

Solskinn Nyhetsbrev

Newsletter from Solskinn Lodge



Solskinn Lodge 6-150

Ord fra Presidenten



Hi you all
 March is already here
 And with March this year we have the Scandinavian Heritage Day. As you may be aware of, it is going to take part on March 28 at Hope Lutheran Church, from 10.00 AM to 3:00PM. To run it the best way, we depend upon volunteers from the Lodge.
 Take the opportunity to bring some friends with you. See a separate information inside this Newsletter. Everyone is welcome.
 The lodge season is going on with both social events and happy hour. During the month we had a happy hour at Nancy and Rex home. It was a very good event good food and sharing stories from our real life and a lot of laughing, with many funny stories.
 Recently we had our social with 23 people. It was a very good social, some of our members we haven't seen for a while were there. Terje Berger (TJ) and me were elected as delegates to the convention in Phoenix, Arizona this year. The program on the Aquavit history and when where who are we drinking it, was very well received by all, and we had the possibility to taste the Norwegian Linje Aquavit and a new one from Oregon based on grain. "Festlig Aquavit Krogstad"
 See more from the event inside the Newsletter. Hope to see many of you at the Heritage Day.

Ulf

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A Norwegian invention



Thor Bjørklund (born 1889, died 1975) was a Norwegian carpenter and is best known as the inventor of the cheese razor.

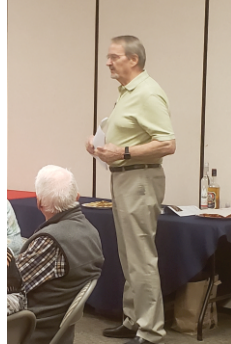
He was annoyed that he did not get as thin slices as he wished when he cut the cheese with a knife, and that the cheese was destroyed by it. That is why he started at Lillehammer to experiment with a carpenter, hoping to make something similar in a format that fit in the kitchen. He succeeded. In the beginning he made cheese slicer for his acquaintance circle, and on February 27, 1925, he was granted a patent on the tool that is currently found in most households in the Nordic countries. Very few changes have been made to the cheese slicer throughout its lifetime.

February Social

Lapskaus lunch with aquavit



Norwegian Beef Stew



The President



All I want for Christmas is Aquavit



our own musician

Ulf brought also a bottle of aquavit from Oregon besides the Linie Aquavit



Krogstad Aquavit is the spirit of exploration, inspired by the first Europeans to reach America and later passed down from generation to generation. Distilled from naturally gluten free American grain, flavored with a luscious blend of caraway and star anise, Krogstad was voted best aquavit in the world at the San Francisco World Spirits Competition.



Wyonne Long brought accordian, and also trolls from Norway



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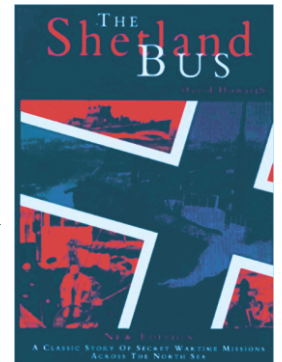
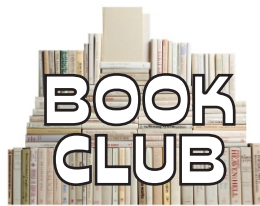
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March Book



Exciting well written descriptions of the brave Norwegian sailors who plied the waters with refugees and supplies between occupied Norway and the Shetland island during WWII.

The book club started in 2018 as of February 2020 has read 30 books.

The club meets the 3rd Thursday of the month, at 3:30 pm, at Panera Bread, on Dinah Shore and Monterey

The next books

- April My Struggle Book 1, by Karl Ove Knausgaard
- 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

A *New York Times* bestseller, *My Struggle: Book 1* introduces American readers to the audacious, addictive, and profoundly surprising international literary sensation that is the provocative and brilliant six-volume autobiographical novel by Karl Ove Knausgaard. It has already been anointed a Proustian masterpiece and is the rare work of dazzling literary originality that is intensely, irresistibly readable. Unafraid of the big issues—death, love, art, fear—and yet committed to the intimate details of life as it is lived, *My Struggle* is an essential work of contemporary literature.

REMINDER

SCANDINAVIAN HERITAGE DAY IN THE DESERT



Saturday, March 28, 2020
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Hope Lutheran Church, Hope Center
45900 Portola Avenue
Palm Desert

Lunch and Baked Goods for Sale

Norwegian Lefse
Viking Dogs - Hotdog in Lefse
Scandinavian Waffles
Norwegian Bløtekake
Danish Æbleskiver
Swedish Rosettes

Demonstration of Lefse,
Rosettes and Æbleskiver

Wood Carving, Pattern Knitting
Hardanger Embroidery

Genealogy

Scandinavian Folk Music

FREE ADMISSION



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Fødsler i Mars

March Birthdays

March 4	Beryl A. Waldeland
March 14	Margit F Chiriaco Rusche
March 26	Mary Louise Selle
April 3	Sandra K Kenndy
April 5	Svein Olav Stokke
April 7	Magdalena Buresdotter-Wilcox



The Norwegian Royalty

Harald V (born 21 February 1937) is King of Norway, having ascended the throne upon the death of his father King Olav V on 17 January 1991.

Harald was the third child and only son of King Olav V and Princess Märtha of Sweden. He was second in the line of succession at the time of his birth, behind his father. In 1940, as a result of the German occupation during World War II, the royal family went into exile. Harald spent part of his childhood in Sweden and the United States. He returned to Norway in 1945, and subsequently studied for periods at the University of Oslo, the Norwegian Military Academy and Balliol College, Oxford.

In 1957, following the death of his grandfather, Haakon VII, Harald became crown prince. A keen sportsman, he represented Norway in sailing at the 1964, 1968, and 1972 Olympic Games, and later became patron of World Sailing.

Harald married Sonja Haraldsen (born July 4, 1937) in 1968, their relationship having initially being controversial due to her status as a commoner. She was the daughter of Karl August Haraldsen, a clothing merchant. The couple have two children, Märtha Louise and Haakon. Harald succeeded his father as king in 1991, with Haakon becoming his heir apparent.

The Norwegian royal family belongs to the House of Glücksburg, shortened from House of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Glücksburg, a Dano-German branch the House of Oldenburg. King Harald's father and grandfather was born in Denmark. They carried the title Prince of Denmark. The line was founded by the Duke Philip (1584-1663). The line was named after Glücksburg Castle in Schleswig-Holstein.

Nordmenn på tur



Norwegian gathering in Riverside, 1st Wednesday of the month.

From left: Dave Leffler, president for Soldalen lodge,
Pastor Vegar, Tone, Tove, Marit, Mona, Synnøve,
Terje. With camera: Ulf

Upcoming events

DATE	EVENT
March 10, Thursday	Board/Business Meeting 3:30 Nancy's Home
March 19, Thursday	Book Club 3:30 Panera Bread, Monterey/Dinah Shore
March 28, Saturday	Scandinavian Heritage Day 10:00 - 3:00 Hope Lutheran Church
April 14, Tuesday	Board/Business Meeting 3:30 Nancy's House
April 16, Thursday	Book Club 3:30 Panera Bread, Monterey/Dinah Shore
April 25, Saturday	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 23, Saturday	Syttende May Celebration 4:30 Hope Lutheran Church

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 here
arv.sofn6.org/

Camp Oldfjell returning in September of 2020.

Located in Alta, Placer County. More information here
<https://www.campnorge.org/site/camp-oldfjell/>



Sons of Norway, District Six

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](http://Trollfjell.Folkehøgskule) ages 14-17. Camp is held at the Recreation Center Camp Norge, Alta, CA. This year Trollfjell Folkehøgskule 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.

Law of Jante

The Law of Jante is a code of conduct known in Nordic countries that portrays not conforming, doing things out of the ordinary, or being overtly personally ambitious as unworthy and inappropriate. The attitudes were first formulated in the form of the ten rules of Jante Law by the Dano-Norwegian author Aksel Sandemose in his satirical novel *A Fugitive Crosses His Tracks* (*En flyktning krysser sitt spor*, 1933), but the actual attitudes themselves are older. Sandemose portrays the fictional small Danish town Jante, which he modelled upon his native town Nykøbing Mors in the 1930s, where nobody was anonymous, which was typical of all small towns and communities.

1. You're not to think you are anything special.
2. You're not to think you are as good as we are.
3. You're not to think you are smarter than we are.
4. You're not to imagine yourself better than we are.
5. You're not to think you know more than we do.
6. You're not to think you are more important than we are.
7. You're not to think you are good at anything.
8. You're not to laugh at us.
9. You're not to think anyone cares about you.
10. You're not to think you can teach us anything.



Norwegian Jokes

Swedes prefer making fun of Norwegians over Danes and Finns because they're the most annoying of them all. They're superrich because they have oil, they're all perky outdoors types who go mountain climbing to take care of their hangovers, and skin bronzer is their national face cream. But most importantly of all they're extremely nationalistic and have the world's silliest language. Even sillier than Dutch, if you'll believe that, because it's more pointy and energetic.

A Norwegian man was stopping money in a parking meter when a compatriot came and asked:
- Have you won anything yet?

Do you know what it says in a Norwegian roundabout?
- No.
- Maximum 10 turns.

Why do the Norwegians have no water in the swimming pools?
- They are afraid of drowning accidents.

Why do Norwegians go in the middle of the road?
- They are afraid of the wild flowers at the roadside.

What is the difference between a computer and a Norwegian?
- The computer only needs instructions once.

Why do the Norwegians crawl on the floor through the supermarket?
- Because they're looking for the low prices.

How do you sink a Norwegian submarine?
- Scuba-dive down and knock on the door.



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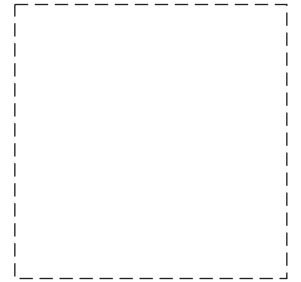
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the heritage and culture of
Norway, to celebrate our
relationship with other Nordic
countries, and to provide quality
insurance and financial
products to its members***