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



**SONS of
NORWAY**

January
2022



Restauration
Lodge 1-548
Website



Godt Nytt Ar!

Dear Restauration Lodge Members, I hope you were able to spend the holidays with family and friends. It was great to gather together for our December social meeting. This January the lodge will meet via Zoom only. We will NOT be meeting in person due to the coronavirus.

Please carefully read the newsletter because there are two great January opportunities for participation: Rick Steves speaks (online) in Vesterhsim's lecture series, and Ann Gesme's book, "Between Rocks and Hard Places" will be discussed in the virtual SofN book club meeting. I look forward to seeing you next month. Barbara

**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

- Due to the surge in the rates of Covid Omicron infection, Our next social meeting will be January 11 ON ZOOM.
- The program will be "The Art of Kay Nielsen"
- by Thea O'Grady.

Gratulerer med dagen to the January folks!

Marvin Robeck	13
Nicholas Monroe	15
David A Aanonson	17
Lois M Shindoll	17
Larry D Knutson	18
Catherine R Fejfar	21
Susan R Speicher	21
David E Christ	24
Dianne F Garber	24
James Davig	28
Alan V Stang	28

....and to February members!

Oliine B Stigers	1
Thomas Wayne Thoreson	1
Candy L Roberg	3
Gregory Collins	5
Hubert Allen Ellingson	7

WHAT'S AHEAD!®

Innovators & Inventors Lecture Series

Although many people have heard of Ole Evinrude's outboard motor or John Tokheim's gasoline pump, many more Norwegian Americans have made significant contributions to our daily lives. *Innovators and Inventors* is an exciting new exhibit from Vesterheim that celebrates the creativity and ingenuity of Norwegian immigrants and their descendants in America.

Vesterheim is excited to pair the *Innovators & Inventors* exhibit with a free lecture series that will bring together some of the most creative and inspiring Norwegian-American leaders, thinkers, and artists working today.

Rick Steves

An Innovator Abroad

Sunday, January 16, 2022, 7:00
p.m. (CT) on Zoom



He is a popular public TV host,
guidebook author and activist.

Register





**Our book club meets
ON ZOOM
on January 18,
2022.**

Our Book List for 2022

January 19, 2022 Marilyn Olson

The Iron Chariot by Stein Riverton

➡ Free ebook (HOOPLA, cloudLibrary) through your library

February

Innovative Entrepreneurs of North Dakota and Northwest Minnesota by Hiram Drache

March Cindy Monroe

The Bell in the Lake by Lars Myntting

April

May Thea O'Grady

A House in Norway by Vigdis Hjorth

June Ann Gesme

For the Love of Cod by Eric Dregni

July Marilyn Olson

Hessdalen Lights by Nils M. Ofstad
UFO's in Norway?

Aug Barbara Erickson

A Memoir of Stockholm Sven by Nathaniel Miller

September

Oct Ellen Holstein

Honey Tongues by Helene Uri

Nov Helen Anderson

Hearts in the Ice by Sunniva Sorby and Hilde Stromboli



As seen in VIKING magazine, January 2022, there is a SONS OF NORWAY BOOK CLUB!

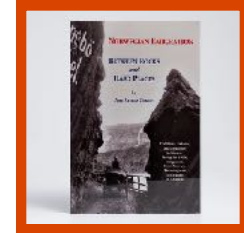
YOU ARE INVITED! The Zoom meeting is the last Thursday of each month, 7-9 PM ET.

For more information and the meeting link, send Bill Browning an email [HERE](#).

For January, members will be reading:

“Between Rocks and Hard Places” by Ann Urness Gesme.

“The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo” by Stieg Larson



Julenek - Birds at Christmas



Caring for the birds on Christmas in Norway...and now...carrying on this tradition in Northeast Iowa.

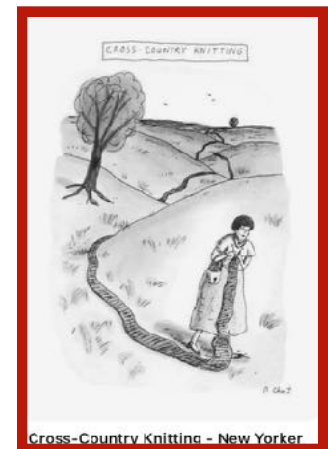
Please consider participating with this Scandinavian tradition. It is a win/win situation with feeding the birds and at the same time supporting the Norman Borlaug Heritage Foundation.

Your donation helps support the food packaging event held during Inspire Day with over 300 local area 5th graders, held right inside the Borlaug barn. They are available at the Cresco Chamber Office or contact Vickie Grube @ 563-203-0186.



We meet every
Monday 10-12.

Call/Text Thea
at 319-536-4979
for location.



Sweaters knit by Thea
O’Grady—one for herself
and one for her brother,
Jeffrey Phelps.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JUNE?

2022 District 1 Sons of Norway Convention

June 1 – 4, 2022

Cragun's resort on Gull Lake in Brainerd, MN

Restauration Lodge needs delegates! How about you?

Check with Barbara, our president for more information.

Restauration lodge can send three of our members as delegates (and more as alternate delegates) to the District 1 convention to be held in Brainerd, Minnesota June 2-5, 2022. This convention will be a new experience in Sons of Norway conventions. There will be many learning opportunities and cultural classes and lectures. Heavy on culture and light on business meetings. There will be make and take classes, tours, lectures, and opportunities for learning. There are financial reimbursements and prizes for delegates! Delegate and alternate delegate names must be submitted to the District Secretary NO LATER THAN MARCH 1st so speak up to a Restauration Lodge board

**DISTRICT 1 CONVENTION**
June 2-5, 2022 Cragun's Resort, Brainerd, MN



Resort Activities
Beach Playground
Beach Volleyball
Biking
Bocce
Fishing
Fitness Center
Games
Golfing
Hunting
Paul Bunyan Trail
Scheduled Activities
Kids & Family Activities
Sports Center
Swimming
Tennis
Summer Activities

Free time Dining/Entertainment Options

... and more

**Convention Highlights**

- Friends Old and New
- Informative Seminars
- See what's happening with Sons of Norway
- President's Reception
- Banquet
- Fun Programs and Entertainment
- Shop Nordic Vendors

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Children and Grandchildren,
Non-Delegates, Spouses,
Siblings and more! There
will be something for
everyone!

Dec SON Social Meeting Minutes

(For Restauration Lodge 1-548)

12/14/2021/ 6:00 / Our Ascension Lutheran Church

❖ Pea and Brown Bread Dinner

❖ Welcome and Introduction of Guests—Ann Goske— by President Barbara Erickson.

❖ Singing of Ja Vi Elsker and God Bless America

❖ Treasurer's Report (Arden Shindol): \$10,187.82 checking; \$2,628.15 in savings CD.

❖ Thank you received from SKI for Light \$75.

❖ Membership Secretary (Alan Erickson) 108 Attendees - 43 ZOOM - 9

❖ Vice President - (Lois Shindoll) 2022 Calendars are sold out.

❖ Book Club read for January 2022 - The Iron Chariot -- Hosted by Ann Gesme, discussion led by Marilyn Olson

❖ Cultural Director (Marilyn Olson) - announced upcoming presentations

❖ Sunshine Club (Cheryl Zapf) - cards sent

❖ District 1 Convention - June 2-4, 2022 in Brainerd, MN Delegates Needed

Action Items

New Business

❖ Board members voted en-mass on the current slate of officers - passed unanimously.

Results sent to HQ. No other nominations.

❖ Dec Program was by Kathleen Almelian on Sjøle.

❖ We are accepting stamps for [Tubfrim](#).

❖ Next Social Meeting - January 11, 2022 at 6:00 for Holiday Potluck

❖ Program for February - I MADE A KNIFE! By James Almelien and Greg Collins

❖ March is Men's Month - Beard and mustache contest announced.



historiskmuseumoslo This beautiful basalt stone ax was found at the end of the 18th century in Fiskumvannet in Øvre Eiker municipality. A farmer fishing with nets in the lake pulled up a "rock" that had been stuck in the net instead of a good catch. The ax was sent to the University's Antiquities Collection in 1853, and since then it has been recognized as the most beautiful battle ax from the middle part of the Neolithic, well over 4500 years ago. It is tempting to think that the ax was not accidentally lost, but that it was intentionally lowered into deep water. The Fiskum ax differs from other axes because it is exceptionally well preserved and very elaborate. For these reasons, we can assume that Fiskumaksa may be a sacrificial find from the Neolithic. The ax is 18.6 cm long.

Elected Officers:

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