



SONS OF NORWAY

Edvard Grieg Lodge 657 District 5

Cincinnati-Dayton, Ohio & Kentucky

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Sons, Daughters and Friends of Norway Newsletter

October 2014

From the President

On October 9, it would be wonderful for you all to greet everyone that you meet with “Isn’t this a wonderful Leif Erickson Day”? It took me checking several calendars in our house until I finally found the date noted on the Paulstad Norwegian calendar. Every year starting with 1964, the United States President has issued a proclamation on October 9, praising the contributions of Americans of Nordic descent. Another interesting fact is that October 9 is not associated with any particular event in Leif Erickson’s life. The date was chosen because the ship *Restauration* coming from Stavanger, Norway, arrived in New York harbor on October 9, 1825. It was the start of the first organized immigration from Norway to the United States.



Leiv Eiriksson discovers America by Christian Krohg (1893)

Within Sons of Norway, October is celebrated as Foundation month. The Foundation does many wonderful things, such as providing Heritage and Culture Grants to lodges for something special. Our lodge received a grant to purchase a projector. Starting on page 25 of the October 2014 issue of the *Viking* is information on this year’s scholarship recipients. Take a few minutes and read about these remarkable young people.

We want to thank Kim and Mike Pillman for hosting our August lodge meeting. It was almost an adventure finding their house, but Mike had put signs along the road thru the forest leading to the house. Just when you thought you might be lost you would see another S/N sign. We learned about Kim meeting family in Norway and finding the family farm.

At our September lodge meeting, Tim Forest, chair of European Studies at UC-Blue Ash, talked about immigration in the upper Midwest. Tim is writing a book on this subject. We learned he had done more of his research on the Irish, but still working on the Norwegian/Scandinavian influence of immigration for his book. He will keep in touch and let us know when his book published.

We have some interesting meetings in the next few months; see the notes about them elsewhere in the newsletter.

Esther Charlton

A Time for Change

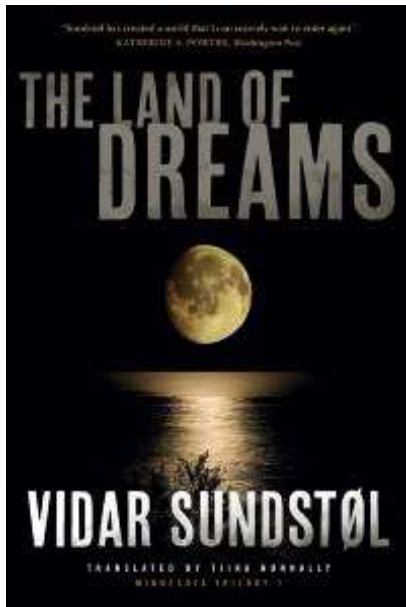
Our lodge by-laws were written for our officers to be elected every two years. The Sons of Norway Constitution says that this should be done in October and November. The two year term (2013-2014) is now ending, and we are ready for new officers for 2015-2016. It is now time for some fresh new faces to take a position on the lodge board. We need you! If you have any questions, about a particular position, talk to one of the current officers. Eivind Heiberg, our CEO in the October Viking encourages members to step up to the opportunity to serve on the lodge board.

Reading Circle

Nov 1 – 2:30 to 4 p.m.

The Reading Circle met in September after a summer break. We discussed several Scandinavian books read by attendees.

Our next meeting will be Nov 1. We'll be reading *The Land of Dreams* (Minnesota Trilogy) by Vidar Sundstøl. This book was the winner of the Riverton Prize for best Norwegian crime novel. The story is set on the rugged north shore of Lake Superior. The Cincinnati/Hamilton County Library system has eleven copies.



We meet from 2:30-4 p.m. at Panera Bread (across from Tri-County) 405 E. Kemper Rd., Cincinnati 45246. Everyone welcome!

For more information or to RSVP contact Carol Luiso 513.683.3631 or CHLuiso@aol.com.

October Lodge Meeting

Saturday, October 18 - Noon

Our lodge meeting will be at the Symmes Township Library at noon. The library is located at 11850 Enyart Rd, which is just a bit south of Field-Ertel, off of Montgomery Rd. This will be a potluck lunch, so please bring a salad or dessert or lunch type food.

Deanna Kindell, who has hosted exchange students for years, will talk to us about being a host family.

Please RSVP to Esther with what you plan to bring to the meeting.

November Lodge Special Event

Sunday, November 16 – 5 p.m.



In November we will do something different for our monthly meeting. On Sunday, November 16 at 5 p.m. we will have a tour of WLW-TV by Erik Zarnitz, the weekend weatherman. Erik is a Sons of Norway member and his mother was born in Oslo. After our tour we will all go to dinner. WLW-TV is at 1700 Young St, 45202. This is near the intersection of Reading Rd and Liberty on the edge of downtown. It might even be good to meet another member and carpool. Please RSVP to Esther by November 15.

Julefest

Sunday, December 7 – 4 p.m.



Our annual Julefest this year will be on Sunday December 7. It will begin at 4 p.m.

The lodge will provide the meatballs and lefse. You all will need to bring the other food items: appetizers, salads, vegetables, potatoes and desserts.

Please RSVP with what you plan to bring by December 3, to Esther.

The Julefest will be at Augsburg Lutheran Church, 11676 Hamilton Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45240. This is exit 33 off of I-275. The church is about a half mile north of I-275 on the east side of the road.

The cost of Julefest will be \$5.00 for ages 12 thru adults, children 6 – 11 will be \$3.00 and five and under are free.

Our Norsk Butikk will be open for your Christmas shopping. We will accept donations for our Butikk if you have any extra Norwegian items that you would like to contribute, bring them to Julefest.

There will be a Bake Sale and we need contributions. You may bake anything, it does not need to be Norwegian. Let Carol Luiso know if you plan to bake so we know how much space to allow for the goodies.

We need some helpers to come early and help set up for Julefest. If you can come early please let Nelda, Carol or Esther know of your availability to help. RSVP to Esther Charlton, esthersofn@aol.com or 513/923-3798

Birthdays

October

Roby Bowman[12], Curtis Anderson[13], Jody Pieper[15], Susan Herman[16], Ken Soberg[19], Jens Basberg[20], Bryce Pillman[20], Nelda Chandler[25].

November

Caroline Schoenig[1], Dario Sedler[1], Dianne Clark[5], Ann Christiansen[12], Glenn Mikaloff[14], Trine Wernes[15]. Shelby Sansom[29].

December

Lois Evensen[5], Susie Mikaloff[7], Esther Charlton[12], Leah Sedler[12], Nicholas chandler[13], Ed Charlton[13], Teresa Lowen[15], Carol Olson[16], Kim Pillman[25], Aida Storetvedt[26], Konrad Nelson[29].

International Convention

By Esther Charlton

As I was elected a delegate to the International Convention, Bob and I drove to Jacksonville, Florida for the August 21-23 meetings. What you will notice most is the message from the new International President Jon Tehven, in the Viking. Jon belongs to Solglimt Lodge in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Marit Kristiansen has ended her two year term as International President. Marit was from Alaska and spent a lot of time flying back and forth to Minneapolis for meetings. One of our District 5, lodges, Mandt in Stoughton, Wisconsin was the lodge of the year for their category. The next International Convention in two years will be hosted by three lodges in Puget Sound in the state of Washington.

Brunkager

(Norwegian Brown Cookies)

Recipe by Carol Luiso



1 c. butter
1 c. sugar
2 tsp. vanilla sugar (If you don't have this, use 1 tsp vanilla. I heard vanilla sugar is sold at Jungle Jim's).
1 tsp. baking soda
2 tbsp. Lyle's golden syrup (Haven't found this anywhere around here or WI, substitute with dark Karo syrup).
2 c. flour

Mix.

Divide into 4 portions.

Make each portion into a 12 inch long roll.

Place 2 rolls on a cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes until light brown.

Slice diagonally while warm.

Dough spreads a lot while baking, almost filling the whole pan!

Enjoy!

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