

June 2020

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RESTAURATION
LODGE 1-548

Due to the pandemic, June and July in-person meetings are cancelled.



Fra Presidenten:

I hope you all are staying safe and healthy. Due to riots in Minneapolis I've included information from SofN HQ to share with members. I hope you join us Tuesday June at 7:00 pm for our on-line lodge meeting and video presentation. *Barbara*

Information for signing into zoom:

Tuesday June 9, 7:00 pm (the meeting will be open at 6:45 for your technical check-out and visitation).

Link to join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/77730444484?pwd=VWlIVGdtY3hyZldpZG1vcIRlb2phZz09>

Or go to zoom.us and enter:

Meeting ID: 777 3044 4484

Password: SofnCR

Attendance via phone is also available by contacting Alan Erickson
319-377-1707



OUR ACTIVITIES

Hey! It's JUNE!
Let's wish these members a
Happy Birthday!!!!

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| Donna J Trolliet | 8 |
| Wilmer A Mickelson | 11 |
| Arnold E Andersen | 12 |
| Barbara L Erickson | 12 |
| Kathleen Doyle Almelien | 16 |
| Sandra L Van Amburg | 19 |
| Mette G Kelley | 23 |
| Barbara A Taylor | 25 |
| Lorelei Oetker | 26 |
| Ashton Galstad | 28 |
| Alan R Erickson | 29 |
| Evelyn Galsta | 2 |



Skandanavian Knitters

We have been meeting in an outdoor venue for the past three weeks using social distancing We meet at the Home of Becky Cleveland, 2509 White Eagle Trail SE in Cedar Rapids.

We meet every Monday 9:30-12. Call Thea O'Grady at 319-536-4979 with questions. BYOCoffee.



BOOK CLUB

Our book is
“Traditional
Scandinavia
Knitting “by
Sheila McGregor.

June 17, 2020
2:00

Book Club
ZOOM
[Join Zoom
Meeting Here!](#)

Or go to zoom.us
and enter:
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777 3044 4484
Password:
SofnCR

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At our meeting, we will stream the video "Sons of Norway, The History of Sons of Norway, Honoring the Past, Looking to the Future." There are no car chases we know, but it only lasts 15 minutes!

An introduction to the video: On January 16, 1895, the original 18 members of Sons of Norway gathered for their first official meeting. Today we celebrate the 125 years that have passed since that meeting, as well as the fact that we have grown to become the largest Norwegian organization outside of Norway. Sons of Norway is now a thriving international organization with 50,000 members at 350 lodges across the United States, Canada and Norway, and our

Dennis Rosinko (SofN district 1 president) forwarded this information to the lodges.

"Since the center of the protests is on Lake Street mail service in that area has been suspended. If members have mailed in items to SofN please check that it has been received. If it has not been received, wait and resend it at a later date. One Post Office received significant damage, so I suggest not mailing anything to Sons of Norway until delivery service is resumed."

Vesterheim has now posted information on their website. Information is available on Textile Study Tour: Norway And England and Heritage Tour: Explore a Thousand Years of Norway both Summer 2021 [VESTERHEIM](#)

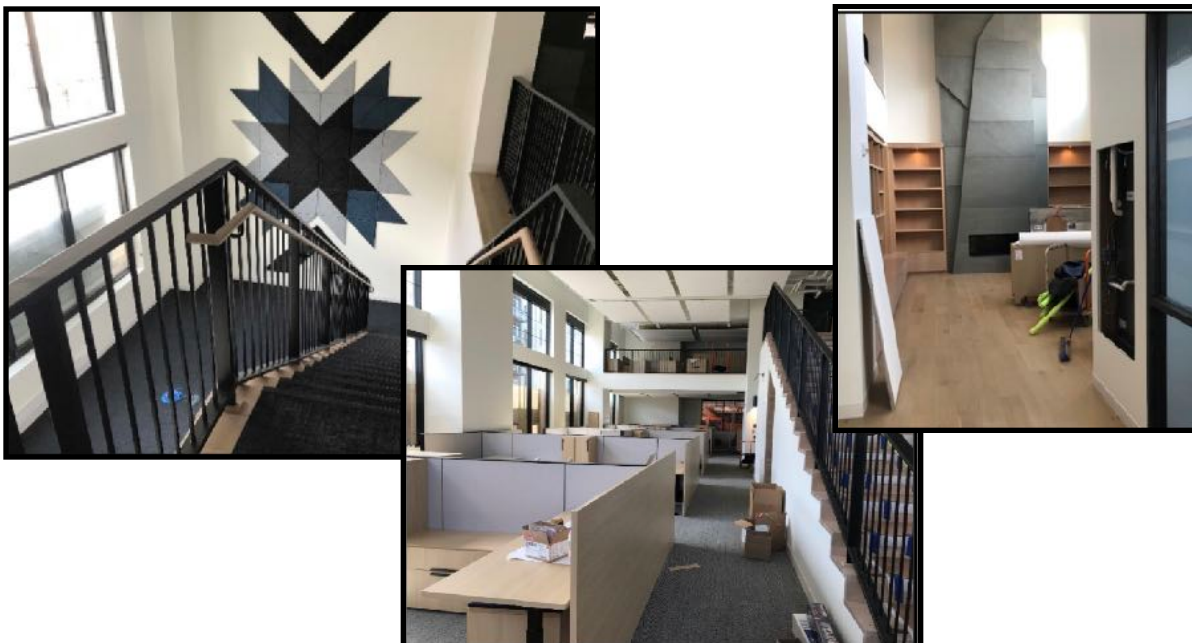
Several businesses including Ingebretsen's on East Lake Street, Minneapolis were recently damaged (more information on their Facebook page). The new Sons of Norway headquarters nearby is undamaged. Here's a link to the list of businesses in Uptown that were damaged in the riots. [UPTOWN](#)

From HEADQUARTERS

I wanted to give you an update on the status of our building given the unrest in the Uptown area of Minneapolis (following the death of George Floyd). The SONS headquarters has not been damaged. This is in spite of the fact that the building is only a few blocks from some of the worst of the riots. While there was minor graffiti on some of our windows Wednesday night (May 27), there was no physical damage to the outside of the building or the contents inside the building. The graffiti has been removed.

Many of the surrounding buildings have had heavy damage, however, and most are boarded over with plywood right now. The US Post Office that handles our mail has been burned, and we are working with the central downtown post office in Minneapolis to re-route our mail. We are trying to ascertain whether any of our inbound mail was destroyed. If it was, it would only be for 1 or 2 days. The postal investigators will notify us.

We are still scheduled to be working from the building on Monday, June 22. We are hoping and praying that peace will prevail. Our IT technician, Rob Little, took these photos when he visited the building last Friday (May 29).



Elected Officers:

- 👑 **President – Barbara Erickson 319-377-1707**
- Vice President – Lois Shindoll 319-377-2890**
- Secretary – Cindy Monroe 319-363-7420** 📧
- Treasurer – Arden Shindoll 319-377-2890**
- Membership Secretary– Alan Erickson**
_____ **319-377- 1707**
- Cultural Director – Marilyn Olson 319-393-5531**
- Social Directors – Barb Taylor 319-393-0844**
_____ **Sue Speicher 319-364-8607**
- SON Financial Benefits Counselor**

- Scott Johannsen**
_____ **sjohannsen@riverlandinsurancegroup.com**
_____ **563-343-5157**



Web master:
Bob Thorkildson
319-721-9902

Appointed Officers:

- Auditors: Verl Lekwa 319-728-2847**
- Ruth Christ 536-351-7717**
- Bob Thorkildson 319-721-9902**
- Language Facilitator**
Tom Næsse 319-841-2311
- Past President**
Cindy Monroe 319-363-7420
- Librarian–Lois Shindoll 319-377-2890**
- 🎵 Musician–Sharon Kay Stang**
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- Publicity Director } Thea**
- Newsletter Editor } O’Grady**
- Scholarships**
Cindy Monroe 319-363-7420
- Sports/Recreation/Youth**
Very Verl Lekwa 536-728-2847
- ☀️ Sunshine- Cheryl Zapf 319-363-5326**

