

And again – I failed to make the grading system crystal clear. Nine responded with all 4&5 for seminars and 7 changed their grades after re-reading the instructions. For the 9 – I used their grade for 2 very popular seminars, and if they graded a 5, I flipped all their scores. Best = 1, Worst = 5

Seminars:

Who	Resp	Avg	Who	Resp	Avg
Dixie Hanson	29	1.1	Julie Allen	31	1.6
Marv Lang	18	1.2	Jerry Paulson –Immigration	18	1.6
Blaine Hedberg	24	1.3	Ken Domier	15	1.6
Lawrence Moe	13	1.3	Technology workshop	28	1.8
Jerry Paulson-Castle Garden	21	1.4	Gary Romsaas	31	1.9
Marilyn Sorenson	19	1.4	Gene Johnson	22	2.1
Jon Pederson	13	1.5	Rick Larson	16	2.8
Jon Satrum	11	1.5	Carol Culbertson	11	2.8

32 Responses to “What would you like in future seminars?”

- 16 = Norwegian Farm/Family life      16 = Using online genealogy sites      16 = Emigration stories
- 16 = Writing & Printing the family book      12 = Norwegian Pronunciation      11 = General Genealogy
- 11 = Norwegian History      8 = Norwegian Royalty      7 = Photo Help      7 = State/County/ City History
- 1 = Comparisons between Ancestry.com, Genie.com, FamilySearch.com
- 1 = Help room - answer computer and social media questions, help with FamilySearch and similar online databases.
- 1 = rosemaling
- 2 = dancing

Suggestions:

1. Movie: Sweetland
2. Very basic computer skills: moving photos & more around.
3. Norwegian experience in US.
4. Norwegian crafts, folk art, dance, cooking/baking, trolls, bunad, sølje
5. Concurrent lag seminars of best on-line sites & resources.
6. Re-invite speaker from Trondheim who gave presentation on emigration stories/ships/postcards. He gave it in Fergus Falls. {Oddgeir Fosslif?}
7. “Stavig Letters” from SD Public

Attnd Tour: YES 40 [62%]	NO = 25	N/A = 10
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**Comments & What would you like to see on a tour?**

- Local history & Norwegian impact on area = 6    •Anything interesting in area = 4    •Local museums = 1
- Not enough time = 6    •Old World was interesting = 5    •Nice balance of activities [museum & outdoors] = 1
- Just one stop is best = 1    •Less bumpy ride = 1    •See church records = 1    •2014-St.CloudXcell center = 1

Attnd Lab: YES = 42 [65%]	NO = 21	N/A = 3
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- Never enough time = 2    •Person at each table for questions = 1    •Translators = 1    •Great Job = 2
- Everyone/Margit/John/Barry were a big help = 4    •poor lighting = 2    •Concentrate on the beginners = 2

Attnd Speaker: YES = 54 [83%]	NO = 6	N/A = 5
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- Very good = 8    •Can read handout – just talk to us = 1    •Fast talker = 3    •slides too small & busy = 1

Attnd Banquet: Yes = 50 [78%]	NO = 8	N/A = 7
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19 voted to keep Bunad parade, but 3 would like to see it shortened. 13 voted to keep Norwegian songs.

- Ideas:** •Something up-lifting/lively/humorous = 5    •Norwegian music playing while we eat = 1    •Check local collages for good speaker = 1    •Stand & sing songs with words on screen = 5    •Early close [8:30] is OK = 1
- Best meal & dessert ever = 3    •Blaine’s program excellent = 1    •I hate being read too = 1    •Standup time – maybe recognize people by state = 1
  - Chris – no dinner for you – play the piano. = 1    •Too expensive = 1

Attnd Frokost: YES = 39 [60%]	NO = 19	N/A = 7
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25 voted to have it again, 2 voted No. Comments: •No lag meeting before or after please = 1    •Nice but not necessary every year = 1    •Best one yet = 1

Attnd Hospitality: Yes = 54 [83%]	NO = 6	N/A = 5+
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- Comments:** •Separate hospitality room = 4    •Liked venders & hospitality together = 7    •Gluten free = 1    •Lack of Norwegian treats = 3    •No room to socialize/too far away = 14    •Nice variety/excellent = 5    •Need more prep space = 1    •Need more volunteers/helpers = 4    •thanks for the non-sugar treats = 2

Stevne Grade: A = 25 [38%]	B = 26 [40%]	C = 4	D = 0	F = 2	N/A = 5
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**Comments:** •Great Stevne/thanks to planners = 7 •Poor signage =1 •Too far to walk = 5 •Poor noise separation = 6 •No overhead projectors = 1 •Want speaker bios = 1 •Good memorial program = 2  
Really liked the mix of cultural heritage and technology. Need more = 2 •Good link between theme & programs. = 2  
•No sessions on last day, we want to get going = 1 •Want list of advance registration participants = 1 •Friday concert was wonderful/do again = 3 •Hardanger with Ginny is A+++ = 1

**Ideas:**

- Powerpoint of history of Stevne, maybe playing/available at registration desk. = 1
- Lags started as social events, not genealogy. Bring back more social+cultural+recreational events, younger people might attend.= 1
- More activities to attract children/grandkids. Ask 7 lag about 2013. = 1
- Sharing our heritage with younger people = 1
- After Banquet, each lag summarize coming trips/seminars/research trips etc. [in 5 minutes or less] = 1
- Include codes/colors for nametags & lanyards in Stevne booklet.

GoodTime?-Yes=64	Make Friend Yes =60	Learn Yes =65	SEE U 2014-YES = 45	
GoodTime?-NO -0	Make Friend No=3	Learn NO = 0	SEE U 2014-NO = 1	T00 soon = 18

**Possible future convention center:**

- Eau Claire – ‘civic inn’ {Ramada Inn & Conference Civic Center??}
- Iowa Scheman Conference Center in Ames, IA.
- Iowa City, IA •Mankato, MN •Rochester, MN •Decorah, IA

Stevne state preference: [LOW is better]

Illinois = 142	Iowa = 106	Minnesota = 66	N.Dakota = 125	S.Dakota = 104	Wisconsin = 84
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Someone wants future evaluation sheets to again ask vender questions: did you visit & how much did you spend. I don't remember this being talked about, or any info gathered in the past being published. Is this info useful to the Lags and should I put it back in the evaluation?

Any suggestions for next year's evaluation??