

April 2021

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All the News that's Fjord to Print
by Thea O'Grady



**SONS of
NORWAY**



RESTAURATION
LODGE 1-548

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Due to the pandemic, May's 2021 in-person meeting is avbrutt.

April 13 at 7:00, we will meet on Zoom!
See Page 5 for zoom hjelp.

☀️ Fra Presidenten Barbara Erickson,
Did you wear your finest clothes for Easter? The Norwegians celebrate grand occasions of their lives dressed in their bunad. Join us Tuesday April 13 at 7:00 pm via Zoom when Unni Irmelin Kvam shares *The Story of the Norwegian Bunad* in a video from Trondheim. A few members will briefly share the region and history of their bunads.



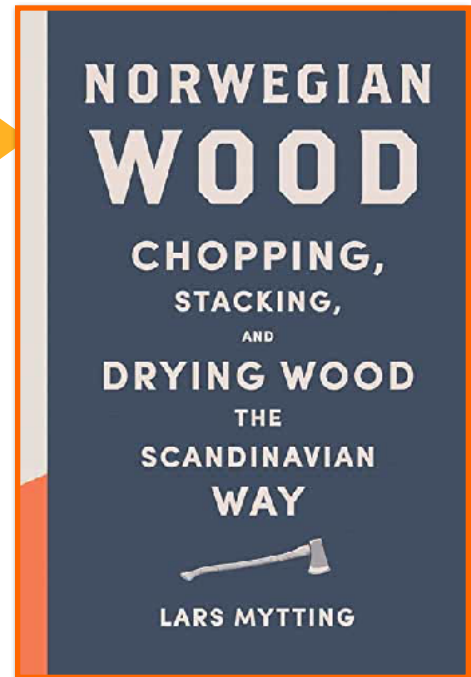
Unni Irmelin Kvam

April Birthdays

Aprilsnarr	1
Quin M Cornell	4
Espen C H Annelin	10
Patricia R Knutson	16
Richard K Isaacson	25
Erik K St Louis	27
Ann M Gesme	29
Owen Hanson	30
Ryal Hanson	30
Larry George Kurth	30

WHAT WE LIKE!

The Book Club LOVED this book!



Author, Lars Mytting,

“The area around the point at which the oak trunk divides in two provides an incredibly strong V shape, which was frequently used by shipbuilders to make ribs. One of the timber wonders of the world is the ceiling of Westminster Hall, in London, made six hundred years ago. Many of its arches follow the natural lines of the oaks from which they were cut.”



From this book, "In all Scandinavia is is also common wisdom that you can tell a lot about a person from his woodpile. For those looking to marry, the following list may be used as a rue of thumb.

Upright and solid pile: Upright and solid man

Low pile: Cautious man, could be shy or weak

Tall pile: Big ambitions, but watch out for sagging and collapse

Unusual shape: Freethinking, open spirit, again, the construction may be weak

Flamboyant pile, widely visible: Extroverted, but possibly a bluffer

A lot of wood: A man of foresight, loyal

Not much wood: A life lived from hand to mouth

Logs from big trees: Has a big appetite for life, but can be rash and extravagant

Pedantic pile: Perfectionist; may be introverted

Collapsed pile: Weak will, poor judge of priorities

Unfinished pile, some logs lying on the ground: Unstable, lazy, prone to drunkenness

Everything in a pile on the ground: Ignorance, decadence, laziness, drunkenness, possibly all of these

Old and new wood piled together: Be suspicious: might be stolen wood added to his own

Large and small logs piled together: Frugal. Kindling sneaked in among the logs suggests a considerate man

Rough, gnarled logs, hard to chop: Persistent and strong willed, or else bowed down by his burdens

No woodpile: No husband





**Our book club meets
every 3rd Wednesday
via ZOOM from 1-3 PM.**

This month we will meet April 21 .

The Book Page

**You are invited to participate even if
you have not read the book!**

Please join us  [ZOOM LINK](#)

Books for Restauration Book Club for 2021-2022

We still need presenters for June 16, July 21, ~~August 18~~, Sept. 15, and Dec. 15. Please choose a book and month that would work for you if you haven't signed up yet. I will ask you at the next meeting for your choice.

100 April 21, 2021 Marilyn Olson
Walking One Step at a Time by Erling Kagge

May 19, 2021 Thea O'Grady
The Half Drowned King by Linnea Hartsuyker • Free ebook (HOOPLA, cloudLibrary) through your library

June 16, 2021 Verl Lekwa
Hedda Gabler by Ibsen

July 21, 2021 Helen Andersen
Pictures of Longing Photography and the Norwegian Migration by Sigrid Lien

August 18, 2021 Ruth Crist
Big Sister by Gunnar Staalesen • Free ebook (HOOPLA, cloudLibrary) through your library

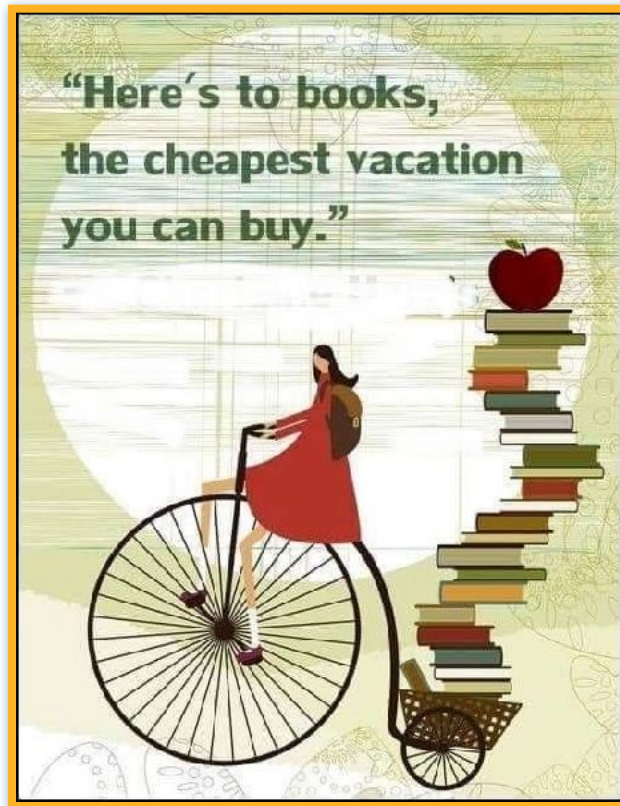
September 15, 2021 Thea O'Grady • Free through eBook Downloader, Gutenberg (for iPad)
Letters Written during a Short Residence in Sweden, Norway, and Denmark (1796) by Mary Wollstonecraft

October 20, 2021 Ann Gesme
Between Rocks and Hard Places

November 17, 2021 Ellen Holstein
So Much Longing in so Little Space by Karl Ove Knausgaard • Free ebook (HOOPLA, cloudLibrary)

December 15, 2021 Barbara Erickson
Norske Fields by Anne Schroeder

January 19, 2022 Marilyn Olson
The Iron Chariot by Stein Riverton • Free ebook (HOOPLA, cloudLibrary) through your library



HOW TO ZOOM

Use this link for our meetings, our book club, and our knitting group.

Join Your Friends of Restauration Lodge HERE!

**Information for signing
into zoom:**



Go to zoom.us and click on
JOIN A MEETING, then
enter Meeting ID
777 3044 4484
Password: SofnCR

Or by phone
312 626 6799.



Enter same ID and Passcode 568029



As part of our 125th anniversary celebrations, we are thrilled to announce the launch of *Viking for Kids*. Now available for download, *Viking for Kids* is a quarterly digital publication that includes Scandinavian-inspired articles, quizzes, coloring pages and more! We are excited for our heritage members to have a magazine of their own and we look forward to seeing it in use. [Click here!](#)



sKandanavian Knitters
We meet every Monday
morning at 10 on 🍷 ZOOM



Going the extra mile

Ole and Lena got married. On their honeymoon trip they were nearing Alexandria when Ole put his hand on Lena's knee.

Giggling, Lena said, "Ole, you can go farther if ya want to"

So Ole drove to Fargo.



Dress by Mette-Gro Kelley

Restauration Lodge 1-548 Sons of Norway Social Meeting

March 9, 2021

Welcome and Introduction of Guests - President Barbara Erickson. 27 members attended via Zoom

Reports: Arden Shindoll (Treasurer reported we have \$350.018 in our checking account and \$11,027.09 in our savings account and summarized expenses for the month. Alan Erickson (Membership) reported 125 members and that Headquarters congratulated us on our recruitment. Forward any information to Cheryl that might require a card. Marilyn Olson, book club coordinator reported that Norwegian Wood by Lars Mytting will be the featured book for March 17, with discussion led by Cindy Monroe. Thea O'Grady reminded members they may Zoom with Scandinavian Knitting on Mondays at 10:00. Please contact Thea if you can join this group.

Business: A number of opportunities for virtual learning were shared by members (Coe College Forum, Vesterheim, North House Folk School, True North Kitchen blog)

Announcements: Send documents for medals to Greg and Anna Collins.

Program: Author Glen Borreson shared Death on the Ocean Crossing and One Family's Story.

Next board meeting: As needed

Restauration Lodge 1-548 Sons of Norway Social Meeting

January 12, 2021

Welcome and Introduction of Guests - President Barbara Erickson. 25 members attended via Zoom

Pledge of Allegiance and singing of *America* and *Ja Vi Elsker*

Reports: Arden Shindoll (Treasurer reported we have \$343.02 in our checking account and \$11,027.09 in our savings account and summarized expenses for the month. Alan Erickson (Membership) reported 121 members. Lois Shindoll (Vice President) reported all calendars were sold. Cheryl Zapf (Sunshine) sent cards to two members. Forward any information to Cheryl that might require a card. Marilyn Olson, book club coordinator reported that Clearing Out by Helene Uri will be the featured book for January 20, with discussion led by Ellen Holstein. Thea O'Grady reminded members they may Zoom with Scandinavian Knitting on Mondays at 10:00. Please contact Thea if you can join this group. Veryl Lekwa described the awards/medal program.

Business:

Announcements

Program: Ryal and Owen Hanson sang Norwegian songs.

Next board meeting: As needed

Next social meeting: February 9, 2021

Elected Officers:

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