

Ord fra Presidenten I



Hello everybody

Ooops, nothing happened! Well something is happening, the Lodge are active and so far, as I know, for the moment, no one of our members are infected by the Covid 19. I think that is very good news to all of us, stay safe and healthy. First thing that is coming up, is our planned celebration of July 4<sup>th</sup> on Friday July 3 at 4 PM on Zoom. Information has already been sent out to the members and if you would like to take part, send me and E-mail and I will send the link for the meeting to you.

The Book club is also going virtually on Zoom with success.

We had recently a district 6 Zoom meeting with the local Presidents from the district. It was very informative to listen to the other Lodges and how they solve most of the problems in this Corvid 19 pandemic time. We all have some problems but try as best we can to manage and keep you informed. We normally do not have any Newsletter in July and August, so this is an exception the last one until September issue. Send in material for the Newsletter We hope to be running for full in the fall. Ulf

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## **Celebration on ZOOM!**



Get dressed with some Red, White and Blue. Have snacks and something ready to drink of your choice. We start at 4PM.

Solskinn Lodge 6-150

## Let us know on Thursday, July 2, and the ZOOM link would be sent to you.

For the link, email Ulf at UlfLokke44@gmail.com

## Once upon the time



Lutefisk Dinner February 2013 Walt Wisler, Charlotte Larsen, Diane Presley, Bob Hendrix





March 2013 Luella Grangaard, Debera Ellingbow, Corinne Bjerke

Luella Grangaard, Nancy Madsen

July 2014

District Convention

## Solston Nyheebrev

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#### **Pictures from Norway**



Loenvatnet (Loen Lake) in Stryn, Vestland county



Westside of Fjærlandsfjorden, Vestland county (Sogn og Fjordane)



Pictures taken in June 2020 by Leonard Løvoll on his trip in Western Norway. He is an awarded amateur photographer. He lives in Ålesund (Møre og Romsdal). Leonard is my cousin. Check out his Facebook for more pictures from the beautiful Norway.

**Board Meeting at ZOOM** 



June 9, 2020 Ulf Nancy Luella Terje

and Tone







OLSOK (Olav's Wake, Olav's Vigil) at July 28, is in remembrance of the death of King Olav at the battle of Stiklestad July 29, 1030.

## Donation

Here is the moment when the Solskinn Lodge was handing over our Donation to Coachella Valley Rescue Mission. After a talk with Scott Wolf and Marcia at CVRM, it was time for a photo, so you all can feel a part of it. Our donation of \$500 was very much appreciated, and it would be a valuable resource for the Mission.

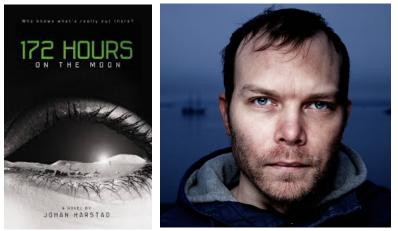
"Doing Good feels Good."

A big thanks to all our members.





### **July Book**



Johan Harstad (born 10 February 1979 in Stavanger) is a Norwegian novelist, short story writer, playwright and graphic designer. He lives in Oslo

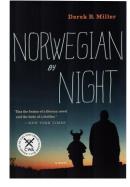
He made his literary debut in 2001, with a collection of short prose entitled *Herfra blir du bare eldre* ('From here on in you only get older').

In 2008 he published his first sci-fi / horror novel, *172 Hours on the Moon*, a crossover between young adult fiction and adult fiction. The novel, dealing with a return to the moon in 2012 (2019 in the US edition), is partly a homage to sci-fi and horror films from the 1970s and 1980s. For DARLAH he was awarded the 2008 Brage Prize in the category children's literature.

Harstad is also a playwright, and four of his works was published in 2008 as Bsider ('B-sides'). In 2011 he oversaw the first production of the complete Memoirs of a Breadman-trilogy at Black Box Teater in Oslo, a theater known for its focus on modern and contemporary theater.

The next books

Aug 20 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



#### Fødsler i Juli

July Birthdays

| July 1   | Tone H Chaplin     |
|----------|--------------------|
| July 2   | Donna R Lenander   |
| July 6   | Illa M Moore       |
| July 15  | Luella M Grangaard |
| August 3 | Chris Peoples      |
| August 5 | Joanna D Ibsen     |
| August 8 | Gunhild W D Cross  |
| August 9 | Vivian Weinstein   |

#### Sons of Norway HQ

The Sons of Norway was founded as the Independent Order of the Sons of Norway. The organization was founded by 18 members on January 16, 1895, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to insure each other when they were unable to secure life insurance on their own.

Membership was originally open to males of Norwegian descent between the ages of 20 and 50 who were capable of giving proof of being morally upright, in good health, and capable of supporting a family.



Sons of Norway is thrilled to announce the launch of our new electronic publication, Viking for Kids! Featuring a variety of content such as feature articles, puzzles, quizzes, coloring pages and other activities, the new Viking for Kids is produced entirely by Sons of Norway staff for readers ages 8 to 14. It will be published quarterly and available for download from sofn.com starting in August 2020. Watch for announcements in your email inbox, on our social media accounts, and in other Sons of Norway publications such as E-Post!

www.SofN.com/e-post\_sign\_up/

### GENEALOGY

Find the right software for your need. Free version or Pay? Windows or MacOS ? Synchronized with Genealogy web sites? Android or iOS?

There is about 30 programs on the market. These 6 featured here have more options.

Next newsletter we will present useful genealogy websites.





Ancestral Ouest Version 2020, Free Basic, Windows and Mac No app. Synchronized with FamilySearch



Brother's Keeper Version 2019, Free Basic, Windows only No app.



Family Tree Builder Version 2016, Free Basic, Windows and Mac Android and iOS. Synchronized with Myheritage



Family Tree Maker Version 2019, Windows and Mac No app. Synchronized with Ancestry, FamilySearch



Legacy Family Tree Version 2017, Free Basic, Windows only No app. Synchronized with FamilySearch, Myheritage, FindAGrave

RootsMagic

**RootsMagic** Version 2020, Free Basic, Windows and Mac Android and iOS. Synchronized with Ancestry

## Royalty





Construction of the new Royal Palace started 1825 and completed in 1849. Until the year of 1849 the Royalty used the Paléet as residence visiting Oslo.

The building was constructed between the years 1744-45 and was commissioned by the wealthy merchant Christian Ancher. The townhouse remained in the Anker family until the death of Bernt Anker who in 1805 donated Paléet to the Norwegian government and the Norwegian royal family. Paléet was subsequently given the role as the royal residence in Oslo during the era of the Union between Sweden and Norway, a role the townhouse maintained until the completion of the Royal Palace in 1849.

Christian Ancher (1711-1765) was not only the father of two of Norway's most prominent men in the late 1700s and early 1800s. He stands by virtue of his own efforts as a good example of the vitality of the emerging Norwegian commercial bourgeoisie in the 18th century. From quite simple terms, he was able to establish big business in a short space of time and accumulate huge wealth. Wikipedia

#### **Famous Norwegian**

The first aerosol spray can patent was granted in Oslo in 1927 to Erik Rotheim, a Norwegian chemical engineer, and a United States patent was granted for the invention in 1931. The patent rights were sold to a United States company for 100,000 Norwegian kroner.

Erik Rotheim was born in Kristiania (now Oslo), Norway. He earned his engineering degree in Switzerland. In 1921, he graduated as a chemistry engineer at ETH Zürich with electrochemistry as a specialty. Later he attended Karlsruhe Institute of Technology for further education.

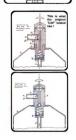
Next month: Moen (faucets)

#### Nidaros (Trondheim)

Nidaros (Niðarós) means the Mouth of the river Nid (Nidelven). It was founded in 997 by king Olaf Trygvasson (d.1000). Before the Refomation, the city was the Archdiocese for the Roman Catholic church in Norway. Nidaros Cathedral is built beginning in 1070 to memorialize the burial place of King Olav. Pope Alexander III confirmed Olav's local canonisation in 1164.







"Nidelven stille, og vakker du er. Her hvor jeg går å drømmer"



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## Scandinavian Languages PNDARY ++1+4 TBYCL PNDFRY ++1+1 1+1C1

#### Fuþark **The Ancient Scandinavian Alphabet**

To understand the runic alphabet used in Scandinavia, we have to go back to the Middle East area 2000 BC. The letters are carved or formed by chisel.

The Phoenician alphabet is an abjad alphabet consisting of 22 consonant letters only. An abjad is a type of writing system in which (in contrast to true alphabets) each symbol or glyph stands for a consonant. Different variations were used all over the Greater Middle East. The Greek alphabet developed basted on the Phoenician alphabet.

The Greek alphabet is the ancestor of the Latin and Cyrillic scripts.

The Elder Futhark, (Elder Fuþark, Older Futhark, Old Futhark or Germanic Futhark) is the oldest form of the runic alphabets originated from the Greek/Italian alphabets. It was a writing system used by Germanic tribes for Northwest Germanic dialects in the Migration Period (100-500CE). Runic inscriptions are found on artifacts, including jewelry, amulets, plateware, tools, weapons, and, famously, runestones, from the 2nd to the 8th centuries.

In Scandinavia, beginning from the late 8th century, the script was simplified to the Younger Futhark, and the Anglo-Saxons and Frisians extended Elder Futhark, which eventually became the Anglo-Saxon futhorc. Anglo-Saxon futhorc and the Younger Futharks remained in use during the Early and the High Middle Ages respectively. Knowledge of how to read the Elder Futhark was forgotten until 1865, when it was deciphered by Norwegian scholar Sophus Bugge.

#### Continuing next month

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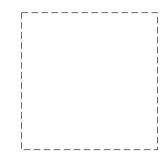
The Skåäng Runestone, is an Iron Age runestone located in Skåäng, Södermanland, Sweden, which is inscribed in Proto-Norse with the elder futhark. During the Viking Age, a second runic inscription was added in Old Norse using the younger futhark.

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