



# Nordic News

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## **CNS 2013 Dates to Remember**

**CNS Annual General Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 29, 2013**

**Luncheon Dates**  
**Monday, June 3, 2013**

# **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CANADIAN NORDIC SOCIETY**

**Wednesday, May 29, 2013**

CNS Members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Nordic Society which will be held Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at the Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street W. (off Elgin), Ottawa, at 7:30 pm.

Supporting material for the AGM will be forwarded by email.

Also attached is material relating to an item that will be brought up at the AGM. A new law, the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act, requires CNS to make some changes to its governance as is explained in the attached document from the Council. The first is a draft explanation, and the other is the form on the Articles of Continuation to be submitted. This material was also published in the April newsletter.

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at 7:30 pm

Location: Main Dining Room, Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street W. (off Elgin), Ottawa  
Coffee will be available

## **CNS LUNCHEONS**

The next luncheon will be held at noon on Monday, June 3, 2013, at the Army Officers' Mess, 149 Somerset Street W. (off Elgin), Ottawa. This is the last luncheon for the season.

Thanks to Capt. Kathleen Tipton (CNS Councillor) for booking these luncheons for us.

Lennart Nylund, Vice President

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

The 2012-2013 year of activities for the Canadian Nordic Society is drawing to a close. We have two officially scheduled functions remaining:

1. Annual General Meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, May 29 at 7:30. There will be a President's report, a Financial Statement and an Auditor's statement. The Nominations Committee will propose a slate of candidates for next year's Board. More information will be provided as it becomes available.
2. The final luncheon which will be held on Monday, June 3, 2013.

Much of the focus of the Board this year has been on our Speakers' Series which has enjoyed a number of exceptional successes. Our most recent speaker was Dalva Lamminmäki, visiting from Finland, who gave an interesting presentation on Finno-Ugric shamanism. Dalva, who is a teacher with the Centre for Finno-Ugric Shamanism in Helsinki, had given this same talk to attentive audiences in Thunder Bay, Toronto and Montreal before accepting our invitation to speak here in Ottawa. More than 50 people came out for this presentation—many from Ottawa's Finnish community.

In late March, just before the Easter weekend, CNS was honoured to host a presentation by His Excellency Charles Murto, Finland's Ambassador to Canada. We again had a crowd of well over 50, many again from the Ottawa Finnish community, who listened and asked questions for almost an hour.

The Canadian Nordic Society has been in operation for fifty years, our long-term objective being to promote a better understanding of culture and social systems of the five Nordic countries. As we are situated in Canada's national capital, we have found that we function best when we work in co-operation with each of the Nordic embassies located within this region. To that end, each of the Nordic ambassadors, upon presenting their credentials here in Ottawa, become Honourary Members of CNS. One of the only requirements we ask of our Honourary members is that they consider giving a presentation to the CNS membership during their tour of duty in Canada. Over the years, we have found that most ambassadors look forward to making such a presentation.

Last fall, two of our Honourary members gave presentations at well-attended meetings hosted by CNS: (1) H.E. Thordur Oskarsson, Iceland's Ambassador to Canada, who spoke on how Iceland has actively considered whether to adopt the Canadian dollar as its official currency—this CNS meeting was cited in *The National Post*; and (2) Norway's newly arrived Ambassador to Canada, Mona Brøther, who, having heard of how successfully the Norwegian embassy and CNS had co-sponsored two additional Speakers' events last year, wanted to meet our membership at the earliest opportunity. Both of these presentations attracted excellent audiences.

However, the Speakers' Series has also had setbacks this year, the most notable being an excellent address by Counsellor Christen Krogh of the Royal Danish Embassy who gave a presentation on how Denmark had conducted its recent six-month period as EU President. Unfortunately, Mr. Krogh's presentation fell on the evening of the biggest snow storm of this year's Ottawa winter and only eight people showed up. However, while attendance was sparse, the question and answer session went on for almost an hour.

The CNS Board has come to realize that our Speakers' Series represents the best *raison d'être* for our organization. It is our particular niche for providing quality activities for our membership in keeping with our mandate while at the same time enabling our guest speakers to reach out to a wider Ottawa community. If we do not have a well-organized Speakers' Series supported by our membership and appealing to a wider community audience, then, I believe, there is not much point in having a formally incorporated Canadian Nordic Society.

This is what we have done for some fifty years. It is something that, supported mainly by membership dues, we do very well. It makes us distinct. It provides us with a decisive difference in competing with other organizations promoting one or another Nordic or Arctic group.

And, it makes us known.

If you feel that this continues to interest you, I would ask that you consider joining the Canadian Nordic Society or, in many cases, renewing your membership.

And, you should consider how you might help the Canadian Nordic Society either by serving on the Board or by suggesting potential speakers.

Len Sillanpää  
President  
Canadian Nordic Society

## Report on May Speakers' Event

### Finno-Ugric Shamanism



They exist in the trees ahead, the air above, the stones beneath, the lakes around – the **spirits**. Dalva Lamminmäki explained Traditions in Finno-Ugric Shamanism at the Canadian Nordic Society's Speakers' Series event on May 1st. Dalva's roots are in a community in Karelia where the spirits were omnipresent, a part of everyday life.

It's not possible to define just a pure Finnish shamanism as there is widespread evidence of the culture throughout the Finno-Ugric regions that Dalva showed us on a map. And

during the question and answer session after her talk, it seemed members knew of similar practices throughout the world.

Rock paintings are some of the evidence that has been passed down over the millennia of the existence of spirituality. Dalva showed one rock painting containing numerous animals (elk, for instance, but likely an old world animal much larger than Canadian elk roaming freely in Banff, Alberta) and one bird taking flight with the spirit of some departed one to carry the spirit into the upperworld. The interpretation of another painting from Kouvola is that the shaman is moving inside an animal.

As well as elk, the bear is an important animal, described as the golden king of the forest, too sacred to be recorded on stone. She said that it used to be a standard ritual to put the skull of a bear in a tree to help it rise into the sky.

Tree worship is important – it is a belief that a human’s spirit flows back into a tree. There was a special tree when she was young that held the spirit of her great grandmother. Every house would have a miniature wood tree in front. When couples married, they planted a tree together; when a child was born, it was introduced to a tree that would hold its spirit.

Dalva talked about the old poems of the Finnish people – a collection of oral poetry compiled by Elias Lönnrot during the 19th century representing the largest folklore archive in the world: some 100 000 individual poems and containing 35 000 spells. He created the Finnish Kalevala from the collection.



Saunas, as is well known, are an important element in Finnish culture, and were used for rites of passage, birth, purification rituals, and the old would retreat there to die. The warm, moist and dark sauna was a symbol of a womb.

In closing, Dalva brought out her drum, beating it for the members and guests, humming along in a ceremony she called Raising Up Nature, the awakening of spring. On the drum head, the upper third represents the upper world, the middle this world, and the bottom is the underworld.

Dalva is a teacher with the Center for Finno-Ugric Shamanism, Helsinki. She has lived in Finland all her life. Dalva visited Thunder Bay, Toronto, Montreal as well as Ottawa during her Spring 2013 trip to Canada.

Thanks to Eric Bawden for organizing this event.

Peter Macnaughton  
Newsletter Editor  
Canadian Nordic Society

## **OTHER NORDIC EVENTS OR ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**OSKU** - The Finnish School of Ottawa upcoming events notice/reminder

OSKU Annual General Meeting

If you are interested in volunteering, or just finding out about what we do...  
Join us at the Pub Italia, Thursday May 23, 6 pm  
Please RSVP to Marja-Leena, home tel. 613 241 1558

OSKU's 30th Birthday Cruise  
Saturday June 1st, 2-5 pm

Location: Ottawa Boat Cruises, Jacques Cartier Park Wharf, Rue Laurier & Rue de Verdun,  
Gatineau.

Buy tickets from any board member or OSKU teachers or Aila Coderre at [ailac@rogers.com](mailto:ailac@rogers.com)

### **Norwegian Embassy**

#### **MUSIC**

May 21: Norwegian rock band Kvelertak has had huge success in Norway, and play shows in Montreal during this spring's North American tour: [http://www.emb-norway.ca/News\\_and\\_events/event/Kvelertak-Punckrock-Metal-to-Toronto-and-Montreal/](http://www.emb-norway.ca/News_and_events/event/Kvelertak-Punckrock-Metal-to-Toronto-and-Montreal/)

#### **FILM**

May 10: Norwegian Oscar nominated adventure movie Kon-Tiki will be released in Canada, and will be showing in select Canadian theaters in May. In Montreal: <http://www.cinemamontreal.com/movies/25128/Kon-Tiki.html>

### **Norwegian Tall Ship Sørlandet to Sail the Great Lakes Summer 2013**



The Norwegian tall ship Sørlandet will sail the Great Lakes the summer of 2013. Sørlandet is a 210 foot square-rigged tall ship, built in Kristiansand, Norway in 1927.

In 1933, the ship crossed the Atlantic Ocean to join the grand Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago. This summer, Sørlandet will resail the historic voyage on its 80 year anniversary, as the oldest and best kept full rigged ship in the world.

Sørlandet will then sail with a fleet of ships from all over the world to ports in all the five Great Lakes, as part of the Tall Ships 1812 Tour. Make sure you don't miss the opportunity when the tour is in a port near you, such as in Brockville on June 15 & 16 when the Tall Ships will be moored at Centeen Park, Blockhouse Island and Hardy Park.

For more information see [http://www.emb-norway.ca/News\\_and\\_events/event/Norwegian-Tall-Ship-Sorlandet-to-sail-the-Great-Lakes-Summer-2013/](http://www.emb-norway.ca/News_and_events/event/Norwegian-Tall-Ship-Sorlandet-to-sail-the-Great-Lakes-Summer-2013/)

For information on the Tall Ships Tour see <http://tallships1812.ca/>

## **Swedish Embassy**

### **Doors Open Ottawa**

Embassy of Sweden is taking part in the City of Ottawa Doors Open event on Saturday, June 1. The public areas of the Ambassador's residence will be open to the public for viewing between the hours of 10:00-4:00 pm. Embassy staff will be on hand to answer questions about the residence and about Sweden.

### **June 7 and 10: Jenny Lind Concert 2013 in Ottawa and Toronto**

The concert in Ottawa takes place on Friday June 7 at 7 pm, at Venturing Hills in Luskville, Québec, and is part of the Festival Pontiac Enchanté.

The concert in Toronto takes place on Monday, June 10 at 7.30 pm, at St. Lawrence Hall. Organizing the event is Swea Toronto.

This year the Jenny Lind recipient is Soprano Magdalena Risberg accompanied by pianist David Huang.

For more information about the events and about tickets, see the Embassy's homepage: [www.swedishembassy.ca](http://www.swedishembassy.ca)

## **National Gallery of Canada**

### **EXHIBITION**

### **Sakahàn: International Indigenous Art**

17 May 2013 - 02 Sep 2013 Special Exhibitions Galleries

**Sakahàn**, meaning "to light [a fire]" in the language of the Algonquin, is the National Gallery of Canada's largest survey of recent Indigenous art. It will highlight over 100 works by more than 75 artists from around the world, including impressive installations created specifically for the

project. Poetic, unexpected and challenging, the artworks document and interrogate distinct cultural and social issues. One of the Gallery's most ambitious contemporary art exhibitions to date, Sakahàn will extend to partnering venues in the Ottawa region and abroad.

For more information, including a list of artists, please see [www.gallery.ca/sakahan](http://www.gallery.ca/sakahan)

You too can get involved! Donate your blanket, share your story and be part of the [Blanket Stories](#) installation by artist Marie Watt.

The participants include:

Pia Arke (Greenland)

Julie Edel Hardenberg (Greenland)

Marja Helander (Finnish)

Inuk Silis Høegh (Greenland)

Geir Tore Holm (Sámi, Norwegian)

Brian Jungen (Canadian Swiss and Dunne-za First Nations ancestry)

Erica Lord (Athabaskan, Iñupiaq, Finnish, Swedish, English, and Japanese.)

Viggo Pedersen (Danish)

Outi Pieski (Finnish, Sami)

Gjert Rognli (Norwegian, Sami)

Ingunn Utsi (Norwegian)

Thanks to Andrea Francom at the National Gallery for providing this information.

This special exhibition is included in the regular admission price.

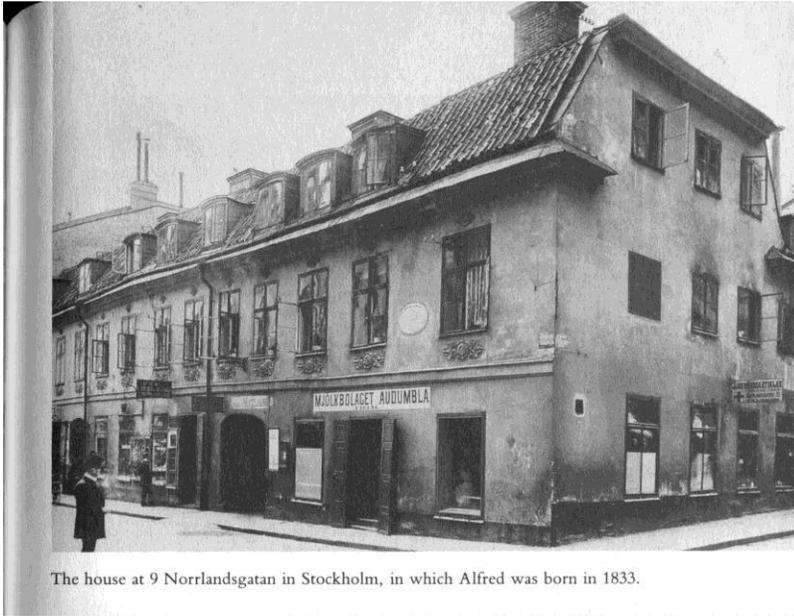
[Another Norwegian artist, Joar Nango will be «off site» at the SAW gallery later this summer.]

## **EDITOR'S SECTION**

### **In the Shadow of Alfred**

Readers of last month's newsletter may recall that I wrote about a story I found that Alfred Nobel read a premature obituary of himself, and about some of my searches to attempt to add the name of the magazine to the details of the story. I've found the life of Alfred quite fascinating and have details to share with you.

## Part 2 Life of Alfred Nobel



The house at 9 Norrlandsgatan in Stockholm, in which Alfred was born in 1833.

Picture: The house in Stockholm where Alfred was born.

**1842** Alfred, mother and brothers followed his father who had earlier emigrated to Finland, then to St. Petersburg Russia, where he established a munitions factory.

Due to his poor health, Alfred had little formal education in Sweden, but learned from his parents, mostly his mother. In St. Petersburg, he and two brothers received private tuition, including lessons in chemistry. Along the way he became fluent in 5 languages.

**1850** Alfred was sent on a two year study trip, stopping in Germany, France, Italy and North America.

**1853-56** He was employed in his father's firm St. Petersburg along with his brothers during the Crimean War period. He learned of the horrors of war during this period.

**1856** Once again financial misfortune befell his father, who returned to Sweden with his wife and youngest son Emil (who perished in 1864 in a nitroglycerine explosion). Remaining in Russia with his two older brothers Robert and Ludvig, Alfred received his first three patents. Over the following years the brothers established manufacturing works, and the older brothers established a petroleum enterprise at Baku, by the Caspian Sea, along the way introducing pipelines, tanker ships and railway tank cars to an industry used to moving petroleum in casks on horse drawn carts. Alfred financially supported this enterprise.

**1863** Alfred returned to Stockholm and proceeded to invent his blasting caps.

Alfred once wrote, "My homeland is where I am working and I work everywhere." The following brief narrative of his life shows how true is this statement.

**1833** Alfred was born forth son of Immanuel and Carolina Andriette Nobel. He was a very sickly as a child, a condition that lasted his entire life. His parents moved about various domiciles around Stockholm due to various misfortunes of Immanuel's businesses. This was a time of depression in Sweden and a period of disease, epidemics.

**1866** Alfred perfected dynamite in Germany in the laboratory associated with the production of nitroglycerine at Krümmel, just south of Hamburg. He lived there from 1865 to 1873.

**1868** In February, Alfred and his father Immanuel were awarded the Letterstedt prize by the Swedish Academy of Science “for original work within the fields of art, literature, or science, or for important discoveries of practical value to humanity.”

**1872** Alfred’s father, who had had a debilitating stroke following the death of Emil in 1864, passed away

**1873** He moved to Paris, purchasing a grand house at 53 rue Malakoff, and set up a laboratory at Sevran, 30 km north of Paris.

**1875** In his laboratory in Sevran Alfred developed blasting gelatin and in ....

**1888** ballistite, a smokeless powder for artillery. First he offered his invention to the French, who turned it down as they had their own form of smokeless powder; so he sold it to the Italians. The French didn’t like this and closed down his laboratory, forcing him to leave.

**1888** Alfred’s brother Ludvig passed away on April 12, and it seems Alfred’s obituary was published in error.

**1889** Nobel’s mother passed away, a blow to Alfred as he was very close to her, and whom he had generously supported so that she didn’t have to endure the poverty into which he had been born. He donated most of his portion of her estate to the Karolina Institute to create the Carolina Andrietta Nobel fund for medical studies.

**1891** Alfred he moved to a place in Italy on the Mediterranean, at San Remo, and established a small laboratory there. He spent winters here.

**1890s** Alfred was somewhat involved in peace efforts.

**1893** Alfred awarded a honorary doctorate from University of Uppsala.

**1894** Alfred acquired the Bofors-Gullspång machine works at Björkborn in Sweden which he made into a premier weapons manufacturer. In the absence of some sort of universal peace process, Alfred felt a country should have a capability to produce what it required to defend itself. He also acquired a manor nearby as a residence with a stable for the Russian Orloff stallions he had purchased through his nephew Emanuel, son of his brother Ludvig.



The last photograph taken of Alfred Nobel.

**1895** In December he wrote his third and final will in Swedish by himself, signing it in the Swedish Club in Paris, witnessed by 4 people, including 2 Swedes. This handwritten will directed the establishment of prizes in a number of fields and led to the Nobel prizes.

**1896** In San Remo, Alfred had a stroke on December 7, and died 3 days later. As he had feared, he was alone with only a few servants looking after him. His body was embalmed, taken to Stockholm for a funeral, and cremated. His eldest brother Robert had passed away a few months earlier.

(Photographs copied from Fant, Keene, Alfred Nobel a Biography, translated from the Swedish by Marianne Ruuth, Arcade publishing, new York 1991 (translation 1993))

To be continued.

Peter Macnaughton, Newsletter Editor

## **NORDIC RESOURCES**

Just a reminder that there is a list of Nordic Resources located on our website

<http://www.canadiannordicsociety.com/resources.html>

including the Nordic Embassies, the Ottawa based social organizations, and links to newspapers and museums in Nordic Countries. The list is on the Nordic Resources tab on the general web site, or use the link above.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The CNS membership year is from April 1 to March 31 which means that it is once again time to renew your membership for the 2013-2014 year. Our membership dues remain the same as they have been for a number of years: \$20.00 for an individual membership; \$30.00 for a family membership, \$15.00 for a student membership. Please fill in the form, enclose a cheque and mail it to our mail box indicated in our letterhead. Unfortunately, the form cannot be completed or submitted electronically.

It is the membership dues that enable us to have our Speakers' Series which has been one of the distinguishing aspects of the Canadian Nordic Society program since we were established in 1963. While we work in close co-operation with the five Nordic embassies situated in Ottawa, CNS does not receive any financial support from any embassy or other organization.

We depend on our membership to enable us to continue carrying out a program of activities that promote a better understanding of the societies and cultures of the Nordic countries.



## Canadian Nordic Society

If you are already a member, please pass this on to a friend!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (work): \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

To reduce costs, the newsletter will be sent electronically to those with email addresses unless otherwise advised.

### **Family Membership - \$30, Individual Membership - \$20. Student Membership - \$15.**

#### **As a Member you:**

- will receive the Society's Newsletter
- are invited to participate in all CNS events
- are encouraged to become actively involved in the life of the Society
- receive discounts on tickets to CNS events

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## **CHANGE IN CORPORATE STATUS OF THE CANADIAN NORDIC SOCIETY**

The founders of The Canadian Nordic Society in 1963 chose the legal status of a federally incorporated corporation. The Society has functioned under the Canada Corporations Act for the last fifty years. A new Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act (NFP Act, S.C. 2009, c. 23) has recently come into force and establishes a new set of rules for federally incorporated not-for-profit corporations in Canada. Our existing by-laws define the Society as a not-for-profit corporation and it therefore falls within the scope of the new NFP Act.

This new law requires us to take certain actions to make the transition to the new Act. The NFP Act and its Regulations state that corporations which do not make the transition by the deadline of October 17, 2014 will be assumed to be inactive and will be dissolved.

Considering the complexity which generally surrounds corporate law, the process for not-for-profit corporations is relatively straightforward.

In order to make the transition, we are required to file “Articles of Continuance” with Corporations Canada before the deadline in 2014. A meeting of members needs to be held as part of the transition process. This meeting must be held in accordance with the existing by-laws since those are the rules governing the affairs of the corporation until a Certificate of Continuance is obtained.

Regardless of any voting rules in the existing by-laws, the NFP Act requires that the articles of continuance be approved by two-thirds of the votes cast by members voting at the meeting.

**The Council is therefore proposing the attached draft articles of continuance for approval by the upcoming Annual General Meeting of the Society on May 29, 2013.**

Corporations Canada will review the articles of continuance adopted by the Society. If they meet the requirements of the NFP Act, Corporations Canada will issue a “Certificate of Continuance” with the articles of continuance attached. These two forms together will become the Society’s new constitution and replace the letters patent issued on November 13, 1963.

After we receive the Certificate of Continuance, the board of directors (which, up until now, was called “Council”) is required to draft new by-laws of the Society and to submit them to a meeting of members for approval. Because the NFP Act spells out a number of default rules, it does not specify a deadline for drafting the new by-laws. It is, however, Council’s intention to submit the new by-laws for adoption by the Society at its Annual General Meeting in May 2014.

Unlike the old Act, the NFP Act does not require Corporations Canada to review and provide Ministerial approval of the by-laws. The benefit to the Society is that the by-laws come into effect immediately when they are made. The only requirement is that by-laws be filed with Corporations Canada within 12 months of their being confirmed by members.

(From the Council)

**Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act (NFP Act)**

**Form 4031**

**Articles of Continuance (transition)**

To be used only for a continuance from the Canada Corporations Act, Part II.

<b>1 Current name of the corporation</b>	
The Canadian Nordic Society	
<b>2 If a change of name is requested, indicate proposed corporate name</b>	
<b>3 Corporation number</b>	<b>4 The province or territory in Canada where the registered office is situated</b>
0 3 4 8 7 7 - 5	Ontario
<b>5 Minimum and maximum number of directors</b> <i>(for a fixed number, indicate the same number in both boxes)</i>	
Minimum number	Maximum number
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<b>6 Statement of the purpose of the corporation</b>	
<p>The objects of the Society are to encourage and promote intellectual and social relations between the people of Canada and the people of the Nordic countries with the principal activities being: the study of Nordic life, languages and cultures; lectures, conferences, exhibitions and demonstrations in Canada; travel; and an interchange of cultural opportunities.</p> <p>The Society shall co-operate with other organizations having similar objectives and shall assist, whenever practical, organizations encouraging similar activities in the Nordic countries and relating to Canada.</p>	
<b>7 Restrictions on the activities that the corporation may carry on, if any</b>	
<p>The Society is non-sectarian and non-political and shall not have any religious or political affiliations.</p>	

**Form 4031**  
**Articles of Continuance (transition)**

<b>8</b>	<b>The classes, or regional or other groups, of members that the corporation is authorized to establish</b>
<p>Honorary Members: The Ambassadors to Canada of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden shall be honorary members of the Society. Honorary Members are not required to pay membership dues and do not have the right to vote at meetings of members.</p> <p>Members: Persons who are 18 years of age or over and who pay the annual membership dues prescribed by a meeting of members.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Statement regarding the distribution of property remaining on liquidation</b>
<p>The board of directors shall, after discharge of liabilities of the Society, make an unrestricted gift of the remaining property of the Society to one or more organizations carrying on activities compatible with and complementary to those of the Society. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing, examples of such organizations might be those teaching Nordic languages or promoting academic study of the Nordic countries.</p>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Additional provisions, if any</b>
<p>The directors may appoint one or more additional directors who shall hold office for a term expiring not later than the close of the next annual general meeting of members, but the total number of directors so appointed may not exceed one-third (1/3) of the number of directors elected at the previous annual general meeting of members.</p>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Declaration</b>
<p>I hereby certify that I am a director or an authorized officer of the corporation continuing into the NFP Act.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Signature</i> _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Print name</i> _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Phone number</i> (    )    - _____</p> <p><small><b>Note:</b> A person who makes, or assists in making, a false or misleading statement is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term of not more than six months or to both (subsection 262(2) of the NFP Act).</small></p>	