

Restauration Lodge #1-548



September 2018 www.sofn-cedarrapids.org

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Sept 11, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids

PROGRAM The program for this month is " About the Artist Herbjon Gausta" by Dr. Kate Elliot.

Hosts for the meeting are Larry and Sarah Knutson and Pat Bjorseth.

FRA PRESIDENT

It's been a busy summer with Sons of Norway district convention in June, International convention in August, Fairs at Linn County, Decorah, Newbo Cedar Rapids, and West Branch. We are always looking for new members, and September would be a good program to bring a friend. I'm excited about having Dr. Kate Elliott of Luther College, Decorah speak in September which will be a fascinating topic, "About the Artist Herbjorn Gausta", a late nineteenth-century Norwegian-American painter.

Barbara

TIDBITS FROM THE VICE PRES

The Shindoll and McCormick families enjoyed a 2 week vacation in Norway where we visited friends and family. Arden survived but didn't like the roads. In the next few months I will be sharing things perhaps you didn't know about Norway. This will take place at our social meetings. And, snippets once in awhile from our trip.

LEKEPLASS No Lekeplass this month

PROGRAMS

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NAME TAGS

If you want the magnet-backed version of nametags, they are \$8.25 and are ordered by our Vice President, Lois Shindoll. See her at the meetings or call her at 377-2890.

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

LANGUAGE CLASS

Language class is closed until October.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club for September is on Wednesday, September 19, at 1 o'clock p.m., at Gesme's apartment at Cottage Grove Place. The book this month is: *THE LITTLE OLD LADY WHO BROKE ALL THE RULES*, by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg. Barbara Erickson will provide refreshments and lead the discussion. The October 17 book is *Norwegian by Night* by Derek B. Miller.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birth Day	Name	Birth Day
William J Durspek	1	Enid U Benda	9
Helen Anderson	4	Alison Ames Galstad	21
Cynthia Charlson Monroe	5	Dale A Fitzgibbons	22
Norman Vernon Roberg	5	Ruth E Christ	26
Vincent Williams	6	Carey E Trantham	30
Jodi Enger Marquith	8		

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

OK. You used the excuse that it was too cold last winter to exercise and you had no place inside. Now you say it's too hot. Buckle down and get to the Y or a mall, or buy a treadmill or cheaper yet, get a disc that shows a group doing walking and leg exercises that you can follow in your own home. After all, you are Norsk, the premium brand. Lekwa

SONS OF NORWAY MISSION STATEMENT

FYI A review of the Sons of Norway mission statement::

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and to preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic Countries, and provide quality insurance and financial products to our members.

INSURANCE

A new insurance representative is now on board, Scott Johannsen of Davenport. He has been in the business for some 20 years. he has a mail address at sjohannsen@riverlandinsurancegroup.com and Tel 563-343-5167.

LITTLE OLE

During the minister's prayer one Sunday, there was a loud whistle from a pew in the front row. It was little Ole. His mother Lena beside him was horrified. She pinched him to silence, and after church asked:

"Ole, whatever made you do such a thing?"

Ole answered gingerly:

"I asked God to teach me to whistle, and He just did!"



NEWS FROM NORWAY



The Oak Island sword is shown on Dan Blankenship's vehicle's hood in sunlight with Marty Lagina's hand in the photo for size reference and you can see his face in the photo. **OAK ISLAND — Was Nova Scotia a stopping place for ancient Romans sailing to North America over a thousand years before Christopher Columbus and the Norsemen?** The History channel will soon air an episode of *The Curse of Oak Island* that gives voice to claims that a Roman sword allegedly found off Nova Scotia's coast proves that Europeans were sailing here 1,800 years ago and possibly earlier. "Whoever these Romans were, they disappeared from Roman history," Jovan Hutton Pulitzer, a self-declared forensic historian who appears on the show, told *The Halifax Chronicle*.

MINUTES

Restauration Lodge 1-548 Sons of Norway Social Meeting, July 10, 2018

- **Welcome and Introduction of Guests – Secretary Cindy Monroe at 7:00.**
The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and singing of *America* and *Ja, Vi Elsker*.
- **Treasurer:** The treasurer is in Norway and a report will be made at our next meeting.
- **Secretary:** Minutes were approved as corrected.
- **Membership Secretary:** The membership secretary is also readying for a European vacation and will give a complete report next month.
- **V.P:** No Report
- **Social Directors:** Sign ups for refreshments for the remainder of the year are complete.
- **Cultural Director:** The September program will be "Herbjon Gausta" by Dr. Kate Elliot.
- **Book Club:** Book Club will meet on September 19, at 1:00, at Ann Gesme's home. The book to be discussed is *The Little Old Lady who Broke all the Rules* by Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg. The October 17 book is *Norwegian by Night* by Derek B. Miller.
- **Scandinavian Knitting:** Meets Mondays at 9:30 - Noon at Thea O'Grady's house.
- **Sons of Norway Representative:** No report.
- **Business**
Brief words about District I Convention.
- **Announcements:** We are thankful for the flexibility of Our Savior's Lutheran Church for allowing us to meet in the sanctuary while they held Bible School. Member Owen Hanson was outstanding in his presentation about his year as a third grader in Norway during Bible School at First Presbyterian Church which utilized a unit called Expedition Norway.
- **Next board meeting:** Monday, August 20 at 3:00 pm at Cindy Monroe home
- **Next social meeting:** Tuesday September 11, 2018 7:00 pm
- **Program tonight:** Norm Carlson – "American Humor: Ole and Lena in America"

Elected Officers:

President – Barbara Erickson	377-1707
Vice President – Lois Shindoll	377-2890
Secretary – Cindy Monroe	363-7420
Treasurer – Arden Shindoll	377 2890
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Cultural Director – Marilyn Olson	393-5531
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Sue Speicher	364-8607

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Appointed Officers:

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