

Solskinn Nyhetsbrev

June 2024 Newsletter from Solskinn Lodge 6-150



**SONS of
NORWAY**

Solskinn Lodge 6-150

Ord fra Presidenten

Great Celebration!!

We had a wonderful May 17th celebration (on May 18). We had a number of members and guests attend our event. Thank you to those who brought food: Joy, Nancy, TJ, Ulf, and myself for

our meal of hotdogs, potato salad and ice cream. TJ had prepared a program of viewing the celebrations in Norway. However, due to technical difficulties we had an adlib program. Joy and Connie talked about their fest drakts. Ulf talked about the Norwegian flag, and TJ talked about the May 17th celebration when he graduated from high school and was celebrating in a red outfit and being a crazy teenager. Also, thank you to Ruth Goodsell, a guest to our lodge event, who won the raffle and donated her winnings to the lodge.

During our meeting, we welcomed some new members to our lodge including, Sigrid Sorensen Wiik and Ronna Clymens. We look forward to some additional guests who maybe become members. We are so happy to welcome them to our lodge. Ronna has been a member of our lodge and was elected to be another delegate to the district convention.

As I explained at the lodge meeting, the board recently met and has made plans for the 2024-2025 season. We will be publishing that soon. Mark your calendar for our next meeting, September 28.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer. Stay cool and find an adventure. I have my plane ticket to L'Anse aux Meadows in Newfoundland. This is the excavation site of the first Norse settlement in North America. Hopefully, I will get there this summer. The ticket is purchased and the trip planned. If all goes well, this will be the topic for our November social.

Fraternally,
Luella

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A summer bird in Norway
LINERLE

White wagtail



Mark the Date for the District Six Lodge Meeting and Convention!

June 20-24, 2024, Tuscany Suites and Casino, Las Vegas, NV

Hosted by Vegas Viking Lodge # 152 and the District Six Board



Happy Birthday

Birthdays June 2024 - August 2024

Lise Fleming	June 1
Steinar Johansen	June 6
Lorna Ann Albertsen	June 8
Anders Hanson	June 12
Emel Mehlum	June 15
Ronna Clymens	June 19
Carolyn Rich	June 21
Rex Seawright	June 25
Miriam Hendrix	June 26

Tone H Chaplin	July 1
Donna R Lenander	July 2
Luella M Grangaard	July 15
Stanley Halverson	July 28

Joanna Ibsen	August 5
Gunhild Cross	August 8
Frida Ann Jorgensen	August 14
Joy Rogers	August 21
Sharon Cohen	August 27



- H** An official holiday.
Similar to federal holiday.
F Official Flag Day.

Norwegian Flag Days, Holidays and Days of Observance

June 7	Unionoppløsningen Dissolution of union with Sweden	F
June 23	Sankthansaften (St. John's Eve)	
June 24	Sankthans (St. John's Day) Midsummer Day	
July 4	Queen Sonja's Birthday (1937)	F
July 20	Crown Prince Haakon (1973)	F
July 29	Olsok (Olaf's Vigil)	F
Aug 19	Crown Princess Mette-Marit	F

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Social Calendar for 2024-2025 Season

Always a Saturday. Social at 11:00 AM

September 28	Sheep, wool felting Får-i-kål, a dish made of mutton and cabbage
October 18-20	SCK Kretsstevne i Banning
November 16 or 23	L'Anse aux Meadows, Canada Viking food
December 14	Christmas, Sing-a-long and Gift Exchange Catered food
January 25	Vafler and lefse demonstration Brunch (Norwegian breakfast)
February 22	Salmon fishing, wild caught or farming Salmon
March 22	Hardanger, demonstration and display Traditional open face shrimp sandwiches Cost: Members \$15.00, Guests \$20.00
April 26	World War II. The King's Escape Soup & Salad
May 17	Syttende Mai Hot Dogs and Bløtekake Cost: Members \$5.00, Guests \$10.00
June 28	Bar-b-Que in Morongo Valley Bring your own food to be grilled
Cost	General Cost Members \$10.00, Guests \$15.00

BOOK CLUB

June Book

Hakon of Rogen's Saga
by Erik Christian Haugaard

ZOOM Meeting

Thursday, June 14 at 4PM

July Book

The Hundred-Year-Old Man. Book 2.
by Jonas Jonasson

ZOOM Meeting

Thursday, July 18 at 4PM

August Book

Berlin Poplar
by Anne Ragde

ZOOM Meeting

Thursday, August 15 at 4PM

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Want to join? Send an email to Luella. morongo2@verizon.net

June 2024

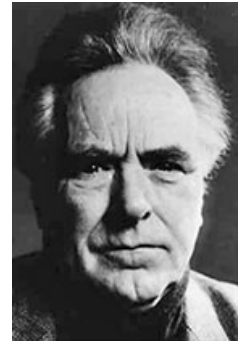


Erik Christian Haugaard's *Hakon of Rogen's Saga* is a remarkable novel that perfectly catches the mood of a harsh but heroic people. Set at the end of the Viking period, it tells of a young boy, Hakon, from the island of Rogen who, after his chieftain father is murdered, undertakes to reclaim his birthright from his treacherous uncle. The illustrations by renowned artists Leo and Diane Dillon make this captivating story come alive.

A Slave's Tale, the sequel to *Hakon of Rogen's Saga*, is told from the point of view of a slave girl, Helga,

who stows away on the longship when Hakon, the young Viking chieftain, sets sail for France on a voyage to return Rark, a freed slave, to his homeland.

Erik Christian Haugaard was born in Frederiksberg, Denmark. He was the son of Professor Gottfred and Karen (Pedersen) Haugaard. He came to the United States in 1940 after fleeing the Nazi invasion of Denmark, and served in the Royal Canadian Air Force before the end of World War II. He attended Black Mountain College in North Carolina from 1941 to 1942. He also attended the New School for Social Research in New York City.



In 1963, he published his first book for children and young adults, *Hakon of Rogen's Saga*. The book was well received by readers and critics and was named an American Library Association Notable Book. His literary awards include recognition for his 1978 translation of *The Complete Fairy Tales and Stories of Hans Christian Andersen*. Haugaard married Myrna Seld in 1949 and together they had two children. They later lived in Denmark and Ireland. He died at Ballydehob in County Cork, Ireland.

July 2024



The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared. Book 2.

The Accidental Further Adventures of the Hundred-Year-Old Man is a 2018 comic novel written by Jonas Jonasson. It is the sequel to the 2009 novel *The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared*. The story follows Allan Karlsson's further adventures in the present world.

After the events in the previous book, Allan Karlsson and his friend Julius Johnsson spend a luxurious life at a hotel

in Bali, Indonesia, using the money they got from the last book. During their stay, Julius meets an exiled Indian, Simran Aryabhat Chakarty Copaldas (later renamed himself Gustav Svensson); they decide to set up an asparagus farm and sell them as Swedish. At the same time, Allan himself got a tablet (iPad) and entertained himself by reading the news. However, over time, Julius realized that their money is running out, and they may be unable to pay for the upcoming hotel's bills. Nevertheless, they both decided to celebrate Allan's 101st birthday before settling their finances.



Pär-Ola Jonas Jonasson (born Per Ola Jonasson, 1961) is a Swedish journalist and writer, best known as the author of the best-seller *The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared*.

Jonasson was born and raised in Växjö in southern Sweden, the son of an ambulance driver and a nurse. After studying Swedish and Spanish at the University of Gothenburg, Jonasson worked as a journalist for the Växjö newspaper *Smålandsposten* and the Swedish evening tabloid *Expressen*, where he remained until 1994. In 1996, he founded a media company, OTW, which grew to 100 employees. He stopped working in 2003 after having two primary back operations and being overworked. He later sold his company. In 2007, he completed his first book, *The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared*. It was published in Sweden in 2009. Since 2010, Jonasson has been living with his son on the Swedish island of Gotland.

Norwegian Movie

NETFLIX



The 2011 Norway attacks, referred to in Norway as 22 July were two domestic terrorist attacks by far right extremist Anders Behring Breivik against the government, the civilian population, and a Workers' Youth League (AUF) summer camp, in which a total of 77 people were killed.

A three-part story of Norway's worst terrorist attack in which over seventy people were killed. 22 July looks at the disaster itself, the survivors, Norway's political system and the lawyers who worked on this horrific case.

Audio: English
Subtitle: English, Norwegian

Extended reading:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011_Norway_attacks

Some Norwegian jokes

Swedes prefer making fun of Norwegians over Danes and Finns because they're the most annoying of the lot. 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. We're not even getting into the Oakleys (the fucking Oakleys). 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.

Q: Why did the Norwegian take a ladder with him to the supermarket?

A: Because he'd heard the food prices in Oslo were extremely high.

Book list 2023-2024

- June
 - Hakon of Rogen's Saga
by Erik Christian Haugaard
- July
 - The Accidental Further Adventures of the Hundred-Year-Old Man. Book 2
by Jonas Jonasson
- August
 - Berlin Poplars by Ragde, Anne
- September
 - A House in Norway by Vigidis Hjorth
- October
 - Operation Napoleon by Arnaldur Indroason
- November
 - Secrets of the Sprakka by Eliza Reed
- December
 - And Every Morning the Way Home Gets Longer and Longer by Fredrik Backman

Q: Why did the Norwegian crawl on the floor through the supermarket?

A: Because they're looking for the low prices.

Q: Why do Norwegian garbage trucks drive so fast?

A: The drivers are scared of getting robbed.

Q: Why did the Norwegian bring a rolled-up piece of sandpaper to the desert?

A: Thought it was a map.

Q: How do you sink a Norwegian submarine?

A: Scuba-dive down and knock on the door.

Q: How do you sink a Norwegian submarine again?

A: Dive down and knock on the door again. Wait for them to open the window and say, "You aren't fooling us this time!"

Q: How do you sink a Danish submarine?

A: Dive down and knock on the window. Wait for them to open the door and say, "Come on, who do you take us for? Norwegians?"

Q: How do you sink a Swedish submarine?

A: Give it a Norwegian crew.

Q: How do you say "genius" in Norway?

A: Tourist.

-Two Norwegians are driving at night. The driver starts to worry something is wrong with his blinkers so he pulls over and asks the other Norwegian to get out and check them.

"Hey," the guys yells from the front of the car, "It works... Wait it doesn't work... No now it works... Wait it doesn't work... No wait, now it works... Oh sorry, it doesn't work..."

Norwegian History

After the war

Norway developed into a mature industrial and consumer society with broad prosperity in the post-war period. The material growth was far faster than previous generations had experienced. Social equalization and technological modernization led most Norwegians into new communal forms of life.

"Housewife Paradise"

Never have there been so many housewives, never has housework been so highly valued, never has there been more focus on making arrangements for a life as a housewife. For some this meant a new freedom, for others it became an obstacle.

The first decades after the Second World War are called the housewife period in Norwegian history. For a few decades, well over half of all adult women had the home as their only or most important place of work. Housewife was simply the definition of a married woman in the period 1945–1970.

Not all were full-time housewives. Married peasant women and professional women were usually also counted as housewives. The vast majority nevertheless became full-time housewives when they had their first child.

Baby boom

The population structure was one reason why there were so many housewives. The population of the country was young in the 1940s, almost half were between the ages of 16 and 44. A larger proportion of these married, and they did not wait as long as previous generations. In the 1950s, the average age of brides was 23.

The result was a baby boom that started in the mid-1940s and lasted until after 1960. In 1946 alone, more than 70,000 children were born in Norway, a record that has not yet been broken, despite strong population growth.

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e post-war period were alone in housework and childcare to a greater extent than in previous generations. The housemaids were on their way out, as was the practice of unmarried relatives who had previously been able to contribute in the most trying phases. There were few nurseries, and a nursery place was unattainable for an ordinary family.

The many young families with children therefore usually had to manage without outside help. Housework was still cumbersome for most. Electricity and running water were missing in many places in the villages. In the cities there was a housing shortage and overcrowding. Modern household technology was still in short supply for most people.

Important work

The housewives' work was valued in many ways. Modernization of homes and housework became central political tasks. A lot was invested in increased knowledge about housekeeping, through school kitchens and housewifery schools, daily housewifery hour on the radio and information from the National Information Office on housekeeping.

For families, a stay-at-home housewife



*Trondheim Kommunale
Husmorsskole
(Trondheim Home Economics School)*

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Norgeshistorie.no*

Translated by Google Translate

was a significant welfare benefit. The work women did at home made everyday life better for both the children and the breadwinner. Many married women also experienced it as a great relief to be free from paid work alongside the many and sometimes heavy tasks at home.

Participation in working life

Housewife life was not unproblematic. A housewife was financially dependent on her spouse and vulnerable if the marriage dissolved.

For the Labor Party, it was a goal that families with children should manage on one income. Although the lack of labor was great, it was considered important that the married women were given opportunities to stay at home. Tax policy was the most important instrument to ensure that this was possible for an average family as well.

Famous Norwegian-Americans

Kristi Lynn Noem, born Arnold on November 30, 1971, in Watertown, South Dakota, is an American Republican politician. She has been the governor of South Dakota since January 5, 2019, and was a member of the United States House of Representatives from 2011 to 2019.

Noem studied at Mount Marty College and Northern State University, interrupted her studies in 1992, resumed them later, and in 2011, earned a bachelor's degree at South Dakota State University. In the 2010 US midterm elections, she defeated incumbent Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth Sandlin.

On November 14, 2016, she announced that she would not seek re-election to Congress but would instead run for governor of South Dakota in 2018. Noem was the Republican candidate for governor in South Dakota. Noem defeated Democratic candidate Billie Sutton in the gubernatorial election.

Married in 1992 to Bryon Noem

Member of the South Dakota House of Representatives, for 6th District, 2007-2011

Member of the US House of Representatives for South Dakota's at-large district, 2011-2019

33rd Governor of South Dakota, from 2019



Kristi Noem is the daughter of Ronald Dennis Arnold (b.1944, d.1994) and Corinne Bergan (b.1944)

Corinne Bergan is daughter of

Alf Harold Bergan (b.1921, South Dakota, d.2008, South Dakota) and **Doris Katheryn Randgaard**, (b.1921, d.2003) of Norwegian heritage.

Alf H. Bergan, son of **Thorsten Nilsen Bergan** (b.1871, Holla, Telemark, Norway, d.1952, Watertown, South Dakota) and **Bertha Ness** (b.abt 1890 in Norway).

Thorsten N. Bergan, son of **Nils Thorstensen Bergan** (b.1844, Mælum, Telemark, Norway, d.1884, Herregaarden, Holla, Telemark, Norway) and **Karen Jensdatter Stenstadvold** (b.1844, Holla, Telemark, Norway, d.1894, South Dakota).

Karen Jensdatter Stenstadvold, daughter of **Jens Christensen Stenstadvålen** (b.1811, Nome, Telemark, Norway, d.1883, Stenstadvålen, Nome, Telemark) and **Anne Halvorsdatter Fehn** (b.1811, Nome, Telemark, Norway, d.1877, Nome, Telemark, Norway).



Solskinn Foundation Christmas quilt.

Tickets \$1.00 each. Drawing will be at Christmas social in December.

Please help support the Sons of Norway Foundation.

If you would like to purchase tickets by mail, make check out to Solskinn Lodge.

Mail to Luella Grangaard, PO Box 832, Morongo Valley, CA 92256

Norwegian Food

This Creamy Vanilla Sauce is an easy and delicious compliment to all sorts of desserts including bread pudding, cobblers, crumbles, crisps pies and cakes. Or simply spoon it over a bowl of ripe berries! It is a versatile, luxurious vanilla cream sauce that goes with just about anything sweet!

Ingredients

1 ¾ cups half-and-half or whole milk or cream
2 large egg yolks
2 tablespoons sugar
2 teaspoons cornstarch
Pinch of salt
2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Instructions

Combine the half-and-half, egg yolks, sugar, cornstarch, and salt in a large saucepan and heat over medium-low. Whisk the mixture constantly until it begins to simmer. Cook until the sauce thickens slightly, about 2 minutes.

Remove from the heat and pour the sauce through a fine mesh strainer into a clean bowl. Stir in the vanilla extract. Serve warm or cold.

This sauce can be made up to three days ahead of time. Simply store it tightly covered in the refrigerator.

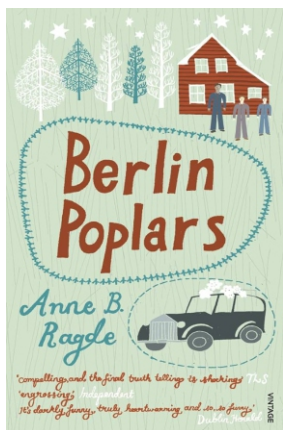
From true-north-kitchen.com

Norwegians love Red currant with vanilla sauce
Rips med vaniljesaus

Red currant (*Ribes rubrum*) is a member of the genus *Ribes* and part of the gooseberry family (*Grossulariaceae*). It is native to Western Europe and has long been cultivated in the United States. In the early 1900s, currants were banned in the northern United States to prevent the spread of white pine blister rust.



August 2024



Just before Christmas on a farm in Northern Norway, 80-year-old Anna Neshov, matriarch of a troubled family, is taken gravely ill. Her three sons have been quietly immersed in their work: one an undertaker, one a window-dresser, and the eldest running the family farm, but now they are forced to reunite for the first time in many years. Their personalities are as disparate as their careers, and tensions mount from the second they meet, climaxing over Christmas dinner when the matter of inheritance prompts the revelation of

disturbing family secrets. Anne B. Ragde has created an engrossing dark comedy brought vividly to life through extraordinary characters. While perfectly in tune with their professions, the Neshov sons as a family are a little short of dysfunctional; nevertheless, the actual theme of the novel is a sense of belonging. The farm itself defines this, with its power to draw people back to their roots, whether they like it or not.

Anne Birkefeldt Ragde was born in 1957 in Odda and made her literary debut in 1986 with the children's book *Hallo! Her er Jo!* Since then, she has written several books for children and young adults, among them a biography about Sigrid Undset, for which she was awarded the Brage Prize. Her first novel for adults, *En tiger for en engel* was published in 1990. She has since written several novels, crime



novels, and short story collections. Her novel *Berlin Poplars* received a warm welcome from both readers and critics and has so far sold more than 250,000 copies in Norway and has been translated into more than 15 languages. It was reviewed favorably by the *Financial Times* on 28 April 2008. The sequels *Hermit Crabs* and *Pastures Green* were no lesser success, although neither has been published in English. The trilogy has been made into a TV series, which had more than 1 million viewers when shown on Norwegian Television.

Social Gathering May 18, 2024



Pretty ladies



Syttende Mai Celebration Hot Dogs and Ice Cream



Social Gathering May 18, 2024



The grill master got sick, Luella had to step in



Palm Springs Bunad



Vidar Johansen and TJ Vidar remember the war in Norway

The Hendrix brought their grand daughter, who is 25% Scandinavian



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Mission Statement

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Sons of Norway
is to provide quality insurance
and financial support to our
members, promote and 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***