

Solskinn Nyhetsbrev

Newsletter from Solskinn Lodge



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Solskinn Lodge 6-150

Ord fra Presidenten



Hi everybody

We are still in the self-quarantine mood, how is everybody doing? Above all that, we have been going thru this very hot period with temperature up to and around 120 for a long time, but try to stay calm and cool, it will be better soon (I hope).

The lodge is trying to activate the members thru events on Zoom, I personal think it's a good substitute for socializing with others. We have been talking about having bingo on Zoom, that has been done with success in other lodges, let us try it.

About our 30 years anniversary, we are still hoping we can do that in the church during November and also the Christmas party in December. We will keep you updated. The nomination committee has been notified and hopefully they will contact some of you.

But until we meet again, make the best out of this situation and most of all:
STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY

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September Social



Saturday September 26th on
ZOOM, 5:00pm

Social Program:
The Northern Lights,
A Magic Experience

The Program will start at
5:10 and is 20 minutes long.

Please RSVP to Luella
morongo2@verizon.net

We will send the ZOOM link
close to the event.
Short discussion following
the program.
We hope to see you there.

Nominations for Officers 2021-2023

It has been two years since our last elections. It is time to elect officers again. Please consider running. We need to fill all positions. The 4 positions we must have are president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. During this pandemic the board has been completed business meetings by ZOOM. We also have other support officer positions that would be nice to be filled but we have the four above. Please consider running for an office or nominating someone else (please ask them first).

Call Charlotte Larsen with nominations at
760-328-1791 or by e-mail
nfcal62@gmail.com.

Klovset-sætra



These pictures from Klovsetsætra and Hogsetdalen were taken by my cousin Leonard Løvoll in 2017. A picturesque part of Sunnmøre. By using Google map, search for Valldal or Eidsdal. It is north of Eidsdal and west of Valldal.

Sæter (seter) is a Scandinavian mountainside meadow used seasonally for grazing milking cows or goats. It was the women who worked at Sætra to milk the cows, make cheese and cheek butter.

Leonard's grandmother, Karen Pedersdatter Lingås (1873-1966) worked at Klovsetsætra for about 120 years ago. She was also at sæter in Hogsetdalen (Hogset valley). It took 2 extra hours to get to Hogsetdalen. Grandmother had many stories to tell. It could come bears and interfere in the daily activities.

Top picture Klovsetsætra, then Hogsetdalen.



Abjorn Bo passed away August 1, 2020.

He was born January 9, 1939 in China of Norwegian parents who were medical missionaries.

He visited often the Kretssteve in Banning.

Asbjorn Bo was a good friend of Corinne Bjerke.

September 2020

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Foundation month is coming up in October

Sons of Norway Foundation provides grants for lodges, scholarships of education, Humanitarian Funds for our members and now a new medical fund. WE hope to send a check this year for the Foundation.

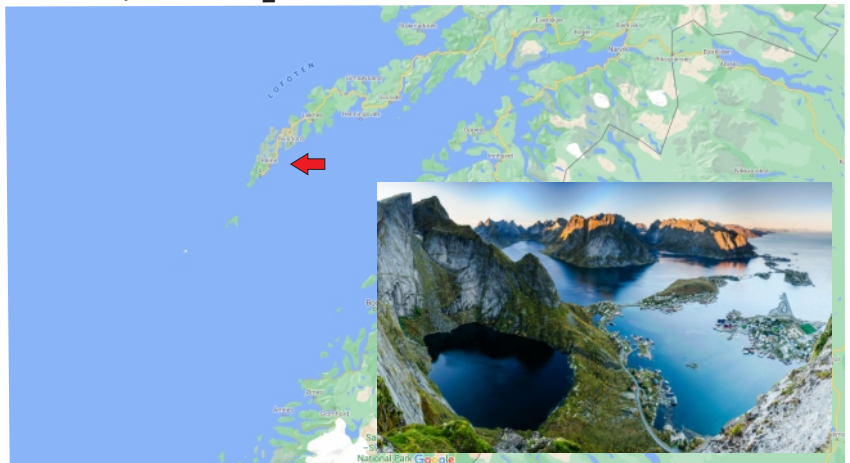
Since we have been "Shelter in Place" and not had any opportunity to raise funds for the foundation. Let's try doing it mail. If you remember I shared a Christmas Gnome quilt in February. See the photo. For every dollar you donate to the foundation your name will be put in to owe this Christmas lap quilt.

To support the Sons of Norway Foundation either send a check made out to "Solskinn Lodge" for the amount you wish to contribute to Nancy Madson, 28351 Via La Palmas, Thousand Palms, CA 92276. Just make a donation in the amount for the cost of one meal out to a restaurant, which most of us haven't done for over 6 months.



The size is 48" x 38". It is 100% cotton. The drawing will be at Christmas... hopefully at a party.

Reine, an outpost in Lofoten





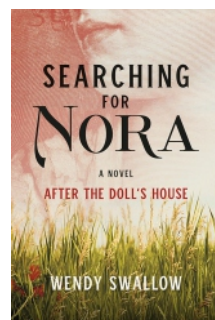
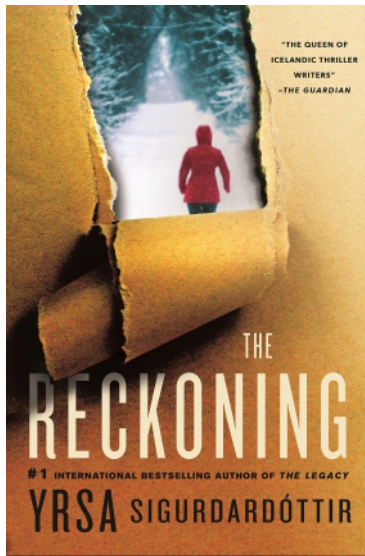
September Book

ZOOM Meeting
Thursday, September 17 at 4PM

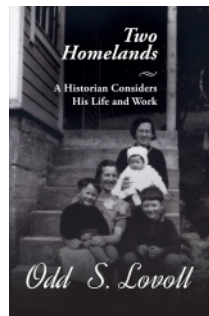


Vilborg Yrsa Sigurðardóttir (born in 1963) is an Icelandic writer of both crime novels and children's fiction. She has been writing since 1998. Her debut crime novel was translated into English by Bernard Scudder. The central character in her crime novels so far is Thóra Guðmundsdóttir (Þóra Guðmundsdóttir), a lawyer. Yrsa has also written for children, and won the 2003 Icelandic Children's Book Prize with *Biobörn*.

Yrsa is married with two children, and she has a career as a civil engineer.



November Book
Searching for Nora
by Wendy Swallow



December
Two Homelands,
by Odd S. Lovoll



Fødsler i August/September

September 1	Nancy T. Madson
September 9	Constance C. Fleischner
September 11	Royda Gerner
September 12	Bobby C. Hendrix
September 14	J.R. Fleischner, MD
September 17	Edward Karlsen
September 28	Karen L. Kubly-Zelman
October 5	Berit Daly-Reistad
October 7	Ann Linda Dew
October 10	Carole Faye Olson
October 16	Donald H. Waldeland
October 21	Terje Berger
October 23	Laura J. Picking
October 29	Sharon Lokke

Do not believe the darkness when the light goes down in the lap of dusk. It is always sunrise on earth somewhere.

André Bjerke (1918-1985)
Norwegian writer and poet

BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS

What's happening with the Solskinn book group and more? Quote from Solskinn member Dottie Bessares, "I've learned a lot about Norway and our Norwegian culture through the many books we've read. That's why I joined the Sons of Norway, I am so grateful for the club."

Upcoming Book September Book selection is "The Reckoning" by Yrsa Sigurðardóttir. This book is about Vaka who sits, regretting her choice of coat, on the cold steps of her new school. Her father appears to have forgotten to pick her up, her mother has forgotten to give her this week's pocket money, and the school is already locked for the day. Grownups, she decides, are useless. With no way to call home, she resigns herself to waiting on the steps until her father remembers her. When a girl approaches, Vaka recognizes her immediately from class, and from her unusual appearance: two of her fingers are missing. The girl lives at the back of the school, on the other side of a high fence, and Vaka asks to call her father from the girl's house. That afternoon is the last time anyone sees Vaka. Detective Huldar and child psychologist Freyja are called in. Soon, they find themselves at the heart of another shocking case. From the international number one bestselling author of *The Silence of the Sea*, winner of the 2015 Petrona Award for Best Scandinavian Crime Novel Yrsa Sigurðardóttir.

Review of August Book selection, "Norwegian by Night" by Derek B Miller. This book was very interesting shedding light on how American's see Norwegians and how Norwegians see Americans. It is a murder mystery but is

really illuminates perceptive based on assumptions and how the assumptions maybe very incorrect.

Vesterheim Bokpart is a new book group that Vesterheim has started via ZOOM. I joined the group in July and the book choice was the same as the Solskinn book group's selection for August, "Norwegian by Night." The Bokpart August selection was "American by Day". Which is kind of a sequel to the first book. Again there is a lot about assumptions of how we perceive based on the environment but this also has a theme about how Norwegians see the American ideal of "Individualism." I recommend this book. It is a good story but also makes you stop and think and maybe laugh at yourself.

Norway and their obsession with mystery novels. It is funny that a country with a low crime rate loves mystery novels. I read somewhere that Easter everyone is reading and often mystery novels. I guess I am one of those. I am currently reading a series by Karin Fossum, a Norwegian writer. I am currently reading her "Inspector Sejer Mysteries. Her first novel in the series is "Eva's Eye". With the COVID limitations to our venturing anywhere I have read a lot.

Come join our next book group via ZOOM on September 17. Zoom isn't difficult you can do Zoom by computer, I pad or phone. I will send the link you click on it for the video or dial in by phone. Reading a book takes you somewhere else and as Dottie said about you learn. Submitted by Luella Grangaard

Famous Norwegians

James Alex Trane (b.1857 in Tromsø, Norway, d. 1936) was a Norwegian-American inventor and industrialist. He was the co-founder of Trane.

James Alex Trane was an immigrant to the United States who settled in La Crosse, Wisconsin in 1864, finding work as a steamfitter and plumber. In 1885, he opened his own plumbing shop.

Besides being a steamfitter and a plumber, James Trane was also an inventor. He designed a new type of low-pressure steam heating system, Trane vapor heating. Reuben Trane, James' son, earned a Mechanical Engineering degree (B.S. 1910) at the University of Wisconsin–Madison and joined his father's plumbing firm.

In 1913, James and Reuben incorporated The Trane Company. By 1916, the Tranes were no longer in the plumbing business, but rather were focusing their attention on manufacturing heating products.

In 1925, Reuben Trane invented a new type of heat transfer device known as the convector radiator. It consisted of a new style of heat exchanger in a sheet metal cabinet—a highly efficient, lightweight replacement for the bulky, slow responding castiron radiator. In 1931, The Trane Company developed its first air conditioning unit, the Trane unit cooler, and in 1938 its first centrifugal refrigeration machine, the Turbovac.

From Wikipedia



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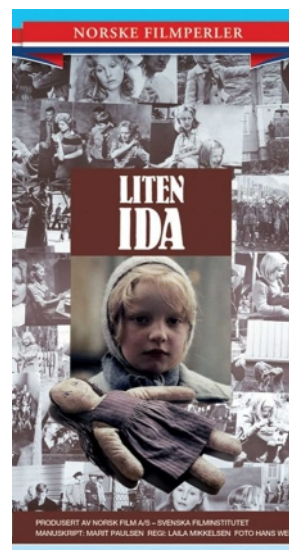
James Alex Trane was born Jens Alexander Martin Rasmussen
b. April 29, 1857 in Tromsø, Trom county
chr: June 14, 1857 in Målselv church, Troms county
d. January 24, 1936 in city of Los Angeles

Son of Rasmus Michael Trane also called Erasmus Trane (1822-1885)
and Christiane Semine Mortensdatter Heggelund (1824-)



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Norwegian Languages

Norwegian (Norwegian: norsk) is a North Germanic language spoken mainly in Norway, where it is the official language. Along with Swedish and Danish, Norwegian forms a dialect continuum of more or less mutually intelligible local and regional varieties; some Norwegian and Swedish dialects, in particular, are very close. These Scandinavian languages, together with Faroese and Icelandic as well as some extinct languages, constitute the North Germanic languages. Faroese and Icelandic are not mutually intelligible with Norwegian in their spoken form because continental Scandinavian has diverged from them. While the two Germanic languages with the greatest numbers of speakers, English and German, have close similarities with Norwegian, neither is mutually intelligible with it. Norwegian is a descendant of Old Norse, the common language of the Germanic peoples living in Scandinavia during the Viking Era.

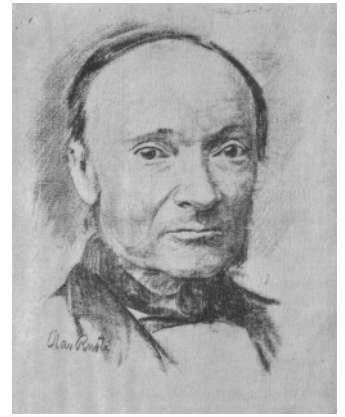
Today there are two official forms of written Norwegian, Bokmål (literally "book tongue") and Nynorsk ("new Norwegian"), each with its own variants. Bokmål developed from the Dano-Norwegian koiné language that evolved under the union of Denmark-Norway in the 16th and 17th centuries, while Nynorsk was developed based upon a collective of spoken Norwegian dialects.

Norwegian is one of the two official languages in Norway. The other is Sami, spoken by some members of the Sami people, mostly in the Northern part of Norway. Norwegian and Sami are not mutually intelligible, as Sami belongs to the Finno-Ugric group of languages. Sami is spoken by less than one percent of people in Norway.

From Wikipedia

There is a story, true or false, about the reason Ivar Aasen actually started to collect words of the dialect in Sunnmøre.

The true part. He was born 1813 at Åsen in Ørsta in the district of Sunnmøre. The young Ivar was brought up to farmwork, but he diligently cultivated all his leisure in reading. When he was eighteen, he opened an elementary school in his native parish. In 1833 he entered the household of Prost (Provost) Hans Conrad Thoresen, the husband of the eminent writer Magdalene Thoresen, in, and there he picked up the elements of Latin. Gradually, and by dint of infinite patience and concentration, the young peasant mastered many languages, and began the scientific study of their structure.



Drawing by Olav Rusti

The story tells that "Prost Thoresen" had a daughter who Ivar fell in love with. But the provost refused to listen to his request. Ivar was heart broken and left the household and the result was "nynorsk". Matter of fact, the daughters of Thoresen was too young for him. One of them, Susanna, married Henrik Ibsen, a giant in Norwegian literature.

Aasen's famous Dictionary of the Norwegian Dialects appeared in its original form in 1850, and from this publication dates all the wide cultivation of the popular language in Norwegian, since Aasen really did no less than construct, out of the different materials at his disposal, a popular language or definite folke-maal (people's language) for Norway. By 1853, he had created the norm for utilizing his new language, which he called Landsmaal (Nynorsk), meaning country language.

Uff da!

In Norwegian, uff or huff is an interjection used when something is unpleasant, uncomfortable, hurtful, annoying, sad, or irritating. Uff da is most often used as a response when hearing something lamentable, and could often be translated as "Oh, I'm sorry to hear that".

Uff da! (sometimes also spelled huffda) is an exclamation or interjection expressing bafflement, surprise, or dismay. Of Norwegian origin, the phrase was brought by Scandinavian Americans in the Upper Midwest, New England, and Pacific Northwest regions of the United States during the 19th century. The Swedish exclamation ojdå is similar in meaning and usage.

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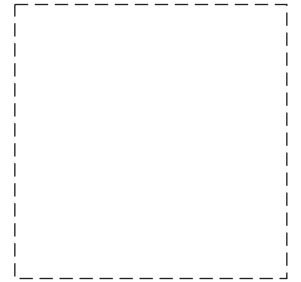
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