



Vennelag Lodge 5-513

Vennelag News

FRA PRESIDENTEN – from the president



WE CANNOT HOLD THE STUE WITHOUT YOU!

The Kaffe Stue is a huge undertaking, and it is a proud tradition shared with the surrounding communities since 1972. From its inception, the Kaffe Stue has showcased the baking and cooking skills of its members. It has been lovingly prepared for guests who have an appreciation for traditional Norwegian fare. The event was moved indoors some time ago to facilitate a more welcoming atmosphere where attendees could enjoy a cooler environment to sit and visit with friends and family alike.

It is a full group effort and one of our largest fundraisers of the entire year. All members of the Lodge are expected to participate, many doing so in multiple ways, and I thank you for your involvement. For those of you who were not physically present, your gift of money helped us to defray the costs of food and supplies and that was very welcome, too. If you could not participate this year, it is not too late to send your monetary support! Thank you for helping us achieve our goal of making a difference in the Mt. Horeb Community at-large.

We were a bit shy in the worker department, however. Especially missing was a clean-up crew at 2 PM. Washing floors in the kitchen and seating area takes a large amount of time and if done by one person, it is exhausting. Consider offering your services in this way in 2019. I would appreciate our members stepping up to help with this area.

A preliminary look at our sales are as follows: Lunch gross receipts-\$4,586.50 and the Bake Sale net receipts-\$873.25. Please note that additional checks are still arriving in the mail and will up our overall receipts.

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Some of our guests were overheard commenting the following...

"I just love coming here, it always looks so nice. The food is always really good, and that makes it a special occasion."

"I love being able to revisit my grandmother's kitchen!"

"Everyone is always happy here, it's such a fun time."

"The food is tasty and the baked goods to take home are wonderful!"

"The meatballs were very tasty, as a matter of fact, they tasted like-MORE!"



NEWS FLASH...

A bid has been approved for the 2020 International Sons of Norway Convention to be held in Hamar, Norway.

You may want to think about attending this one! We will keep you posted as plans are made.


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Our Servers:	September 27	October 25
	The board will serve dinner that night	Carolyn Johnson Eddie and Cheryl Goplin Ann Walser

Please email Ann Walser at anncwals@gmail.com if you can serve



VELKOMMEN to our new member:

Jane Gullickson Heibel, from Dodgeville. We look forward to seeing Jane and members of her family at our upcoming events. If you live in the Dodgeville area, please contact Jane and arrange a carpool!

OCTOBER MEETING:

Start getting Ready for our October Sons of Norway Meeting! It is Foundation Month! To recognize the International Sons of Norway Foundation Month, we will be holding a Silent Auction during our October meeting to raise funds for scholarships, community need grants, camperships and promoting the heritage and culture of Norway to members, lodges and communities long into the future. Our Foundation Committee for 2018 is Aldeen Fjelstad, Cheryl Wille-Schlesser and Harley Skjervem.

Key Points for our 2018 Fundraising Program:

- As we do at every meeting, in October we will be accepting donations for the meal that evening. The donated dollars will be added to achieve our annual goal of **\$400**.
- Beginning in September and in the following months, we will be passing the 'Piggy Bank' at each of our monthly meetings with the proceeds going to the International Foundation. So this means we will have ongoing fundraising throughout the year. Begin to keep your extra change and bring it the evening of the Sons of Norway meeting!
- For the Silent Auction, we ask that you add a slip of paper sharing what is in your donation. Since this is our annual fundraiser, we ask that you develop a 'theme' for your basket with quality items to bid on. Some 'theme ideas' for baskets are: Harry and David food, Healthy Gift, Meat and Cheese Lovers, Chocolate Lovers, Gift basket for Date Night at home, Gift basket for Coffee and Tea Lovers, Spa Time, DIY Gift Baskets, Pamper Mom, Golfer's Delight, Outdoor Adventure, Local Errands (gift cards for convenience i.e. dry cleaning, theatre, coffee), gifts from Local Vendors, Wine Lovers, Pet Lovers, Car Care, Baked Goods, Crafts, etc. Start thinking about what your theme is for your donated Basket! Be original!
- During the October Meeting, we will be viewing the International Foundation Video which will explain its purpose and where your money goes!

So, come one and come all prepared to have a great evening celebrating our Sons of Norway Foundation!

TUBFRIM

Save used stamps and expired or used phone cards for Tubfrim to help disabled children and youth in Norway. Cut leaving about ¼ inch around each stamp on all sides. Bring them to a lodge meeting.

WE HAVE A VERY ACTIVE VENNELAG LODGE!

Here are some of the activities.....



The ladies of Vennelag Lodge were resplendent in their Norwegian bunads for the **Mt. Horeb Frolic parade**.

Representing us on the Viking Ship were: (l-r) Marlyn Grinde, Aldeen Fjelstad, Jean Grindle, Nancy Kittleson, Tiffany Schwoerer, Carolyn Johnson, and Ann Walser.

Takk skal du ha!



Vennelag Lodge is sponsoring a 2 mile portion of the **Military Ridge State Trail**. Clean-up by a dedicated group has taken place twice this summer. The third and last clean up of the year will be Sept. 23 at 8 AM, starting at the shelter nearest the Grumpy Troll. The group divides in two and goes 1 mile each way. Come enjoy the out of doors with this lively group, contribute to the community and represent our Lodge. You can also work toward your walking medal from the Sons of Norway. This is a win-win for all involved.



The **Vennelag Kubb team** made its' debut at the annual Mandt Lodge tournament on July 28. Even though they didn't quite make it into the winner's bracket, our participants had a good time. 9 different matches were played. Some victories somehow actually happened! The team (Allen Watrud and Ron Goplin) is looking for more members, and with a new team name selected, is hoping for greatness next year!

Thank you, Matthew Watrud for your participation.



The **knitting class** was held on Saturday, August 4th at the Cat and Crow store in Mt Horeb. Karen Eberhardt, Jean Grindle, Rita Schraepfer, Tiffany Schwoerer, Lynn Schwoerer, and Tamiko Clary enjoyed their knitting time together. These ladies will earn their Part I Culture Pin for the Knitting Class...once their projects are completed! Gode jobbdamerer!



LODGE PICNIC:

A good time was had by all who braved the heat and bugs to attend the lodge's picnic at Stewart Lake Park on [June 28](#). Food, fellowship, and fun were in abundance.



MALLARD'S GAME



On August 2, a group from Vennelag Lodge cheered on the Madison Mallards to a 9-2 victory. It was a beautiful night for baseball, all you could eat food and great camaraderie. In attendance were: Ron and Deb Goplin, Allen and Martha Watrud, Steve Frame, Stephen Sopcak, Marian Leonard, Arlene Watrud-Krueger, Carolyn Johnson, JoDon Anderson, David Bray, Harley Skjervem, Roger and Cheryl Wille-Schlessler.

NEWS FROM THE CULTURE GRANT COMMITTEE:

Sølje - (sool-ya or sul-ya) is the lacy filigree Norwegian jewelry, normally made from silver. The style was based on the Rococo influence found in the European market in the mid 18th century. As with rosemaling, different regions developed their own style. The next time you are in a group of bunad wearing Norwegians, ask about their sølje.

To take care of your sølje, so that in years to come it can be passed on, leave the piece in the original box or place it in a small plastic bag. This helps keep the piece from the air, which causes it to tarnish. To clean your sølje, use a gentle cleaner made for silver or gold metals or there are home-made cleaners. Be careful that you don't clean all the tarnish off. A light amount of tarnish makes the piece just as beautiful as a new one.



Sons of Norway
Vennelag 513

Frokost 2018

Norwegian Breakfast

Sharing our heritage and culture through food

Saturday – October 6, 2018

7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Mount Horeb Community Center
(Indoor Seating – Air Conditioned)

Everyone is welcome to this Norwegian breakfast!

BAKE SALE




107 N. Grove Street - Mount Horeb, WI
(1/2 block off Main Street – Behind Duluth Trading)

Menu

Almond Cake ~ Applesauce
 Berliner Kranser ~ Breads ~ Cheese
 Eggs – Hard or Soft Boiled
 Eple Kakke ~ Flatbrød ~ Bonde Pike
 Fruit Cups ~ Fry Cakes
 Heart Waffles ~ Julekake ~ Kringla
 Krumkake ~ Lefse ~ Norsk Cookies
 Pancakes ~ Rullepølse ~ Rosettes
 Rømmegrøt ~ Salmon ~ Sandbakkelse
 Herring ~ Sliced Meats ~ Søtsuppe
 Coffee ~ Milk ~ Juice

\$15 per person
\$6 for Children 10 & Under

NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED
Carry Outs Available

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OATMEAL LACE COOKIES

Ingredients

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| ½ cup butter or margarine | 2/3 cup sugar |
| 1½ cup regular rolled oats | 1 tsp. baking powder |
| 1 egg | 1 tbsp. all-purpose flour |

Recipe

- Step 1: Melt the butter in a small saucepan and stir in the oatmeal.
- Step 2: Beat egg until foamy with the sugar. Mix together the baking powder and flour and stir into the egg mixture along with the oatmeal mixture.
- Step 3: Drop batter by 1 level tablespoon at a time, onto greased and floured baking sheets, 2-3" apart.
- Step 4: Bake at 375°F for 10 minutes or until golden brown.
- Step 5: Place baking sheets on wire racks to cool, about 1 minute (cookies should still be hot and flexible but cooled until firm enough to move). Quickly lift cookies with a spatula.
- Step 6 (This step is optional): Drape them over a horizontal broomstick covered with foil; press gently into saddle shape. (If cookies harden and stick to pan, return to oven until softened.) When cool, lift off broomstick. Store airtight at room temperature 2 or 3 days; freeze for longer storage. Makes about 2 dozen.

From: Mary Krantz/Ann Walser

Questions/Info. For Lodge members:

We want your feed-back:

Your Social and Cultural committees are looking for any ideas you might have for new events or reruns of popular events for 2019. Ideas suggested have included Betty Lou cruises and area winery/brewery tours. Reruns have included the summer picnic, Lodge-wide kubb instruction and tournament participation, and Vennelag at the Mallards. A membership satisfaction survey will be given to members at a meeting where you can indicate your choice of events. Please let us know what your thoughts are!

Allen Watrud and Tiffany Schwoerer

Edvard Grieg Society of the Great Lakes Concert

September 22 @ 4:00 Pm Morphy Recital Hall- Free

Master class: 1-2:30 Morphy Recital Hall free and open to the public

The Edvard Grieg Society of the Great Lakes is a non-profit organization dedicated to the study and promotion of Grieg. The society is headed by a group of musicians who are dedicated to promoting Grieg's music. Performers for this event will include board members Mary Rose and Luke Norell (Goshen College) Greg Martin (University of Indianapolis), and Mimmi Fulmer (UW Madison), joined by Anna Hersey (UW-Oshkosh) and Alan Dunbar (Winona State University), and will feature instrumental and vocal works of Grieg. The Edvard Grieg Society of the Great Lakes had its inaugural conference in Goshen, Indiana, in 2017. Our next conference will be in Indianapolis, March 2019.

THINK AHEAD...And start planning:

GOOD NEWS! It's time to get out those old tap shoes and magician's kit, knock the rust off the old singing pipes, or hang a new reed on your clarinet. That's right...we want to have a night of skits, song, and fun things during the November 15 meeting. Maybe an Ole and Lena joke, or two! There's a banjo or ukulele out there waiting to be strummed.

So give it some thought and let Allen (awatrud@gmail.com) or Tiffany (whtetigger05@hotmail.com) know of your plans. We hope everyone can join in. Or, you can just watch us make fools of ourselves. That's ok too!

Lodge Meeting Set-up Crews:

Help us to prepare for our meetings by setting up the Community Center in advance. A list of your duties is located inside the top cupboard doors in the Community Center. *The first and foremost thing you need to do is pick up a Community Center key at the Village Office or at Open House Imports during their business hours. Please plan ahead; you may choose to get the key a day or two in advance of the meeting date.

If you are unable to help during the month hereby assigned, please find another member to be a substitute. I will be doing extensive travel this fall and I cannot arrange a substitute for you.

Cheryl

Do you have a change of address?

Please inform Duane Kittleson of any change in mailing address or email. You may make a request to discontinue the printed copy to receive an email copy notification when the newsletter is posted on

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

September 15: Rigid-Heddle weaving class (sorry...already filled)

September 27: Lodge meeting at 6:30 PM, beginning with dinner. Please bring others to join you! Tiffany and Allen have a great meeting planned: “**Alt for Norge: Norwegian Resistance in WW II**” by Jan and Miriam Hansen. In 2017 they led a tour called “Norway: Occupation, Peace and Prosperity”, which focused on the German occupation during World War II, the civil resistance of the Norwegian people during the occupation, and the impact of Norway’s peace and prosperity seventy years later. Their power-point program, “Alt for Norge: Norwegian Resistance in WW II” includes some of Jan’s personal recollections, telling the stories of the occupation, and the many unsung heroes who quietly defied the uninvited occupiers.

October 5: **Høst Frokost** preparation day. Set up begins at community center at 2 PM. Bring food donations to the bake sale table at 2 PM.

October 6: **Høst Frokost** event. Work begins at 6 AM. Serving begins at 7:30 AM

November 3: Norwegian BAKING WORKSHOP at community center beginning at 8:30 AM.

December 1: JULETREFEST CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION: Breakfast with Santa starts the celebration from 8:30-11:30 AM. There will be 4 craft areas for the children. The Celebration will continue with appetizers and punch at 5:30 PM and dinner at 6:15 PM.

NOTE: Unless indicated otherwise, all lodge meetings are held at the Mt. Horeb Community Center (MHCC), 107 N. Grove St., Mt. Horeb, WI

FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES

FUTURE LODGE MEETING DATES

September 12-6:30 PM (Wednesday) Culver’s	September 27-6:30PM (Thursday)
	October 25-6:30 PM (Thursday)
October 10-6:30 PM (Wednesday) Culver’s	November 15-6:30 PM (Thursday)*****
November 7-6:30 PM (Wednesday) Culver’s	2019
2019	January 20-2 PM (Sunday)
January 9-6:30 PM (Wednesday) Culver’s	February 17-2 PM (Sunday)
	March 17-2 PM (Sunday)
	April 25-6:30 PM (Thursday)
	May 30-6:30 PM (Thursday)
	June 27-6:30 PM (Thursday)
	August 29-6:30 PM (Thursday)
	September 26-6:30 PM (Thursday)