



Solglimt Newsletter



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Leif Erikson Day, October 9, honors the first European known to have set foot in North America.

Ord fra Presidenten

I had a wonderful trip with Nancy in September. I hope you all have a chance to visit Norway and now I have been twice and look forward to planning another visit. This tour was special because it was the Presidential Tour for Sons of Norway. So there were members of Sons of Norway from the Midwest and west coast. We all had a common interest which made the adventure even more special. In addition we had the opportunity to meet with members from four lodges in Norway: Oslo, Eidsvoll, Hamar and Bergen.

I had a number of emotional moments on this journey. On our drive to Heddal in the Telemark area I hadn't realize we were going to drive through Kongsberg which is the city my great-grandmother Jorand Hoffen Grangaard



came from. I remember how excited my grandfather was to visit his mother's childhood home and school in the late 1960's. It must have been very moving for him to come to this town in Norway, because it brought tears to my eyes over 40 years later.

My next moment came at the Hamar Emigrant museum. There we had a wonderful presentation on emigration. We had part of our education in a small cabinet built in Kindred ND in 1879. This was first a home, then church and store. And now it is in Norway. But this church later was replaced by the Norman Lutheran church which my Great Grandfather Erik Ballestad was minister. Who would have thought these associations would happen.

And then at dinner in Bergen I sat across from a woman named Britt, a member of the Bergen lodge. This woman grew up in Skien and lived less than a mile from many

Ballestad's. She is going to try to find information about them. What a small world it is.



My trip to Norway as a tour actually became a connection to my heritage I didn't expect. Consider planning a trip to Norway or exploring further your heritage. Sons of Norway have many tools and opportunities to help with this adventure.

Fraternally,
Luella Grangaard

Business Meeting

At
Nancy's House
Tuesday Oct. 11
Everyone Welcome.
RSVP 760-343-0848

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION/TIME
October 11	Business Meeting	Nancy Madson's home, 4:30 PM call 760-343-0848
October 13	Hardanger	Debera Ellingboe's home, 3:00 PM call 760-699-7436
October 14	Lunch Bunch	Lulu's California Bistro, 11:30 RSVP to Debera Ellingboe 760-699-7436
October 20	Supper Club	Thai Kitchen, Cathedral City, 6:00 RSVP: Miriam Hendrix 760-408-9900 or Junelle Pearson 760-799-1131
October 22	Social	5:00 Social, 6:00 Dinner /Soup & Salad Lodge
(***date change)		\$5 member/\$8 non-member Anniversary/Foundation event , Hope Lutheran Church
October 22	Book group	3:00 Prior to Social
October 27	Hardanger	Connie Fleischner' home, 3:00 PM call 760-776-657
October 29	Rosemaling	Hope Lutheran Church, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM
	Wood Carving	Hope Lutheran Church, 1:00 PM-3:00, call Luella 760-363-7704
November 19	Social	Viking Dinner and Program
December 17	Social	Christmas Dinner
OUT OF AREA EVENTS		
October 7-9	Central California Kretevenne	Buellton, CA
October 14-16	Southern California Kretevenne	Pio Pico, Jamul
Information for the above call Luella Grangaard 760-363-7704		

Rosemaling Class at Solskinn Lodge

Rosemaling Class—Telemark Style

Instructor Mardela Ivers

Date: January 28, 2012, 9-5

Location: Hope Lutheran Church

Time: 9-5

Cost for Sons of Norway Members \$30 and non-members \$50.00, and it includes: Backgrounded 8 ½" heart ruffled plate, designed traced on ready to paint, acrylic paints provided by instructor. All instructor fees included and lunch and break.

Reservations must be pre-paid by January 15, class limit 20 students.

Registration form

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Member of sons of Norway (circle) yes no

Enclose fee \$30 member \$50 non-member

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

September Birthdays

4	Sinclair Joan E
5	Daly Berit Reistad
7	Nabors Beverly J
11	Ellingboe Austin Ryne
13	Kosvic Matthew TL
16	Waldeland Donald H
19	Braithwaite James
20	Arneson Phillip W
21	Ellingboe Richard A
23	Picking Laura J
27	Thu Katrina
28	Clymens Ezra
31	Larsen Norman F

Hurra for deg som fyller ditt år, ja deg vil jeg gratulere.

Alle i ring omkring deg vi står, og se, nå vil vi marsjere.

Bukke, nikke, neie, snu oss omkring, danse for deg med hopp og sprett og spring, ønske deg av hjerte alle gode ting og si meg så, hva vil du mere?

GRATULERE!

Lunch Bunch Meeting

At Lulu's California Bistro

Downtown Palm Springs

11:30 A.M

RSVP: Debera Ellingboe 760-699-7436

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Foundation

A very special thanks to all of you who have continued to feed the Foundation Pigs that are on the tables at each of our dinners. Although, to you they may not appear to grow, there is a small, but consistent growth that will see us meet our goal of \$500. We are now at \$434 and with your help, we'll surpass that goal. Thank You!!

Donations that are accepted during October, which is Foundation Month, will be shared 50-50 with the Foundation Humanitarian Fund. The past several months, the Humanitarian Fund has sent 38, \$1000 checks to Sons of Norway members who suffered losses in the Minot floods. So this month, if you can see your way to add an extra dollar or two, it will benefit those members who have fallen on hard times.

We have collected a few items for the silent auction, but could use more. This auction will be held during our Soup and Salad Dinner on October 22nd. If you have items that you no longer want or can use, give me a call and I'd be happy to pick them up and put them in the auction. Sorry ladies, we won't accept slightly used husbands.

October is Sons of Norway Foundation Month

At our October meeting we are planning to have a silent auction to raise funds for our Foundation. If you have items - books, clothes, nick-nacks, paintings, coins, etc. that you would like to donate for the auction, please contact me. We would like to have the items several weeks before our meeting so the proper forms can be printed and items picked up if necessary. My phone number is 760 674-1933. These items are also tax deductible. Thanks in advance for your support.

Submitted by

David Lutes

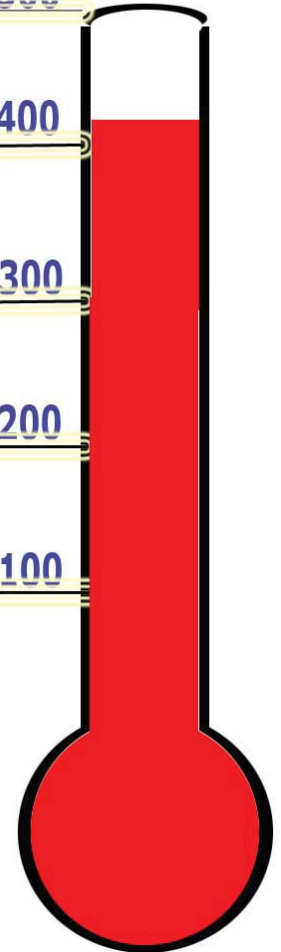
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Book Review

King Harald's Saga by Snorri Sturluson

This is another book that I didn't expect to like as much as I did. This is an Icelandic Saga which describes the life of King Harald Hardradi, from his battles across Europe and Russia to his final battle in England in 1066, less than three weeks before the invasion of William the Conqueror. This last battle by the last Viking King weakened the English armies and change to course of history. The text of the saga is short but it is the wonderfully detailed footnotes that brought this story to life and furthered my historical knowledge of Norway. I am looking forward to reading more Sagas.

Movie Review

Elling

This movie is about a man named "Elling" who is mentally ill and how he is reintroduced into Norwegian society. It is actually a very sweet movie about their adventures together. I love the reference to surkal. This is in Norwegian with subtitles. This can be borrowed from Sons of Norway lending library or from Netflix.

Culture Skill program, Literature.

If you are interested in joined a group from the Sons of Norway in a reading circle, we will be meeting at 3PM on October 15 in the Social Hall. We will be working on the Cultural Skills Program for Literature. If you are interested or would like more information please email or call me at vlsimon@jhu.edu or 760-203-0279.



Cultural Skills Pin recipients at September Social

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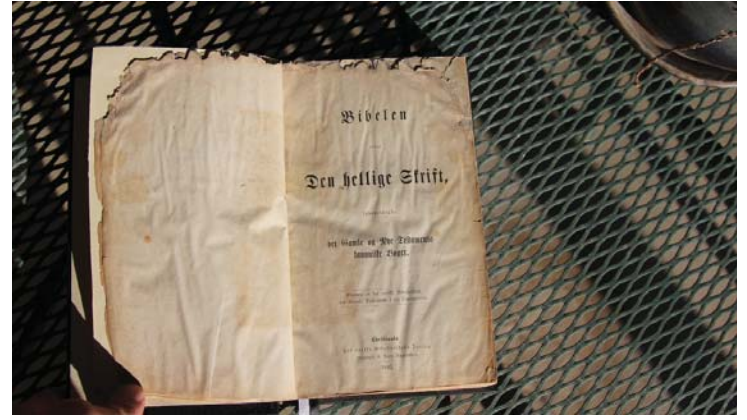
Bob and Miriam enjoyed attending Bob Hanevik's 80th birthday in Riverside September 3. He and Margaret served lovely food, shared photos of his life and had many guests wishing him a Happy Birthday.

Bob is currently president of the San Bernardino lodge.



Thank you for a wonderful presentation, Vaughn Simon

Items for Silent Auctions





Helen Lewis



Nancy Madson



Heidi Albright



Miriam Hendrix



James Peterson



Phyllis Peterson



Luella Grangaard



LaVonne Wisler

Supper Club

Our new season for Sons of Norway Supper Club is slated to begin.

Date: Thursday, October 20.

Place: Thai Kitchen, 67555 E. Palm Canyon Drive #A105, Cathedral City

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Price: \$7.99 for entree (excluding duck and seafood). There would be an additional charge for additional items such as beverages and appetizers.

Reservations:

Miriam Hendrix (760-408-9900)

Junelle Pearson (760-799-1131)



JR at our last social meeting. As you can see, there is nothing that stops a member from not showing up to our meetings. These are all adaptations needed after you have gone through a shoulder surgery.

More Silent Auction items



Silent Auction

In this item of the newsletter we have shown several of the items that will be up for a silent auction on this month's social. Especially look for the Norwegian Bible from 1895. It is a great item. So are many others.

If you have any items you would like to donate to the silent auction, please let David Lutes know. He is more than happy to come and pick it up. His phone number is 760-674-1933

This silent auction is to raise money for the Sons of Norway Foundation.

Thank you Peter Olsen for your many donations.

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Solskinn Lodge Dinner Social Saturday, October 22

Hope Lutheran Church Social Hall
45-900 Portola Avenue, in Palm Desert

5:00 Social

6:00 Dinner

6:45 Program

Program: Norwegian Bingo/ Foundation
Silent Auction

Soup and Salad Bar with desert
\$5.00/member & \$8.00/non-members

Pay at door

No reservations required

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