

RESTAURATION LODGE #548



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No June social meeting due to the Convention

FRA PRESIDENT

The SofN 2016 District 1 Convention is almost here!! I want to encourage members and friends to visit the cultural workshops, Nordic market, and Nordic Folk Art exhibit at the Marriott Hotel in Cedar Rapids on Collins Road. Check the schedule sent separately to lodge members for the topics and times. No registration or charge is required to just visit, only for meals. Anybody wanting to sign up for meals must get their money to Alan by Sunday evening 6/5 (see registration form or on-line signup on our lodge website http://www.sofn-cedarrapids.org/convention_page1.html). Our lodge will have a Nordic Boutique where donated items will be sold. If you have such items, please bring them to the hotel starting Monday 6/6 (call Cindy (319-891-8356) or Barbara (319-360-5093) to arrange for a drop off. If you are able to volunteer a little or a lot please call Cindy or email her (cmonroe1947@gmail.com). Your help is needed in many areas.

Thank you to Cindy Monroe for her tremendous leadership and organization in planning the convention. A special thank you to each and every member who is helping to make it a great success. Looking forward, the July program is Travis Cleveland about Vesterheim celebrating "50 years of Folk Art". There is no lodge meeting in August. In September John Hanson will share his year in Norway with us. Other opportunities for the summer include the Linn County Fair exhibit booth Friday June 24, Nordic Fest in Decorah, Friday July 29 and Saturday July 30, and Hoover Fest at West Branch, Saturday, August 6.

Barbara

CONVENTION VOLUNTEERING

As the convention draws near, there are a number of last minute activities to complete. We hope you will all join us during part of the convention, as a volunteer or dinner guest.

Please look over the volunteer needs listed below. It would be great if you can help and are interested in a specific time or location if you would call Cindy Monroe@ 319-981-8356. There are plenty of volunteer tasks that do not require standing for long periods of time. Thank you.

1. Our basic volunteer shifts are:

Thursday 8-12 and 12-4 doing whatever in Convention Office

12-4 and 4-6:30 guarding items in the Nordic Arts Exhibit

12-4 and 4-6:30 selling refreshments in our coffee shop

8-12 and 12-4 keeping coffee and treats out in the hospitality room

10-12 and 12-4 and 4-6:30 and 6:30-9 guarding the silent auction items

12:30-4:00 Introduce a speaker (read a paragraph) at a cultural

workshop

Friday 8-12 and 12-4 doing whatever in Convention Office

8-12 and 12-4 and 4-6:30 guarding items in the Nordic Arts Exhibit

8-12 and 12-4 and 4-6:30 selling refreshments in our coffee shop

8-12 and 12-4 keeping coffee and treats out in the hospitality room

8-12 and 12-4 and 4-6:30 and 6:30-9 guarding the silent auction items

Saturday 8-12 and 12-4 doing whatever in Convention Office

8-12 and 12-2 or so guarding items in the Nordic Arts Exhibit and returning to owners

8-12 selling refreshments in our coffee shop

8-12 and 12-4 keeping coffee and treats out in the hospitality room

8-12 Help people collecting silent auction items

12-? Tear down

2. If you haven't made your banquet reservations, please call 319-981-8356.

3. If you have any questions, call 319-981-8356.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club is on vacation until after the June convention.

LANGUAGE CLASS

Tom Næsse's class meets Thursdays at 6 PM at Tom's place. Three now attending.

PROGRAMS FOR EARLY 2016

June - August - No meetings

July - Travis Cleveland - *Vesterheim*

September - John Hanson will tell us of his *Year in Norway*

FESTS - CELEBRATIONS

Reminder for your calendars - Nordic Fest in Decorah, Friday, July 29, 2016.

Hooverfest, Westbranch, IA, Saturday, Aug 6, Parade

SCANDINAVIAN KNITTING

All who are interested in knitting are invited to the Scandinavian Knitters which meet Mondays 9:30 - noon at Thea O'Grady's home 5870 Stags Leap Lane, Marion, IA 52302 tel 402-617-0332

OUR SCHOLAR-MEMBER JOHN HANSON IN NORWAY

Our lodge member, John Hanson, who received a Fulbright Scholarship to teach in Norway during this school year, can be followed at his blog at

<https://johnlhanson.wordpress.com/> .

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
Marilyn M Skaugstad	8	Gary Allen Dobbe	15
Donna J Trolliet	8	Sandra L Van Amburg	19
Wilmer A Mickelson	11	Mette G Kelley	23
Arnold E Andersen	12	Barbara A Taylor	25
Barbara L Erickson	12	Alan R Erickson	29
Zoe Berger	13	Evelyn Galstad	29

FACEBOOK LINK

Link to our Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/SonsOfNorwayRestaurationLodge1548>

District One now has a facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Sons-of-Norway-District-1-148130308566588/>

EXERCISE

The time to get healthy or stay healthy is before the doctor frowns and says, I think you need to make some changes. Diet, exercise, do the whole business. DO SOMETHING!

MINUTES

Restauration Lodge 1-548 Sons of Norway Social Meeting Agenda May 10, 2016

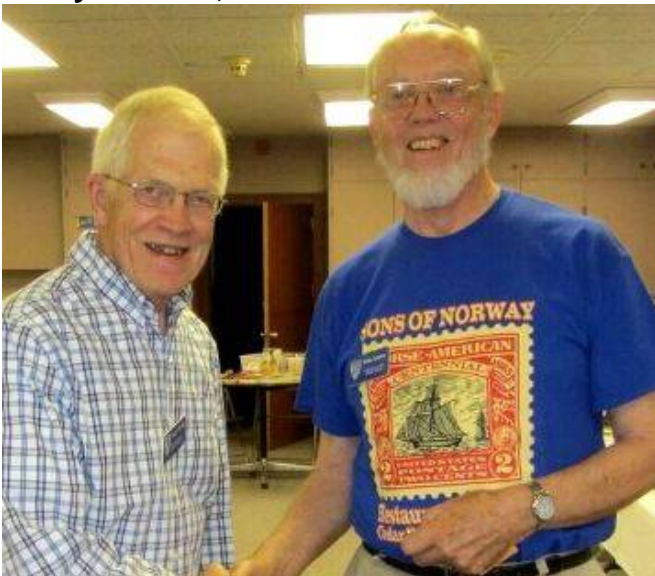
- Convened at 6:05 PM by President Barbara Erickson. Welcome and Introduction of Guests
- Singing of Norwegian table prayer accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano.
- Syttende Mai dinner, 80 in attendance.
- Reconvened at 7:19 PM for Business meeting by President Barbara Erickson
- Pledge of Allegiance and singing of *America* and *Ja, Vi Elsker* accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano
- Treasurer's Report: Ding Sather - Checking: \$2,012.98; Savings: \$5,752.94; Convention: \$29,158.14
- Secretary's Report: Harold Williamson - Minutes of April 12 as printed in the newsletter approved.
- Membership Secretary's Report: Alan Erickson - 138 members
- Social Directors' Report: Barbara Taylor, Lois Shindoll – July hosts are: Shindolls and Wohllebens
- Cultural Directors' Report: Beverly Robeck, Dale Fitzgibbons – Vesterheim program in July. No social meetings in June or August.
- Sunshine Report: Cheryl Zapf – Cards to: Don Johnson, 100th birthday!; Bob Erlandson, surgery; Arlo Meyer, surgery; Ardy Erickson, birthday; Ulla Wall, Get Well; Mrs. Ding Sather, Get Well
- Sports and Recreation: Verl Lekwa – Bronze award to Richard Isaacson for general exercise. Gold award to Alan Stang for general exercise.
- Convention Report: Vice President Cindy Charlson Monroe -
 - Our Restauration Lodge delegates are Cary Trantham, David Christ, Ruth Christ
 - Marvin Robeck made small trunks and these offered for sale at \$25
 - Viking Ship photos will be available for \$200
 - Dolls dressed in bunads will be for sale
 - Baked goods are requested
- President's Report: Barbara Erickson - Thank hosts, Board Members for setting up, and lodge members for desserts. Thanks to LJ's for the catered meal.
- Announcements
 - No Scandinavian knitting 5/16, otherwise Mondays 9:30 until noon at Thea O'Grady's house
 - T-shirts for sale
 - District One Convention June 9 through 11.
 - John Hanson's series of articles are running for four weeks in the Cedar Rapids Sunday Gazette
 - Next board meeting: Tuesday, May 17, 7:00 pm at Cindy's house
 - Next social meeting: No June meeting due to the convention. Tuesday July 12 (Travis Cleveland on Vesterheim)
- Program tonight: Convention Preview



Convention Leaders Anna Marie Klein, Cindy Monroe, Barbara Erickson



Member-created dolls for sale at the Convention



Verl Lekwa and Al Stang-award for-general exercise



Mary Jane Barlow-donated picture for sale at the Convention



Verl and Richard Isaacson-exercise award



Mini-Trunks by Marvin Robeck for sale at the Convention

Elected Officers:

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

Membership Secretary –
Alan Erickson 377-1707

Cultural Directors –
Beverly Robeck 319-512-0331
Dale Fitzgibbons 365-7704
Social Directors --Barbara Taylor 393-0844
Lois Shindoll 377-2890

Sons of Norway representatives:

Eldon Neighbor 319-350-9101
Jacob Scroggin 319-842-2340

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
Language Facilitator
Tom Næsse 841-2311

Past Pesident- Cindy Monroe 363-7420
Librarian- Lois Shindoll 377-2890
Musician-Sharon Kay Stang 351-5133
Newsletter Editors-Mary/Bill Durspek 377-4480
Scholarship- Cindy Monroe 363-7420
Sports/Recreation/Youth-Verl Lekwa 728-2847
Sunshine-Cheryl Zapf 363-5326
Publicity-

Lodge web site: www.sofn-cedarrapids.org

Web master: Robert Thorkildson 721-9902