed to; **District #7 Lodge Biennial Convention Committee 2022**
c/o Wilf Akerlund, 4960 Chute Lake Road, Kelowna, BC V1W 4M3 wilfandbev@shaw.ca

Please check one and return this notice with your Lodge/Member/Advertiser information:

Full Colour Page	\$400 _____	Half Colour Page	\$200 _____
(Back cover)		(Back cover)	
Full Page	\$200 _____	Half Page	\$ 80 _____
1/4 Page	\$ 50 _____	1/8 Page (Business Card)	\$ 25 _____

Name on Ad: _____

Contact Name: _____ Telephone _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ Email _____

Please note: Care will be exercised in preparing the advertisements in the Souvenir Booklet, but the Committee is not responsible for errors in advertising. The Committee shall not be responsible for any costs or damages arising from the failure to publish and ads are subject to Committee approval.



DISTRICT NO. 7 MEMORY BOOK CONTEST

DEADLINE: All Memory Books to be judged are to be registered with, and turned over to the person in charge of the Cultural Display prior to 9AM on the opening day of the District Lodge No. 7 Convention.

TIME SPAN:

- The Memory Books should contain the Lodges events from January 1st of the last District Convention year to December 31st preceding the next District Convention (i.e. January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013). Points will be lost if they do not cover the specified time span. Clarification: as Covid prevented a convention in 2020, this period will now cover Jan 2018 to Dec 2021
- No more than two Memory Books are allowed; if more than two books are submitted, only two will be judged. The only exception is an entry from a newly formed lodge.
- This Contest is under the direction of the District Cultural Director.

LODGE NEWSLETTER CONTEST

- The District Convention in 2004 accepted a resolution to promote Lodge Newsletters and establish a judging format.
- Lodges shall submit three (3) issues of their Newsletter for judging. The Newsletter should not be consecutive months but spaced throughout the year.
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- The Memory Books should contain the Lodges events from January 1 of the District Convention year to December 31 preceding the next District Convention (i.e. January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011).
- The District will award a \$50.00 cheque, to the winning Lodge.
- This Contest is under the direction of the District Publicity Director.



GUIDELINES FOR THE SONS OF NORWAY CULTURE COMPETITION AND EXHIBIT

Each Biennial District Convention provides an opportunity for the talented members of District #7 to exhibit the great pieces of folk art for other members to see. You may enter your pieces such as rosemaling, weaving, needlework, knitting, crocheting, carving, photography, painting, or other crafts as part of the judged competition or display only. However, we would like to make it easy for you, as well as for the onsite workers, by having you complete the paperwork *prior* to arrival at the convention hotel. Bring your item(s) with you or send it with a delegate but please do not mail items. Make sure if you are sending items with someone else that they pick them up at the conclusion of the Convention and bring them back to you.

Please complete the three (3) forms provided and bring with you (or send with your Lodge delegate). It is important to complete and bring ALL these forms.

Page 1 – **Registration Form:** Will record who is providing the items and what categories your items will be displayed or judged. You may submit up to two (2) items per category.

Page 2 – **Waiver:** The Cultural Room will be locked or have supervisory volunteers on site when the room is open to the public and reasonable care will be taken to safeguard all items.

Page 3 – **Identification Labels:** Complete one label for each of your items and have it attached to your item. The bottom of each of the labels should be folded under so it cannot be seen by the judges. Once judging is complete, the bottom will be unfolded so people may see who produced the item.

The District Cultural Director, Susan Strang, has overall authority over the Cultural Display at the Convention. If you have questions for Susan, she can be reached at sstrang49@gmail.com . If you have questions specific to the Cultural Room at the Convention, the Cultural Room Coordinator is Wenche Gransjoen and she can be reached at ruthw.575@gmail.com .

CRITERIA FOR THE SONS OF NORWAY CULTURE COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION

Any Sons of Norway member may submit items for the competition or just for exhibit. Work must be completed by the person submitting them, in the two-year period just prior to the Convention and Lodge Meeting. Entries are limited to two (2) items per category.

CLASS

Heritage (Youth)	Participant under the age of 16 years, regardless of experience
Unger Venner	Participant between the ages of 16 and 23 years, regardless of experience
Novice Adult	Participant who has been involved in the skill for less than two (2) years and has not won a first place ribbon in this skill
Advanced Adult	Participant who has been involved in the skill for more than two (2) years or who has won a first place ribbon in this skill
Professional	Participant who teaches classes or who sells items in the category they are entering
Exhibition Only	Participant can submit an entry without entering the competition

CATEGORY

1. Rosemaling
2. Fiber Arts
 - a. Hardangersom
 - b. Needlework
 - c. Klostersom, diamontsom, others with Nordic theme
 - d. Needlework – bunads
 - e. Hand Knitting
 - f. Crocheting, tatting
 - g. Quilts
 - h. Nalbinding
 - i. Felting
 - j. Weaving
3. Woodworking
 - a. Figure Carving
 - b. Relief Carving
 - c. Chip Carving
 - d. Acanthus Carving
 - e. Open Woodworking in Nordic tradition such as bentwood boxes, turned bowls, etc
4. Optional Works such as:
 - a. Photos/Pictures
 - b. Knife Making
 - c. Wheat Weaving
 - d. Painting
 - e. Leatherwork
5. Memory Book Contest – criteria is available online in the District #7 Resource Book Section 3
6. Lodge Newsletter Contest – criteria is available online in the District #7 Resource Book Section 3

Registration Form

Please Complete this Form:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ LODGE NO: _____

Category: (Rosemaling, Knitting, etc.) _____**Class:** (Professional, Novice Adult, Heritage, etc.) _____**Description of Item:** (e.g. Bowl, red, 7" diameter) _____**Entry for:** _____ Competition _____ Exhibition Only**Category:** (Rosemaling, Knitting, etc.) _____**Class:** (Professional, Novice Adult, Heritage, etc.) _____**Description of Item:** (e.g. Bowl, red, 7" diameter) _____**Entry for:** _____ Competition _____ Exhibition Only**Category:** (Rosemaling, Knitting, etc.) _____**Class:** (Professional, Novice Adult, Heritage, etc.) _____**Description of Item:** (e.g. Bowl, red, 7" diameter) _____**Entry for:** _____ Competition _____ Exhibition Only**Category:** (Rosemaling, Knitting, etc.) _____**Class:** (Professional, Novice Adult, Heritage, etc.) _____**Description of Item:** (e.g. Bowl, red, 7" diameter) _____**Entry for:** _____ Competition _____ Exhibition Only

WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY

I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that Sons of Norway and its representative personnel (including but not limited to Lodge/District people, volunteers) shall not be held liable for damage or loss of the item(s) I am entering in the Sons of Norway District #7 Convention Cultural Competition and Display. I do hereby waive any claim against Sons of Norway, and its representative personnel, for any damage, breakage, marring, scratching or other losses which may occur to the item(s) I enter in the Sons of Norway Cultural Competition and Display.

Date: _____

Signature of Artist: _____

Item: _____

Item: _____

Item: _____

Item: _____

Item: _____

IDENTIFICATION LABEL # _____**For Staff use only - do not write here**

1. Category (e.g. Rosemaling, Knitting, etc.): -

2. Class (Professional, Novice Adult, Heritage, etc):

3. Description of item (e.g., Bowl, red 7" dia.):

4. Enter item as:
- ☐ Exhibition
- ☐ Competition

Before Judging **Fold Under Here**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov _____ P Code _____

Telephone () _____

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