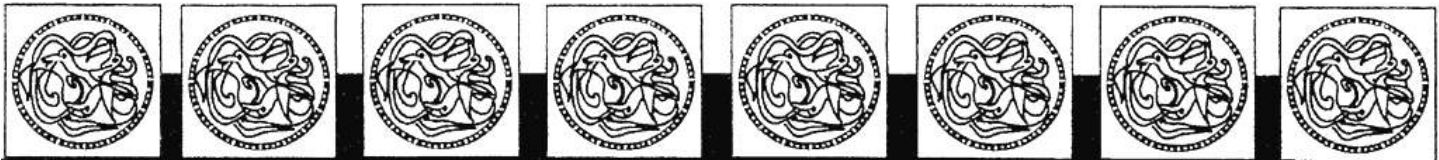


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FOSSELYNGEN/NORWAY HOUSE – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

NO MONDAY SOCIAL/CULTURAL OR OFFICER'S MEETING IN JULY

- 2 Saturday Outing to Livsreise Norwegian Heritage Center In Stoughton.
Meet at Norway House at 8:30 AM for Carpooling.
(For more details, see article in lower left corner of Page 3
of the May/June 2016 *Runespeak*.)
- 13 Wednesday Norway House Board Meeting

AUGUST

- 8 Monday Soc/Cult Meeting With **Potluck** Meal
5 PM Social, 6 PM **Potluck**, 7 PM Meeting (Page 2)
- 22 Monday Lodge Officer's Meeting 7 PM **Note: Any Member May Attend.**

SEPTEMBER

- 12 Monday Soc/Cult Meeting With Meal
5 PM Social, 6 PM Meal, 7 PM Meeting (Page 2)
- 21 Wednesday Norway House Board Meeting 7 PM
- 24 Saturday Torsk Supper and Bake Sale 4-7 PM

OCTOBER

- 8 Saturday Scandinavian Festival at Ronald Reagan School (Page 3)
- 10 Monday Soc/Cult Meeting With Meal
5 PM Social, 6 PM Meal, 7 PM Meeting with Election (Page 2)
- 19 Wednesday Norway House Board Meeting 7 PM
- 22 Saturday Torsk Supper and Bake Sale 4-7 PM
- 24 Monday Lodge Officer's Meeting 7 PM **Note: Any Member May Attend.**

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Olsok Luncheon on Friday, July 29th. Contact Gary Christianson for information. See the article with details on Page 3.

Donna Hansen, a member of our Lodge, is planning a "Pilgrimage" bus trip for Norway Lutheran Church of Wind Lake to go to Minneapolis/St. Paul for November 17th-20th, 2016, to see museum exhibits relevant to the upcoming 500 year anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, plus other sightseeing in the Twin Cities. Our Lodge members are welcome to go along. See the article with trip details on Page 8.

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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

(juli og august 2016)

Hilsen Fra Ellie,

We are looking for some good members to help with some positions for the future of our Lodge! First, we need three members on our nominating committee. 2nd, we need a president for next year. What will happen if we don't have your help?

We are starting up again in August with our Social/Cultural evening on Monday the 8th. Hope to see you there!
Ellie

MONDAY, AUGUST 8TH, 2016 SOCIAL/CULTURAL EVENING WITH POTLUCK SUPPER

5 PM Social Hour

6 PM Potluck*

7 PM Short Meeting Followed by Program:

For the August 8th Social/Cultural meeting, Darlene Arneson from Mandt Lodge will join us for the evening and give her very informative presentation about Tubfrim. (Darlene is the Secretary of the 5th District of Sons of Norway).

***BRING YOUR FAVORITE FOOD:
MEAT, SALADS, AND MORE.**

**JULY & AUGUST BIRTHDAY
MEMBERS PROVIDE DESSERTS.**



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2016 SOCIAL/CULTURAL EVENING WITH LIGHT SUPPER

5 PM Social Hour

6 PM Light Supper

7 PM Short Meeting Followed by Program:

There will be a presentation entitled "A Typical Norwegian Mountain Farm" featuring a 17th and 18th century farm in the Telemark region.

(See September/October 2016 *Runespeak* for full details of meeting.)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 2016 SOCIAL/CULTURAL EVENING WITH LIGHT SUPPER

5 PM Social Hour

6 PM Light Supper

7 PM Short Meeting with Election Followed by Program:

Program includes awards.

(See September/October 2016 *Runespeak* for full details of meeting.)

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.

FOSSELYNGEN OFFICERS

President	Ellie Thoresen	262-542-3142
Vice-President	Heidi Strom	262-716-9118
Treasurer	Evonne Hurst	262-786-8683
Secretary (Correspondence)	Janice Gregoire	262-784-6953
Secretary (Recording) (2016 Only)	Nancy Sande	414-231-3586
& (Assisting Nancy Sande 1 st Year)	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

NORWAY HOUSE

7507 W. Oklahoma Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53219-2861

414-321-2637

Office Hours:

Monday 10-2

Thursday 2-6

Our hall is available for rent



**TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL
INDOOR
SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL**

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 8th 2016
10 AM-6 PM

At RONALD REAGAN
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

4225 S. Calhoun Road
New Berlin, Wisconsin

FREE PARKING

See September/October 2016
Runespeak for more details.



Welcome New Members:

- Mary Ellen O'Sullivan
- Annemarie Adsen
- Eric Adsen
- Timothy Toth
- Barbara Zembles
- Byron Lee Haaland
- Michael Bell

There will be a new members Welcoming Ceremony at the October 10th Social/Cultural meeting.

AWARDS

At the October 10th Social/Cultural meeting there will be an award ceremony for years of membership pins, Golden Memberships and members who get pins for recruitment. More details will be in the September/October *Runespeak*. Call Heidi at 262-716-9118 if you have questions.

**NORWAY HOUSE TORSK SUPPER DATES
FOR THE 2016/2017 SEASON**

2016
Sept. 24th, Oct. 22nd, Nov. 12th, Dec. 10th

2017
Jan. 28th, Feb. 25th, Mar. 25th, Apr. 22nd

COOKIE MAKING

The Cookie Committee requests all cookie makers to mark their calendars to help make cookies on the following Wednesdays: October 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th. We are only doing four days of baking this year so everyone's help is needed. We will begin at 8:30 AM and go to about 3 PM each day. Lunch will be provided.

Sign up at a meeting or call Karen Sanderson at 262-679-1377.

There will not be any preorders - so don't look for any order forms. Cookies will be available for sale at the Nov. 12th and Dec. 10th Torsk Suppers from 2-7 PM ONLY!! First come, first served. Lefse and Julekake will also be sold then. Plan ahead please. Thank you!

NOTE: We are all members of Fosselyngen Lodge and Norway House. As members of both, we have to keep expenses down for the Torsk suppers; therefore, Norwegian cookies will be served as dessert at all of them. We still plan on having the November/December Fundraising Cookie Sales for Fosselyngen Lodge. Therefore, everybody's help is **EXTREMELY NECESSARY**.

The Cookie Committee

NORWEGIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Norwegian Language Classes start again on September 14th at 5:30PM for beginners and at 6:30PM for intermediate. Classes will be six sessions, on the Wednesdays of September 14th, 21st & 28th, and October 12th, 19th & 26th. All classes \$20 per session (\$120 total for six sessions) for Lodge members. Non-members are welcome at \$22 per session (\$132 total for six sessions).

Mette Baran will be the instructor again. She is an Associate Professor at Cardinal Stritch from Halden, Norway. Call Heidi at 262-716-9118 if you wish to confirm your spot. All students must be registered by no later than September 3rd. Checks can be made out to Fosselyngen Lodge. Please sign up sooner rather than later. Thank you. Heidi

OLSOK LUNCHEON

The annual Olsok Luncheon hosted by two trolls visiting from Norway will be in the area of South 76th & Greenfield Ave. on Friday, July 29th, at a location to be announced. As you know, Olsok commemorates the death and memory of Saint Olav, the eternal King of Norway.

Lunch is to start around noon, and reservations may be made by calling Gary Christianson, at 414-355-4816. The first five persons making reservations will be treated to free coffee or soft drink by the trolls.

God Bedring

Please remember the following member who has had health issues and is now recuperating:

Vic Larson

Sympathy

Fosselyngen Lodge extends its sympathy to the following:



- To Magnus Randar and his family in the loss of his wife Betty.



- To the family of Shirley Johnsen

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 they 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.

MY CHILDHOOD HOBBY OF DOLLS

By Reidun Mayer

From my early childhood, dolls were my treasures for many years. As an only child growing up during the wartime occupation of Norway, the dolls became like friends to me, and I treasured playing with them.

In old age, my love for the dolls is still there. I still have quite a few of the dolls that my granddaughters will enjoy some day. I have also collected other dolls for my granddaughters. I guess that I am still a kid at heart.

When I was a little girl, my mom made a dollhouse for me out of two boxes. She even put electric lights in the dollhouse. She did an amazingly good job, as this was during the war years. Even adults enjoyed looking at the dollhouse when it was lit up. I left the dollhouse with a neighbor in Norway for her granddaughter, because I was not sure that the dollhouse was rugged enough to survive the trip across the Atlantic to America.

See the two photos below (showing the outside and the inside), that I took of my dollhouse before I gave it away.



**PHOTOS FROM MAY 1ST, 2016 "WELCOME TO NORWAY"
AT NORWAY HOUSE**



**JAYNE MURNANE WITH INFORMATION
ON VIKINGS, TROLLS, ETC.**



**JUDY MATHISON DEMONSTRATING
NORWEGIAN HARDANGER**



**ELIZABETH BJORK (LEFT) SHOWING A VISITOR HOW TO
MAKE PAPER STAR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**



**SOME OF THE MANY NORWEGIAN
BUNADS ON DISPLAY**



**KAREN SANDERSON DEMONSTRATING
NORWEGIAN ROSEMALING**



**OUR TRAVEL AGENT MEMBER, LUCILLE WALKER,
WITH HER SCANDINAVIAN TRAVEL BROCHURES**

**GRUNNLOVMEDALJEN
1814-2014**



Shirley Engelman is pictured wearing her Norwegian bunad. She is shown holding the “NORGES GRUNNLOV 200 AR” (1814-2014) medaljen that her family in Norway presented to her for taking such an interest in the Norwegian May 17th, 2014 celebration at Norway House. (This photo was taken at the May 1st, 2016 open house at Norway House.)

The upper and lower pictures to the right show the details of the front and back, respectively, of the medaljen.

NORSK BUTIKK

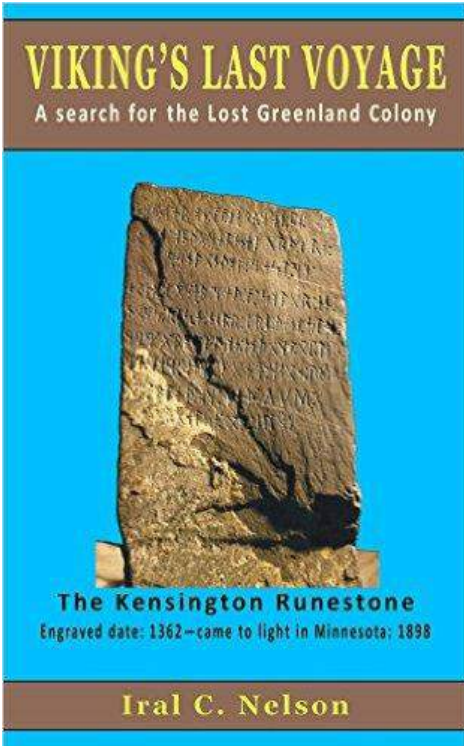
A reminder that the Norsk Butikk is open by appointment only during the summer months, and will begin its regular hours with the Torsk supper on September 24th.

Thank you, Gretchen Bjork and Arlette Johnson

2016 FOLK FAIR

Summer is here but Folk Fair is right around the corner. Please check your calendars for Friday, November 18th through Sunday, November 20th. Shifts are 4-1/2 hours minimum and you will be standing in our World Mart/Butikk booth assisting customers who are purchasing merchandise that is normally found in the Norsk Butikk at Norway House. We will also need help on Wednesday, November 16th loading the truck at Norway House and then unloading at State Fair Park. More information will follow. Please consider helping out with this event which helps support our Lodge. You can sign up at one of the Monday night Lodge meetings, or you can call me at 262-502-9197 or e-mail me at thebjorks@att.net .

Thank you, Gretchen Bjork



Viking's Last Voyage

A Search for the Lost Greenland Colony

by Iral C. Nelson

(Available as an e-Book on Amazon.com Book Store)

Viking's Last Voyage is about a Scandinavian expedition that was sent out from Norway in the 14th century in an attempt to find "The Lost Greenland Colony," whose inhabitants had disappeared from the western Colony of Greenland.

After searching without success for several years along the eastern coast of North America, the expedition commenced to search farther inland. That search ultimately took the expedition into Hudson Bay, up the Nelson River, the Red River of the North, and the Buffalo River in Minnesota. As the search for the Colony proceeded into the interior of America there was considerable interaction with Native Americans. Initially the Ojibwe were hostile and accounted for the loss of 16 of the 20 who traveled inland. Finally the survivors reached the Dakotas and Mandans who were friendly, and with whom they found with bittersweet success the Lost Greenland Colony.

Although Viking's Last Voyage is fiction, it suggests a plausible "could have been" basis for a 14th-century Scandinavian engraving the message on the Kensington Runestone that was brought to light near Kensington, Minnesota in 1898.

Iral C. Nelson

ST. OLAV'S DAY

Celebrated across Norway on July 29th, Saint Olav's Day is an official Flag Day and Norwegian feast day commemorating the accomplishments, contributions and memory of Olav II Haraldsson, otherwise known as the Patron Saint of Norway, Norway's Eternal King or Saint Olav.

Olav was the first king to hold effective control over all of Norway, and was also responsible for establishing and spreading Christianity in Norway. After spending time as a Viking warrior in the Baltic region during his teenage years, and later discovering Christianity during his time in England, Olav returned home to Norway in 1015 where he fought for control of a country ruled by petty kings. At just 22 years old, Olav was accepted as the first king to reign over the entire nation of Norway.

Upon receiving military pressure from the king of Denmark and resistance from some citizens because of his enforcement of Christianity, Olav was forced to flee the country in 1028. After two years of hiding in Russia, Olav returned to Norway to reclaim his throne. It was at the Battle of Stiklestad near Trondheim in 1030 where he was ultimately killed. The Icelandic tales from historian Snorre Sturlason speak of miracles that occurred during the battle as well as at the king's grave in Trondheim. In the year following his death, Olav was declared both a martyr and a saint.

Each year in celebration of Olav, the Saint Olav's Festival or *Olavsfestdagene* is held in Trondheim. Taking place from July 28th – August 6th, festival activities include concerts, lectures, pilgrimage and free events along with celebrations and services at the famous pilgrimage destination, Nidaros Cathedral.

As an additional way to celebrate St. Olav's Day this year, take a walk along the pilgrimage routes known as St. Olav Ways. Whether you're able to start the actual pilgrimage to the Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim, or want to make the journey at home by independently tracking your walking mileage through the Sons of Norway Virtual Pilgrimage and Sports Medals program, beginning the pilgrimage route can be a great way to celebrate Saint Olav this July.

(From Sons of Norway Newsletter Service)



The above photo of the Draken Harald Hårfagre was found at <http://tallshipgreenbay.com/>

DRAKEN HARALD HÅRFAGRE SAILS TO NORTH AMERICA

In April, the Draken Harald Hårfagre, the modern world's largest Viking ship, set sail on a new mission: to reach North America following the route traveled by Leif Erikson in 1000 A.D. Titled Expedition America 2016, the ship's voyage to North America is timed to coincide with summer festivals, including the Tall Ship Challenge Great Lakes 2016 in August, where it will participate as the only Viking ship. In September and October, it will make stops in New York City and Mystic, Connecticut.

Since the Vikings made few records about ship-building and sailing techniques, the Draken Harald Hårfagre is a replica longship based on details gleaned from Norse sagas and modeled after ships uncovered in archaeological digs. Outfitted with a sail of red silk, the craft can reach top sailing speeds of 14 knots, or 16 mph. When winds are low, 25 pairs of oars propel the ship. Although there are a few modern additions such as safety and navigation equipment and communication gear, the ship itself was hand-built, solely using traditional boat-building methods. To honor tradition, the ornate dragon's head prow of the ship was revealed in a ceremony prior to the ship's launch from Haugesund, Norway in April. The colorful carved adornment was traditionally mounted right before departure to protect the crew from bad weather, pirate raids and evil, and removed while in port.

A task not for the faint of heart, the 32-person crew for the expedition was selected from 4,000 applicants hailing from the U.S. and Europe. Captain Björn Ahlander praised his crew, stating that they have to withstand rain, cold, harsh mental and physical demands, and get by on little sleep and no privacy. The owner of the ship, Norwegian entrepreneur Sigurd Aase, says that the project's "aim is to explore the world, embrace the Viking spirit to look beyond the horizon and seek adventure, and to inspire people to take on challenges."

To see footage of the Draken Harald Hårfagre in action, visit www.drakenexpeditionamerica.com

(From Sons of Norway Newsletter Service)

Editor's Note: You can see the Draken Harald Hårfagre ship in Wisconsin at the 2016 Green Bay Tall Ship Festival which will be held August 5th-7th. For more information go to <http://tallshipgreenbay.com/>

Among the many other stops in America that you could see the Draken Harald Hårfagre ship are in Chicago or Duluth. See www.drakenexpeditionamerica.com for route map and dates of the stops.

NORWAY LUTHERAN CHURCH PILGRIMAGE

NOVEMBER 17-20, 2016

The year 2017 will mark the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's posting of 95 theses on the door of All Saints Church in Wittenberg. An historic exhibit of the life and work of Luther and the Protestant Reformation, from several museums in Germany, will open for a limited time at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts this fall.

Norway Lutheran Church is planning a PILGRIMAGE to Minneapolis/St. Paul MN

November 17-20, 2016 to include the following.....and more...

- *Tour the Luther exhibit at Minneapolis Institute of Arts*
- *Communion Service in Norway's historic Log Church on campus of Luther Seminary*
- *Guided bus tour of the cities*
- *Performance at a theater*
- *Mall of America*

Depart Norway Lutheran Church 6321 Heg Park Rd Wind Lake	Thursday Nov. 17	8:00 a.m.
Approx. Return to Norway Lutheran Church	Sunday Nov. 20	5:00 p.m.

Cost of the trip, including travel by motorcoach, hotel, admissions, and most meals –

\$490.00 per person, double occupancy, **\$430.00** per person, triple occupancy.

\$200.00 down payment per person, with reservation; balance due October 1, 2016.

For info and reservations, contact Donna Hanson, 4834 E Wind Lake Rd, Union Grove, WI 53182, or phone Donna at 262-534-3862.

**RECYCLING♦♦♦DOES PAY.
PLEASE Save Your Aluminum Cans
For Norway House.**

Dear Friends, Lodge Members and Supportive Norwegian Friends,

In the last *Runespeak* issue, (May/June), I wrote of the Norway House Building Fund which has been depleted of critical funds due to several unfortunate equipment failures and new equipment needs.

I refer you to that May/June *Runespeak* for a more complete list of items that are needed or have been urgently replaced.

The Board requests your continued funds and financial support to meet those needs. Please consider sending whatever you feel you are willing and able to support, or in memory of or as a memorial to a loved one or friend.

Send To:

Norway House
7507 W. Oklahoma
Milwaukee 53219-2861
Attn: Jack Lofte

Tusen Takk to all from the NH Board of Directors.

We wish to acknowledge and thank the following individuals for their generous contributions to date.

Karen Gardenier	Anita Jensen
Helen Larsen	Jack Lofte
Nick Rogneby	Karen Sanderson
Dean Schmidt	Anonymous

Additionally, several people have generously donated their time and skills to help implement some of the projects that require more than just funds to accomplish. We thank them for their efforts too.

Sincerely,
Jack Lofte
NH Board Term 2015-2016

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



TUBFRIM
NO-3540 NESBYEN - NORGE



Save used stamps and expired or used phone cards for Tubfrim to help disabled children and youth in Norway. Cut about 1/4 inch around each stamp, **on all sides**. (See "**Cutting & Trimming Stamps for Tubfrim**" guidelines in the Tubfrim article on Page 9 of May/June 2013 *Runespeak*.)

There is a place in the office for the stamps.
Tusen Takk!

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.

NEWSLETTER MAILING STAFF

Helen Davison, Gertie Mork,
Karen Riccobono and Pam Steuernagel

Thanks for helping with the
May/June issue.

Rosemaling Class

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Sanderson at (262) 679-1377.

Dear Members,

If you would like your newsletter emailed to you, please email me at csjohn@att.net . If you would like both an email copy and a hard copy let me know.

John Schneble, Editor

Please note: If you have any questions about this mailing, address changes or newsletter subscription, please contact Pam Steuernagel at 414-651-4575.

Notice: All articles & information for the September/October 2016 newsletter are **due by August 15th**. Email articles to the editor, John Schneble, csjohn@att.net or mail to: 1024 North 121st Street, Wauwatosa, WI 53226. The editor reserves the right to edit all articles.



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**Dated Material Postmaster:
 Please deliver by July 8**

Kari was just out of school when she won a prize of a vacation in the Bahamas. She was on a two-seater airplane getting there when the pilot had a heart attack and died. Frantically, she grabbed the mike and called, "May Day! May Day! Someone help me please! Please help me!" She heard a voice on the radio saying, "This is Air Traffic Control and I hear you loud and clear. I will talk you through this and get you back on the ground. I've had a lot of experience with this. Take a deep breath, stay calm and everything will be fine. Now give me your height and position." In a timid voice Kari stated, "I'm 5'4" and I support a higher minimum wage." The radio voice said, "Repeat after me: Our Father, Who art in Heaven..."
(As seen in Vennskap newsletter)

After a hard day at the office, Ole was anxious to call it a day. Lena was feeling romantic and wanted to talk. "You used to hold my hand when we were dating." Ole held her hand for a second and closed his eyes. "Then you used to kiss me." Irritated, Ole pecked her on the cheek and rolled over. "Then you would bite my neck." Angrily, Ole threw back the covers and got out of bed. "Where are you going?" Lena asked. "To get my teeth!"
(As seen in Vennskap newsletter)

Monthly meetings vary. Please see page one for dates and time. Our location: Norway House
 7507 W. Oklahoma Avenue 414-321-2637 * SE Corner next to AMF Bowling Lanes
 Web site: www.norwayhouse-milw.org

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