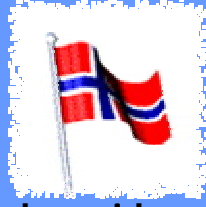


RESTAURATION LODGE #548



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The December social meeting will be
Tuesday, December 11, 2012
at 6:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church,
3634 1st Avenue N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa

The program for the December 11 meeting will be a play, "Who Ruined the Rommegrot?". It was written by Carolyn Rushton and will be acted by members of the Lodge. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a soup supper for everyone. Cindy is treating us to pea soup, and we also will have rye bread made by Anna Marie Klein. After the soup supper, we will have a short business meeting followed by the program, the play. Members, bring if you can, 1 to 2 dozen Norwegian goodies for dessert after the program. Officers to help setup at the church at 5:00.p.m

NOTICE: We are asking members to bring a specialty goodie to share, **BUT THE IMPORTANT THING TO REMEMBER IS THAT THE MEETING STARTS AT 6:00 p.m.** Bring any Christmas decor that you may have to help set the theme on the tables.

Hosts for the meeting will be the Board.

BOOK CLUB

SofN Book Club is December 19 at 1 p.m. at Gesme's, Cottage Grove Place, Apartment 3303 . We are reading Marking time by Kathy Stokker. Ann will provide refreshments and lead the discussion. Please phone Gesme's at 362-6910 or E-mail augdhq@mchsi.com to let them know whether or not you will be attending.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Day</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Day</u>
Joan Bredeson	27	Clarence Sampson	28
Gerald Erickson	17	Arden Shindoll	22
Dean Gesme	31	Beverly Solberg	31
Mavis Lovik	2	Robert Thorkildson	25
Joyce Munson	26	Eldon Wohlleben	31
Thorleif Næsse	22		

ANNIVERSARY Delaine and Beverly Sather had their 50-year anniversary on December 1.

CALENDARS

2013 Norwegian Calendars again can be purchased at the Dec. social meeting. They will be \$12.00. Call Lois McCormick, 377-2890, and she will reserve it/them for you.

NAME TAGS

Name tags can be ordered through Lois McCormick for \$7.25. Call her at 377-2890.

LINGONBERRIES AND HERRING

Lingonberries and Herring can be purchased at the next meeting. Lingonberries are \$8.00 per jar, and Herring is \$8.50 per jar. If anyone wants product before that, Barbara Erickson has the Lingonberries. Call Barbara at 377-1707. Cindy Monroe has the Herring. Call Cindy Monroe at 319-981-8356.

SKOGFJORDEN

As you read this - the early bird deadline of Dec. 3 will be over, but you are still eligible to register and be able to receive the district and local scholarships that are given. Please contact Lois McCormick (new lodge scholarship chairman) at 377-2890 to receive registration materials. Anyone who has a relative in the Sons of Norway program is eligible for scholarships. The following sessions are available: 2 week sessions for ages 7-11, 4 week sessions for ages 8-18, 4 week folk high school session for ages 13-16, and 4 week high school credit sessions for students in grades 9-12.

NEWS FROM NORWAY

SAS is in financial trouble. Language problems in government papers. PC taken away from Anders Brevik. Police want to be armed.

OFFICERS NEEDED We still need one cultural co-director and two social directors. Volunteers are needed, please.

MINUTES November 13, 2012 Social Meeting, Restauration Lodge 1-548, Sons of Norway Our Savior's Lutheran Church Meeting convened at 7:04 PM by President Cindy Charlson Monroe. 48 in attendance including 3 guests. Veterans recognized.

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Singing of Star Spangled Banner and Ja Vi Elsker accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano.
- Secretary's Report: Harold Williamson – Minutes of Oct. 9 approved as appeared in Newsletter.
- Treasurer's Report: Ding Sather – Checking; \$1715.40, Savings: \$8026.75, all bills paid.
- Social Directors' Report: Mavis Hovden –
 - Signup sheet for servers at future meetings circulated.
- Cultural Directors' Report: Lois McCormick -
 - Calendars available for \$12
 - Name tags available for \$9
- Nominations Committee: Replacement for Lois McCormick sought.
- Membership Directors Report: Alan Erickson – 133 members.
- Sunshine Report: Cheryl Zapf – Cards: to Paula Schulte for brother's illness, to Ruth Christ for death of brother, to Jean Oxley, congratulating her for community award.

- **Scholarship Director: Lois McCormick** – Noted that Dec. 3 is deadline for early registration for Concordia summer language camp.
- **Sports and Recreation: Verl Lekwa** – Noted that several people were working for awards.
- **Book Club: Will meet at 1 PM, Wednesday, Nov.14 at Gesmes.** Mary Durspek will supply dessert. Book to be discussed is “We Die Alone”.
- **A publication “News from Norway” by Norwegian Embassy** can be obtained for free. Sign up at Norway.org noted by Jason Gambach.
- **Herring and lingonberries** available from Barbara Erickson.
- **“The Vikings”, 18 hours of audio recordings of lectures of Norwegian history** noted by David Christ.
- **Books by Norwegian pioneers** mentioned by Cindy Charlson Monroe.
- **News from Norway: Tom Naesse** –
 - **SAS in financial trouble.**
 - **Language problems reported to occur in government papers.**
 - **PC taken away from Anders Brevik.**
 - **Police want to be armed.**
- **Norwegian class: Tom Naesse - On break until January.**
- **Insurance Representative: Dave Tesdahl** –
 - **Noted that individuals over 64 should select drug program, part D, by Dec. 7.**
 - **Reported that tax free gifts of \$13,000 can be made this year. Increases to \$14,000 in 2013.**
 - **Dividends now taxed at 10%. Will increase to individual’s tax rate on Jan. 1 if no action by Congress.**
- **Old Business -**
 - **No decision on holding 2016 meeting until District sends more information.**
- **Announcements:**
 - **Book lending table. New mystery “Phantom” by Jo Nesbo.**
 - **Next Board Meeting, Nov. 20, 7 PM, at Lois McCormick’s house.**
 - **Next Social Meeting, Dec. 11, 6 PM, Pea Soup Dinner**
- **Program: Lois McCormick introduced Bob Thorkildson who gave a program entitled “A History of Skiing”.**



David Christ and his friend, the Troll



Jenny Bosking showing results of her work on Tubfrim stamps, all cut to size and ready to send off to Norway



Bob Thorkildson equipped with snowshoes and skis for his program on History of Skiing



Elected Officers:

President – Cindy Monroe 363-7420
Vice President – Barbara Erickson 377-1707
Secretary – Harold Williamson 338-5658
Treasurer – Ding Sather 393-7310

Membership Secretary –
Alan Erickson 377-1707
Cultural Directors – Jon White 393-9430
Lois McCormick 377-2890
Social Directors – Mavis Hovden 393-3286
Anna Marie Klein 373-9260

Sons of Norway representatives:

David Tesdahl 286-9447

Lodge web site: www.sofn-cedarrapids.org

Web master: Robert Thorkildson 721-9902

Appointed Officers:

Auditors:
Verl Lekwa 738-2847
Ruth Christ 351-7717
Bob Thorkildson 721-9902
Foundation-Wally Sundet 393-6971
Greeters-

Historian-Paula Schulte 396-1076

Language Facilitators:
Tom & Ingrid Næsse 841-2311
Past President-Dean Gesme 362-6910

Librarian-Sherry Waite
Marshall-

Musician-Sharon Kay Stang 351-5133
Newsletter Editors-Mary/Bill Durspek 377-4480

Publicity-Ann Gesme 362-6910
Scholarship-Ruth Christ 351-7717
Sports/Recreation/Youth-Verl Lekwa 728-2847
Sunshine-Cheryl Zapf 363-5326