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Fosselyngen Lodge No. 5-082, Sons of Norway

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FOSSELYNGEN LODGE - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER No Monday Evening Lodge Meetings Scheduled for November.

> 22/23/24 Fri/Sat/Sun Cultural Booth at Folk Fair at Wisconsin State Fair Park (Page 3)

DECEMBER No Monday Evening Lodge Meetings Scheduled for December.

> 8 Lodge Christmas Party at Meyer's Restaurant. Social at 4 PM and Sunday

dinner at 5 PM. (Pages 2 & 9)

SEE PAGE 9 FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY **DETAILS & RESERVATION FORM.**

JANUARY 13 Monday Soc/Cult Meeting (Including Officer Installation) at Mount Hope

Lutheran Church. Eat at 6 PM, Meeting/Program at 7 PM. (Page 3)

For Norwegian language classes during February through April 2020, see the class registration form with class details at the bottom of Page 7 of this newsletter.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER 7 Saturday

St. Olaf's Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner, St. Olaf Lutheran Church 11 AM - 5 PM In Ashippun (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

(november og desember 2019)

Dear Members,

It has been a busy fall for both the lodge and for me personally. The lodge participated in a baking day, Scan Fest, interview for CBS Sunday Morning TV show on Leif Erickson and soon Folk Fair. Personally, my husband and I moved from our home of 30 years! That is a lot of work! We also journeyed to Chile to witness our son Jeff's ordination as a deacon on October 5th. We are so proud!

I am happy to be reelected as your lodge President for the next two-year term! I will continue to do my best to represent you and the Sons of Norway. If you have any suggestions on how we could improve our lodge, feel free to send me an email to sjroedel@gmail.com. Or, give me a call at 414-526-8312.

Please plan on attending our Christmas Party on Sunday, December 8th. Please complete and send your reservations to Gretchen Bjork. See form on page 9.

Fraternally, Sue Berg Roedel

ENTERTAINMENT FOR LODGE CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER 8TH, 2019

Our Christmas Party will be at Meyer's Restaurant with the social and cash bar at 4 PM and dinner at 5 PM.

The entertainment at the party will be our friendly Julenisse, and also musician Roger Boll who will sing and play holiday music on his digital accordion featuring the sounds of over one hundred instruments.

See Page 9 of this newsletter for the reservation form including complete details of the party.





FOSSELYNGEN OFFICERS

President Sue Berg Roedel 414-526-8312
Vice-President *Arlette Johnson 414-368-3324
Treasurer Gretchen Bjork 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.

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH, 2020 Social/Cultural Meeting <u>At Mt. Hope Lutheran Church In West Allis</u>

(8633 W. Becher Street)

6 PM Light Meal & Social

7 PM Meeting/Program including installation of officers

(See January/February 2020 Runespeak for full details.)

2019 FOLK FAIR

We are still in need of volunteers to help staff the cultural booth at this year's Holiday Folk Fair, Friday, November 22nd through Sunday, November 24th at the Expo Center at the Wisconsin State Fair Park. We are especially in need on Friday night (4:45-9:00), Saturday afternoon (1:15-5:15), and Sunday morning (9:45-1:30). If you are available and can help us, please contact Gretchen at 262-502-9197 or thebjorks@att.net .

Program for March 2020 Social/Cultural Meeting

The March program is planned to be:

"It's Time to Organize Your Family Photos", presented by Ann Matuszak of Pixologie.

2019 VOLUNTEER HOUR SHEETS

Please remember to have your filled out <u>2019</u> Volunteer Hour Sheet ready to give to Jan Gregoire during January 2020 so that she can give totals to S of N Headquarters by February 15th.

The 2019 Volunteer Hour Sheet was distributed to you with the January/February 2019 *Runespeak*.

If you did not receive it, or if you misplaced your copy of the 2019 Volunteer Hour Sheet, please request another copy of it from John Schneble by phone at 414-771-4176, or email csljohn@att.net.

THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you for the scholarship money. I had a great time at my last year of Masse Moro. I was able to become closer with my friends and do a lot of special activities there because of the money I received. I appreciate it and I am looking forward to going back as a volunteer.

Abigail "Heidi" Bjork



Welcome New Members:

Three new members were welcomed at the October 14th Social/Cultural Meeting:

- Sue Sujecki
- Rebecca J. Taalbi
- Jill Ann Roffers

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 or Ellie Thoresen so that the person can be remembered and other officers notified.

Also, don't forget to notify Arlette Johnson 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.

Lodge Officers Elected at the October 14th Social/Cultural Meeting

(All Lodge Officer Terms are 2 Year [2020/21] Unless Noted Otherwise.)

Note: This list of *elected* officers *supercedes* the preliminary list of *nominated* officers on Page 6 of the September/October 2019 *Runespeak*.

Fosselyngen Lodge Officers

President Susan Berg Roedel Vice President Arlette Johnson Treasurer Gretchen Bjork Secretary- Corresponding Jan Gregoire Secretary- Recording Maureen Welli Counselor Milt Sande Social Director Nick Rogneby Cultural Director **Daryl Wunrow** Steve Welli Marshall

Assistant Marshall Gary Christianson Greeter Dave Christianson Greeter Randy LeBeck **Sports Director** Dennis Dale Musician Helen Dale Editor John Schneble Historian **Daryl Wunrow** Trustee, 3 yr., 2020/21/22 Eleanor Thoresen Dave Christianson

Trustee, 1 yr., 2020

Trustee, 2 yr., 2020/21

Foundation

Auditor

Dave Christianson

Sheila Kershek

Bonnie Wunrow

Gary Christianson

Auditor Marit Hoff

Auditor Glendean Schmidt

God Bedring

We wish the following member who had health issues since the last newsletter a speedy recovery:

Marit Hoff

Sympathy

Fosselyngen Lodge extends its sympathy to the following:



 The family of Betty Wittke, who passed away on September 6th, 2019. Betty was a member since 1987.



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.



RECAP OF 2019 SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL

(by Daryl Wunrow)

As your representative on the Nordic Council of Wisconsin I would like to share some highlights from our October 5th festival. Our Fosselyngen Lodge was present in four areas. Over 22 members helped out. In addition, fifteen members baked cookies. Thanks to all whose efforts made for a successful Scanfest 2019. An afternoon rain forced many guests to come early and leave by mid afternoon, however the event was very successful with music, ethnic foods, vendors, genealogy, seven foreign language classes, children's activities and a raffle.

THANKS FOSSELYNGEN!!

Norwegian Cookies and Gjetost: We had a variety of cookies to sell and sold them all. We had free samples of Gjetost cheese from Norseland Foods and sold packages as well. Kristin Toth led the baking and sales effort and Shirley Englemann managed the cheese sampling/sales.

Lodge membership and information: Arlette Johnson set our booth in the vendor area complete with sample Viking magazines, membership information, and even the model Stave church (courtesy of Shirley Englemann). We have a list of people who expressed interest in our Lodge.

Fosselyngen Boutique: Gretchen and Arlette displayed and sold our many boutique items.

Nordic Council Beverages: Bonnie Wunrow managed the Nordic Council beverage area.

Children's Activities: Mary Dalman planned and managed activities for children.

PHOTOS FROM SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL OCTOBER 5TH, 2019



Our Lodge booth was a big hit, thanks to Arlette Johnson. Members Dennis & Helen Dale, Heidi Strom and Jack Lofte shared information on our Lodge and the model Stave church and about the Leif Erikson Statue in Juneau Park.



Our food booth was led by Kristin Toth and a team of helpers. Our specialty cookies were popular and sold out. Shirley Engelmann gave out over 400 samples of Norwegian Gjetost cheese donated by Norseland Foods of Stamford CT.



Smörgåsbandet Headline Entertainment from NYC

Leif Erikson Day and Recap of CBS58 Sunday Morning Lodge Video

(by Daryl Wunrow)

Every year our Lodge has a wreath laying at the Leif Erikson statue on October 9th. Nancy and Milt Sande coordinate this event. (Leif Erikson Day is always close to Columbus Day which was on October 14th in 2019.)

In late September this year, Fosselyngen Lodge was contacted by CBS58 television. They wanted us to prepare and participate in a Leif Erikson Day television feature about the statue of Leif Erikson in Juneau Park. They were interested in who Leif Erikson was, why there is a statue of him, and how the statue in Milwaukee came to be.

Nancy Sande and Daryl Wunrow agreed to research these questions and be interviewed by CBS58. Nancy and Daryl developed a set of questions and wrote responses. Nancy shared her files on the statue and its recent refurbishing which was supported by a major funding contribution from our Lodge and the Duane Olson statue legacy. Daryl searched the Internet and visited the Milwaukee Historical Center which provided historical information about the statue, mainly from the efforts in 1995 to move that statue safely away from the edge of the bluff and reposition it, led by member Loren Osman.

Nancy and Daryl met with Brendan Cullerton and a camera crew on September 28th at the Leif Erikson statue. Both Nancy and Daryl were interviewed on camera. We also provided photos of past wreath laying at the statue.

On Sunday, October 6th, CBS58 Sunday Morning featured a video piece titled "Wisconsin's Many Norwegian descendents prepare to celebrate Leif Erikson Day". Members can view the video on a computer, ipad or cell phone using this link -

https://www.cbs58.com/news/wisconsins-many-norwegian-descendents-prepare-to-celebrate-leif-erikson-day

We think you will find this video a wonderful tribute to the Leif Erikson statue and to our Fosselyngen Lodge. Thanks to Nancy and Daryl for leading the way to this video presentation on local television. We hope to show this video clip at a future meeting.

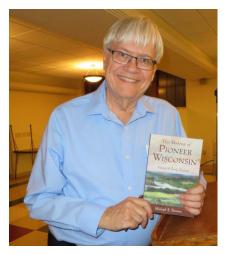
PHOTOS FROM LEIF ERIKSON DAY AT JUNEAU PARK ON OCTOBER 9TH, 2019







SEPTEMBER 9TH MEETING



Author Michael Stevens was the guest speaker. He talked about his book "The Making of Pioneer Wisconsin".

The book tells the story of pioneer Wisconsin in the words of those who were there. From the mid 1830's through the 1850's more than a half million people came to the Wisconsin territory and state. These pioneers came largely from two different groups: non-English-speaking immigrants from Europe, and English-speaking people such as Yankees who came from very early American families living in New England and along the east coast. Both groups experienced similar difficulties in living and surviving in pioneer Wisconsin.

Through letters, diaries, newspapers, and other documents, this book lets the men, women, and even children tell their own stories.

OCTOBER 14TH MEETING



Our guest speaker was Jan Hansen who presented a PowerPoint program "Alt for Norge: Occupation and Resistance, 1940-1945". This program was a result of an educational tour led by Jan and his wife Miriam in 2017.

On this tour they followed the route of the king of Norway and the Norwegian government officials to escape from Oslo to go to the Atlantic coast to flee on a ship to England. The escape by monarchy and government was an ordeal of two months duration, beginning with the German invasion of Oslo, in April of 1940, just barely avoiding capture by the Germans at every place along the way.

Jan's tour visited many war museums and war monuments along the path of the king's escape route.

Having grown up in Norway during the occupation, Jan also shared some of his personal memories of this significant period of Norway's history.

NORWEGIAN LANGUAGE CLASS REGISTRATION FORM - FEB. THRU APR. 2020

<u>Classes</u> will be on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM (mixed beginner and intermediate)

Held at: MT. HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH at 86th and Becher in West Allis.

2020 Dates: February 12th & 26th, March 11th, and April 1st, 15th & 29th – all Wednesdays.

Instructor: Mette L Baran, Ed.D. – Associate Professor at Cardinal Stritch University.

Class fees \$20 per session. Payable in full (\$120) to Fosselyngen Lodge by Feb 1st, 2020.

Student Name _____

Contact phone number _____ Email ____

Submit this sheet with check payable to Fosselyngen Lodge to Heidi Strom or mail to Gretchen Bjork, W149N8235 Norman Dr., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051. – Call Heidi w/questions at 262-716-9118.

If not enough students sign up — lodge reserves the right to cancel classes and refund money. So please sign up soon and bring your friends.

Non-members are welcome but will be charged \$22 per session. (\$132 total)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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

HOW TO CONTACT FOSSELYNGEN LODGE:

To Phone: Call 414-526-8312

To Send Postal Mail:

Fosselyngen Lodge No. 5-082 Sons of Norway PO Box 20957 Milwaukee, WI 53220

Fosselyngen Lodge Web Site:

http://sonsofnorwaymilwaukee.org

NORSE ROSEMALING GROUP

The new contact person for the Norse Rosemaling Group is Judy Dimmick. Her phone number is 262-370-1712.

Ride Share: If you need help getting to or from a meeting or event, please contact Arlette Johnson at 414-368-3324, and we will make every effort to find a ride for you. Thank you.

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

NEWSLETTER MAILING STAFF

Milt & Nancy Sande, Bonnie & Daryl Wunrow, Glendean Schmidt, John Seastrand and Karen Riccobono.

Thanks for helping with the September/October issue.

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 7042 Kinnikinnick Drive

Roscoe, IL 61073-9661 Phone: (800) 442-4146 Fax: (815) 623-8252

Email: gragan51@gmail.com

St. Olaf's Annual Lutefisk, Bake Sale and Scandi Butik (Including Delicious Swedish Meatballs)

Saturday, December 7th, 2019 Serving from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

St. Olaf has been serving Lutefisk with all the trimmings (including delicious Norwegian cookies) for more than 70 years.

Come check out our Scandi Butik for interesting and unique Scandinavian items (decor and clothing).

Tickets sold at the door

(Visa, M/C, Check, or Cash accepted)

Adults: \$16.00 Children 5-10: \$7.00 Under 5: Free

St. Olaf Lutheran Church W653 Roosevelt Road Located East of Alderly Dodge County, Town of Ashippun

Visit <u>www.st-olaf.org</u> for more information and directions.

Everyone is welcome to attend St. Olaf's Saturday 5 p.m. worship service.

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 January/February 2020 newsletter are <u>due by December 10th</u>. (Note earlier than usual due date in order to mail newsletters before Christmas.)

Email articles to the editor, John Schneble, <u>csljohn@att.net</u> or mail to: 1024 North 121st Street, Wauwatosa, WI 53226. The editor reserves the right to edit all articles.

Christmas Party Registration Form



Sunday, December 8th, 2019

Meyer's Restaurant

4260 S. 76th St.

Greenfield, WI 53220

4PM Social (Cash Bar) - 5PM Dinner & Julenisse visit

6:30PM-7:30 PM - Music Entertainment by Roger Boll, who will sing and play holiday music on his digital accordion featuring the sounds of over one hundred instruments.

Members \$5.00 (reduced price)

Guests \$20.00

Dinner will be served family style and will include the following:

Fresh Garden Salad, Bread, Pressure Fried Chicken, Roast Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Sage Dressing, Vegetable of the Day, Cranberry Sauce, Ice Cream Sundae and Coffee, Tea and Milk.

Cut on dotted line. Fill in information below, and mail in with check to Gretchen Bjork.

Name	
Address	
Phone	
Guest Name(s)	

Make check payable to: Fosselyngen No. 82, Sons of Norway; must be received by November 30th. Thank you!

Mail reservation form with check to:

Gretchen Bjork W149N8235 Norman Dr. Menomonee Falls, WI 53051-3832



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Ole and Sven went to the lumberyard one day to buy some wood. Ole, who was the driver, stayed in the truck while Sven went inside to place the order.

"I vant some four by twos," he said.

"No, you mean two by fours, don't you?" asked the clerk.

"Yust a minute," said Sven, "I'll go check vid my partner."

A few minutes later Sven came back and said, "Ya, it's two by fours dat ve vant."

"And how long would you like them?" asked the clerk.

"Yust a minute," said Sven, "I better go check vid my partner again."

After a little bit Sven returned with the answer: "Ole says ve got to have dose boards a long time, cuz ve're gonna build a house vid dem."

Monthly meetings vary. Please see page one for dates, times, and location of meetings.

Web site: http://sonsofnorwaymilwaukee.org

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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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