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FOSELYNGEN LODGE – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 13 Monday Soc/Cult Meeting at Resurrection Lutheran Church
12400 W. Cold Spring Rd., New Berlin, WI
Socialize at 5:30 PM. Dinner at 6 PM. Meeting at about 6:45 PM.
Program: Celebrate Syttende Mai, the Norwegian National Day.
Daryl Wunrow's presentation is about "Past Lodge Member Olav Eide -
Norwegian-American member of the 99th Viking Battalion and OSS in World
War II". Olav's son Erik Eide will be present to show his father's memorabilia
and share memories of his father. (Page 3)

NO LODGE MEETING IN JUNE

JULY 8 Monday Fosselyngen Lodge Picnic – 5 PM (See Page 5 for full details.)

AUGUST 12 Monday Soc/Cult Meeting at Resurrection Lutheran Church
12400 W. Cold Spring Rd., New Berlin, WI
Socialize at 5:30 PM. Dinner at 6 PM. Meeting at about 6:45 PM.
(See July/August 2024 *Runespeak* for full details of meeting and program.)

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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
(mai og juni 2024)

President's Message, April 14th, 2024

Spring is in the air! I can't believe the forecasted high for New Berlin today is 77 degrees. The flowers will be popping up in no time.

Our current service project is making bag lunches for "The Gathering" serving from Ascension Lutheran Church at 1236 S. Layton Blvd. in Milwaukee. Our first date is on Friday, June 28th. We will make and pack the lunch bags at Resurrection Lutheran Church, and then I will deliver them to the meal site on Saturday morning. We are looking for 6-8 volunteers at each session. We will have a sign up at the May meeting or you may contact me. It will be a great way to help our neighbors in need.

The Sons of Norway District 5 convention is coming up on June 19-22, 2024, in Indianapolis, IN, and delegates were elected at our March meeting. Elected were Susan Roedel, Arlette Johnson, Gretchen Bjork and Mary Taylor with an alternate of Jayne Murnane. We look forward to serving you and our lodge interests at the convention.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the May meeting when we celebrate Syttende Mai. and our presentation will be about our past lodge member, Olav Eide, who I knew as a child growing up in the old Norway House on 22nd and Greenfield. We will enjoy a delicious meal with Norwegian Lapkaus. If you would like to bring some Norwegian cookies to share that would be great! Feel free to wear your bunad or Norwegian sweater to add to the festivities.

Fraternaly yours,

Sue Berg Roedel

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

***NOTE:** For membership information, call our Vice-President, Arlette Johnson.

MONDAY, MAY 13TH, 2024
Social/Cultural Meeting
Resurrection Lutheran Church
12400 W. Cold Spring Rd., New Berlin, WI 53151

Socialize at 5:30 PM.

Dinner at 6 PM. Menu: Lapkaus (Norwegian stew with beef tips)

Meeting starts at about 6:45 PM.

Program: Celebrate Syttende Mai, the Norwegian National Day.

Daryl Wunrow's presentation is about "Past Lodge Member Olav Eide - Norwegian-American member of the 99th Viking Battalion and OSS in World War II". Olav's son Erik Eide will be present to show his father's memorabilia and share memories of his father.

NORSO OSS – (NORWEGIAN SPECIAL OPERATIONS)

While Olav Eide's 99th Viking Battalion trained with the 10th Mountain Infantry Division in Camp Hale, Colorado where he was selected by the OSS (Office of Strategic Services-Intelligence, later named CIA) for future behind the line's covert operations in Norway. He was promoted to Sgt E-5, and trained first in Washington D.C., then in Scotland. In late June 1944, he parachuted with a small NORSO group named Percy Red into German-controlled France to work with the French resistance to disrupt German troop movement. After four weeks, his small group returned to England to prepare for covert assignments in Nazi-occupied Norway in early 1945.



2024 Cultural Arts Display

Calling all members of Sons of Norway District 5!

Prepare your cultural arts projects for display at the District 5 Convention in June 2024 in Indianapolis.

Any cultural arts project completed since June of 2022 is eligible for display. An important part of the convention is the presentation of folk art projects completed by members. Your work will be appreciated by members from throughout the district. What a wonderful opportunity to display your skill and show others your contribution to carrying on traditional skills.

This year **our display space is somewhat limited**, so it is more important than usual to register your pieces as soon as they are completed.

The judging will be people's choice.

- There is no fee.
- Preregistration is needed.
- Work must have been finished after the last convention.
- ***Only SofN members may enter.***
- **Work must be completed by the person registered as the artist.**
- Each item must have appropriate identification attached.
- Items will be kept in a locked room overnight.
- Volunteers will monitor the display during the day.

Cultural Skills Categories include:

- Rosemaling
- Norwegian weaving
- Nordic or Sami-influenced knitting
- Norwegian needlework (Hardanger embroidery, Klostersøm, Diamantsom, Nålbinding)
- Crocheting
- Tattling
- Wood carving (figure, relief, chip carving)
- Bent wood construction
- Photography
- Painting
- Knifemaking
- Stained Glass
- Kolrosing

Cultural arts items may be checked in at the display area Thursday, June 20th between 1 pm and 3 pm.

Items may be sent with someone if the artist is not attending the convention.

Send questions to Judy Ghastin at judy62ghastin@gmail.com .

You Are Invited to the Fosselyngen Lodge Picnic



Monday, July 8th, 2024 at 5PM

Location: The Home of members Dave and Victoria Christianson, 3435 Cardinal Dr., Brookfield, WI 53005 (off of 129th and Burleigh). (For any questions on directions, call Dave at 262-617-6342 or Victoria at 414-550-7759).

Directions:

From the East: -- Exit I-41/I-45 at Burleigh Road. Head west on Burleigh Road. Cross over 124th street. You will pass Murfs Custard on your left and Sluggos on your right. Once you pass Sluggos, you will come to 129th Street (a right turn only). Follow 129th around two curves. Our ranch home is right after the second curve. It is brick with a rust color upper part. There will be a sign on our lamp post.

From the West: -- Take Burleigh Road east. Turn left onto 129th Street (a left turn only). If you pass Sluggos restaurant, you have gone too far. Follow 129th around two curves. Our ranch home is right after the second curve. It is brick with a rust color upper part. There will be a sign on our lamp post.

Please park on one side of the street only, to allow for emergency vehicles to get through.

Cost- \$5.00 per person. Pay at the picnic. Catered Hamburgers, Brats, Hot Dogs and Salads. Soft drinks and water provided. Feel free to bring your own preferred drink. Please bring a lawn chair if you are able.

Please RSVP to Sue at 414-526-8312 or email sjroedel@gmail.com by July 1st, so we can order the correct amount of food.

SWEDISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MAY 18TH MEETING

Our next meeting will be Saturday, May 18th, 2024, 1:30 p.m. at Martin Luther Church, 9235 W. Bluemound Rd.

Meeting and program "My Ancestors" presented by Swedish Genealogy Research Group (SGRG) members.

FIKA (coffee and treats) will follow. More information on the meeting and program will be on our website: <https://sahswi.org>.

MIDSOMMAR IN HEIDELBERG PARK

Sunday, June 23rd, 2024
1:00-4:00 pm

(Bavarian Bierhaus) 700 W. Lexington Blvd., Glendale, WI.

Food is available for purchase. Open to the public.

More information will be on our website: <https://sahswi.org>.

Sympathy

Fosselyngen Lodge extends its sympathy to:



- The family of Maren Seymour who passed away in August 2023. Maren was very active in Holiday Folk Fair and served at the Norway House Fish Dinners.
- Cheryl Eskridge for the passing of her husband Scotty on April 15th, 2024.

Please Note: If you receive a notice or call that a member is sick, in a nursing home or has passed away, **call Nancy Sande (414-231-3586) or Ellie Thoresen (262-953-2871) so that the person can be remembered and other officers notified.**

Also, don't forget to **notify Arlette Johnson (414-368-3324) when a member of the Lodge passes away**, since Arlette 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 were a member of Sons of Norway.

Danish Brotherhood Lodge #14 Ableskiver Breakfast

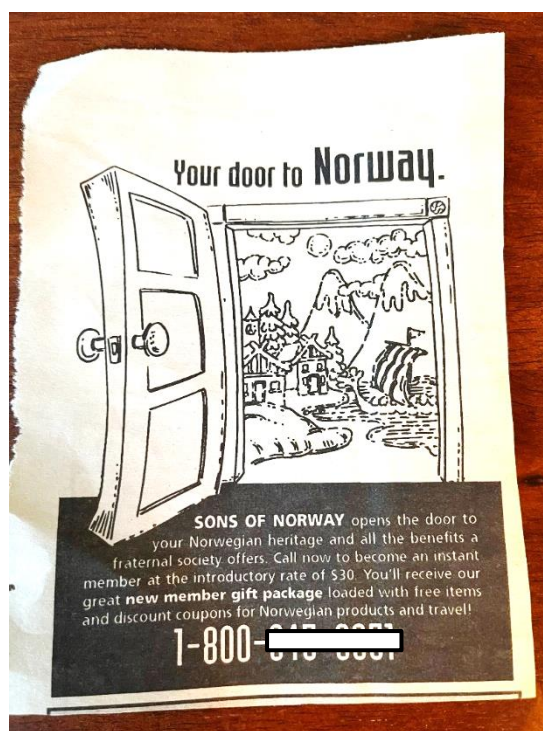
After their building burned in the 2020 riots, the Danish Brotherhood has moved to a new home in Kenosha and will be holding their Ableskiver Breakfast on Sunday, May 19th, 2024.

Breakfast includes: Ableskiver (Danish Pancakes), Medisterpølse (Danish Sausage), a slice of Kringle, and all you can drink coffee.

Doors open at 9:00 a.m., and reservations are not required.

Please see their Facebook page for address and more details:

[Danish Brotherhood Lodge #14 - Kenosha, WI | Kenosha WI | Facebook](#)



OLD SONS OF NORWAY AD

Thanks to member Steve Welli for sharing this bit of Norwegian nostalgia.

HOW TO CONTACT FOSSELYNGEN LODGE:

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Fosselyngen Lodge Web Site:

<https://sonsofnorwaymilwaukee.org/index.html>

Fosselyngen Lodge Facebook Site:

<https://facebook.com/fosselyngenlodge>

SPORTS MEDAL PROGRAM

Just a reminder that forms and information about the Sports Medal Program are available. Contact Dennis Dale at 414-771-3470 or by mail at 1527 Alice Street, Wauwatosa, 53213.

GUIDELINES FOR BRINGING GUESTS TO LODGE MEETINGS

Members are encouraged to invite guests to our monthly meetings to learn more about our Lodge. If a guest would also like to join us for dinner prior to the program, they may do so at no cost for one time only. Should they want to come again, they will need to pay \$10.00 for the dinner. As a member you are not charged for any regular meeting meal and also receive a discounted price for the picnic and Christmas party, so please encourage your friends to join to receive these benefits and become a member of the Fosselyngen Family.

*** JOIN US IN SONG ***

Festival City Chorus, Milwaukee's own a cappella chorus, is working diligently to prepare for performances and contests.

We rehearse most Tuesday evenings at Mount Hope Lutheran Church, 8633 W. Becher.

ALL males interested in learning more about us are encouraged to call our hotline: 414-281-SING (7464)

Don Doss, SON Member

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.

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If you have a change of any of these items, **please** notify the Sons of Norway International Headquarters Membership Department.

Either phone their office at 800-945-8851, or you can log on to the Sons of Norway website (<https://www.sofn.com>) and view & update your member profile.

Notice: All articles & information for the July/August 2024 newsletter are **due by June 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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Lena approached the counter of an airline ticket window and asked the clerk for a schedule of a flight from Tioga, North Dakota, to Ipswich, Istanbul. The clerk carefully worked out a schedule of connecting flights, and wrote it all down for Lena.

In about an hour, Lena returned and asked for the same information.

“But I gave all that to you an hour ago,” the clerk said.

“Ya”, Lena said, “I know, but dis is for my sister. She wants to go, too!!!”

Ole spent the night at a motel on one of his recent trips. When he stopped by the desk to pay his bill the next morning, the clerk said, “Boy, that was some thunder and lightning storm we had last night!!”

“Uff-da,” replied Ole, “I vish yew would have avakened me.... I jüst can’t sleep when it tundere and lightnin’s!!!”

Why don’t Norwegians make good elevator operators? They’re always forgetting the route!

Monthly meetings vary. Please see page one for dates, times, and location of meetings.
Web site: <http://sonsofnorwaymilwaukee.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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