

October 2020 Myrmarken Lodge 5-609 Marshfield, WI 54449

# Hilsen fra Dorothy

Hi fellow Norwegians!! We are definitely 'in a stew' as to the whether to go anywhere, do anything or stay home. What is safe? We are hardy folks & have kept 'keeping on', staying safe with good decisions. With that in mind, we will NOT be meeting in November at Scotty's. We have several who will not make it & Polly has a nice presentation about her travels we would all like to see & hear. She will reschedule for next year. We are in the process of making next year's program, so help us with ideas.

Our anniversary dinner at the Eagles was a great event for us with a very good meal & lots of fun conversations. We did miss many of you though. The Boudreau's were our guests & Polly won the 'door prize'.

Our Christmas December gathering should be at Anne Grethe's home on December 6, (1:30), but we will keep you posted.

It is also time for 'officer elections' for 2021. We will maintain our officers for the next year unless any of you decide not to continue in the same capacity. We need all of us!

Enjoy these special warm days---to be in the seventies in November is wonder-ful!

Happy Birthday to Polly right before Halloween; Julaine on Thursday; & Kit on Sunday.

We have lost a special member, Don Helgerson, who went to be with the Lord October 7. We will miss his quiet sense of humor & great stories.

Stay well, enjoy a Happy Thanksgiving, & hopefully we will get together for the Christmas gathering.

Dorothy

## The Origins of Norway's Most Iconic Sweater

It's no wonder Norwegians are known for their sweaters, considering Norway's long, dark winters, culture of outdoorsiness and reputation for quality craftsmanship. Though Nordic sweaters come in many styles and colors, one stands out from the crowd as the most iconic and enduring of all: the Marius sweater.



The classic red, white and navy blue pattern of the Marius sweater echoes the colors of the Norwegian flag, but

its ties to Norway run even deeper. The design was adapted from a traditional Norwegian pattern and began its rise to international fame in 1953, when lifelong knitter Unn Søiland Dale created Lillun Sports A/S.

Previously, Dale had been employed as a model and often worked on knitting projects for her friends while waiting on set for photo shoots. As her reputation grew, she received more orders, and before long she left modeling behind to go into business selling knitwear. She also began selling her tradition-inspired patterns to Sandnes Uldvarfabrik, and many of those patterns—most notably Marius—went on to become timeless classics in Norway and around the world.







# **Fun Fact**

There are over 1,000 fjords scattered across the country which is the highest concentration of fjords in the world! The most famous fjord are Geiranger fjord, Lysefjord, Hardangerfjord, The Nærøyfjord and The Sognefjord.

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway and to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

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Polly Nikolai, Yngve Johansson, Roberta Johansson, Lois Fadness, and John Fadness



Myrmarken celebrated its 32nd anniversary October 17, 2020!!

Front: Polly Nikolai, Yngve Johansson, Roberta Johansson, Lois Fadness, Sue Boudreau

Back: Sherrie Framness, Doug Framness, John Fadness, Roger Krogstad, Don Berg, Tom Boudreau, Dorothy Berg, and Anne-Grethe Cook

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## Myrmarken calendar......

November 14th...Polly Nikolai presents : "European Vacations" (applications) are here to produce to the 6 childrow

<u>December 6th:</u> 1:30pm Julefest at home of Anne-Grethe Cook

## **EARLY NAMING**

<sup>~</sup> Vikings believed a child would achieve qualities and protection from what they were named after, i.e., such as animals or weapons.

#### Nordic News this week...

Last week's "Nordic News" featured Carmen Collins in Norwegian Naming Conventions. Collins is a Sons of Norway member in Nordkap lodge in Detroit MI. This is a must-watch presentation for anyone wanting to study Scandinavian naming conventions. It is great background information for genealogy or Nordic-American history studies. Watch the recording (26:44) at: https://w.screencast.com/t/rrpm14WXcr