



GRØNNVIK LODGE
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**SAVE THE DATES
FOR OUR MEETINGS**
July 16th Picnic!
August 20th

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Grønnavik Lodge Meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month at Trinity Lutheran, 330 S. Broadway, Green Bay.



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Culture Corner (Continued)

...eaten on Saturday evening. No Easter holiday is complete without the popular *Paskekrim* (Easter crime) novel. This rather odd tradition started in March of 1923 when a publisher promoted his new crime novel with the headline "Bergen's Train Looted Last Night!" emblazoned on the front page of a newspaper, making it appear as if it were an actual news article. When the shocked readers realized it was an ad, they were intrigued enough to buy the book, and it became a huge success. Ever since, Norwegian publishers promote their new crime novels as the Easter season approaches. Congratulations to April prizewinners Steve Below and Shirley Pennock.

Time for a Road Trip

Let's travel to Heg Memorial Park near Kenosha for a Zone 4 meeting on June 15. We'll tour historical homes; have a picnic; meet other Sons of Norway members; and learn about Col. Hans Christian Heg, a Wisconsin Norwegian who was killed in the Civil War. Let Peg know if you're interested in going.

A Big Surprise!



Mollie received an official envelope that contained a certificate honoring Mary Swain for her 50 years as a Sons of Norway member. Congratulations, Mary!

Med Vennlig Hilsen

With Friendly Greetings

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Looking Ahead Grønnavik Meetings

May 21
June 18

Meetings are at 6:30 pm at
Trinity Lutheran Church 330 S.
Broadway, Green Bay

Board Meeting June 4th at
Calvary Lutheran Church



Gratulerer med dagen! Birthdays

May

Mollie Bergsbaken – 2nd
Bob Olson – 3rd
Dennis Trygvie Jensen – 4th
Lilianna Robshaw – 11th*
Jean A. Severson – 20th
Nolan Ruotsala – 26th*
Scott Naevestad – 29th
Jill Larson – 31st

June

Steve Christenson – 4th
Barbara Nelson – 13th
Sharon Rentmeester – 13th
Bonnie Vastag – 20th
Scott Brunner – 21st

*Heritage Member

We're Celebrating 25 Years!

Join us for our 25th Anniversary celebration on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at the Swan Club, 875 Heritage Rd, DePere. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm, followed by dinner at 6:30. Menu includes fish and chicken with all the fixings. The storyteller, Adrian, will provide the evening's entertainment. Cost is \$17/person. The mail-in Registration Form is on page 3 of this newsletter. It's due to Karen Hepp by June 10.

May's Meeting

May 21st is our *Syttende Mai* celebration. Cheryl Willi Schelesser from Edgerton, WI is our guest speaker. She will tell us about the Stave church from Little Norway that has gone back to Norway, and give us a "tour" of *Sognefjord*. A mini-"Taste of Norway" will be the food theme. If you did not sign up at the April meeting to bring a dish, please contact Karen Vedvik, 497-0878, and let her know what you'd like to share. Karen will also be contacting those who have not responded. Other lodges have been invited, so please plan the size of your dish accordingly.

Sharing our Heritage

Grønnavik Lodge was invited to participate in a Multicultural/Diversity night at Doty School on April 18. Here Darlene, Beth and Rita showcase items representing Norwegian culture. A Big Thank You to Peggy, who provided much of the display material.



Fra President

Greetings to All!

We have had some fun meetings the past two months! March was green food and bingo night. We had an array of “green” food – very tasty! Members played a couple of cheerful games of bingo.

Our April meeting was a “How much do you know about Norway?” and “Where did your family come from in Norway?” night. Karen Vedvik and I shared some traditional *Påske* (Easter) treats for all to enjoy. Thank you, Karen.

Thank you also to our members who prepare our meeting area. The Runnings, Marlene Bergum, Peggy Schroeder, Carol Brunner, and Mary Swain. Please forgive me in I missed someone!

Our May meeting will be our *Syttende Mai* celebration. We will have a “Little Taste of Norway.” We are asking all to bring a Norwegian dish to share. Please remember that we have invited Appleton and Sturgeon Bay Lodges and a group from the Manitowoc/Sheboygan area, so plan the size of your dish accordingly. We will have Cheryl Willi Schelesser sharing the story of the *stave* church that was disassembled in Little Norway, shipped back to Norway, and rebuilt there. We ask members to wear Norwegian dress and colors.

In June, we will be celebrating the *Grønnavik* Lodge’s 25th Anniversary. We will be going to The Swan Club for said celebration. Further info in the newsletter.

Please remember the food cart at Trinity. Although any offering is appreciated, it has requested that we bring canned soups during the spring and summer.

The Lodge will be helping three kids attend *Masse Moro* again this year. Each youth will receive \$100. This leaves our youth fund very low. Our treasury is getting low in other areas as well. So, I’m asking if anyone would care to donate to our Youth Program to send other kids

in the future. Or to help defray some of our other expenses for the Lodge, such as newsletter printing, fees to Trinity for having our meetings there, speakers for meetings, special music for *Julefest* and candy bags at *Julefest*. Any donation would be appreciated. If anyone has ideas for fundraisers, please let one of our officers know.

Plan on being ready for our annual picnic in July! Hope to see you all at upcoming events,

Peace,
Mollie Bergsbaken,

We’re Not the Only Ones...

Norse Valley Lodge of Appleton will be celebrating its 50 year anniversary on Sunday, July 28 at Liberty Hall in Kimberly. Reception with cash bar, displays and demonstrations will be between 4:00 and 6:00 pm; dinner at 6:00 pm. “Ladies of the *Fjord*,” featuring *Hardanger* fiddle music, will be the after-dinner program. More information will be available in May.

Sharing of the Green



Thanks to a suggestion by Beth Clabots, the March table was laden with some creative Green culinary offerings. A highlight was the Lime Squares brought by Diane Kriese. The recipe will be featured in our next issue!

Reservation Form for
Grønnavik Lodge’s 25th Anniversary
Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at the

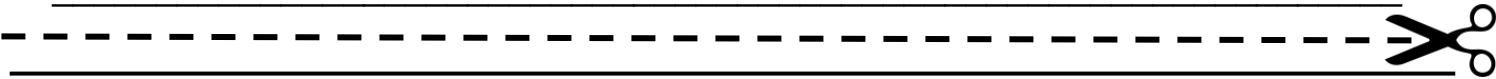


Swan Club
875 Heritage Rd
DePere, WI
Social: 5:30, Dinner: 6:30



Please fill out this form and mail it, along with a check for \$17 per person, payable to *Grønnavik* Lodge, to:
Karen Hepp
2174 Town Hall Rd. Green Bay, WI 54311
RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY JUNE 10

Attending _____ Name(s) _____



Culture Corner by Beth Clabots

March: Kudos to Marlene Bergum and her excellent memory! She knew the world-wide news event that happened during the opening ceremonies of the 1994 Winter Olympic games held in Lillehammer. “The Scream,” painted by Norwegian artist Edvard Munch, was stolen from the National Gallery in Oslo. In 50 seconds (caught on security cameras) the thieves made off with the painting, leaving a note behind which said, “Thanks for poor security.” It was found unharmed in a hotel room a short while later. It’s possible that the theft had been an attempt to embarrass the Norwegian government at a moment of national pride. Ten years later, however, the unthinkable happened - “The Scream” was stolen again, in broad daylight, from the Oslo Munch Museum! This time it took two years to recover the painting, and another two years to restore damages. It is now bolted to the wall and protected by Plexiglas, with much improved museum security. These thefts made Norway’s most famous painting even more famous. At the time of its creation “The Scream” was unlike anything that had been painted before: true scenes of horror are rare in art history. When first exhibited in Stockholm in

1894 it was titled *Skrig*, which roughly translates to prolonged, painful agony. Early on was called “The Cry” or “The Shriek” before it became known as “The Scream” and it made Munch successful and famous. Today it is one of the most well-known paintings in the world. After his death in 1944, Munch’s many paintings, prints, drawings and sculptures were donated to the city of Oslo.

April: We talked about Norwegian Easter traditions and learned that the four foods associated with Easter in Norway are lamb, oranges, *Kvikklunsj* (candy bars similar to Kit Kat) and Kinder eggs. Oranges and *Kvikklunsj* are traditional backpack food for skiing in the mountains, something about half of Norwegians do during the Easter holiday. They consume about 20 million oranges in the days leading up to Easter (and the total population of Norway is only just over 5 million!). The week before Easter, Norway gets pretty quiet. Most everyone is on vacation between Palm Sunday and Easter. There are no newspapers, no mail, little public transportation and no shopping. The main Easter meal is... *(Continued on next page)*