

May 2020

Solskinn Nyhetsbrev

Newsletter from Solskinn Lodge



Solskinn Lodge 6-150

Ord fra Presidenten



Hi again

Hope you all are well and do what you can for staying safe. We have all learned a new meaning during this period, **Social distancing**, and we are all practicing it. At the same time, we also start using facemask when outside, and a funny problem come up, if you use face recognition on your cellphone, it does not work, then you had to remember the opening pin code!!!! What was it?

Anyway, we are still in a shut down, and trying to outlive this Covid-19 problem. It looks like the curve of infected in our district is flattening out a bit, let us hope that it continues.

Our social Saturday May 16, for celebrating the Norwegian constitution day, May 17, is in jeopardy, but nothing decided yet. We are not interested in forcing activities on our members before we can feel safer.

No lodge activities, no volunteering at the Theater, no meeting in my movie group, the Joselyn center is closed so no woodcarving, but I have my hobby with ship modelling going on. I do hope you your self have something to fill your time with, reading and TV, and staying in contact whit family and friends thru social media.

For now, continue staying healthy.

Ulf

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**Sons of Norway
strongly recommend
that all lodge meetings
and in-person events
be postponed through
at least May 31.**

April 29, 2020

The Story about Ulf Lokke

I was born in Oslo, May 1944. We lived there until summer 1949. Then we moved north to Hammerfest, where my father was born. It was a nice time, short hectic summer and long dark winter. But the “traveling virus” caught me, and never left. In 1959 I decided to leave Hammerfest for a life as a sailor. I was out and saw a lot of the world for about 18 months. It was a great adventure with many exciting experiences.

I moved to Stockholm, Sweden in February 1990, working at a big GM dealer, with Saab, Opel and Chevrolet, with over 500 employees. I was elected to the company board in 1993 and stayed there until I retired 2012.

In 2013 I went on a short cruise from Malaga in Spain, where I met my wife Sharon and here I am, in the Valley since January 2014. We both like to travel and we have made some big cruising since then and more to come.

I have always been interested in active sport which included jogging, skiing, biking, and very much rifle shooting, where I was quite good. But the sport I loved most was Skydiving. My team was a Norwegian and Scandinavian champion where we built a 10-man formation in free fall. While competing in Germany for World Championship in 1974, our team come in 4th place with the 10-man star formation.

Since I moved here to the Valley I have started with my new hobbies, Woodcarving and ship model building. For the moment I have finished 5 ships and two more ongoing projects. More about that in a later Newsletter.

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Visit to Petra, Jordan



A Singapore Sling at Raffles Hotel, Singapore



HMS Surprise



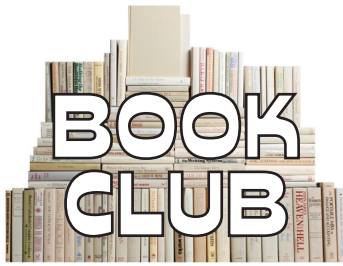
Hammerfest by Winter

Brunost (brown cheese)

Brunost is made by boiling a mixture of milk, cream, and whey carefully for several hours so that the water evaporates. The heat turns the milk sugars (Lactose) into caramel, which gives the cheese its characteristic brown color and sweetness.

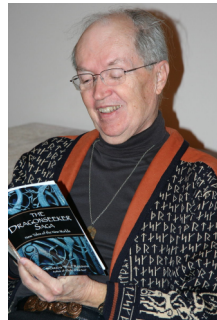
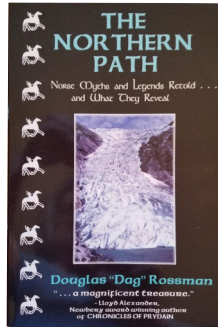
It is used goat milk or cow milk, or the mix of both. Blue package is 100% goat milk. The red, also called Ski Queen is mixed goat and cow milk. The brown, Fløte-mysost, is cow milk only.





May Book

The Northern Path—Norse Mythology by Douglas “Dag” Rossman
 This accessible and reflective book will appeal to anyone with an interest in mythology and storytelling. It has two sections: a retelling of the myths, then an analysis of their sources, meaning, and application to modern people. We think Rossman is uniquely qualified both to tell these tales and to reflect upon their value for modern times, and that The Northern Path is far more than just another collection of Norse myths. Rossman is well acquainted with the work of Carl Jung and Joseph Campbell. For the past 25 years, he's not only studied Norse mythology but also told these tales to live audiences, as the Norse skalds told them centuries ago, and interacted with audiences about their meaning and relevance for today. He has worked with the myths both with adults and with Norwegian-American youngsters at the Sons of Norway's Camp Norway, and has made the myths, the runes, and their wisdom part of his own personal journey.



Douglas Athon "Dag" Rossman (1936 – 2015) was a U.S. herpetologist specializing in garter snakes. He studied at the University of Florida, where he was awarded a Ph.D. in 1961.

May we will meet by phone conference again.
 Dial 712-775-7031 you will be cued to enter the access code
 Access code 659-578
 Then you will be asked to say your name
 Date May 21, at 4:00
 I look forward to discussing this book by phone with you.

The next books

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

Fødsler i Mai

May Birthdays

May 10	Junelle H Person
May 12	Karen Hasselberg Nichols
May 12	Leland Wayne Rasmussen
May 15	Mary L Kucala
May 21	Gerald Tallackson
May 24	Ulf Kristian Lokke
June 6	Steinar Johansen
June 7	Åse G Bence
June 8	Lorna Ann Albertsen



Those impossible letters

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Ö	214	153	<op> u O
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å	229	134	<op> a
ä	228	132	<op>u a
ø	248		<op>o
ö	246	148	<op>u o
æ	230	145	<op> `

ANSI for most computer
 ASCII for some older computer
 Hold ALT and press 0 plus the number

for MAC, for MAC only



The May edition presents the modern architecture in Norway and the long tradition of Men Choirs.
 Enjoy the reading!

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

**YOUTH CAMP
 CANCELED**

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

DATE	EVENT
May 12, Tuesday	Board Business Meeting 6:00 Nancy's House
May 21, Thursday	Book Club 4:00 My phone. See page 3
May 16, Saturday	Syttende May Celebration 4:30 Hope Lutheran Church

CANCELED



Tyrifjord Russ 2019



Ålesunds Russen 2010



Blå Russ



And some have business cards

Russe-feiring



The "russefeiring" is a traditional celebration for Norwegian high school students in their final spring semester. Students that take part in the celebrations are known as "russ". The celebration traditionally starts in end of April. The final celebration starts May 16 and goes on the whole night until next day, 17th of May, the Norwegian Constitution day. Participants wear colored overalls and caps and many have colorful cars and vans. Some celebrate almost continually during this period. Public disturbances are regularly linked to the celebration, and rewarded.
 Red (Rødruss): General studies. Blue (Blåruss): Business Administration studies. There is also Black, Green and White.

Very Famous Norwegian



Conrad Nicholson Hilton (December 25, 1887 – January 3, 1979) was an American hotelier and the founder of the Hilton Hotels chain.

Conrad Hilton was born in San Antonio, New Mexico by Norwegian born Augustus “Gus” Halvorsen Hilton (1854–1919) and Mary Genevieve Laufersweiler. He attended the Goss Military Academy (since renamed as the New Mexico Military Institute) and St. Michael's College (now Santa Fe University of Art and Design), and the New Mexico A&M University (now New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM). In his early twenties, Hilton was a Republican representative in the first New Mexico Legislature, when the state was newly formed. He served two years in the U.S. Army during World War I. While Conrad was in France with the army after the war, his father was killed in a car accident.

As a young boy, Hilton developed entrepreneurial skills working at his father's general store in Socorro County, New Mexico, which was partially converted into a 10-room hotel. This was followed by varied experiences, including a stint as a representative in New Mexico's first State Legislature and a career decision to become a banker.

It was with the intention of buying a bank that he arrived in Texas at the height of the oil boom. He bought his first hotel instead, the 40-room Mobley Hotel in Cisco, Texas, in 1919, when a bank purchase fell through. The hotel did such brisk business that rooms changed hands as often as three times a day, and the dining room was converted into additional rooms to meet the demand. *Source: Wikipedia*



Hilton

Conrad's father August “Gus” Halvorsen Hilton, was born August 21, 1855 in Jessheim, Akershus county. He died January 01, 1919 in San Antonio, Socorro County, New Mexico.

Gus was the son of Halvor Nilsen Hilton, born March 11, 1810 at South Hilton farm, Ullensaker, Akershus county. He died October 15, 1864 at South Hilton farm., Ullensaker, Akershus county

Hålvor Nilsen, som fikk skjote av sin mor og stefar 1835. var g. m. en Kari Hansdtr., (sommesteds kalles hun Karoline Hansdtr.). I dette gifte omtales 8 barn: 1. Nils, f. 1839, emigrerte til Amerika. 2. Herman, døpt 1841, overtok gården. 3. Marte Marie (Malla), i Amerika. 4. Karl. 5. Lina Julie 6. Karen Fredrikke. De 3 siste døde unge, ikke lenge mellem hver. 7. Olaus, også i Amerika. 8. August, likeså. Halvor Hiltons hustru døde 1861 og Halvor selv et par år senere. Hun blev ca. 43 og han ca. 54 år gml.

Copy from the local “bygdebok”.

Bygdebok is a Norwegian publication genre describing the history and population of rural settlements.

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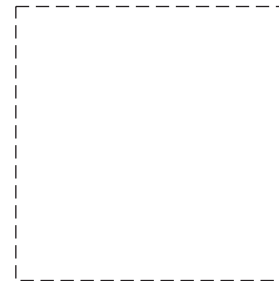
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Mission Statement

***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***