

# **Shawnee Skogen 5-689**



# Special points of interest:

Dec. 8, 2020— 54 members!

PLEASE Continue to:

Recruit, Recruit, Recruit

Please see Wendy for Business Cards to leave around Southern Illinois!

Let us continue to recruit!

NEXT MTG:
Mar. 21,
2:00 p.m.
Over
Zoom
See details

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## Hilsen fra Presidenten Wendy Winkelman

God dag Members!

If you haven't joined us yet on Zoom, we hope that you will join us on March 21st. We always enjoy seeing each other's faces!

Many of us have participated in the virtual Cultural Skills Classes. I'm hoping that Amy and Bill can share their Rosemaling projects. They look fantastic! If there is anyone else wanting to show their handiwork or cooking skills, or stamp collecting, please speak up at the meeting.

I hope to go over the bylaws for your approval at this upcoming meeting. It shouldn't take too long to get them approved. I hope everyone is doing well. We have a few birthdays this month, two of which are heritage members—Garrett Nutter and Trevin Bultinck. Happy birthday to our Sons of Norway young members.

See you all soon! Stay well!

President, Wendy









# Happy Birthday to our Members! "Gratulerer med dagen"

| Garrett Nutter            | 3 | 3  |
|---------------------------|---|----|
| Maureene Dawn Gulbrandsen | 3 | 28 |
| Trevin Bultinck           | 3 | 30 |

# Our Next Meeting — March 21, Sunday, 2 p.m.— on Zoom

Kelly Bliss is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Shawnee Skogen Lodge Meeting for March 2021

Time: Mar 21, 2021 02:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83198472184? pwd=bllTVU1Kc29EZGxXT1BTMlpKYUw1UT09

Meeting ID: 831 9847 2184

Passcode: 278043

Dial by your location

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# 2021 Shawnee Skogen Goals

- 1) Obtain 5 new members in 2021 (have you invited anyone to our Zoom meetings?)
- 2) Work on Cultural Skills together as a lodge and obtain 10 pins
- 3) Have our Financial Benefits counselor visit us sometime in 2021

All members need to help work on these 2021 goals

# **Lodge Programs for 2021**



Programs need to be set up for our meetings in 2021. Please send your ideas to the Program Director, Heather Kjellesvik at hkjellesvik@gmail.com.

| January 17   | 2021 |                 | Installation of Officers, Award Presentations —Zoom |
|--------------|------|-----------------|---|
| February 21  | 2021 | Ron N           | Program on Jacob Riis                               |
| March 21     | 2021 |                 | Surprise Program                                    |
| April 18     | 2021 |                 |   |
| May 16       | 2021 |                 | Syttende Celebration—Julebörd in March              |
| June 20      | 2021 | Father's Day    | No meeting Summer Break                             |
| July 18      | 2021 |                 | Open to Ideas for Summer Meeting (Field Trip?)      |
| August 15    | 2021 |                 | Open to Ideas for Summer Meeting (Field Trip?)      |
| September 17 | 2021 |                 |   |
| October 17   | 2021 | Greg Ragan, FBC | Potential Visit with FBC                            |
| November 21  | 2021 | Bill/Wendy      | Lefse Making  |
| December 5   | 2021 | Bill/Wendy      | 3nd Annual Julebörd                                 |



# 2021 Officers

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# Social Meeting Minutes for Feb. 21, 2021

Meeting called to order at 2:02 pm

Present are Wendy Winkelman, Ann Dolan, Bill Bultinck, Nancy Schick, Kelly Bliss, Randy Moe, Nathan and Christina Nutter, Amy and Brad McCulloch, Mike and Jeannell Charman, and Ron Naversen.

Wendy played a video of the Norwegian National Anthem.

Heads or tails: this month's winner is Brad. Wendy will send him an as-yet undetermined prize.

M/ and S/ to approve minutes from last meeting. MCU.

Kelly Bliss: we currently have a bit over \$3,000 in dues and some in our Paypal account. We also have a bank card now.

<u>Colby's report:</u> Amy reads Colby's report.

Nancy has earned Bronze medal for walking for 2021.

Colby is working on his bronze Idrettsmerke for body building.

Nathan: Publicity. Trying to get mailing list working, bit by bit. He contacted the Norway 5 webmaster, but no response so far.

#### Old Business

Amy McCulloch and Wendy Winkelman both took the Rosemaling class. Christina Nutter reported on Norwegian cooking class 1. Nancy Schick reported on the figure carving class.

#### New Business:

Julebord in May, hopefully, and outdoors.

Our next meeting is scheduled for March 21. It will be by Zoom again.

M/S/ to adjourn this meeting and go on to the program. MCU.

## Presentation

Ron Naversen. Jacob Riis, journalist, photographer, and muckraker. Emigrated at 21 to NYC. Riis was very poor and held a variety of jobs. In 1880, 5.2 M people immigrated to the US from southern and eastern Europe, and Asia.

Riis made nightly visits to the immigrant neighborhoods. He presented a lecture series on his photos to a favorable reception. Subsequently, he wrote the book, "How the Other Half Lives." Many tenements with heating (wood stoves) caught fire. Tenement neighborhoods included shanties. No sanitation or trash pickup, so people lived on top of trash piles. Child labor was the rule; 6 days a week, 12 hours a day. Factory machinery was very dangerous, killing and maiming many workers. There were schools, but these often were workhouses, too. There were also orphanages. NY Police Commissioner Theodore Roosevelt closed many of the worst lodging houses. Riis helped to start the Progressive Era in US. He died in 1914.

Ron says that every summer his family and he would go to Riis Park in NYC. Beautiful bathhouse. Great get-away for many ordinary New Yorkers, despite no direct connection with Jacob Riis.

Presentation ends at 3:10.



## **Peace of Mind in Volatile Times**

In times like these, it may feel like nothing is certain, and that volatility is just a way of life for your finances. Give yourself the peace of mind of a fixed rate of return and rest easy knowing that a portion of your assets are protected. Reach out to your Sons of Norway Insurance Professional to see if putting some of your assets in a fixed annuity is right for you and your family.



Sincerely,

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https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/masterpiece/specialfeatures/kyle-maclachlan-stars-as

## Episode 1

## • <u>Airing 4/4/2021 @ 9:00 PM</u>

Norwegian Crown Princess Martha and her husband Prince Olav visit U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt in 1939. A year later they must flee the Nazi invasion of their country

In *Atlantic Crossing*, a princess steals the heart of the president of the United States in an epic drama based on the World War II relationship of Franklin Roosevelt and Norwegian Crown Princess Martha.

Kyle MacLachlan (*Twin Peaks*, *Sex and the City*) stars as Roosevelt, opposite Swedish star Sofia Helin (*The Bridge*) as the beautiful Martha, who flees the Nazis with her three young children and lives under Roosevelt's protection.

The eight-part series co-stars Tobias Santelmann as Crown Prince Olav and Harriet Sansom Harris as First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt.

# 7 Nordic-Inspired Ways to Celebrate Spring

As late winter gives way to Spring, here are some Nordicinspired ideas to celebrate the change of seasons.

- Be inspired by natural beauty and savor the stillness of each morning by photographing the sunrise over several days or weeks.
- Pick your favorite Norwegian cookie or bread and fill your home with the inviting scent. Then surprise a friend by sharing your homemade treat.
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    Every spring brings changes to our lives. Take time to handwrite a letter to an old friend you haven't seen in months or years and ask "what's new?"
- Enjoy a walk in the warming weather. Look for budding trees and new growth on shrubs and bushes. Have some early spring flowers like snow drops or daffodils started to pop up?
- Is there a cultural skill you want to explore this year? Consider a skill you're curious about but have never tried. Even better, share the fun of learning by inviting a friend or family member to join your exploration.
- Fill a bird feeder and your bird bath, if temperatures permit. Keep a birding guide handy to identify returning migratory birds. When will the first robin of the season arrive?
  - It's been said that when you plant kindness you gather joy. As you go about each day, live your Nor-dic values with simple acts of kindness to others and add joyful moments to your life!



When Princess Märtha Louise of Norway was born in 1971, women were barred from ascending the throne of Norway. Her brother, Crown Prince Haakon, was born 2 years later and would eventually become next in line to the throne.

Eventually, in 1990, the law was changed so that women could become queen. But it only applies to those born after the law was put into place.



The Princess recently shared that she was given the option to change the law. "When I was 15, the Prime Minister at the time was a woman, and she suddenly came up with the idea that [the law] was wrong. I remember she came home to us, with granddad [King Olav V], and we had a discussion about whether we should change the whole system and I should be queen."

"They said, 'What do you want, Märtha?' And I'm like, 'I'm 15, I don't know about these things," she added. Ultimately, the laws remained unchanged for a few years, but it started the discussion about updating the rules.

Now, Norway is set to have a female monarch in the future. Crown Prince Haakon's first-born child is Princess Ingrid Alexandra, and is second in line to the throne.

## **The Most Common Norwegian Surnames**

If you have a passing interest in Norway or Scandinavia then you have probably wondered about their distinctive surnames. In recent centuries, these family names have carved out an interesting story in the world of etymology.

Norwegian surnames often comprise of place names or a geographical features of the landscape, while others were a direct result of their father's first name. As a result of this, surnames like Larsen, Hansen and Johansen are now commonplace in modern day Norway.

Naming of children is regulated in Norway, although the rules are more liberal now than ever before.

## Terminology of family names

But before we get in into the history of the naming rituals and traditions, let's take a look at some key words in this field.

**Etymology:** the study of a word's origin and a word's changeable state through history.

Occupational: names derived from the occupation or job of an ancestor. Patronymic: a name passed down from either the father or ancestor. Toponymic: a place name, often taken from a geographical feature.

## A little history:

Tracing your family ancestry in Norway is a relatively straightforward affair, that is until you get to the pivotal year of 1923. This was the year a law was introduced stating that families should have just one surname.

Before 1923, family names were often formed from place names, toponyms, and were also commonly derived from farm names.

Names also included names comprised of geographical features. The most common of these surnames were Bakke/Bakken – which means hill or rise, Berg/Berge – meaning Mountain or hill, Dahl/Dal – which translates as valley, Haugen \Haugan – hill or mound and Moen – meadow/pasture.

## Family names in Norway

Before 1923, the country's most common male surnames were those that ended in "-son" or "-sen" meaning "son of". This is where tracing your family roots gets a little difficult. For instance, if you go back more than two or three generations, problems quickly arise.

This is one reason why outlining my family tree stalled somewhat a number of years ago. That is not to say it isn't possible to build your Norwegian branch of your family tree, only that it can be more time consuming because of such difficulties.

My surname is Gundersen, which literally means "son of Gunder". Taking your father's first name opens up a much broader pool of names, those that changed with each generation.

Female family names operate in the same way: "-dotter" or "-datter" meaning "daughter of". For example, if your father was called "Johan" then your surname might become "Johansdotter" – "Johan's daughter".

#### The statistics: Most popular Norwegian surnames

In a recent survey published by Statistics Norway, 22.4% of Norway's population had a name ending "-sen". But new children born in the same year only 18.4% of them had "-sen" as a suffix.

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Here are rarely sudden shifts in the lists compiled, generally then fluctuate steadily. The 20 most common surnames in that list from 2015, are mostly ending in "-sen", patronymic names. Only the toponymic names Berg, Dahl, Haugen and Hagen, derived from the landscape, buck the trend.

| 1.  | Hansen      | 53,011 | 12. | Pettersen   | 20,101 |
|-----|-------------|--------|-----|-------------|--------|
| 2.  | Johansen    | 50,088 | 13. | Eriksen     | 19,136 |
| 3.  | Olsen       | 49,303 | 14. | Berg        | 18,080 |
| 4.  | Larsen      | 37,869 | 15. | Haugen      | 14 346 |
| 5.  | Andersen    | 37,025 | 16. | Hagen       | 14,073 |
| 6.  | Pedersen    | 35,145 | 17. | Johannessen | 13,286 |
| 7.  | Nilsen      | 34,734 | 18. | Andreassen  | 12,100 |
| 8.  | Kristiansen | 23,397 | 19. | Jacobsen    | 11,906 |
| 9.  | Jensen      | 22,879 | 20. | Dahl        | 11,503 |
| 10. | Karlsen     | 21,234 | 21. | Jørgensen   | 11,426 |
| 11. | Johnsen     | 20,650 | 28. | Gundersen   | 10,232 |

The name Jørgensen was the first name in the list to contain one of the three special characters -  $\cancel{E}$ ,  $\cancel{O}$  and  $\mathring{A}$  – from the Norwegian alphabet. And out of personal interest, I discovered that Gundersen—my own surname—came in at number 28 in the list. That surprised me a little, as I had expected it to be higher.

#### **Denmark**

Norway is not alone in their patronymic naming history, two Scandinavian neighbors, Denmark and Sweden, also use this type of naming. Denmark's surnames are mostly patronymic.

Just like Norway, Denmark also use a suffix "-sen" in family names. So a Danish family name like Christensen translates as "son of Christen". Other forms include surnames that are occupational – names taken from the job roles of ancestors in villages or farmsteads. For example, "Schmidt" – smith or "Fisker" – fisher.

Looking at the 20 most common surnames in Denmark in 2012, all but one is a patronymic name. The odd one out in the list is the occupational name "Møller" meaning miller. The top five most common family names are listed below:

| No. | Surname  | Count   |
|-----|----------|---------|
| 1.  | Nielsen  | 255,138 |
| 2.  | Jensen   | 254,675 |
| 3.  | Hansen   | 213,339 |
| 4.  | Pedersen | 161,074 |
| 5.  | Andersen | 157,753 |

2016. Source: dst.nk

#### Sweden

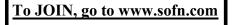
The most common surnames in Sweden are also patronymic. Norway's next door neighbor abolished this type of practice a little earlier, in 1901. The change in the law ensured a single family name was passed from generation to generation, just like Norway.

Swedish names also use suffix son – "sson". A recent list of the most common surnames in Sweden reveals only one name that is not patronymic in the top 20. The name Lindberg came in at the 17th most popular family name,

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## **Mission Statement**

The mission of
Sons of Norway
is to promote and to
preserve the heritage and
culture of Norway,
to celebrate our relationship
with other Nordic countries,
and to provide quality
insurance and financial products
to its members.

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a name derived from landscape and translates as lime tree - mountain in English.

The top five most common family names are listed below:

| 1. | Andersson | 251,621 |
|----|-----------|---------|
| 2. | Johansson | 251,495 |
| 3. | Karlsson  | 223,151 |
| 4. | Nilsson   | 171,360 |
| 5. | Eriksson  | 147,514 |

2012. Source: scb.se

## <u>Ibsen</u>

The great Norwegian playwright, Henrik Ibsen, has a surname that is instantly recognizable. But, did you know that it is actually a name of Danish origin? Again, it is a surname with a suffix "-sen" and with the addition of "Ib –" it means "son of Ib".

The playwright's literary exploits have ensured his surname's recognizability. The name Ib is derived from the name Jacob, just a shortened version. So next time you read an Ibsen text or watch an Ibsen play just think – son of Jacob.