

RESTAURATION LODGE #548



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**The March social meeting will be
Tuesday, March 11, 2014
7:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church,
3634 1st Avenue N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

The program for March will be David Christ giving a presentation on Men of Stone and Steel: Norwegian Engineers Who Helped Build America.

Hosts for the meeting will be Mary Brubaker, Sandy VanAmburg, and Cheryl Zaph.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet at Ann Gesme's at Cottage Grove Place at 1 P.M. on Wednesday, March 19, 2014. Ruth Christ will lead the discussion of Thor Heyerdahl's book, KON-TIKI. The book is an inspiring tale of daring and courage, a record of biologist Heyerdahl's adventure across the Pacific Ocean in a boat built of balsa wood, bamboo, and hemp. Ruth will also provide refreshments. Please let Ann and Dean know at (319-362-6910) or at augdhq@mchsi.com if you are coming, so enough chairs and dessert are available.

Please join our Restauration Lodge 2014 book group. Our book club reads works of Scandinavian- related authors and topics and strives to have variety in our choices. We meet the third Wednesday of the month at the home of Dean and Ann Gesme, Cottage Grove Place (2115 1st Ave SE).

On April 16, we will read any book by children's author Jan Brett. The discussion will focus on her illustrations. Cindy Monroe will do dessert and the discussion. Ms. Brett's books are well-known for their colorful and detailed depictions of Scandinavia. She wrote three books.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Day</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth Day</u>
Gerard Rushton	3	Merle Kjonaas	15
Bob Erlandson	5	Karl Knutson	18
Russell Hansen	6	Grace Williamson	19
Kerith St.Louis	6	Dan Legrand	23
Madison Stonewall	14	Sue Johansen	27
Morgan Stonewall	14	Ingrid Næsse	28

NORWEGIAN LANGUAGE CLASS

Advanced level with Tom Næsse is on Thursday evenings at his home at 5823 Muirfield Dr SW Apt 3. Contact Tom at 319-841-2311.

FYI

Calendars are all sold out but please save your old obsolete Norsk calendars and give them to Lois McCormick to recycle for a project of hers.

NEWS FROM NORWAY

Oslo is listed as the world's third most expensive city after Singapore and Paris.

Norwegian Air has had trouble with new Boeing Dreamliner on long distance flights. Passengers are going to court to sue for damages since they did not get the service they 'contracted' for when they bought the tickets.

The Russian military activity on the Crimean Peninsula is in breach of international law, says Norwegian Foreign Minister Børge Brende.

EXERCISE NOTE

If you are doing anything to stay in condition, from walking in a mall, to swimming, to stretching, to lifting small weights, see Veri Lekwa and get started on the SON exercise medal ladder. It acts as an incentive to stay healthy.

OLE and LENA

Ole went to the Sons of Norway Hall one night and finally won the door prize, which was a toilet brush. He was so excited that he won he brought it home and used it often. Someone asked him during the next meeting what the prize was and if he liked it or not. Ole replied, "Yea I like the toilet brush, but I tink I'm gonna go back to using paper."

MINUTES

Minutes from the 11 February 2014 social meeting, Restauration Lodge 1-548, Sons of Norway, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids.

Cindy Charlson Monroe opened the social meeting at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and America and Ja, Vi Elsker were sung, accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang. Minutes of the January 14th social meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's report of \$2246.00 in checking and \$8202.75 in savings was approved.

Hostesses for the February social meeting were Barbara Erickson and Jean Murray.

Cultural: Barb Taylor announced that David Christ would be the program in March -- Men of Stone and Steel.

Book Club: Will be February 19 at Gesme's. The book being discussed is Heritage of Darkness by Kathleen Ernst.

The book for March is Kon Tiki.

Jean Murray told an Ole and Lena joke.

Nathan Tjelmeland introduced himself.

March 5, Tom Næsse will be reading a book at the new Cedar Rapids Library, in Norwegian.

Carolyn Rushton introduced the play given by the Restauration Players, An American Servant Girl by Marcus Thrane.

February board meeting will be February 18 at 7:00 pm at the Erickson's home.

The Editors.



**Cast of "An American Servant Girl" Skit
Front - Dale Fitzgibbons, Lois McCormick
Shindoll. Rear - Arden Shindoll, Marvin
Robeck, Sharon Kay and Al Stang,
and Carolyn Rushton.**



**Employers-Al Stang and Lois
McCormick Shindoll**



Servant Girl, Sharon Kay Stang



**One of the desserts after the meeting
--Yum!!**



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