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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 to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

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MEETING TIME:

Monthly business meetings held the second Wednesday of every month (except July)

7:00 PM

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Deadline for the September Issue is August 20

Fjellheim Lodge Semi-Annual Walleye Dinner

Saturday, August 18, 2018 @ 4:00 pm





It's Fish Fry time again! We will be serving wonderful walleye, baked potato, homemade cole slaw, fresh baked buns, and dessert in the comfortable surroundings of the Sons of Norway Viking Hall.

And if you can't or don't want to eat fish, there will be meatballs with all the fixin's. Either way, a good deal at \$20.00 per person, \$10.00 for those under 12. So c'mon over and feast on a Walleye Dinner with us Vikings.

For Reservations:

Please call Karen Ravnaas at (719) 390-0621 by Sunday, August 12th





2018 august

søndag	mandag	tirsdag	onsdag	torsdag	fredag	lørdag
			1 9:00 am Board Meeting Viking Hall	2	3	4
5	6	7 12:30 Games and Cards Viking Hall	8 5:00 Book Club 5:30 pm FMC 6:00 pm Pot Luck Dinner Heritage Mtg Viking Hall	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 4:00 pm Walleye Dinner Viking Hall
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 6:00 pm Language Class 1 7:00 pm Language Class 2	29	30	31	



The **Father's Day picnic** was a gathering of young and old for good food and fellowship and a little rain. Thanks to Steve for making the arrangements.



President's Corner

Kerry Hefta



Did everyone have a wonderful July?

We had a very busy June with the convention and getting ready for and attending the Scandinavian Festival at Estes Park. Kathie Godsill, Gerald and Pat Rowe, Brenda Anderson and myself made our way to Rohnert Park, Ca for the District 6 convention June 10-14. We attended the various cultural events on Sunday and the formal business meeting and the opening and closing banquets. And last but not least we got the Large Lodge of the Year award!!! Remember this is award is for ALL of us! We did this as members with help from the guidance of BJ, Mike and Steve when they were at the helm. A side note: this was a Colorado sweep with Storfjell from Grand County receiving the small lodge of the year award.

The Scandinavian festival was unbelievable with activity everywhere. There was a May Pole and Viking enactors and a bunad parade tons of vendors and of course LEFSE!! The weather was great Saturday, but the predicted rain came Sunday however luckily it didn't last the whole day. We managed to sell 1600 rounds of lefse and lots of water at the festival. We need to all give kudos to Mike for setting up this year's booth and training his reluctant successors for next year.

A Fjellheim member, Dana Ferguson, has been selected as a crew member of the recreated Viking ship Draken. It is sailing up and down the coast of New England this year. His story is detailed in another article in the Flammen. Think of the stories he will have!

Now we are winding up for our busiest times of the year starting with the Fish Fry Aug 18th and the Anniversary Dinner Sept 15th. I will be in town for the Fish Fry but am missing the Anniversary Dinner. I have a good excuse I think. I am doing a tour in Norway arranged by the Bunad Buttikken and Sue Sutherland of Norsk fabrics and crafts for 2 weeks. Let's see if I can sit still and stay focused for four straight days of sewing and embroidery included in the tour. Believe me, it's not my strong point!

Tusen Takk for alt!

Hadde alle hatt en flott juli?

Vi hadde en veldig travel juni med konvensjonen og gjør oss klar for og deltok på den skandinaviske festivalen på Estes Park. Kathie Godsill, Gerald og Pat Rowe, Brenda Anderson og meg selv gjorde veien til Rohnert Park, Ca for District 6-konvensjonen 10-14 juni. Vi deltok på de ulike kulturarrangementene på søndag og det formelle forretningsmøtet og åpnings- og avsluttende banketter. Og sist men ikke minst fikk vi den store Lodge of the Year award! Husk dette er prisen er for alle av oss! Vi gjorde dette som medlemmer med hjelp fra veiledningen fra BJ, Mike og Steve da de var ved roret. Et sidebeskrivelse: Dette var et Colorado-feie med Storfjell fra Grand County som mottok den lille hytten på året.

Den skandinaviske festivalen var utrolig med aktivitet overalt. Det var en May Pole og Viking enactors og en bunad parade tonn leverandører og selvfølgelig LEFSE!! Været var flott lørdag, men det predikerte regnet kom søndag, men heldigvis var det ikke hele dagen. Vi klarte å selge 1600 runder lefse og mye vann på festivalen. Vi må alle gi kudos til Mike for å sette opp årets messe og trene hans motvillige etterfølgere for neste år.

Et Fjellheim-medlem, Dana Ferguson, er valgt som et besetningsmedlem i det gjenoppbyggede vikingskipet Draken. Det seiler opp og ned langs kysten av New England i år. Hans historie er detaljert i en annen artikkel i Flammen. Tenk på historiene han vil ha!

Nå slår vi opp for våre travleste tider på året som starter med Fish Fry 18 august og jubileumsmiddagen 15. september. Jeg vil være i byen for Fish Fry, men mangler jubileumsmiddagen. Jeg har en god unnskyldning, tror jeg. Jeg gjør en tur i Norge arrangert av Bunad Buttikken og Sue Sutherland av Norsk tekstiler og håndverk i 2 uker. La oss se om jeg kan sitte stille og være fokusert for fire rette dager med sying og brodering inkludert i turen. Tro meg, det er ikke mitt sterke punkt!

Tusen Takk for alt!

August Birthdays

Gratulerer med dagen

Philip Lynn Cable	3
Tillman C Opsal	3
Eunice C Bluhm	4
Alyssa R Smith	5
Todd Taskerud	5
Nora Durham	9
Cathrine Y Berg	10
Virginia M Johnson	16
Nancy L Chew	17
Elsie M Gonsholt	18
Everett Snead	20
B June Williams	20
Sara J Berge	21
Madison J Smith	21
Avery G Lawyer	26





Card Social

Card Social will be Tuesday, August 7th with a potluck lunch at 12:30 pm at Viking Hall followed by visiting and cards.

Viking Sisters

The next meeting of Viking Sisters will be Thursday, September 6 at 1:00 pm at Viking Hall





Book Club meets every second Wednesday of the month at 5:00 pm at Viking Hall. Our facilitator is Dot Everett.

Rosemaling Classes at Viking Hall

All skill levels are welcome. The cost for each 4 hour session is \$20.00. Please call Cindy Bauer at 633-8260 or Bi Mapstone at 264-0955.



Norwegian Language Class

We are looking forward to next year and we have a plan. We will start the new year on Tuesday, August 28th with the first class starting at 6:00 pm. The second class will begin at 7:00 pm.

The first class will use the textbook Sett i gang 1 and will be led by Cindi Keller and Jean Luce. The second class will use Sett i gang 2 and will be led by Annastacia Hackett and Erik Tjelmeland. To join us, go to settigang.com and order the textbook for the class you wish to join.

Remember-August is Potluck Month-Dinner starts at 6:00 pm





Sunshine Report - August 2018

Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating birthdays in August. Here we go again – summer is coming to a close and we begin the very busy half of our year!

I have not heard any news regarding our members, so if you of anyone who should get a card, please let me know. I will also announce it at the next meeting. Thanks!

How about a couple one-liners for a little giggle: I thought about making a fitness movie for folks my age and call it 'Pumping Rust'. The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble. And a little truism:

Today, give a stranger one of your smiles. It might be the only sunshine he sees all day.



Fraternally, Karen Ravnaas - 390-0621





Fjellheim Lodge 45th Anniversary

Saturday, September 15, 2018 Viking Hall 1045 Ford Street, Colorado Springs

Social time: 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Dinner, 6:00 p.m. Program, 7:00 p.m. The Magic of Professor Higgins Presentation of Lodge Pins and Certificates

Uppetizers

Norwegian waffles with Lingonberries Smoked salmon with dill on wheat cracker

> Cheese and grape kabob Knackebrod with gjetost Chocolate treat



Honey glazed spiral ham Scalloped potatoes Whole green beans with butter sauce

Fruit salad

Cranberries

Pickles, beets, lefse

Kranse Kake

Anniversary cake and coffee

Reservations by September 12th

Mail checks to Kathie Godsil, 719-229-9289 4415 Flat Top Place, Colorado Springs, CO 80923 Cost: Adults \$20.00. Children 12 and under: \$10.00



2018 Members to receive Anniversary Certificates/Pins at Fjellheim Lodge #6-107:

5 year:

Kathie Dawn Godsil Lena M Erickson (15 yo). Slidell, LA Eloise S Erickson (14 yo). Slidell, LA

Caren A Alvestad

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Rodger E Erickson Shane R Jahnke

Elsie Dorcas Kuns

Silje Ostrem. (14 yo) Ellen Hardy. San Carlos, CA

Christopher Hardy. San Carlos, CA

Peter Osburnsen

Celeste N Osburnsen

Jedidiah Dvorak. (14 yo). Victor, CO Elijah Dvorak (11 yo). Victor, CO

Nora Suntken (17 yo)

Claire Suntken (15 yó)

Margaret Suntken (12 yo)

Drew Wiest. (14 yo)

Matthew H Disbrow. Lakewood, CO

Avery G Lawyer (9 yo)

15 year:

Charles E Sullivan

Ryley Apodaca-Eacker. (15 yo)

Lisa N Johanson

Arlene J Reid

Kolben Erdal Barney. (15 yo)

Travis Allgood. (16yo) Richardson,

Glenn C Enderud. Pueblo, CO Lois M Enderud. Pueblo, CO

Kerry Ann Hefta

Adele E Steinseifer

Bjorn Gudmestad. Sedalia, CO

<u>20 year:</u> Ellen Rubi May

Cleo B Allgood

25 year:

Lillian May Hermanson

30 year:

John H Peterson

Owen Bergland

35 year:

Spencer L Holland

40 year:

Vivian I Johnson

Irene T Gladem. Salina, KS

45vear:

Paul R Wiig

Grace P Johnson. Minneapolis, MN

Ingrid Grove

Emma Josephine Greek

Jack R Anderson

Vickie Lee Bross. Roswell, NM

Vivi L Bjornen. Surprise, AZ

Clairette Bakken

Everett Snead

Ruth Wiig

Duane Bakken

Mariorie Lindskog, Pueblo, CO

Inger Pappas

Cynthia A Snell. Divide, CO

<u>50 year:</u> Sissel O Disbrow



Subject: Draken Harald Hårfagre and Sons of Norway Member from Fjellheim Lodge Colorado Springs and Member of Fjellborg Denver- <u>Dana Ferguson</u>

Here is my story on being selected to be a crew member of the Draken.

When my parents passed away a few years ago, I was given the family tree my father and I started. I started looking at it . I opened accounts in many family tree websites to get more information and then combined them into one large family tree. I was able to get access to overseas records through one of the sites. That lead me to getting my DNA tested again by three different sites for accuracy. I found out I am well more than a third Scandinavian and pretty much the rest North Western European. Which brought me to the Sons of Norway.

When I found my DNA was so largely Scandinavian I had to find out why. I found that my Great Grandmother was a full Dane. I traced that line back to the 1700's and it dead ends in Denmark. I found out I am more than likely at least 1/3 Dane which took me down the path of learning about the Danish and Viking Culture. About 3 years ago I stumbled across the Draken's web page https://www.drakenhh.com/ looking for history about the culture. While looking around on the website I saw you could volunteer to be a crew member (deckhand).

I thought to myself there is no way better to get the full Viking cultural immersion than this. I am a former Force Recon Marine and I am pretty sure it couldn't be any worse than what I have already been through. So

I had to try and apply. I believe this is the third year and this time I sent them my civilian resume and my military resume. Also let them know I am a member of the Sons of Norway. My family and I joined this year. My wife is more than likely 2/3s Norwegian which make our children very Scandinavian.

I had pretty much given up hope on going this year too, Until I got a email from the Draken Expedition Coordinator. When I saw it I was very skeptical, so I really gave it the once over. Then I went numb and bit of shock once it hit this was the real thing. I then proceeded to make sure they knew I was very interested in going and what were my next steps?



While I was at a Fjellborg meeting July 8th I got a Facebook phone call on my cell phone. It was midnight in Sweden but I went through the interview process and Q&A. We concluded this would be a great adventure for me. I was placed on the ships roster for the 3rd leg of the trip covering 4 ports two in Massachusetts and two in Maine. A section of sea we will be sailing may have been an area were Lief Eriksson sailed.

I don't know why they selected me but I am incredibly grateful they did. I fly out on Tuesday 17th at 6am to sign on to the Draken on Wednesday the 18th 8am. I had a little over a week to let my work know I was going on a extended vacation, get planes tickets and pack! However I don't care. This is a once in a lifetime type thing I could not pass up!

I will be on board as a crew member from July 18th - August 3rd. Ports of call are:

Plymouth MA (July 17-20)

Rockland ME (July 22-25)

Portland ME (July 27-30)

Boston MA (Aug 1-3)

One last really awesome piece of information I turn 50 on July 31 and will be at sea on the Draken!!!! Here are some sites that can be helpful to follow me/Draken .

https://www.drakenhh.com/stopovers/

https://www.drakenhh.com/position/

Facebook Page/Groups:

https://www.facebook.com/DrakenHH/

https://www.facebook.com/groups/277020215675452/about/

Dana Ferguson 719 332-4665 (Ed Note - I trimmed the original story a little for space. Takk Dana)

VIKING FAIR 10th ANNUAL Community Cultural Event Bazaar and Brunch Saturday, October 20

Arts, baked goods, books, collectibles, crafts, fun, handwork, lefse, music, raffles, stories, unique gifts, vendors, Vikings

Free Admission

Bazaar 9am-2pm
Brunch \$8, 9am-12noon
Viking Hall
1045 Ford St.,
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