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Lutefisk Issue

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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 Viking Hall, 1045 Ford Street, Colorado Springs, CO

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Deadline for the December issue is November 20

#### Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner Saturday November 14, 2015 Viking Hall

First Seating 2:00 pm Second Seating 6:00 pm

\$20.00 Members \$22.00 Nonmembers \$10.00 Ages 5-12

Lutefisk with Butter/Cream Sauce, Meatballs, Steamed Potatoes, Vegetables, Cranberry Sauce, Lefse, Dessert, and Coffee

> For Reservations Please Call Virginia Nelson (719) 650-7029

You Are Invited To. Fjellheim Lodge's

Scandinavian Christmas Tea

Fjellheim Lodge 1045 Ford St. Colorado Springs, CO Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. for \$15.00 per person

Space is limited. Please RSVP by Wednesday, Dec. 2 to: Karen Ravnaas, 5295 WaterDipper Rd. Colorado Springs, CO 80911 Phone 719-390-0621 Make checks payable to: Sons Of Norway.

Sondag	Mandag	Tirsdag	Onsdag	Torsdag	Fredag	Lordag
1	2	3 8:30 am Hardanger CS Senior Center on Hancock 12:30 pm Cards & Potluck	4 9:00 am Board Meeting Viking Hall	5	6	7
8 12:00—4:00 pm Rosemaling Viking Hall	9	10 8:30 am Hardanger CS Senior Center on Hancock	11 5 pm Book Club 6 pm FMC 7 pm Heritage Mtg Viking Hall	12	13	14 2:00 pm & 6:00 pm Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner Viking Hall
15	16	17 8:30 am Hardanger CS Senior Center on Hancock	18	19	20	21
22 12:00—4:00 pm Rosemaling Viking Hall	23	24 8:30 am Hardanger CS Senior Center on Hancock	25	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30 9:00 Viking Hall Xmas Decorating	Dec1	2	3	4	5 2:00 pm Christmas Tea

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Embassy Suites Hotel Loveland, CO

"<u>Míníng Our Herítage"</u>

Hosted by the 7 lodges of **Zone 8 (Colorado)** More info to come!

# **Colorado Lutefisk Tour**

Steinfjell at Loveland October 17, 2015

Fjellheim at Colorado Springs November 14, 2015

Fjelldalen at Highlands Ranch December 19, 2015

> Trollheim at Lakewood January 16, 2016

T-Shirts are available to those who complete the tour.

## **President's Thoughts**

# Is it that time of the year again...?

LUTEFISK; the piece of cod which passeth all understanding! This is most certainly true. It is defined as a fish that has been preserved by drying. Then, this hardened "stock fish" is prepared for cooking by soaking it for several weeks first in water, then in a lye solution, and finally in water again. And after all of this, the result is what has been referred to as Norwegian Jell-O.



And who has done this preparation of the Lutefisk that we will be serving to the public in a few weeks? Olsen Fish Co., founded in 1910 in Minneapolis, Minn., the largest lutefisk processor in the world, has prepared our stock fish and turned it into lutefisk. Then you may ask; where does everyone in the world get this "special cod"? It all started around the year 900 A.D. in an area called the Lofoten Islands along Norway's northwest coast about 100 miles north of the Arctic Circle. During the peak years of the 1940's, there would be 20,000 to 25,000 fishermen converging on these islands. This is where the story of lutefisk begins.

After all of this, how does one eat lutefisk? Melted butter is very popular, if you are Norwegian. And so is a cream sauce, if you are Swedish. But, some prefer a tasty mustard sauce. And others; a sauce of chopped, sautéed onions mixed with bacon fat and crumbled bacon. Personally, I prefer a sauce made with chopped pickles, olives, capers, parsley, and mayonnaise. There are some people that may call this tartar sauce. But, I call it my antidote for Lutefisk.

Don't worry, we will also be serving at our dinner; potatoes, carrots, lefse, lingonberries, and cranberries. And although meatballs are not a must, they will be served to those who tense up when given lutefisk. But for many, this peculiar food called lutefisk recaptures a period of time; whether it be Christmas Eve or a cold wintery night with family that leads us back to the old country. Come and join us for your journey back.

Tusen takk.

-Steve Hermanson.



## Sunshine November 2015



Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all the November birthday babies! Have a great celebration.

Another successful Viking Fair is over and I am still stunned by what sells at the white elephant sale. We did well this year.

Joan Mcgee fell while taking her daily walk and when I last talked to her, she was doing well, but bruised and sore. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

P. Lorraine Sorensen, member of the lodge and wife of member Carroll Sorensen, passed away on October 6th. We remember her by her sweet smile and wonderful personality. It was always a pleasure to see her at the annual Lutefisk dinner and other special events. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

I found a couple descriptions for November and couldn't make up my mind which to place in here. So imagine these scenes and think of years gone.

"Two sounds of autumn are unmistakable, the hurrying rustle of crisp leaves blown along the street or road by a gusty wind, and the gabble of a flock of migrating geese.

Both are warnings of chill days ahead, fireside and topcoat weather."

- Hal Borland

"Cornstalks from last summer's garden now lean toward the kitchen window, and the November wind goes through them in a shudder. Their thin tassels spread out beseeching fingers, and their long bleached blades flutter like ragged clothing."

Rachel Peden

#### Happy Thanksgiving

Fraternally, Karen Ravnaas – 390-0621 !



Lorraine Sorensen June 4, 1925-October 6, 2015

Lorraine was born to Walter and Madeline Burns, the oldest of five children in Soldier's Grove, Wisconsin. She grew up on a farm near Boaz, milking cows and working in the tobacco fields. A part of the Greatest Generation, she worked in a powder factory in Lodi, Wisconsin making munitions during WWII. Later she worked for the University of Wisconsin Medical as a Histopathology technician for 25 years. She finished her work career as a cruise agent in Florida.

She is survived by her husband Carroll; daughters Dianna Tolbert, Sharon Miller, and Sandra Simmons; brother Dr. James Burns; several grandchildren and greatgrand children

She met Carroll while on a cruise, and later they were married on a cruise near Grand Cayman Island. They moved to Colorado Springs 18 years ago. They were a familiar sight at Lodge events and added charm and grace to our gatherings. Her smile was infectious and would light up a room.

We extend our care and support to Carroll and the family.

# **November Birthdays**

Elizabeth Ann Skrukrud	3
Sarah G Ostrem	5
Arlene J Reid	10
Karston Erdal Barney	12
Kimberly A Roseland	14
Edith M Rodvold	20
Elsie Dorcas Kuns	21
Calvin Dale Utke	24
Orlin N Knutson	28

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### Card Social

Card Social will be Tuesday, November 3 with a potluck lunch at 12:30 pm. followed by visiting and cards. Please join us. Questions call Ginny at 495-0253

## Viking Sisters

Viking Sisters - If you have items to donate to the Boutique on November 14th, please bring them to the lodge on Friday the 14th.





## Rosemaling at Viking Hall

Rosemaling classes are scheduled for Sunday November 8th from 12:00 until 4:00. Sunday November 22nd from 12:00 until 4:00 and Sunday December 6th from 12:00 until 4:00. All skill levels are welcome.

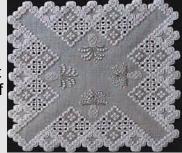
The cost for each 4 hour session is \$20.00. Please call Cindy Bauer at 633-8260 or Bi Mapstone at 264-0955.

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

Our book for November is your selection of a book about Norwegian immigrants. Please join us on Wednesday, October 14th at 5:00pm.

#### Hardanger Meets Tuesdays

A group of Hardanger enthusiasts meet each Tuesday to share and work together. They meet at the Colorado Springs Senior Center on Hancock. If you are interested, please contact Cleo Allgood at 598-1982.



## We Need Your Recipes.

Our Viking Sisters are undertaking a project in which we need the help of everyone in the lodge. We plan to do a **cookbook** and need recipes. Please

submit recipes and indicate what category they go in such as: appetizers, main dishes, salads, soups, desserts, etc.

PLEASE, we need your recipes by the end of the year. Any recipe is fine, it doesn't have to be Norwegian. We want a cookbook we can be proud of so the more the better. Thank You

Ginny Johnson, president of Viking Sisters. Any guestions call 495-0253.



# Fjellheim Lodge Christmas Party

Sunday, December 20, 2015 1045 Ford Street, Colorado Springs Social time: 2:30 p.m. - 3 p.m., Julebord: 3 p.m.



Ham Turkey Cold meat tray Assorted salads Christmas breads, lefse Herring, shrimp, cheese tray Escalloped potatoes, surkål Whole green beans, pickled beets Baked Norwegian salmon, roast pork loin

NORSE Desserts Rice cream with raspberry sauce Kringle, strupssniper, spritz, sandbakkles Krumkake, fyrstekake, rosettes, almond bars

#### Coffee

Caroling around the Christmas tree. Special holiday entertainment.

Members: \$20,Non-Members: \$22; Children 5-12, \$8 Reservations: Call Kathie Godsill prior to December 16, 2015 719-266-9592. 4415 Flat Top Place, Colorado Springs, CO 80923

Make your reservations early. **Only 160 prepaid reservations are available** This Christmas feast consists of many of the food items served at a traditional Norwegian Julebord.

## Your Ship Is Coming In

I have ordered the lutefisk, pickled herring, lingonberries, napkins, placemats, meatballs, butter pats, cranberries, and potatoes. The lutefisk and meatball dinner is on.

We have done very well with sign up for volunteers. At the November 11 meeting, we will finish with sign-up sheets for fish cutters, gravy makers, vegetable prep, potato peelers, meatball prep, fish cookers, and table servers. This a big event and we will need many volunteers. If you have not done so, please come to the meeting prepared to sign-up and help. Thanks. MJ



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## **FBC Notes**



The interest in our new Chronic Illness Rider has been growing. No wonder. As many of us have experienced in our own families, the monthly cost of facility care or even home care for someone with chronic illness is staggering.

We have a rider to help

in these situations that can be added to a new or existing Nordic Policy—our universal life policy.

It provides monthly payments if the insured is under medically prescribed long term care. The benefit may be used for at home care or nursing home stay.

Each monthly payment will be 2% of the death benefit amount of your policy. The elimination period for this rider is 60 days.

If you an interest, please contact me at 720 971-0130 or mjohaneson@gmail.com

#### HENRIK IBSEN'S CLASSIC "GHOSTS" PREMIERS AT THEATREWORKS

(Colorado Spring, CO) A son comes home from Paris. A new orphanage is about to be dedicated as a memorial to his father. And mother couldn't be happier—until she discovers her family is haunted by the dead spirits of the past. Henrik Ibsen's classic thriller, "Ghosts" was the most shocking play produced in the 19<sup>th</sup> century opening on Saturday, October 24, and continues through November 8.

For tickets and further information go to <u>thea-</u> <u>treworkscs.org</u> or call the box office at 719-255-3232.

**LOCATION** | Dusty Loo Bon Vivant Theater **SHOW DATES & TIMES** | October 22 – November 8, 2015

Thursdays - Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at 4 pm Saturday matinees at 2 pm on October 31 and November 7

#### TICKETS

Single Tickets \$36 Previews and Groups \$26, Youth under 18: \$18

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