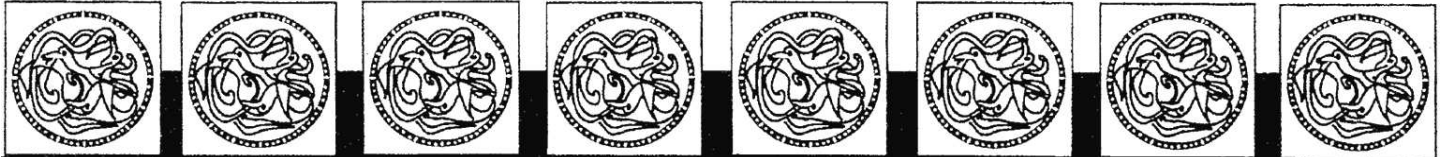


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Sons of Norway Fosselyngen Lodge No. 5-082

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FOSELYNGEN/NORWAY HOUSE – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY	8	Monday	Lodge Officers' Meeting at NH 5:30 - 6:30 PM Note: Any Member May Attend.	(Page 3)
	8	Monday	Social/Cultural Meeting at NH 6:45 PM Including Installation & Program of Entertainment by the Musicians Vidar Skrede & Randy Gosa. Followed by Open Faced Sandwiches & Desserts	(Page 3)
FEBRUARY	No Monday Evening Lodge Meetings in February.			
MARCH	12	Monday	Social/Cultural Meeting	(See Mar/Apr 2018 Runespeak for Details.)
	26	Monday	Lodge Officers' Meeting	(See Mar/Apr 2018 Runespeak for Details.)
			Note: Any Member May Attend.	
APRIL	9	Monday	Social/Cultural Meeting	(See Mar/Apr 2018 Runespeak for Details.)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY	13	Saturday	Swed. Amer. Hist. Soc. Mtg. at Redemption Luth. In Tosa 1:30 PM Program: What's In Your Trunk	(Page 5)
FEBRUARY	7	Wednesday	Smorgasbord at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Oconomowoc, WI 3 PM - 7:30 PM	(Page 5)

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Like the modern alphabet, runes were the written symbols of our Norse ancestors. Understood only by the very wise, they were used to communicate with others, as well as with the ancient gods.

FRA PRESIDENTEN

(januar og februar 2018)

Happy New Year! I'm wishing you all a year of happiness and health.

Thank you to all who attended our Christmas party at Meyer's Restaurant on December 9th. We had great attendance with over 70 people. The food was great and our Julenisse was the biggest hit, along with our photo booth and singing Christmas carols. We took a collection for Sons of Norway Foundation benefiting Hurricane Relief, and our generous members and guests contributed \$180.00 for this worthy cause. Tusen Takk.

Please join us at our next meeting January 8th at the Norway House. Our Officers will meet 5:30PM-6:30PM prior to our regular meeting which will start at 6:45PM, with installation followed by open faced sandwiches, dessert and entertainment. We will have a musical duet with Vidar Skrede & Randy Gosa. Vidar is from Haugesund, Norway and has a Master's Degree in Nordic Folk Music from Royal Academy of Music in Stockholm. Randy is from Milwaukee and is an active performer and teacher of Celtic and folk music.

If you haven't already done so, please be sure to submit your volunteer hours for 2017 to Jan Gregoire by January 15th, per the Volunteer Hours article below.

If you have any ideas for upcoming programs, please let me know.

Fraternally Yours, Sue Berg Roedel

2017 VOLUNTEER HOURS WORKSHEET INFORMATION

NOTE: Jan Gregoire is required to send her tabulation of our Lodge members' 2017 Volunteer Hours to S of N headquarters by January 31st, 2018. Therefore, Jan would like to have you submit your filled-out **2017** Volunteer Hours Worksheet to her **no later than January 15th, 2018**. This is to give Jan sufficient time to tabulate your Volunteer Hours Worksheets to meet her deadline for S of N Headquarters.

Please either give your filled-out sheet to Jan at the January 8th Social/Cultural meeting, or mail it to Jan at the following address: Janice Gregoire, 17725 Nassau Drive, Brookfield, WI 53045.

The 2017 Volunteer Hours Worksheet was distributed to you with the Jan/Feb 2017 Runespeak.

If you did not receive it, or if you misplaced your copy of the 2017 Volunteer Hour Sheet, please request another copy of it from John Schneble by phone at 414-771-4176, or email csjohn@att.net.

(Or alternatively, if you need a replacement blank 2017 Volunteer Hours Worksheet, you could make a photo copy of the blank 2018 Volunteer Hours Worksheet included as Page 9 of this current Jan/Feb 2018 Runespeak issue, and cross out the year numbers and write in the year numbers as Volunteer Hours Worksheet for **2017** to be turned in January **2018**).

2018 VOLUNTEER HOURS WORKSHEET INFORMATION

A blank 2018 Volunteer Hours Worksheet is included as Page 9 of this Jan/Feb 2018 Runespeak issue. The bottom of the back side of this page (which is Page 10, the postal page) includes guidelines for the Volunteer Hours Worksheet. Fill out the sheet throughout 2018 so that it will be ready for you to turn in by January 15th, 2019.

FOSELINGEN OFFICERS

President	Sue Berg Roedel	414-526-8312
Vice-President	Heidi Strom	262-716-9118
Treasurer	Gretchen Bjork	(Effective Jan. 8 th , 2018) 262-502-9197
Secretary (Correspondence)	Janice Gregoire	262-784-6953
Secretary (Recording)	Maureen Welli	414-774-0507

If you have any questions, please call one of the above officers.

Our web site address is: www.norwayhouse-milw.org

MONDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 2018
LODGE MEETINGS AT NORWAY HOUSE

5:30 - 6:30 PM **Lodge Officers' Meeting**

Note: Any Member May Attend.

6:45 PM **Social/Cultural Meeting (Including Installation & Program Followed by Open Faced Sandwiches & Desserts)**

- The Lodge officers and NH board members elected at the October 9th meeting will be installed.

Note: The list of people being installed is the same as the list of Lodge Officer & NH Board Candidates for the October 2017 Election as tabulated in the September/October 2017 Runespeak on the right side of Page 4.

- Entertainment: Musical Duet w/ Vidar Skrede & Randy Gosa

Vidar Skrede (Fiddle, Hardanger Fiddle, & Guitar)

From Haugesund, Norway

Master's degree in Nordic Folk Music from Royal Academy of Music - Stockholm

Randy Gosa (Guitar & Bouzouki)

From Milwaukee, WI

Active performer and teacher of Celtic and folk music

- After the program, officers will provide traditional open face sandwiches.

Note: Members with birthdays in December 2017 & January 2018 are to provide desserts.



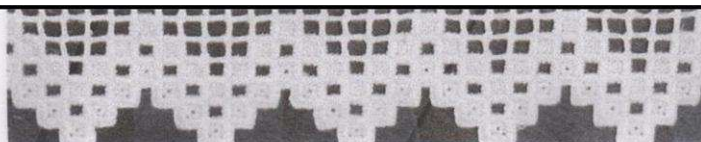
Welcome New Members:

- Wesley Adams
- Irene Brandies
- David Christensen

Note: Irene & David transferred from other lodges.

Note: For any new members who have not already participated, we will do a welcoming ceremony at the January 8th Social/Cultural meeting.

Call Heidi at 262-716-9118 if you would like to be included.



Join a hands-on workshop to learn the stitching techniques of

HARDANGER EMBROIDERY.

Workshops are offered through

Madison Area Technical College ("Madison College")

NOTE VENUE CHANGE:

~~OLD: LakeView Church, 2200 Lincoln Avenue, Stoughton, WI.~~

NEW: Stoughton Senior Center, 248 W Main Street, Stoughton WI.

Call MATC at 608-258-2301 extension 2 to register.

Class #64252 8:00 AM-10:00 AM

Class #64253 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

The spring session runs for 15 WEEKS (30 hours of instruction) from January 17 - April 25. Senior tuition (62 or older) is \$160.50; tuition for all others is \$199.50.

Ride Share: If you need help getting to or from a meeting or event, please contact Heidi Strom at 262-716-9118 and we will make every effort to find a ride for you. Thank you.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2018

Duane Olson \$300.00 Book Scholarship & Sverre Thoresen \$300.00 Book Scholarship

Children and grandchildren of a Fosselyngen member in good standing are eligible for either of these scholarships. A member in good standing is identified as being a Fosselyngen member for a minimum of two years and working a minimum of ten volunteer hours during those two years. Grade point average of 3.0 is required.

Applicants may acknowledge the scholarship with their presence at a meeting or written acknowledgement.

Applications may be obtained from Janice Gregoire, our Lodge secretary. Return applications to Janice Gregoire, 17725 Nassau Drive, Brookfield, WI 53045, no later than May 1st, 2018. Janice's phone number is 262-784-6953.

Sons of Norway District 5 Scholarships

- **Olav Eide District 5 Book Scholarship**
The 5th district is offering a \$300.00 book scholarship in honor of Fosselyngen's long time leader Olav Eide at the district as well as the International level. You can download the application on the Sons of Norway 5th district website www.sonsofnorway5.com. See the application deadline on this website.
- **Other District 5 Scholarships**
For a list of other District 5 scholarships, visit the District 5 website at www.sonsofnorway5.com. Download applications at this site. See the application deadlines on this website.

Sons of Norway Foundation Grants and Scholarships

The Sons of Norway Foundation offers many grants and scholarships. For the listing of these grants and scholarships, go to www.sofn.com/foundation. See the application deadlines on this website.

All Sons of Norway Foundation grants and scholarships **MUST** be applied for **ONLINE**.

God Bedring

Please remember the following members who have had health issues and are now recuperating:

- Ron Hurst
- Vic Larson
- Dean Schmidt
- Evonne Hurst
- Irene Brandies
- Judy Tarbox

Please Note: If you receive a notice or call that a member is sick, in a nursing home or has passed away, call Gertie Mork or Ellie Thoresen so that the person can be remembered and other officers notified.

Also, don't forget to notify Heidi Strom when a member of the Lodge passes away, since Heidi must notify the Sons of Norway office in Minneapolis. Many people do not purchase a newspaper, and others do not indicate in the obituary that they are a member of Sons of Norway.

Norwegian Classes

Interested in learning the language?

We are planning a new class to begin February 21st, so we need to know if there is enough interest to schedule it.

If you are interested, please call Heidi at 262-716-9118 ASAP for details.

Thanks.

Folk Fair/Norsk Butikk

Thank you to everyone that helped us at Folk Fair! We had another successful year and without our members and families, Fosselyngen Lodge would not have been able to staff the booth to raise the funds necessary to finance the Lodge's budget.

Did you know that this year we had 34 members/non-members work 170 hours from loading/unloading the truck on Wednesday, staffing the booth on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, and then packing up the merchandise and taking everything back to Norway House on Sunday night? That doesn't include 198 hours that Gretchen and Arlette worked to pack, setup, work the three days, and then put the merchandise back for the one-day sale on December 3rd. (See the related article at the bottom of this page.)

As you know, this was our last year of having a Marketplace booth. We are planning on still having a presence next year, the 75th Anniversary of Holiday Folk Fair, with a cultural booth. It has been a number of years since we've had a cultural exhibit and we are excited to bring it back. If anyone has pictures of the cultural exhibit from past Folk Fairs, we would love to see them so we can prepare for next year. Please either bring them to the January 8th Lodge meeting or you can send them by email to thebjorks@att.net.

Please mark your calendars for November 16th, 17th, and 18th, 2018 as we will need your help. At least the cultural exhibit will only need 2 people for each 4-1/2 hour shift and you will be able to sit during your shift.

Mange Tusen Takk! Gretchen & Arlette

Swedish-American Historical Society of Wisconsin

Saturday January 13, 2018 @ 1:30 PM

Program: What's In Your Trunk

Our ancestors came to America with only a few personal possessions, which were often packed in a single trunk. Please join us as we open a real American trunk and discuss the mementos from our Swedish ancestors.

Redemption Lutheran Church, 4057 North Mayfair Rd. Wauwatosa

For further information, visit www.sahswi.org or call 414-352-7890.

SMORGASBORD

Wednesday, February 7th, 2018 from 3:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Our Savior's Lutheran Church -145 E. Lisbon Rd., Oconomowoc, WI 53066
Join us for this great Annual Dinner.

Cost is \$12.00 per ticket and you can get tickets at the door. (**NO** reservations needed.)

From Waukesha/Milwaukee: I-94 west to Oconomowoc exit #282/Hwy 67 north, right on bypass, left on Lisbon Rd., church is on the corner of Lisbon & Greenland Ave.

For more info, call church office at (262) 567-8349.

One-Day Sale

Thank you to everyone who came and shopped on Sunday, December 3rd. The sale was a success with many people coming to do some Christmas shopping and helping to reduce our inventory. We've done an inventory, packed everything up, and will be moving everything to a storage unit once the building is sold. We'll be back at Scandinavian Festival on Saturday, October 6th at Ronald Reagan Elementary School in New Berlin.

Mange Takk! Gretchen & Arlette

PICTURES FROM THE DECEMBER 9th, 2017 CHRISTMAS PARTY
AT MEYER'S RESTAURANT



**CLOSING OF NORWAY HOUSE
DURING SEVERE WEATHER:**

Norway House closures due to severe weather are included in WISN-TV (Channel 12) weather closure announcements on television.

Note: You can also get WISN-TV's weather closure information by going to the station's weather page on its website www.wisn.com/weather and then clicking on "Closings".



TUBFRIM
NO-3540 NESBYEN - NORGE



Save used stamps and expired or used phone cards for Tubfrim to help disabled children and youth in Norway.

Trim stamps so that you have at least 1/4 inch but not more than 1/2 inch around the edge of stamp. (See Tubfrim article on Page 7 of the September/October 2016 issue of Runespeak.)

You may bring your stamps along to our next meeting. Tusen Takk!

Ole and Lena ver gona hav bebe an da vas so excited.

In da middl of da nacht Lena giv Ole a quivk jab in da ribs, "It's time Ole."

Ole grabs ever ting and rushes Lena to da hospital.

Later, da doctor comes out and exclaims, "I hav neus fer ya, Ole."

"Vat's da news, Doc?"

"Vel," says da doctor, "It's god neus and bad neus. Vat do you vant first?"

Ole tinks for a vil and says, "Giv me the god neus first."

"Yer Bebe is here and he's a big strappin boy."

"Doctor, dat is god neus – but vat is de bad neus?"

The doctor says, "Vel Ole, he vas born cesarean!"

Ole slaps his forehead and says, "Oh my God dat is terrible – I had my heart set on him being born a Norwegian!"

(Suggested by Jack Lofte)

NEWSLETTER MAILING STAFF

John & Ann Seastrand, Darla Thingvold,
Gertie Mork, Pam Steuernagel
and Karen Riccobono

Thanks for helping with the
November/December issue.

When searching the internet, use

www.freelanthropy.com

and designate Fosselyngen Lodge #82. For each search done, the Lodge earns money.

www.sonsofnorwayblog.blogspot.com

Designed to provide up-to-date commentary or news on issues related to Norway and Sons of Norway.

If you have a change of postal address, **please** notify the Sons of Norway International Headquarters Membership Department at 800-945-8851

Norway House Outdoor Fall Cleaning

Many thanks to the following members who helped with the outdoor cleaning/raking at Norway House on November 27th, 2017: Karen Ricobono, Dean Schmidt, Barb Pelnar, Gary Christianson, John Seastrand, Dennis Dale, Karen Sanderson, Jack Lofte, Milt Sande, Sue Berg Roedel, and Gertie Mork. Your help was much appreciated.

Norway House Board

Have You Had a Financial Checkup Lately?

If not, contact your field staff representative, Greg Ragan, to set up an appointment to discuss your financial needs at no cost to you. This is a benefit of membership.

Greg Ragan, Sons of Norway
Fraternal Benefits Counselor,
Insurance & Investments
1-800-442-4146

Dear Members,

If you would like your newsletter emailed to you, please email me at csljohn@att.net .

John Schneble, Editor

Notice: All articles & information for the March/April 2018 newsletter are **due by February 14th**. Email articles to the editor, John Schneble, csljohn@att.net or mail to: 1024 North 121st Street, Wauwatosa, WI 53226. The editor reserves the right to edit all articles.

Fly Your Norwegian Colors

and support the SON District 5 Nordic Legacy Foundation

When Norway became a sovereign nation in 1821, the Storting adopted a flag with the Nordic cross, similar to other Scandinavian countries. In the early 1800's, some countries were forming republics to better represent its citizens, and the red-white-blue of France and the United States flags influenced Norwegian flag creator Fredrik Meltzer to include those colors in the flag design. At the end of WW II, Norwegians flew the national flag banned by the Nazis as a celebration.



The Norwegian flag is flown on these holidays:

- Jan. 1 - New Year's Day
- Jan. 21 - Princess Ingrid Alexandra's birthday
- Feb. 6 - Sami National Day
- Feb. 21 - King Harald V's birthday
- Easter
- May 1 - Labor Day
- May 8 - Liberation Day
- May 17 - Constitution Day
- Whitsunday (8th Sunday after Easter)
- June 7 - Union Dissolution Day
- July 4 - Queen Sonja's birthday
- July 20 - Crown Prince Haakon Magnus' birthday
- July 29 - Olsok (in memory of King Olav Haraldsson)
- Aug. 19 - Crown Princess Mette-Marit's birthday
- Sept - 2nd Monday (every 4 years) - General Election
- Dec. 25 - Christmas

According to the Norwegian flag law of 1898 (updated in 1927) the Norwegian Flag is raised at 8 AM, between March and October, and at 9 AM in winter months. The flag is lowered at sunset, but no later than 11 PM during the "midnight sun" times. In the far north parts of Norway, in the winter, the flag is only flown between 10 AM and 3 PM.

ORDER FORM - NORWEGIAN FLAG (3x5 foot, 210 denier Oxford nylon with 4 rows of edge stitching on fly edge, designed for frequent outdoor use)

- \$ 30 - one Norwegian flag (includes shipping)
- \$100 - four Norwegian flags (includes shipping to one location)
- \$250 - 12 Norwegian flags (include shipping to one location)
- \$500 - 26 Norwegian flags (includes shipping to one location)

Please make your check out to "SON D5 Nordic Legacy Foundation"

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Lodge: _____

Send your order to Mike Palecek, SON D5 treasurer, 5747 Sandy Lane, Racine WI 53406 c: 262-497-2761 e: mikep@sonsofnorwayracine.com

Proceeds will be used to support Masse Moro & other District 5 Nordic heritage programs.



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Guidelines for Sons of Norway Individual Volunteer Hours Worksheet

Track the amount of time you spend working on Sons of Norway business and activities. This form is kept and maintained by each member of Sons of Norway and submitted to the Lodge secretary.

Fraternal - Some examples of Fraternal activities are: working on the Lodge website, preparing a speech for a Lodge meeting, typing up meeting minutes, and shopping for treats for the upcoming Lodge meeting. Include anything you do which supports your Lodge and fellow members.

Community - Some examples of Community activities are: cutting stamps for Tubfrim, or volunteering as part of a Lodge organized charity group. Include anything you do which has been organized by your Lodge and supports the people outside the Lodge.

Include any travel time associated with these activities in the time you record for them.

Do not record the time you spend at Lodge meetings, celebrations or any other group event.

For each activity, write down the date (if available), a description of activity and length of time you spent on the activity.

Monthly meetings vary. Please see page one for dates and time. Our location: Norway House
 7507 W. Oklahoma Avenue 414-526-8312 * SE Corner next to AMF Bowling Lanes
 Web site: www.norwayhouse-milw.org

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway and provide quality insurance and financial products to its members. Sons of Norways mission er a fremme og ivareta norske kulturtradisjoner, og samtidig tilby de beste forsikrings-og finansprodukter til alle medlemmer.

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