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Wergeland Kalender

- ♦ June 1—Chris Faltiesek Piano Concert 7:00 pm Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Division St., La Crosse, WI
- ♦ June 3 —June Dairy Days Parade, 11:30 line-up, West Salem, WI
- ♦ June 13—5:30 Board Meeting at Perkins in Onalaska—ALL are welcome!
- ♦ June 19—Deadline for Budstikken articles
- ♦ June 29—Budstikken mailed to members
- ♦ July 6—6:00 Wergeland Lodge Meeting, Radisson Center, located on the corner of 2nd and Jay Streets in La Crosse

Fra Presidenten

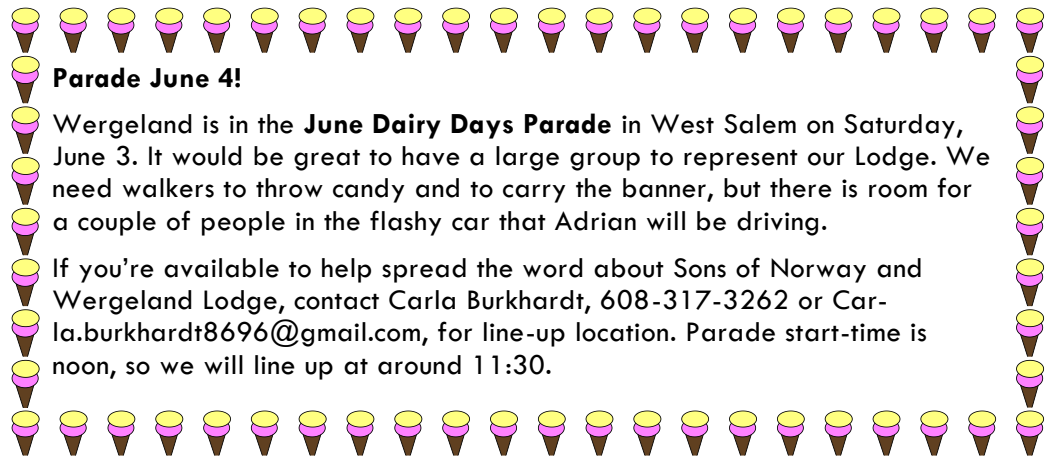


June, such a beautiful month. The landscape here in Wisconsin is green again, early flowers are blooming and not too many weeds are growing. But, "no mow May" really brings out the dandelions!

I am looking forward to our June music event. Chris Falteisek, a talented pianist, will present a concert, through the eyes of a Photographer and Musician.

Our Saviors Lutheran Church is a perfect setting for this event, located in central La Crosse at 6th and Division Street. As you plan your evening, please invite friends that can also come and enjoy this concert. Coffee and treats will follow the concert in the church fellowship hall. See you at the concert,

-Ramona J



Parade June 4!

Wergeland is in the **June Dairy Days Parade** in West Salem on Saturday, June 3. It would be great to have a large group to represent our Lodge. We need walkers to throw candy and to carry the banner, but there is room for a couple of people in the flashy car that Adrian will be driving.

If you're available to help spread the word about Sons of Norway and Wergeland Lodge, contact Carla Burkhardt, 608-317-3262 or Carla.burkhardt8696@gmail.com, for line-up location. Parade start-time is noon, so we will line up at around 11:30.



PROGRAM FOR JUNE

Chris Falteisek Piano Concert and Photography, Our Saviors in La Crosse

The concert will begin at 7:00 followed by Cake and Ice Cream. The following have offered to bring a cake: Dee Johnson, Laura Ira, Jean Davis, Joan Everson, Elsie Olson, Karen Broadhead, Bev Ranis, Heather Jacobson, Pam Knudtson, Kathy Anderson, Ramona Johnson, Evonne Kundert **A basket will be out for our usual meal donation as we enjoy the cake and ice cream!**





Juni Birthdays

- 2 Lillian Jacobson
- 3 Richard Marking
- 6 John H Monson
- 6 Vivian M Sacia
- 8 Delora A Johnson
- 9 Deborah Amundson
- 10 Betsy R Stannard
- 12 Barbara C Hegge
- 16 Elwood Harebo
- 17 Linda S Sherwood
- 18 Annie Piske
- 21 Elizabeth Fox
- 22 David Glomstad
- 25 Beverly A Ranis
- 27 Arthur M Ford
- 27 Thomas J Monson
- 28 Janice S Brudos

BRING YOUR Friends and Neighbors to the June 1 piano concert with Chris Faltiesek, 7:00 pm Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Division Street in La Crosse.

Sekretær Notater...

Wergeland Lodge Heritage dinner May 4, 2023

5:00 social hour - 6:00 dinner

Dinner was served by the Radisson, salad, chicken, cut potatoes, green beans and dessert. A very delicious dinner.

Wergeland dancers performed their 50th Anniversary dances which was very delightful.

Ramona called the meeting to order at 8:03.

Pledge was said and Fadrelandssang was sung.

Secretary's report was printed in the Budstikken and approved as printed.

Treasurer's report was read and approved as read.

Thanks to all who helped make this evening special.

May 17 - Flag raising at City Hall - 9:30 with breakfast at the Charmant after.

Next month-piano concert at Our Savior's in La Crosse at 7:00 pm. Need 12 cakes - check the list to sign up.

June Dairy Days parade in West Salem - June 3. Parade starts at noon.

Dave Glomstad reminds us of special events in the area.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25

44 Members present

Secretary, Kathy Anderson

Treasurer's Report:



Apr 30, 2023 checking balance	\$4755.31
(which includes \$159.91 for Dancers)	
Apr 30, 2023 scholarship balance	\$1765.50
Apr 30, 2023 savings balance	\$12,727.15
Apr 30, 2023 Wergeland has	\$19,247.96

JOIN US—there's ROOM FOR MORE on both Bus Trips!

On October 18, a bus will take us to Minneapolis. We'll lunch at the Swedish Museum and then tour the Norway House and perhaps the Mindekirken church. The price will be \$55 per person (meals not included).

On Wednesday, November 29, we will travel to Decorah on bus (\$50, meal not included). We will visit Vesterheim and then attend the Christmas at Luther dress rehearsal.

if you are not on the list and are interested in going on one or both trips, call Ramona at 608-788-7507 or 608-386-6125.



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Kondolerer til...

...til **Betsy and Dennis Stannard** as they mourn the passing of their daughter, Stephanie.

God Bedring...

...til **Wayne Jacobson**, who is recovering from a medical event at Mulder's in West Salem.

Tusen Takk...

...til Jim Michelson of West Salem who gave a gift of \$500 in memory of John Munson and in honor of **Lee Grippen**. This thoughtful gift will be added to the scholarship fund.



Program for June:



Chris Falteisek will present, "**Norway: A Concert by Chris Falteisek - Through the Eyes of a Photographer and Musician**" at 7:00 pm, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 612 Division Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601. All are welcome and invited to attend this concert.

Chris Falteisek, Minister of Music at Christ Episcopal Church of

Woodbury, recently spent three weeks in Norway on a Nordic pilgrimage to experience the life, music and customs of his ancestral homeland, Norway. Anecdotes, insights, stories, customs, music, pictures and videos of Falteisek's 2022 travel to Norway will be a part of this presentation. Music will include Falteisek's own Nordic-inspired compositions as well as traditional and folk Nordic music.

Chris Falteisek, a native of Prescott, Wisconsin, and resident of Hastings, Minnesota, started playing organ and piano for church as a 6th grader. He currently works as Minister of Music at Christ Episcopal Church of Woodbury and is an accompanist at both St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Hastings and St. Thomas Aquinas Church in St. Paul Park. He has composed and recorded 17 albums. His musical performances have taken him to Sweden, Norway and around the United States. Falteisek's musical style is eclectic and mirrors his love of various historical periods and places.

From the May Program: Syttende Mai Banquet & Wergeland's 50-Year Sponsorship of their own Folk Dancers

On May 4, we celebrated May 17 by enjoying our annual **Syttende Mai Banquet**. A plated dinner and decadent dessert was served by the Radisson staff. Afterwards, Sandra Kawatski and the Wergeland Dancers shared their history and some dances. The Wergeland Dancers are celebrating 50 years of entertaining and teaching in the tri-state area. Many dances tell stories, such as the story of the Troll in the photo below.



Sandra (left) has been (literally) instrumental in the Wergeland Dancers, directing the group and accompanying the dancers on the accordion. We are grateful for her dedication and talent. The Dancers would like to add new members—all ages are welcome!





Dis og Dat



Scholarship Bike Ride

Dave Glomstad will again do his Bike Fundraiser for the Wergeland Scholarship Fund. His distance is 60 (!) miles this year, on or around June 22. He will collect pledges at the June concert, or contact him at djglomstad@gmail.com.

Reminder: Wergeland scholarship applications are due July 1

2nd-year college students are eligible for the Wergeland Scholarship. See the May Budstikken for the application, or contact Carla Burkhardt at carla.burkhardt8696@gmail.com.



Midtsommer Magic

On June 23, or the Saturday closest to it, Norway celebrates Midsummer's Eve with boating, picnics, bonfires and the beauty

of summer.

The ancient sun festival is celebrated throughout Europe with traditions that vary from country to country. Common to most of these traditions is happiness and gratitude for the warmer and brighter days. There's a Norwegian saying that "a beloved child has many nicknames," and this major holiday is referred to as midtsommerfest, Jonsok or Sankthansaften (St. John's wake/eve).

In folk belief, good forces were believed to be particularly strong at midsummer. Herbs and hay harvested on the solstice were said to have potent magical properties. Putting a red Jonsok flower under your pillow would make you dream of the one you'd marry. A bonfire was to strengthen people going into the darker part of the year, and protect against trolls and evil spirits.

Today midtsommer is a secular festival that signals that summer vacation is imminent! Beachfront bonfires, music, dance, friends and good food are typical. Grilled meats and seafood are popular, along with potato salad, pancakes, strawberries, homemade juice, as well as beer and aquavit.

Looking Back

Fem år siden (5 years ago) 2018

Wergeland Members, Alice Running Gums and Joe and Carol Stekel were recognized at the annual spring buffet of the Bangor and Area Historical Society on Sunday, May 5th for their services to the organization.

Our June program: DELICIOUS OR DEADLY? Mushroom hunting in Norway was presented by Midge Kjome: During my sojourn in Norway in the 1960's, '70s, and 80s, I found delight in walking in the forests near my home in Trondheim. There are about 3000 different kinds of mushrooms that grow in the wild in Scandinavia. We will look at some of the mushrooms from that area desirable for eating and some that are dangerous.

Ti år siden (10 years ago) 2013

Norskedalen will celebrate the 30th annual Midsummer Festival on June 22 and 23. It is the second most important yearly celebration in Norway after Syttende Mai, May 17.

It is a happy day marking the full return of the light in summer, but also sad because the next day marks the start of descent into winter's darkness.

Dave Glomstad has arranged for Wergeland Lodge members and their guests to attend a game with the LaCrosse Loggers baseball team in Copeland Park.

Femten år siden (15 years ago) 2008

President Bing Skogen thanked Jean Davis and Marilyn Hammes for co-chairing the Syttende Mai banquet on May 1st.

Congratulations to Pastor Borreson on the publishing of his book, "Water For Your Soul."

Congratulations to Morgan and Ruth (Romskog) Jostad, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at Drugan's Supper Club in the Grand Norway Hall on Saturday, April 26th.

Sons of Norway 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 provide quality insurance and financial products to our members.



Flag-raising on May 17

A nice crowd gathered at the La Crosse City Hall to celebrate Syttende Mai. Adrian read some information about the day and about the Sons of Norway. Our lodge, Wergeland

Lodge 028, is the 28th lodge. The first lodge was in Minneapolis. After a singing of Fadrelandssang, many from the group enjoyed breakfast at the charming Charmant.



Shrimp Canapés

Serves 4

Ingredients:

16 slices bread
1/2 cup mayo
1/4 cup butter, softened
1 small jar capers
1 lemon, sliced in half moons
4 large sprigs fresh dill



20 boiled, cold shrimp, preferably still in the shell or head on

Method:

Boil the shrimp. Jumbo would take 7-8 minutes. (Small shrimp will only need 3-4 minutes). Shock in ice water to keep them from overcooking. Drain.

Lay out all ingredients in a DIY spread. Instead of using traditional white bread, you can use slices of soft wheat bread cut into dainty circles with cutters. You may load canapes up with the salty capers, a splash of lemon juice and a sprig of dill. It is fun assembling each sandwich.

While it's not required, feel free to cut bread into small rounds to up the "cute factor."

Be sure to provide plenty of napkins, sparkling water, and enough smiles to light up the room.

Source: Global Table Adventure



Ole, Sven and Lars had been going to the Sons of Norway hall meeting as long as there had been a hall. Every month they had an attendance drawing. And every month, wouldn't ya know it, they didn't win a prize in the prize drawing, that is until a meeting when all three won in the same night. Sven was the first to get his name drawn. He won two quarts of spaghetti sauce, 4 boxes of noodles and three pounds of Swedish meatballs. Ole had his name drawn next. He got himself round-trip tickets to Duluth, a night's stay in the Dew Drop Inn and a pair of tickets to see the Inger Triplets Polka Ensemble. Ole thought he had died and gone to heaven. Lars was the last to be drawn and he won a toilet brush. At the next monthly meeting they sat down together to check out how they had fared for the past month. Sven said "Uff-da I had dat pasghetti for tree days. It vas so good, Helga didn't have to buy any food for dem daere tree days." Ole said "Lena was so happy when I brought home dem tickets. The trip up to Duluth vas nice, ve got to ride on da Greyhound and ya know, dey got a built-in outhouse on dat dere bus.

And dose Inger Triplets - if I didn't know better, I would swear dae were sisters. Then Ole turned to Lars and asked him how his prize worked out. Lars looked at them both and said, "Vell, dat daere toilet brush is nice, but I tink I'll go back to using paper."

*Photo Gallery
from the May
Banquet*



A little in English...

He's Got It All

Erling Braut Haaland is officially a Manchester City player. The club confirmed the signing on Monday [June 13, 2022]. It was done on the same date as when his father Alfie Haaland signed 22 years ago.

Many football clubs were after Erling Braut Haaland. But in the end it was the English Manchester City who drew the longest straw.

And so, one of the summer's most anticipated signings is upon us. It already became clear on May 10th that the English club had bought him. But an official confirmation took longer.

"This is a proud day for me and my family," says Haaland on the club's website.

Haaland signed a contract that lasts until 2027.

"I have always watched City and have loved doing so in recent seasons. You can't help but admire their style of play. It is exciting, and they create many chances. It's perfect for a player like me," says Haaland.

Haaland did not want to talk about the transfer until it was clear.

Txiki Begiristain says that Haaland has everything they want in a striker.

"And we are sure that he will excel in this squad and this system," he says. Begiristain is sporting director for City.

Haaland scored his 20th goal for Norway on Sunday. That means he has scored 42 goals in 39 games this season. This applies to all tournaments. Of these, 10 were scored in nine matches with the national team.

Many expect Haaland to score a lot for City. They won the league this season.

"I want to score goals, win trophies and improve as a footballer. And I'm sure I can do it here. This is a good transition for me. And I can't wait to get started," says Haaland. .



Litt på Norsk...

– Han har alt

Erling Braut Haaland er offisielt Manchester City-spiller. Klubben bekreftet signeringen mandag. Det ble gjort på samme dato som da faren Alfie Haaland signerte for 22 år siden.

Mange fotballklubber har jaktet på Erling Braut Haaland. Men til slutt var det engelske Manchester City som trakk det lengste strået.

Dermed er en av sommerens mest ventede signeringer klare. Det ble allerede klart 10. mai at den engelske klubben hadde kjøpt han. Men en offisiell bekreftelse tok lengre tid.

– Dette er en stolt dag for meg og familien, sier Haaland til klubbens nettside.

Haaland har signert en kontrakt som varer fram til 2027.

– Jeg har alltid sett på City og har elsket å gjøre det de siste sesongene. Du kan ikke annet enn å beundre spillestilen deres. Den er spennende, og de skaper mange sjanser. Det er perfekt for en spiller som meg, sier Haaland.

Haaland har ikke ønsket å snakke om overgangen før det ble klart.

Txiki Begiristain sier at Haaland har alt de ønsker i en spiss.

– Og vi er sikre på at han vil utmerke seg i denne troppen og dette systemet, sier han. Begiristain er sportsdirektør for City.

Haaland skåret sitt 20. mål for Norge søndag. Det betyr at han har skåret 42 mål på 39 kamper denne sesongen. Det gjelder alle turneringer. Av disse har 10 kommet på ni kamper med landslaget.

Mange forventer at Haaland skal skåre mye for City. De vant ligaen denne sesongen.

– Jeg ønsker å skåre mål, vinne trofeer og forbedre meg som fotballspiller. Og jeg er sikker på at jeg kan gjøre det her. Dette er en bra overgang for meg. Og jeg kan ikke vente med å komme i gang, sier Haaland.

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Norskedalen Activities

Throne Visitors Center

Hours From May - Oct:

Monday-Saturday from 9am--5pm
Sunday from 11am--5pm



Admission rates for all programs with the exception of Heritage classes is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children, \$15.00 for families, and free for members of "Friends of Norskedalen."

All visitors, including Norskedalen organization members, should check in at the Throne Visitors' Center for your admissions, wristband, maps and information.

Norskedalen Members may use the Norskedalen grounds 365 days a year from sunrise to sunset. Member parking pass must be clearly displayed in front windshield while using Norskedalen grounds.

Non-members may only use Norskedalen grounds during regular business hours and must check-in with office staff to pay admissions and receive a wristband.

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