

RESTAURATION LODGE #548



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**The September social meeting will be Tuesday, Sept 13, 2016
at 7:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids**

The program will be by Dr David Faldet of Luther College who will review our Norwegian past. The co-hostesses for the September 13 SON meeting are Mavis Lovik and Jean Murray.

FRA PRESIDENT

Restauration Lodge should be proud of it's hosting the SofN 2016 District 1 Convention. Takk ! Takk! Takk! LOTS of our members (and friends) put in many volunteer hours and we received compliments from nearly everybody attending. Delegates thanked us for being friendly, organized, helpful, and enjoyed the Scandinavian foods served at the banquets and Kaffe. The Marriott staff went above and beyond in providing superb food and helping us with technical support and all the little last minute details. The district's business went well. Outgoing district president Barbara Olson welcomed incoming president Dennis Rusinko and they both thanked Restauration Lodge for a fine job in hosting the convention. I hope everyone had a great summer and is ready for our interesting fall programs. The September meeting with Dr Faldet reviews our Norwegian past and the October program with Dr John Hanson highlights Norway's present. Please be sure to attend. Barbara

LANGUAGE CLASS

Tom Næsse's class starts again Thursday, Oct 6 at 6 pm at Tom's place.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club meets at the Gesme's apartment the 3rd Wednesday of every month. This month it will be Wednesday, Septmeber 21st at 1 p.m. at Cottage Grove place, 2115 First Ave. SE., Apt. 3303. The book to be reviewed is *A MAN CALLED OVE*, by Fredrik Backman. Cindy Monroe will provide refreshments and lead the discussion. Please call Ann at 319-362-6910 or email her at augdhg@mchsi.com if you are coming.

PROGRAMS FOR LATE 2016

September - Dr Faldet reviews *Our Norwegian Past*

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

November - Thea O'Grady reviews *The Scream*

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 on his blog at

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

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
Charles L Holecek	1	Mary L Brubaker	15
Lisa Maureen Kenyon	5	Diane Irene Ogann	15
Evelyn Joan Thompson	6	Emma J Nielsen	18
Sara K Knutson	7	Taylor Lawrence	19
Harold E Williamson	8	Dale D Hovden	29
Tucker L Cornell	13		

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
William Durspek	1	Enid Benda	9
Cynthia Monroe	5	Clarissa McCormick	21
Joanne Oftedahl	5	Alison Galstad	21
Norman Roberg	5	Dale Fitzgibbons	22
Vincent Williams	6	Ruth Christ	26
Jody Marquith	8	Carey Trantham	30

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

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/>

BUS TRIP TO NORDIC FEST IN MINOT, ND

The Kong Sverre Lodge of Story City, IA has scheduled a bus trip to the Nordic Host Fest in Minot, North Dakota, Friday, September 27-30. the bus will depart from Story City and travel up interstate 35 to interstate 90. There is room for others to join us. We can stop to pick up at points enroute. Information flyers are available, contact Dean Sampson at (515)-509-7932 if you are interested

EXERCISE

Cooler weather on the way. No more excuses not to get out and walk, bicycle, tour the malls. Fall is wonderful for exercising and observing nature. Start a SON exercise program soon.. DO SOMETHING! Verl

NEWS FROM NORWAY

For the first time since the mid 1990s, Norway's expenditures have exceeded state revenues. Figures released by Statistics Norway (SSB) on Tuesday show that the state's total revenues in the second quarter of this year totaled 328 billion kroner, which is 2.3 percent less than in the same quarter of last year.

Expenditures increased by eight percent over the same period last year, rising to 333 billion kroner. "Reduced income from petroleum taxes and reduced surplus from the State's Direct Financial Interest in petroleum activities (SDFI) account largely for the continued decrease in total revenue in Q2 2016," SSB wrote.

Norway doctors on strike -- 194 doctors and other hospital workers went on strike on Wednesday morning. Mediations between trade union Akademikerne and employer association Spekter broke down shortly after a 12am deadline on Wednesday. As a result, 194 union members have walked off the job at hospitals in Oslo, Bergen, Stavanger and Finnmark. According to Spekter, around 100 of the striking workers are doctors. An additional 119 union members at other hospitals will join the strike on Friday if the two sides can't reach an agreement.

OLE AND LENA

Ole and Lena went to the hospital so Lena could give birth to their first baby. As Ole waited in the lobby, the doctor came out to inform him that he had some good news and some bad news. "The good news is that you have a normal baby boy. The bad news is that it is a Caesarian."

Ole started crying: "Vell, I'm glad it is a healthy baby...but I was kinda hoping it would be a Norwegian."

MINUTES

July 12, 2016 Social Meeting Restauration Lodge, 1-549, Sons of Norway Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

- Convened at 7:10 PM 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 \$2265.35, Savings \$5781.02, District Meeting account: \$10,543.32
- Membership Secretary's Report: Alan Erickson – 140 members
- Social Directors' Report: Lois Shindoll, Barbara Taylor
 - Hosts tonight: Arden and Lois Shindoll and Cindy Charlson Monroe
 - Hosts in September: Jean Murray and Mavis Lovik
- Cultural Directors' Report: Beverly Robeck, Dale Fitzgibbons
 - Noted that our web page got an award
 - September speaker will be Dr. David Foldat of Decorah who will present program on "Linka's Diary" by Elizabeth Koran
- Book Club: September 21, 1 PM, at Gesmes. "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman will be discussed.
- Norwegian Class: Tom Naesse on vacation in Norway.
- Presidents Report: Barbara Erickson
 - Received award from SON District Convention of a model of vessel "Restauration"
- Announcements:
 - Nordic Fest: July 28-31, in Decorah
 - Hooverfest: Aug. 6, in West Branch
 - No August Social Meeting
 - Next Social Meeting, September 13, 7 PM
 - Next Board Meeting, Aug. 16, 7 PM, Cindy Charlson Monroe's house
 - "Church Basement Ladies" to be presented in Amana
 - Knitting group meets Mondays at Thea's
- Program: Travis Cleveland gave program about Vesterheim celebrating "50 years of Folk Art".



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Convention Opening Ceremony



Master of Ceremonies Dale Fitzgibbons



Lisa Kenyon and her Prize Winning Craft



Prize Given to our Lodge



Convention Delegates Cary Trantham, Ruth and David Christ



Sandra VanAmburg and Mary Brubaker at the Goodie station at the Convention



Huge Kransekaka made by Lois Shindoll for the Convention



Bunad wearers at the Convention, Cindy Monroe, Barbara Erickson, Ruth and David Christ

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
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