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To our members,
supporters, donors, volunteers, and friends who made our 2016 programs and events possible: Tusen takk! Thank you! Here is a look at what we accomplished together last year.

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In 2016, NAHA assisted more than a hundred researchers, both onsite and online.

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Kudos to all the staff at NAHA. They all have been a great help while searching bygdebøker and church records. Very special thanks goes to Dale Hovland, researcher extraordinaire!"

—Sidney Olson
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"In all, a treasure trove for me and for future generations!"

—Jon Rondestvedt
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Associate Archivist Jeff Sauve (left) and archives volunteer Dale Hovland (right) assist a NAHA patron in locating a rare bygdelag banner.

THANK YOU TO OUR ARCHIVES VOLUNTEERS: Dale Hovland, Judy Sosted, Dale Haaland

The 2016 NAHA Biennial Meeting included a day-long seminar on Norwegian-American folk music.

The Preservation Tour of Norwegian-American Churches in Rice and Goodhue Counties made stops at Hauge Lutheran Church near Kenyon, Trondhjem Lutheran Church near Lonsdale, and the churches at Valley Grove near Nerstrand.

Augsburg College Professor of Art History and Archivist Kristin Anderson describes features of Hauge Lutheran Church, Kenyon, Minn., during a preservation tour.
PRESERVATION

In May 2016, NAHA met its goal of raising $160,000 for climate-controlled archives in the Association’s first-ever capital campaign. Since our project is part of a larger plan for the Archives and Special Collections of St. Olaf College’s Rølvaag Memorial Library, our timeline is linked to that of the college. In the summer of 2017, the space we envision as the future home of the NAHA Archives is scheduled to become available and ready for its next purpose. In the meantime, we have invested our campaign funds so they can continue to grow while we plan for our new shared facility.

In 2016, thanks to funding from St. Olaf College, our special collections team made four site visits to combined archives facilities in Minneapolis, Chicago, and New York City.

From top: Reading room at Loyola University, Chicago; Reading room at the Center for Jewish History, New York City; University of Minnesota’s Elmer L. Andersen Library, Minneapolis.

Norwegian folk dancers of Chicago circa 1960.
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