

RESTAURATION LODGE #548



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**The June social meeting will be
Tuesday, June 11, 2013
7:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church,
3634 1st Avenue N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

The program for the June meeting will be "Norwegian Indexing Projects at FamilySearch.com" by Jon White and the slide show, "Shields of Norway". The indexing project at the LDS FamilySearch site allows free access to various genealogy records in, or extracted from Norway.

Servers for the June meeting will be Mavis and Dale Hovden and Cheryl Zapf.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Cindy Charlson Monroe still needs volunteers for Nordic Fest, Linn County Fair and Hoover Days. Save time on your calendar for those events and help if you can.

BOOK CLUB

No book club in June.

DAYTIME NORWEGIAN LANGUAGE CLASS

Beginning Norwegian class meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at Gesme's apartment. In June we meet the 13th and 27th at Cottage Grove place, apartment #3303. We are using Kathy Stokker's book, Norsk, Nordmenn og Norge, the same book we have used in the past. Please let me know if you are coming to the class. Call Ann Gesme at 319-362-6910 or augdhq@mchsi.com.

Tom Næsse will continue to teach at a more advanced level.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

NAME	DAY	NAME	DAY
Zoe Berger	13	Will Mickelson	11
Jenny Bosking	24	Barbara Taylor	25
Alan Erickson	29	Donna Trolliet	8
Barbara Erickson	12	Marilyn Skaugstad	8
Mette Kelly	23	Sandra Van Amburg	19

NEWS FROM NORWAY

Flooding after the heavy rainfall is a primary issue at this time. Cost is running into the millions.

Norway is taking over as lead nation in the "Standing NATO Marine Group 1" to fight piracy off the African coast. The Frigate KNM Fridtjof Nansen has arrived. See pictures.

NORSK IN AMERICAN PRO SPORTS

Norwegians are not common on American pro sports teams, but there have been some. The Sports Illustrated Magazine of April 22 listed the most accomplished Norsk in each major sport. In the National Basketball Assn., Torgeir Bryn of Oslo played 10 minutes for the Clippers in 1989, scored 4 points and committed 5 fouls. In the National Hockey League, Kjell Espen Knutsen of Oslo played four seasons with the Blue Jackets hockey team from 2000 on. There have been 7 Norskies in the National Hockey League. In baseball, there have been 4 Norwegians in Major League Baseball. The best was John Anderson of Sarpsborg who played 14 seasons, and led the majors with 22 triples and a .494 slugging percentage in 1898. In the National Football League Jan Stenerud was well known. He came from Fettsund and played 19 seasons with the Chiefs, Packers, and (appropriately) the Vikings. He is one of only 3 placekickers in the Hall of Fame, and scored 1,699 points. He's the only Norwegian ever to play in that league.

EXERCISE NOTE

At our last meeting, members who exercise on a stationary bicycle were given a form to fill out as they finish their workouts to get medals from Sons of Norway. If you are doing anything to stay in condition, from walking in a mall to swimming to stretching to lifting small weights, see Verl Lekwa and get started on the SON exercise medal ladder. It acts as an incentive to stay healthy.

ERRORS IN MEMBER LIST

If you have found any errors in the member listing for your address, telephone, or E-Mail address, please notify Bill Durspek or Lois McCormick. Paula Schulte is now at psgardener@imonmail.com

MINUTES

May 14, 2013 Social Meeting, Restauration Lodge 1-548, Sons of Norway
Our Savior's Lutheran Church

- Syttende Mai Celebration – Meeting began at 6 pm
- The following members who were wearing bunads indicated the area of Norway they were from: Jean Murray, David and Ruth Christ, Cindy Charlson Monroe, Lois McCormick-Shindoll
- Table prayer sung accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano.
- Syttende Mai Dinner
- Business Meeting convened at 7 pm by President Cindy Charlson Monroe.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Singing of "America" and "Ja Vi Elsker" accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano.
- Guests (5) were introduced.
- Insurance representative: David Tesdahl – Discussed the insurance newsletter, insurance handouts and tax laws.

- Certificates awarded by Vice President Barbara Erickson to those who brought in new members;
Ann Gesme, Dean Gesme, Ruth Christ, Lois McCormick-Shindoll, Harold Williamson, Paula Schulte (2) and Wilmer Mickelson.
- Presentation of an abbreviated version of Ibsen’s “Doll House” by Carolyn Rushton and the Restauration Lodge players (Cynthia Monroe, Dale Fitzgibbons, Carey Trantham, Oline Stigers, Verl Lekwa, Barbara Erickson and Gerry Rushton).



**Cast of the Ibsen play “Doll House”.
See listing at the end of Minutes above.**



New Member gathering awards to Will Mickleson, Ruth Christ, Paula Schulte, Lois Shindoll, Dean Gesme, Ann Gesme, Harold Williamson



Bunads at the Syttende Mai dinner-Jean Murray, Lois McCormick-Shindoll, David and Ruth Christ, Cindy Monroe.



**The Frigate KNM Fridtjof Nansen
Norsk Anti-Pirate ship sent to the African coast per News From Norway**

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
Barbara Taylor 393-0844

Social Directors – Mavis Lovik 393-6679
Lois McCormick-Shindoll 377-2890

Sons of Norway representatives:

David Tesdahl 286-9447

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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
Historian-Paula Schulte 396-1076
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