

Sons, Daughters and Friends of Norway Newsletter

July 2016

From the President

Our lodge has had a very busy few months, more on that later. Now we look forward to our lodge meetings that the board has planned thru the end of the year. As a reminder, we do not have a lodge meeting in July.

On August 20, our lodge will gather at the IHOP on Colerain at 4 p.m. Grace Bosworth will tell us about her company (G2Local). She has people that do translating and interpreting. Some of our own members have helped Grace with a project when a Norwegian was needed.

Then on September 17, we will meet at the Symmes Twp. Library. Our program will be by Jessica Lorey, music director of WGUC. Some of us have noticed that they play a lot of Grieg and other Scandinavian music. Jessica will tell us if this is purely by chance, or if there might be someone at WGUC that really likes Nordic music.

October is Foundation month! We will again have a White Elephant Auction at the Mikaloff's. Mark your calendar now for Saturday, October 15 at 4 p.m.

It's a good time to reflect on some of our recent events. On April 23 & 24, the lodge participated in a World Culture Fest at the Museum Center. We want to thank Nelda Chandler for taking the lead on this, together with Susan Herman, Tim and Connie Holmen and Sharon Smythe for helping at the this event.

The biggest event where we always have a booth is the Dayton International Festival. We want to thank those that helped us set up on Thursday, they include Sharon Smythe, Larry Bannick and Katherine Sanders. This festival does take a lot of effort as it is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We did have many people stop at the booth to discuss their Norwegian heritage and interest in Nordic Culture. One woman said she had received a Sons of Norway scholarship to help with her college expenses and we hope to see her again at our lodge events.

Larry Bannick let us know that he would be officiating at his granddaughter's wedding. His grandson was going to give away his sister.

Susan Herman and Bob Charlton were our delegates to the district convention in Marshfield, Wisconsin. We thank them for their efforts devoted to the business of Sons of Norway.

Your president was elected a delegate to the International Convention. She will be going to Tacoma, Washington on the last weekend of August.

Hope to see you at a lodge event. Bring a friend to a lodge meeting so that they can join in the fun!

Esther Charlton, President

Upcoming Meetings

Aug 20: Grace Bosworth & All About G2 Local. 4-6 PM, IHOP Restaurant.

Sept 10: Reading Circle 2-3 PM Panera Bread, E. Kemper Rd, Cincinnati

Sept 17: How Music is scheduled on WGUC, 2:30 PM. Jessica Lorey, speaker, Symmes Library

Oct 15: White Elephant Auction 4 PM, Mikaloff's, Springboro

Awards at Syttende Mai



Sharon Smythe presenting certificate to Susie Mikaloff

At our annual Syttende Mai party at the Mikaloff's, Susie Mikaloff received a certificate and pin for being a golden member of Sons of Norway.

Susan and Jim Herman received sports medals for biking and walking.



Susan and Jim Herman receiving awards

It is a delight and honor to present awards to our members for their dedication and passion to Sons of Norway.

"All About Loki"



Katie Lynn Daniels entertained us in March with music and her talk about her book on the Norse god, Loki. Katie is a singer/songwriter hailing from Glasgow, KY. She celebrates her Scottish and Viking ancestry by writing ballads and love songs in traditional folk style. One highlight of her talk was learning how the days of the week were named from Norse mythology.

Birthdays

July

Janice Betscher[7], Elaine Varland [10] Monica Dushane[13], Roy Solvik[16], Jorgen Jorgensen[17], Gary Morem[26], Charles Romano[29], Tom Varland[29]. Kristin Szava[31].

August

Yvonne Anne Joy[5], Sandy Nelson[12], Austin Scherbarth[13], Diane Flautt[14], Jean Crocker-Lakness[15],Ben Downs[27], Alisa Suzanne Jordheim[29].

September

Kjell Evensen[3], Ordelle Hill[4], Nancy Vallette[6], Glenn Smith,Jr[14], Charles Reeder[15], Ciera Bannick[16], Glenn Kinney[17], Larry Welin[19], Chris Butterworth[20], Joann Eleanor Krogh[26],James P. Herman[28]

October

Roby Bowman[12], Curtis Anderson[13], Judy Pieper[15], Susan Herman[16], Jens Basburg[20], Bryce Pillman[20]. Nelda Chandler[25], Arlene Carol Nelson[31].

Summer Solstice Party

The weather for our summer solstice party was a bit hot, but no rain! The conversation and Glenn's famous burgers were great. JoAnn Kraugh told us about her recent trip to Norway. Sounds like she is ready to go back to Norway if given the chance.



Left to right: Sandy Nelson, Paul Jonson, Carol Luiso, Laurie Johnson, Trine Wernes



Left to right: Glenn Mikaloff, Sharon Smythe Susie Mikaloff

Grace Bosworth & All About G2 Local (Translating & Interpreting) Sat., Aug 20, IHOP 4-6 PM

Grace Bosworth, company President of Global to Local, better known as G2Local, is one of the fastest growing interpreting/translation companies in the Ohio/Northern KY region. G2Local provides 500+ languages and services include interpreting in person, interpreting over the phone, and written translations.

Clients include hospitals, courts, schools, and businesses. As our region becomes more diversified, the need for these services has grown.

A few of our Norwegian speaking members have translated for the company.

Ms. Bosworth will be talking about her business and discussing some of the language trends she sees in the region.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Esther 513.923.3798, <u>Esthersofn@aol.com</u>

Reading Circle

Sept. 10, 2-3 p.m.

Reading Circle will meet again Sept. 10 at Panera Bread, 405 E. Kemper Rd., Cincinnati 45246.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Carol Luiso <u>CHLuiso@aol.com</u> or 513.683.3631

How Music is Scheduled on WGUC & Scandinavian Music Notes Sat., Sept 17, Symmes Library 2:30 PM

Jessica Lorey, Classical Music Director at 90.9 WGUC will present the program on scheduling music on WGUC and Scandinavian music.

We'll learn about several Scandinavian composers and their music.

Ms. Lorey is a graduate of U of Cincinnati College -Conservatory of Music and majored in Music History. She hosts "Clef Notes", a musical discussion blog.

There will be time for Q&A.

Please bring an appetizer or dessert. Beverages will be provided.

For more information and to RSVP contact: Carol Luiso 513.683.3631 <u>CHLuiso@aol.com</u>

White Elephant Auction Sat., Oct 15, 4 PM

Once again we'll be back at the Mikaloff's for our annual White Elephant Auction. Bring white elephant items (and/or other gently used items) to be auctioned off. There will be good food, lot's of laughs and bargains. Glenn is a great auctioneer and Susie is a great hostess.

Proceeds will benefit the Sons of Norway Foundation.

Please bring a side dish or dessert for the Pot Luck Dinner.

Location: Susie & Glenn Mikaloff's home, 7472 Stone Ridge Dr., Springboro, 45066 For more info and to RSVP, contact either Susie 937.748.8121 <u>g_mikaloff@email.msn.com</u> or Carol 513.3683.3631 <u>CHLuiso@aol.com</u>

Ole and Lars Humor

Ole and Lars were working for the city public works department. Ole would dig a hole and Lars would follow behind and fill the hole in. They worked up one side of the street, then down the other, then moved on to the next street, working furiously all day without rest, one digging a hole, the other filling it in again.

An onlooker was amazed at their hard work, but couldn't understand what they were doing. So he asked Ole, 'I'm impressed by the effort you two are putting in to your work, but I don't get it -- why do you dig a hole, only to have your partner follow behind and fill it up again?' Ole, the hole digger, wiped his brow and sighed, 'Vell, I suppose it probably looks odd because ve're normally a three-person team. But today Sven, who plants da trees called in sick.'

A New Possible Viking Site Discovered in Canada

article by Viking e-post



A team of researchers may have found a possible second Viking site in Canada using an innovative technology known as space archaeology. If confirmed, this discovery will be the first North American Viking site uncovered in over 55 years.

Since finding L'Anse aux Meadows in northern Newfoundland over five decades ago, researchers have been searching extensively for other Norse settlements that further support the journeys described in the Viking sagas – searches that have proved unsuccessful, possibly until now.

Sarah Parcak, an archaeologist known for using space archaeology in the discovery of ancient sites in Egypt, has found a possible Viking site on south west coast of Newfoundland in an area known as Point Rosee. After receiving a fellowship from National Geographic and a \$1 million grant from TED, Parcak shifted her focus to North America by spending time capturing images of the Canadian coastline using the satellite technology. With the help of these satellite images, archaeologists can determine potential site based on characteristics of the landscape, such as variations in plant growth and vegetation that suggest something lies underneath. Based on the landscapes attributes in the satellite scan of Point Rosee, Parcak lead her international team to perform a test excavation last year.

Originally the team predicted that the site belonged to indigenous Canadians or European colonists who historically inhabited the area. However, upon excavation there was no evidence consistent with these two groups. The team instead found "turf walls built in the Viking Style," and a structure with characteristics similar to the longhouses at L'Anse aux Meadows, according to an article by the History Channel. The team also found "ash residue, fragments of cooked bog iron in a shallow hearth and a boulder with its face scorched by fire evidence indicating a type of metallurgy not practiced by natives of the Canadian region," reported the History Channel.

This site could have strong implications for Norse history – it would put the Vikings much further southwest than the single L'Anse aux Meadows site shows, and if proven true, this finding would imply the Vikings traveled further and more extensively in North America than what the current evidence suggests.

"With just one site, it's easy to explain it away, but if there's two, there might be more," said Parcak in a recent interview with the Washington Post. "There could potentially be a number of other sites out there that haven't been found."

Though researchers are hopeful in regards to the site's validity, further excavations will be needed to ensure that it is actually a Norse settlement. The team will be returning to the Point Rosee site this summer to complete further excavation. Materials collected from the site during the initial test excavation will also be examined to verify the timing is consistent with the Viking expedition period and confirm that the characteristics of the items are consistent with Viking creation.

More information regarding this significant discovery is outlined in the NOVA documentary titled "Vikings Unearthed," that recently aired.

Norwegian Meatballs



Ingredients

5 Lbs ground meat (beef, veal, pork; ground three times)

- 2 Medium onions, finely ground (save juice)
- ¹/₂ Tsp nutmeg
- ¹/₂ Tsp allspice
- 1 Tbsp salt
- ¹/₂ Tsp pepper
- 2 Eggs, beaten
- ¹/₂ Cup half & half
- ¹/₂ Cup cracker meal or matzo meal

4-5 Beef bouillon cubes or 4-5 tsp. instant beef bouillon

2 Tsp Kitchen Bouquet Flour

Directions

Heat oven to 350 degrees.

Combine all meatball ingredients, knead by hand 5 minutes or more to blend spices into meat.

Lightly grease or coat shallow baking pans with nostick cooking spray.

Form small round meat balls; dipping hands into cold water to shape smooth.

Bake 10 to 15 minutes.

Place meatballs in large kettle; add bouillon cubes, meat drippings from baking pan and water to cover. Stir in Kitchen Bouquet.

Heat to boiling; reduce heat and simmer 1 hour. Remove meatballs.

Thicken gravy with flour to desired consistency.

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