

Newsletter from Solskinn Lodge



Ord fra Presidenten



Hi you all

The Spring is arriving, and everything that

I am not going to lecture you how to handle the virus. When ever you turn on your TV they talk about it all the time, and they do it much better than I do, so listen and take care. I hope you are staying healthy and not have any symptoms from the Covid-19 virus. As you all know by now, we had to cancel the Heritage Day. We did follow the recommendation from California Department of Public Health, so we took our responsibility and canceled it. We discussed about having the Heritage Day in the late Fall, but find out it was difficult to coordinate with all needed volunteers, Vendors and the Church. Are we coming back with Heritage next Year? We have to think about it. We would let you know

At the same time, we have canceled all lodge meetings and activities until the end of April. Let's hope we are able to continue in May. The social in May is planned to be held on May 16, to celebrate the Norwegian constitutional day. There will be more information in the Newsletter for May.

For now, stay healthy.

Ulf

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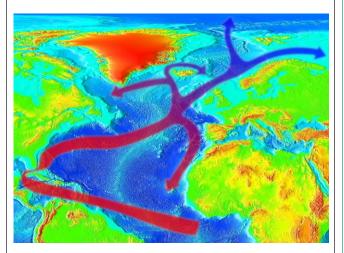


If you move Norway over to Alaska, this is how it will look like. Why is Norway so much warmer than Alaska?

The Golf Stream

The Gulf Stream, together with its northern extension the North Atlantic Drift, is a warm and swift Atlantic ocean current that originates in the Gulf of Mexico and stretches to the tip of Florida, and follows the eastern coastlines of the United States and Newfoundland before crossing the Atlantic Ocean as the North Atlantic Current. The process of western intensification causes the Gulf Stream to be a northwards accelerating current off the east coast of North America. At about 40°0′N 30°0′W, it splits in two, with the northern stream, the North Atlantic Drift, crossing to Northern Europe and the southern stream, the Canary Current, recirculating off West Africa

From Wikipedia



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April Book

Karl Ove Knausgård, born 6 December 1968 in Oslo, is a Norwegian author. He became known worldwide for six autobiographical novels, titled My Struggle (Min Kamp). He has been described as "one of the 21st century's greatest literary sensations."

This author was featured in a recent *Viking* Magazine, February, 2020, page 7.



We will meet by phone in April. We will meet via phone conference on April 17, at 4:00 (note the time change due to my travel from work home). To participate dial, free conference call, 712-775-7031 access code 659-578.

Our next reading selection for May will be "The Northern Path—What Myths and Legend" Retold by Douglas Rossman. Our location will depend on what is happening in our local community.

The next books

May	The Northern Path - What Myths
	and Legend Retold, by Douglas Rossman
June	Sons of the Old County, by Waldemar Ager
July	172 Hours on the Moon, by Johan Harstad
Aug	Norwegian by Night, by Derek Miller
Sept	The reckoning, by Yrsa Sigurðardóttir
Nov	Searching for Nora, by Wendy Swallow
Dec	Two Homelands, by Odd S. Lovoll

Luella Grangaard

I was born in La Crosse, WI. My family moved to Las Vegas, NV when I was in junior high school. After graduating from high school I went to university in Iowa, Colorado, Washington and internships in New York State. I ended up in the desert in 1983 and have been here since.

I live in Morongo Valley with a dog named "Puppy". I like quilting, needle work, wood carving, reading and traveling. I have worked at Eisenhower health for over 33 years. I am an occupational therapist, with a specialty certification in hand therapy and manage the department.

My roots in Norway include the city of Gol, which is where there is a farm named Grangaard. The photo included with this article is from when I hiked to the farm in Norway. When my great-great-grandfather came to the states in 1849, he took the name of the farm as his surname. He married Ingeborg Endresdratter Aslebra from Nes, Norway. My great grandfather on my father's mother's side was Erik Ballestad who immigrated from Skein, Norway sometime in the 1890's. He married Clara Tennyson (Tonneson) who was of Norwegian descent living in Riverfalls, WI. I have more research to do on her. She has been a bit difficult with last name changes. Currently I hold a number of positions in our lodge and I am the District Six President. I have enjoyed learning a lot about my heritage since I have joined Sons of Norway. I have competed 9 culture units. Being a member of Sons of Norway is a great learning experience and I have met many wonderful members and friends.

Fødsler i April

April Birthdays

April 3	Sandra K Kenndy
April 5	Svein Olav Stokke

April 7 Magdalena Buresdotter-Wilcox

April 12 Colin Brown April 27 Wyonne Long

May 10 Junelle H Person

May 12 Karen Hasselberg Nichols May 12 Leland Wayne Rasmussen





Nordmenn på tur









A group of Norwegians gathering in Riverside the 1st Wednesday of the month and Norwegian only accepted language. We meet the pastor of the Norwegian Seamen's Church in San Pedro.

At Bella Trattoria, Mission Inn

Sons of Norway, District Six

Registration for **Camp Trollfjell** and **Trollfjell Folkehøgskule** is now open.

Job applications for all staff positions are now being accepted. Located in Alta, Placer County.

More information at **arv.sofn6.org**/

Camp Oldfjell returning in September of 2020. More information at https://www.campnorge.org/site/camp-oldfjell/

Youth Half Camperships Available for District Six Members

The District provides ½ camperships to youth in our district for Camp

Trollfjell ages 8-13 and Trollfjell Folkehøgskule ages 14-17. Camp is
held at the Recreation Center Camp Norge, Alta, CA. This year Trollfjell Folkenhøgskule
will be from June 28-July 11, 2020 and Camp Trollfjell will be from July 12-25, 2020. The amount of the half camperships for
2020 is \$450.00. The application form is available on the District Six Website. All applications must be received by April 15th.

Please send the applications to District Six Campership Committee c/o Luella Grangaard, PO Box 832, Morongo Valley, CA 92256. It is time to sign up for 2020 camp!!!

Scholarship Opportunities for District Six Youth

District Six offers up to 3, \$1,000 scholarships per year for students ages 16-23. These scholarships are available for students attending an accredited post-secondary school or training institution. The deadline for this scholarship is May 1, 2020. District Six offers a \$1000 scholarship to the Concordia Skogfjorden Language Camp. The deadline for this scholarship is April 14, 2020.

Applications are available on the District Six website at www.sofn6.org. Please send completed applications to c/o Luella Grangaard, PO Box 832, Morongo Valley, CA 92256 or e-mailed to moorongo2@verizon.net.

In addition there are many scholarships offered by the Sons of Norway Foundation at www.sofn.com. Please take advantage of this District Six Member opportunity.

Upcoming events

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DATE	EVENT				
April 14, Tuesday	Board/Business Meeting 3:30 Nancy's Hou				
April 16, Thursday	Book glub Partera Bread, Monterey/Dinah Shore				
April 25, turc sy	Solskinn Lodge - Meat Ball Dinner 4:30 Hope Lutheran Church				
May 12, Tuesday	Board/Business Meeting 3:30 Nancy's House				
May 21, Thursday	Book Club 3:30 Panera Bread, Monterey/Dinah Shore				
May 16, Saturday	Syttende May Celebration 4:30 Hope Lutheran Church				



We hope the celebration will happen.

Famous Norwegian

Ole Evinrude, born Ole Andreassen Aaslundeie (April 19, 1877 – July 12, 1934) was an entrepreneur, known for the invention of the first outboard motor with practical commercial application.

Ole Evinrude was born at Åslund farm in Hunndalen in the municipality of Vardal (now Gjøvik), in Oppland, Norway. He was son of Andreas Olsen from Bruhaug and Beate Olsdatter. The Evinrude surname, which he adopted in the United States, is an oeconym from the Evenrud farm in Vestre Toten, where his mother was born. In October 1881, his father emigrated to America, followed the next year by Evinrude, his mother and two siblings. Three additional siblings were born in America. The family settled on a farm in Ripley Lake near Cambridge, Wisconsin. At age sixteen, Evinrude went to Madison, where he worked in machinery stores and studied engineering on his own. He became a machinist while working at various machine tool firms in Milwaukee, Pittsburgh, and Chicago.

In 1900, Evinrude co-founded the custom engine firm Clemick & Evinrude. In 1907, he invented the first practical and reliable outboard motor, which was built of steel and brass, and had a crank on the flywheel to start the two-cycle engine. In 1907 he had built his first gasoline-powered outboard motor, and two years later, Evinrude Motor Company was founded in Milwaukee. The simplest type of engine the company produced was a 2-stroke internal combustion engine that was powered by a mixture of gasoline and oil.

Evinrude reported that his invention was inspired by rowing a boat on Okauchee Lake, a small lake outside Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on a hot day to get ice cream for his girlfriend, Bess. *Wikipedia*

He married Bessie (Bess) Cary (1886-1933)







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Mission Statement

The mission of
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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