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Fosselyngen Lodge No. 5-082, Sons of Norway

PO Box 20957, Milwaukee, WI 53220

FOSELYNGEN LODGE – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For each of the two following Zoom meetings, an email with the Zoom invitation will be sent approximately three days before the meeting. If you do not receive an invitation and want to join us, please contact Sue at 414-526-8312 or sjroedel@gmail.com.

- JANUARY 11 Monday** Virtual Lodge Business Meeting & Program for All Members via Zoom @ 7PM.
Program: Virtual Tour of the new Bradley Symphony Center
Member Daryl Wunrow will show PowerPoint featuring video and slides of the newly restored Warner Theatre into the Bradley Symphony Center. The grand opening, originally planned for October 2020 has been delayed to January 2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The restoration has taken four years to complete at a cost of over \$124 million. He will also share updates on the reimagined 2021 orchestra season of 16 classic and pops ensemble concerts.
- FEBRUARY 8 Monday** Virtual Lodge Social Meeting & Program for All Members via Zoom @ 7PM.
Program: Member Sheila Kershek's 2019 Norway Trip
From Oslo, to Bergen, to Arendal, to Sondeled, to Oslo in one week. Follow Sheila and her family as they travelled around Norway in December 2019. She will show you photos of the beautiful Norwegian landscape, its fascinating travel system, a bible that is 550 years old and, with any luck with technology, a fireworks display on New Year's Eve in Oslo.

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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 2021)

President's Message 12/15/20

It's been a busy month preparing for Christmas and year end paperwork. I think we are all in agreement that we are looking forward to the new year! We have the 2021 schedule for meetings available in this newsletter (on Page 5). We will continue our monthly meetings on Zoom for the first half of the year. If all goes well, we will get together in person with a Christmas in July/Picnic on July 12th.

Please complete and mail or email your SON service hours for 2020 to our secretary Jan Gregoire at 17725 Nassau Dr. Brookfield, WI 53045 or jgregoire6315@gmail.com. Our lodge meetings on Zoom count as fraternal hours, and these reports (which will be reported to home office) are important to retain our tax-exempt status.

We had a great virtual Christmas party on December 14th. Our julenisse had a story for us, and we watched a Norwegian favorite movie "Dinner for One".

We started awarding attendance awards at our November & December meetings, so we had some sweet prizes sent to several members each month, another benefit of attending meetings even on Zoom. Hope to see you at our next meeting January 11th, 7PM. I will send the invites out three days before the meeting. If you do not receive an invite and are interested in joining, please call or email me before the meeting is to begin and I can send the link.

Wishing that you stay safe and have a Happy New Year!

Blessings,

Sue Berg Roedel

Here are the Links for Both YouTube Videos Shown at the Dec. 14th Lodge Zoom Meeting

- The YouTube link to the video of the visit of our lodge's julenisse is: <https://youtu.be/bLGSfZ2OJ0g>
This video is about eight minutes long.
- The YouTube link for the video of the movie "Dinner for One" (commonly called "Grevinnen og hovmesteren") is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaFFywm18P8>
This video is in English with Norwegian subtitles. It is about 11 minutes long.

FOSELYNGEN OFFICERS

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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.

2020 VOLUNTEER HOUR SHEET INFORMATION

Please remember to have your filled out **2020** Volunteer Hour Sheet ready to give to Jan Gregoire during January 2021. (Deadline is January 31st.)

The 2020 Volunteer Hour Sheet was distributed to you with the January/February 2020 *Runespeak*.

If you did not receive it, or if you misplaced your copy of the 2020 Volunteer Hour Sheet, please request another copy of it from John Schneble by phone at 414-771-4176, or email csliohn@att.net.

2021 VOLUNTEER HOURS WORKSHEET INFORMATION

A blank 2021 Volunteer Hours Worksheet is included as Page 7 of this Jan/Feb 2021 *Runespeak* issue. The bottom of the back side of this page (which is Page 8, the postal page) includes guidelines for the Volunteer Hours Worksheet. **Fill out the sheet throughout 2021 so that it will be ready for you to turn in during January 2022.**

VELKOMMEN

Welcome New Members:

Two new members were announced at the January 13th Virtual Social/Cultural Meeting:

Barbara Zembles
Anne Wimmer

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.

God Bedring

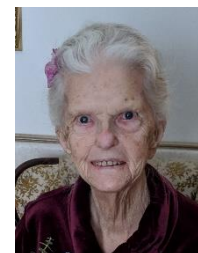
- We wish a speedy recovery for Ellie Thoresen.
- Betty Anderson would appreciate your prayers.

Sympathy

Fosselyngen Lodge extends its sympathy to the following:



- The family of Betty O'Sullivan who passed away on October 26th. She was 101 years old, and a member since 1980. She made the dolls that were in a cabinet in the hall at Norway House.



- The family and friends of Pam Steuernagel who passed away on December 9th. Her passion was her Norwegian heritage. She was very active in the Sons of Norway and was president and manager of the Norway House in Milwaukee for over 20 years.

Pam is pictured below with Anita Jensen at Norway House. (Pam is to right of Anita.)

See a Tribute to Pam Steuernagel on Page 4.



A Tribute to Pam Steuernagel

It is with great sadness that we have to write this article and inform our members that Pam Steuernagel passed away on December 9, 2020. Pam joined Fosselyngen Lodge on February 26, 1988, and spent countless hours managing Norway House, bartending at Torsks and other events held at Norway House, and running Scandinavian Festival.

Anita Jensen shared the following on the Fosselyngen Lodge Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/fosselyngenlodge>):

I just received the news that my dear friend Pamela Steuernagel passed away. I greatly enjoyed her company and the hours spent bartending with her at Norway House (former home of our Fosselyngen Lodge #82). Pam was a powerhouse who did much for many people and for the organizations she was a member and leader of. Please join me in raising a glass to her memory. Southern Comfort Old Fashioned Sweet would be her preference. Love you and miss you sweetie. Skol!

Pam is pictured with Anita Jensen at Norway House in the lower right corner of Page 3. (Pam is to right of Anita.)

This post was also shared with the Sons of Norway District 5 and Nordic Council of Wisconsin Facebook pages. Here are the comments from these posts:

Linda Reed: So many happy memories and lots of laughter. I'm laughing now as I remember the time Don forgot a meeting he scheduled at our house. Pam thought he might be in trouble, so Andre Sjøvåg tried to crawl in the window to check. Then the New Berlin Police arrived. Were we surprised when we pulled in the driveway! Rest In Peace, dear friend ❤️

Liza Ekstrand: I'm so sorry to hear about her passing. She taught me the ropes at Nordic Council to get the Scandinavian Festival underway every year. I fondly remember our bantering between Swedes and Norwegians. Such a sweet lady. She'll be missed. I'll drink to that Skål!

Christina Strom: I remember cod fish dinners-with Pam running the bar and the gift shop. And the folk festival booth. A good person.

Arlette Johnson: She put her heart and soul into the lodge and Norway House. Never heard her say "no" when something needed to be done. She will truly be missed by more people than we know. Rest In Peace dear Pam.

Gwen Sauer: A shot of Aquavit is in order. To Pam!

Sue Berg Roedel: Rest In Peace Dear Pam 🙏🇺🇸🇳🇴

Laura Eide Weber: She was the last person left from the Eide/Thoreson group. Rest in peaceful sleep Pam

Darlene Arneson: Our deepest sympathy- I sure miss those gatherings at Norway House. Always so fun to come down from Stoughton.

Nordic Council of Wisconsin: So many happy memories of working alongside Pam ❤️

Christie Mole: Thank you for sharing this news, and for the beautiful tribute. Very sad to hear it. Pam's love for the Sons of Norway lives on in all of us! May she always be remembered. ❤️

In addition to these comments, Facebook allows people to express their reaction to a post with emojis of like, sad, and care. These posts included reactions from the Sons of Norway International President Ron Stubbings and our Sons of Norway Financial Benefits Counselor Greg Ragan.

This is the obituary printed in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel newspaper and the Schmidt & Bartelt website:

Pamela L. Steuernagel

(nee Gerling) Passed away on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at the age of 77 years. Beloved sister of Margaret (the late George) Otto. Loving aunt of Christopher (Lori) Radtke. Further survived by other relatives and many dear friends.

Pam taught 2nd grade at New Berlin Center for over 33 years. Her passion was her Norwegian heritage. She was very active in the Sons of Norway and was president and manager of the Norway House in Milwaukee for over 20 years.

No services will be held. Memorials in Pamela's name are greatly appreciated to Fosselyngen Lodge #5-082, Sons of Norway, PO Box 20957; Milwaukee, WI 53220.

If you would like to send a card to Pam's sister, Margaret Otto, her address is 3001 SW 18th Terrace, Lot 19, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315.

Our Lodge and the Milwaukee Scandinavian community has lost a dearly beloved friend. 2020 has been a hard year with the passing of Pam and Gertie Mork and many other members, friends, and relatives. May we remember them and all the times when we were together fondly and often.

SCHEDULE FOR FOSSELYNGEN MEETINGS FOR 2021

Monday, January 11, Business Meeting and program Zoom 7PM

Monday, February 8, Social Meeting Zoom 7PM

Monday, March 8, Social Meeting Zoom 7PM

Monday, April 12, Social Meeting Zoom 7PM

Monday, May 10, Business Meeting and Social Meeting Zoom 7PM

No meetings in June

Monday, July 12, Business Meeting at 5PM, and Picnic 6PM; Steepleview Apartments, Community Room, 12455 W Janesville Rd. Muskego, WI

Monday, August 9, Social Meeting

Monday, September 13, Social Meeting

Monday, October 11, Business Meeting- Social, Elections and Service Awards

No meetings in November

Sunday, December 5, 4PM Christmas Party at Meyer's Restaurant

General Information- Meetings will be held online via Zoom until further notice, when we will be able to meet in person at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, unless stated otherwise.

Schedule subject to change, to verify call Sue Berg 414-526-8312

11-9-20

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2021

\$1000.00 College Scholarships

Children and grandchildren of a Fosselyngen member in good standing are eligible for the college 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 2.5 is required. (We will also accept applicants with a 165 score (C+) in one of the four subject areas of the GED diploma.)

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, 2021. Janice's phone number is 262-784-6953.

Sons of Norway District 5 Scholarships

- ***Olav Eide District 5 Book Scholarship***

District 5 is offering a \$500.00 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 District 5 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**.

Norwegian Language Classes

If interested call Heidi at 262-716-9118.

Next classes to start once we have better access to places to meet. Start date to be determined.

HOW TO CONTACT FOSSELYNGEN LODGE:

To Phone: Call 414-526-8312

To Send Postal Mail:

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Fosselyngen Lodge Web Site:

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

NEWSLETTER MAILING STAFF

Karen Riccobono, Milt & Nancy Sande,
Arlette Johnson, and Sue Berg Roedel

Thanks for helping with the labeling,
assembly & mailing of the
November/December issue.

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.

To View Archived Weekly SofN District 5 Zoom Presentations:

Members can view YouTube videos of archived previous presentations of the Tuesday evening District 5 Zoom programs by going to:

http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers_bureau.php

You will see a list of archived programs. Click on any of the listed programs that you are interested in, and you will be taken to the YouTube video that you can watch. New programs are sometimes added, so take a look if you haven't been to this site recently.

Dear Members,

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

John Schneble, Editor

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.

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

Notice: All articles & information for the March/April 2021 newsletter are **due by February 14th**.

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.

Sons of Norway Individual Volunteer Hours Worksheet for 2021 (to be turned in January 2022)
 (See guidelines on back side of this page.)

Member Name: _____

Fraternal Individual Support Hours		
Date	Name/Description of Activity	Hours

Community Individual Support Hours		
Date	Name/Description of Activity	Hours

Count the number of lines filled in above. This is your Fraternal Individual Support Activity Total.

Add up the time in your Hours column for Fraternal Individual Support Hours.

Count the number of lines filled in above. This is your Community Individual Support Activity Total.

Add up the time in your Hours column for Community Individual Support Hours.



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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 – An example of a community activity is: 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, 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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