

RESTAURATION LODGE #548



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The October social meeting will be Tuesday, Oct 11, 2016
at 7:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids

The program will be by Dr John Hansen who recently completed a year in Norway. His presentation will be titled, "Roving Over Norway: A Fulbright Experience." The co-hostesses for the October 11 SON meeting are Thea O' Grady and Marilyn Olsen.

FRA VICE PRESIDENT

Lekeklass: Play Time Before Our Monthly Meeting

Some members, who asked for more activities that either were hands-on or extended our programming topics, are piloting an opportunity for you. At 5:30 pm before our monthly meetings, we will be offering a variety of topics for you. At our first Lekeklass on Tuesday, October 11 at 5:30, we will make krumkake. If you have your own iron you would like to use, bring it. Cindy Monroe is bringing recipes, irons, ingredients, bowls, etc. There may be a very small charge for ingredients. If you have a recipe or filling you would like printed and shared, send it to cmonroe1947@gmail.com. We hope to have many members and guests at our inaugural Lekeklass

We cannot say takk often or strongly enough. Thank you for all your support for the 2016 District 1 Convention. The comments directed at us were so overwhelmingly positive, it made us forget our little bumps and appreciate the long and hard work that made it a success. Cindy

LANGUAGE CLASS

Tom Nässe'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, October 19 at 1 p.m. at Cottage Grove place, 2115 First Ave. SE., Apt. 3303. The book to be reviewed is THE DIARY OF ELIZABETH KOREN Please call Ann at 319-362-6910 or email her at augdhg@mchsi.com if you are coming.

PROGRAMS FOR LATE 2016

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/> .

Anna and Jens Inge Børkja story

Several years ago Anna and Jens were part of the Odd Harald Olsen tour group. They visited Sandra Van Amburg's home and Norway, IA and later were entertained at Cindy Monroe's at a potluck supper for them and other local SON members. This year they were elected as delegates from Norway to the International Convention held in Tacoma in August. One place visited there was the America's Car Museum at Tacoma. The car picture is of them in a beautiful old Buick at the museum. Back home, they visited the site of a miniature version of our Statue of Liberty placed at Visnes on Karmøy, Norway, where the copper used to coat our Statue of Liberty in New York was mined.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
David Johansen	3	Norma Kvindlog	19
Gary Speicher	13	Marilyn Olson	23
Tom C Olson	14	Verl Lekwa	24
Paula Schulte	15	Astrid Anderton	27
Sydney Stapley	16	Richard Stueland	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/>

EXERCISE

Cooler weather is here. 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

CALENDARS Lois Shindoll has calendars and they will be available at the October meeting.

NEWS FROM NORWAY

A ship that once belonged to famed Norwegian arctic explorer Roald Amundsen has been recovered after almost a century immersed in the icy depths of Cambridge Bay in Canada. The Maud was one of three iconic ships built for Amundsen's expeditions, alongside Gjøa and Fram, which are today on display at the Fram Museum in Oslo, Norway.



After six years of work, the team of Norwegians behind the project were able to do what was attempted in the 1990s but ended in failure -- they raised the Maud after 85 years on the Canadian seabed. Despite decades under water, the Maud is expected to have maintained much of its integrity. Aside from expected wear and tear, project manager Jan Wanggaard says the ship is in good condition. The Maud

was launched on June 7, 1917, in Vollen, near Oslo. The vessel was christened by

Amundsen. The renowned explorer later captained the ship during an expedition to the Northeast Passage above Russia.

OLE AND LENA

One day Lena confided to her friend Hilda that she had finally cured her nervous husband, Ole, of his habit of biting his nails. "Good gracious," said Hilda, "How did yew ever dew that?" "It vas really simple," was Lena's reply. "I just hid his false teeth."

MINUTES

September 13, 2016 Social Meeting, Restauration Lodge, 1-549, Sons of Norway Our Savior's Lutheran Church

- Convened at 7:07 PM by President Barbara Erickson. 47 in attendance
- Pledge of Allegiance and singing of "America" and "Ja Vi Elsker" accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano.
- Treasurer's Report: Ding Sather – Checking \$1966.54, Savings \$5781.02, Business account \$8844.56 All bills paid.
- Secretary's Report: Harold Williamson – Minutes as printed in Newsletter approved.
- Membership Secretary's Report: Alan Erickson – 141 members
- Social Directors' Report: Barbara Taylor and Lois Shindoll –
 - Co-hostesses tonight are: Mavis Lovik and Jean Murray
 - Co- hostesses for October are Thea O'Grady and Marilyn Olsen
- Cultural Directors' Report: Beverly Robeck and Dale Fitzgibbons –
 - October program: Dr. John Hanson on his year in Norway
 - November Program: Thea O'Grady on Edvard Munch's "Scream"
 - December Program: Christmas traditions in Norway and Norwegian America.
- Sunshine Report: Cheryl Zapf: Card to Bill and Mary Durspek, 60th anniversary.
- Sports and Recreation: Verl Lekwa- Dale Fitzgibbons received silver award for Tai chi
- Book Club: Sept. 21, 1 PM, at Gesmes. "A Man Called Ove" will be discussed.
- New Business:
 - Float for St. Pats Day parade discussed.
 - Thea O'Grady announced the formation of a new group "Lekeplass (playground)" ,
which will meet prior to Social meetings at 5:30 PM to discuss various topics about today's Norway or Scandinavia or an ancient Nordic tradition and what it means today. October topic will cover krumkake; how to make it and its popularity in modern Norsk homes. All are welcome.
- Announcements:
 - Lois Shindoll indicated that calendars would be available at October meeting.
 - Barbara Taylor said the Cedar Rapids Lions club has a Variety Show on Sept. 25 at the Scottish Rite Temple, 3-5 PM, \$10 admission.
 - Jean Murray said there will be an art show at NewBo on Fri, Sat, Sun.
 - Next Social Meeting: October 11, 7 PM, at Out Savior's Lutheran Church
 - Next Board Meeting: October 18, 7 PM, at Cindy Charlson Monroe's house.
 - Program: Beverly Robeck introduced Dr.David Faldet who gave program on Our Norwegian Past.



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Anna and Jens Børkja in a restored Buick



Anna and Jens Børkja at mini-Statue of Liberty at Visnes on Karmøy, Rogaland



Items for sale at the convention



Our new District 1 President, Dennis Rusinko



Some of the banners 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
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Lodge web site: www.sofn-cedarrapids.org

Web master: Robert Thorkildson 721-9902

Appointed Officers:

Auditors:
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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 President- 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-