

# **NORDLANDET LODGE 5620**

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**OCT 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:00pm Membership Meeting:** Your presence and opinions are needed. Please attend.

**DEC. 3<sup>rd</sup> , Sat. 12:00, Noon JULEFEST** Trinity Lutheran Church, Rhinelander

The list of foods and help needed can be found on page 3 of this newsletter. To volunteer and/or make reservations, please contact by phone or mail: Sharon Samuelson, 6229 Muskellunge Highlands Lane, Lake Tomahawk, WI 54539 or call her at 715-277-3331. Tusen Takk!

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Judy Groh, Editor

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# Fra Presidenten

Greetings.

Our next meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Trinity Lutheran Church in Rhinelander. The lefse making program listed in your directory has been cancelled. A very important business meeting will take place instead.

Traditionally, lodge officers are elected in October and installed the following January for a two year term. However, many of the current board members have been serving for several terms, since other members did not come forward to replace them. Consequently, some of these officers have stated that they no longer wish to serve. Therefore, officers for the next two year term need to be elected or appointed at this meeting so that information can be forwarded to SON and the lodge can continue to function.

# Please make every effort to attend this meeting. We need your help!

Additionally, programs for next year need to be planned so they can be included in the 2017 directory. The future of our lodge depends on you to attend this very important meeting.

Unfortunately, Fred Olsen, our lodge President many not be able to attend as he is recovering from colon surgery at his daughters home in Palatine, Illinois. His surgery was performed last Friday. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Fraternally, Lee Samuelson, Vice-President.

## New Norwegian Films Breaking into International Market Løvekvinnen – The Lion Woman

In August, "The Lion Woman" (Løvekvinnen) premiered at the 44th Norwegian International Film Festival in Haugesund and had already been sold for distribution to 40 countries. Based on the bestseller by Erik Fosnes Hansen, the drama follows the trials of Eva, a girl born in 1912 with a disorder that causes fur to grow over most of her body. Her ashamed father first tries to hide her from society, and she later suffers bullying and humiliation from all sides. Written and directed by Vibeke Idsøe, the film was partially filmed in Lillehammer, and has the largest budget for a Norwegian film since "Kon-Tiki." This beautiful tale of otherness, tolerance and redemption shows how the Lion Woman learns to face and overcome these obstacles.

# Norwegian nominating committee selects entry for Oscars

Each year a committee from the Norwegian film industry chooses one finalist to represent Norway at the Oscars in the category of best non-English language film. This year's selection is "Kongens Nei" (The King's Choice), a historical drama set in 1940 in which King Haakon VII and the Norwegian government face the German invasion and an ultimatum of capitulation.

Haakon VII is expertly played by Danish actor Jesper Christensen, who conveys the humanity and loneliness of the king in this situation. Anders Baasmo Christiansen ("Kon-Tiki," "Buddy") plays Crown Prince Olav, who is fiery and impatient compared with his father's wise self-restraint. The film portrays the turmoil during a momentous chapter in Norwegian history, and the universal theme of making impossible choices in dire situations.

The two other nominees were Erik Skjoldbjærg's "Pyro Manen" and Rune Denstad Langlo's "Welcome to Norway!" which also stars Anders Baasmo Christiansen.

## Hybrid Technology Coming to Hurtigruten Ships

Earlier this month the Norwegian expedition operator and cruise line, Hurtigruten, announced the construction of two hybrid expedition ships. Designed by Rolls Royce and constructed by Kleven Yards in Norway, the vessels represent the biggest single investment made by Hurtigruten in the company's history. "It is beyond doubt that the future of shipping is both silent and emission-free. We will use our new expedition ships as 'icebreakers' for this technology and show the world that hybrid operations on large ships are already possible now," says Hurtigruten CEO Daniel Skjeldam. Set to debut in 2018 and 2019, the hybrid ships will be released in two phases. The first phase will see the completion of a single 530passenger ship outfitted with an auxiliary electric engine, capable of sailing via electric propulsion for 15-30 minutes. A first of its kind in the world. the vessel's combination of hybrid technology, hull design and onboard electricity efficiencies are projected to reduce fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emissions by 20 percent.

The objective of the second phase is to expand upon electric capabilities with a fully-fledged hybrid engine that will sustain the second passenger ship for greater lengths of time and distances. The battery propulsion will also offer a silent and emission-free solution for navigating into fjords and vulnerable port locations.

Bellona, a Norwegian environmental NGO with close ties to the project, is optimistic about the potential for the new hybrid maritime equipment. Bellona founder and President Fredric Hauge says, "This is an historic day for Norwegian shipping and for Norwegian maritime technology. Battery powered propulsion in ships this size shows that batteries are on board tostay. This represents a huge reduction in emissions from shipping, and it is only the beginning."

To learn more about the project, visit <u>http://tinyurl.com/jxcc9ov</u>

# Calendar of Events

Oct. 22 1:00pm Membership Meeting,

Trinity Lutheran Church Rhinelander

All members encouraged to attend . Election of Officers for 2017 Program Selection for 2017 Set the 2017 Calendar – dates & venue

#### Dec 3, 12:00 Noon Julefest Celebration Can you help with this event? Many hands make light work.



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# JULEFEST FOOD REQUESTS

Ham	_Lodge
Meatballs	_Lodge
Smoked Salmon_	_Lodge
Pickeled Herring_	Lodge
Cheese	_Lodge
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Bread\_\_\_\_\_

OpenFace Sandwiches\_\_\_\_\_

Vegetable Dishes\_(Type)\_\_\_\_\_

Salads\_\_\_\_\_

Deviled Eggs

Desserts (Type)\_\_\_\_\_

# **Help Needed**

Food Preparation ----Sat, December 3rd -10:00am

Clean up 2:30p.m.

### **Julefest Reservation**

Yes....I will attend \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name(s)\_\_\_\_\_

If you can contribute one of the food items or help with one of the jobs listed above it will be greatly appreciated. To volunteer and/or make reservations, please mail this form to Sharon Samuelson, 6229 Muskellunge Highlands Lane, Lake Tomahawk, WI 54539 or call her at 715-277-3331. Tusen Takk!

## Lamb and Cabbage (Fårikål)

Adapted from "Authentic Norwegian Cooking" by Astrid Karlsen Scott

- 6 lbs (2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> kg) lamb breast or shoulder
- 2 large heads cabbage
- 1 tbsp black pepper corns
- 1 tbsp salt
- 4 tbsp flour

Wash the lamb in lukewarm water and cut into small pieces. Blot dry, dip in flour and layer in pot with a little more than half the cabbage which has been washed and coarsely cut. Add boiling water until it reaches half the level of the meat. Add salt and pepper. Simmer for 1 hour; then add remainder of cabbage. Simmer while covered for about 1 hour longer, or until meat and cabbage are tender. Serve with steamed/ boiled potatoes, carrots and flatbread. Serves 10-12.

Fårikål is Norway's national dish and a favorite of renowned Norwegian author and explorer, Thor Heyerdahl. The recipe above is Heyerdahl's favorite version of the dish and was originally shared in "Authentic Norwegian Cooking."



## From the Editor's Desk

Today as I was scrambling to finish this newsletter I kept thinking my life is so hectic and I am way too busy to be the editor. I needed to look up online to find out who the current members are so that I don't miss anyone. My mind then jumped to "that's not my job! the membership chairman should be giving me that information. Wait! do we have a membership chairman? Do we have any new volunteers. In just a week the Nordlandet Lodge will be electing officers for 2017. The current officers and events chairpersons are getting tired, some will not be able or willing to serve again, has anyone new stepped up? And that thought reminded me of a story about Everybody Somebody, Nobody and Anybody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have.



Judy Groh, editor

# 2016 Birthday Greetings

# **October**

- 3 Katie Monte
- 13 Max Madsen
- 15 Betty Koller\*
- 18 Ewan Gruenberg
- 20 Zelda Ahlborn
- 29 Callie Ullius
- 31 Ginny Pedersen



## **November**

- 1 Kail Lyon
- 12 Annika Olsen\*
- 12 Emily Rogne
- 16 Melanie Schowalter\*
- 23 Thomas Howard
- 25 Frederick Olson
- 27 Hudson Schowalter

- **December**
- 6 Hannah Larson
- 8 Keith Clausen
- 9 Anita Foss
- 22 Mary Lynn Clausen
- 26 Jessica Anderson\*
- 31 Jeffrey Samuelson\*

#### **January 2017**

- 1/6 Marie Marin
- 1/10 Patricia Anderson
- 1/13 Megan Carmean
- 1/14 Helen Sigurdson
- 1/15 Gladys Miller
- 1/21 Everett Ellingson
- 1/29 Sherry Lavey
- 1/31 Kelly Lyon

## Young Norwegian women sought freedom in New York

Emigration from Norway drew to an end in the period between world wars, but people from the Agder counties continued to seek their fortune all the way into the 1960s. Almost half of the emigrants were young, unmarried women. Siv Ringdal from the Institute for Cultural Studies and Oriental Languages at the University of Oslo has tracked down and interviewed 21 of them as part of her doctoral thesis.

"For many it was an act of liberation. Many of them describe this asthe best time of their life, even if it was a difficult transition. There was actually nobody who said that they did not enjoy it, Ringdal said to forskning.no.

Two thirds live in the US Most of those who Ringdal interviewed were from 17 up to their early 20s when they left farms and towns of southern Norway for the worldly metropolis of New York. Today the women are between 70 and 90 years old.

Ringdal has done fieldwork both in Norway and on the east coast of the USA where most of those who stayed, settled down. Seven of the women returned home upon marrying, while 14 remained in the States.

#### Norwegian colony in Brooklyn

Most of the young women who came over visited the Norwegian enclave in Brooklyn before finding a job as a maid there or in Manhattan. Many encountered a steep learning curve. They were thrown into work life and couldn't speak English in the beginning. But through their jobs they became acquainted with American culture.

The women experienced this as liberating in many ways. They were used to food rationing in post-war Norway and came to New York with hand sewn and mended clothing. Now they had gained independence and earned money to spend on what they wanted.

#### **Treasure chest of memories**

Although no one Ringdal interviewed had a bad time in the States, some of them moved back to the Old Country, anyway. It was an era of their lives that they view with nostalgia.

They came home with huge loads of furniture and all of the comforts they could take with them. They had kept dresses, jewelry, and pictures of that time that they store in boxes and trunks. They also brought home recipes for American dishes that they had served while there. But for those who stayed in the U.S., their memories of Norway serve as mementos. "They have a more nostalgic view of the Norway that they left. They have the need to show that they still remember Norwegian recipes and served me meatballs and cream cake when I came to interview them," says Ringdal..

#### Unearthed Tomb Indicates Viking Gender Equality

A unique archeological discovery in southwest Denmark reveals stunning new insights about the social status and travels of Viking men and women. Initially unearthed in 2012 as part of an excavation for a highway, the site in Hårup is now known to be a Viking burial ground—complete with a wooden structure identified as a Viking dødehus, or death house.

The graves within the dødehus belong to a man and woman of high social status and date to 950 A.D. A third grave, which appears to have been added to the main structure later on, belonged to a man. Laid to rest within a wagon—a known practice for Viking women of noble birth—the female Viking was buried with a pair of keys. As physical symbols of her status and power within the household, researchers believe the keys signify her importance within the family. In addition, archeologists were pleased to discover that one of the keys in her possession matches the lock to a rare small shrine in the dødehus

While other excavations in Denmark have yielded indications (grave gifts, lavish clothing) of the elite status that some Viking women may have held, this particular site boasts an important and unique distinction: The couple was buried in the tomb together. "It's very special that the man and woman's graves are marked by the same tomb or palisade. It's unusual that we're able to establish that the man and woman were equals with such certainty," said excavation leader Kirsten Nelleman Nielsen in an interview with Science Nordic.In fact, Nielsen and her team believe the remains are likely those of a pair of rulers, and that the third grave may have belonged to their successor.

In addition to the potential implications on Viking social status, researchers were also excited to discover that some of the items contained in the tomb point to international influences. The grave at Hårup containing Baltic ceramics and silver coins from what is now Afghanistan reinforce the far-reaching connections made by Viking men and women of the time.

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Please support Norwegian-American heritage with a Masse Moro donation. Masse Moro is Sons of Norway's District 5 Norwegian heritage summer camp for children. As a "tusen takk" for your donation, you can get the book "The Hero Next Door: World War II in Norway."

Consider ordering multiple copies as Christmas gifts for your children and grandchildren. It is a gift tohelp us all further understand our heritage and Norwegian character.

If you haven't earned a SON literature cultural skills pin, this book is a great way to get started.

#### ORDER FORM - THE HERO NEXT DOOR: WORLD WAR II IN NORWAY

\$20 (1 book) allow 3 weeks for printing
\$25 (Masse Moro donation for 1 book)
\$100 (Masse Moro donation for 5 books)
\$250 (Masse Moro donation for 15 books)
\$500 (Masse Moro donation for 33 books)
I want to make a \$\_\_\_\_\_ donation, and receive only books

allow 3 weeks for printing and shipping (shipping to one location)

Make checks to "Sons of Norway District 5"

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

City/St/Zip:

Email:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Send your order to: Mike Palecek, SON D5 treasurer, 5747 Sandy Lane, Racine WI 53406

### "Hidden Heroes: World War II in Norway"



This book contains twenty eyewitness accounts from those who lived in Norway or were Americans who had extended family in Norway, during World War II.

This unique history is told from the viewpoint of children and young adults.

Living in Norway during World War II, you never knew if the person next door was a hero; a Norwegian resistance fighter. The hero next door could be a teenager going with his dad to steal grain from a Nazi train, in order to feed refugees. It could be a girl who hid messages in her instrument case, while going by bike to a violin lesson. It could be the fisherman down the street, rowing a boat full of grenades, with a German Uboat captain sitting on the seat which was hiding them. Many Norwegians risked their lives to thwart the Nazis who were occupying their country. These are their true stories.

This 182 page book is illustrated with over 50 images from the Norwegian National Archives, and uses "senior friendly" large type. "Hidden Heroes" is a Sons of Norway fundraiser to support activities at the annual Masse Moro youth heritage camp, held at Beaver Creek Reserve in Fall Creek, Eau Claire County. Camp dates for 2017 are July 16-29. Make a \$25 donation and receive a copy of the book. \$100 donation gets you five books (shipped to one location) and a \$250 donation gets you 15 books (shipped to one location). The book can be purchased without a donation for \$20.

Use the order form for your donation and order "Hidden Heroes." Allow three weeks for printing and shipping.

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