

Restauration Lodge #1-548



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The July meeting will be Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids

Vesterheim is coming to the Sons of Norway Restauration Lodge #548 in Cedar Rapids and Vesterheim members are invited!

Kate Martinson, retired Luther professor and Vesterheim volunteer and trustee, will present

North Sea to South Seas: Norwegian Sugar Cane Story

Tuesday, July 11, 7:00 p.m.

Our Savior Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids

3634 1st Ave. (Near Lindale Mall and across from Fareway Grocery.)

The event is free, but please help us plan with an RSVP by July 7.
Dessert will be served.

Contact Karla Brown, Vesterheim Development Event Coordinator —
563-382-9681 x107, or kbrown@vesterheim.org.

Visit vesterheim.org for more information about Vesterheim events around the country.

Hosts for the meeting will be Beverly Robeck, Barbara Erickson, Barbara Taylor and Mary Jane Barlow

FRA PRESIDENT

I am very excited that Vesterheim is presenting our July program. Please join us and invite your friends. Please rsvp to Vesterheim: kbrown@vesterheim.org. Barbara

LEKEPLASS

Lekeplass is suspended until September.

LANGUAGE CLASS

On vacation for the summer.

BOOK CLUB

Summer vacation for Book Club. We will resume again on the 20th of September, when we will be discussing the book **THE ALMOST NEARLY PERFECT PEOPLE: THE TRUTH ABOUT THE NORDIC MYTH**, by Michael Booth.

PROGRAMS

July 11 Kate Martinson of Vesterheim -- "Vikings in Hawaii -Norwegian Sugar Cane"

August No meeting

September 12 Lisa Kenyon on the "Draken Hårold Harfagre: the Viking Ship in Detroit"

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
Mavis M Hovden	2	John A Albertson	18
Sharon Kay Stang	4	Jonathan R White	18
Laurie K Johnson	6	Beverly B Robeck	19
Donald H Kvindlog	7	Fred M Amundson	25
Delaine C Sather	15	Ulla Wall	29
Nancy S Thorkildson	15		

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
Charles L Holecek	1	Mary L Brubaker	15
Lisa M Kenyon	5	Diane I Ogann	15
Evelyn J 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		

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 319-536-4979

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

We assume you've put away the skis and ice skates by now. So it's time to get in the summer mode and walk, swim, bike, anything other than making a bee-line for the recliner. Check on the SON programs for medals that can give you an incentive to stay in condition. Lekwa

INSURANCE

For those of you who had money invested in 2008 and lost a good chunk of it, there are safer options available. SON products are sound, secure options for investing in your family's future. You will never check your SON investment and find a loss like you experienced in '08 in the market. Also, don't forget, if you call Eldon this summer to review your portfolio, you can do it over a free lunch!!!!

NEWS FROM NORWAY

- **Norway to ban the use of oil for heating buildings by 2020**

"Those using fossil oil for heating must find other options by 2020," says country's Environment Minister. Norway is set to become the first country in the entire world to ban the use of gas to heat buildings. The Scandinavian country, which is the world's largest producer of oil and natural gas outside the Middle East, will wholly stop the use of both oil and paraffin to warm buildings from 2020 onwards.

- **Iran's Tejarat Bank Opening Branch in Norway**

Tejarat Bank, a major Iranian lender, is to open a branch in Norway as banking ties with the Scandinavian country gathers pace, announced the Second Secretary for Economic Affairs with the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Tehran in a meeting with the international affairs deputy of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture.

"I can announce the good news that banking ties will be established between a number of Norwegian and Iranian banks soon, including Tejarat Bank which is to open a Norway branch in the foreseeable future," Martin Eide was quoted as saying by the official news website of the ICCIMA.

MINUTES

Restauration Lodge, 1-548, Sons of Norway, Social Meeting June 13, 2017 Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Convened at 7:04 PM by President Barbara Erickson

Pledge of Allegiance and singing of "America" and "Ja Vi Elsker" accompanied by Sharon Kay Stang on piano.

Treasurers Report: Checking \$2,315.68, Savings \$13,886.31. Arden Shindoll will be taking treasurer's position.

Secretary's Report: Harold Williamson - Minutes as appeared in Newsletter approved.

Membership Report: Alan Erickson — 140 members.

Social Directors' Report: Lois Shindoll and Barbara Taylor —

- o Servers for June are: Mary Brubaker, Sandra Van Amburg, Carolyn Rushton

Cultural Directors Report: Dale Fitzgibbons and Beverly Robeck -

- o July program: Kate Martinson will present "North Sea to South Seas: Norwegian Sugar Cane Story."

- o No August meeting

- o September program: Viking Ship in Detroit

Book Club and Lekeplass not meeting in summer.

Sunshine Report; Card to Don and Norma Kvindlag, 65th Anniversary; card to Mary Brubaker, illness.

Vice President Report: Cindy Charlson Monroe.

- o Bookmark/reading list circulated.

- o Tubfrim — Old stamps needed for a charity in Norway.

Scandinavian knitting: Thea O'Grady — Meets Monday 9:30 to noon at her house.

What's new in Norway: Tom Naesse -

- o Oslo: 56 degrees and partly cloudy

- o 21 year maximum jail sentence reaffirmed.

- o Gang violence increasing; police are arming more.

Business:

- o A Founders Certificate and check for \$50 received from International for Membership

Achievement in 2016

- o Noted that Sandra Van Amburg had recipe article in “Our Iowa” magazine.

Announcements:

- o Next Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 20, 7 PM, at Cindy Charlson Monroe's house.
- o Next Social Meeting, Tuesday July 11, 7 PM, at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church.
- o Nordic Fest at Decorah, July 29
- o Linn County Fair, June 30

Program: Karen Brunssen — Norwegian Tales and Tunes



**Ann Urness Gesme and daughter Karen Gesme Brunssen
Reader and Singer at the June meeting**



Karen Gesme Brunssen singing at the June meeting

Elected Officers:

President – Barbara Erickson	377-1707
Vice President – Cindy Monroe	363-7420
Secretary – Harold Williamson	338-5658
Treasurer – Arden Shindoll	377 2890
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
M.E. Levsen	319-538-5933

Appointed Officers:

Auditors:	
Verl Lekwa	738-2847
Ruth Christ	351-7717
Bob Thorkildson	721-9902
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

Lodge web site: www.sofn-cedarrapids.org

Web master: Robert Thorkildson 721-9902