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Lodge 3 - 679

Letter from the President

Greetings,

I hope your summer is off to a good start!

Our Syttende Mai celebration was terrific! This might be the best one we have had yet! We had over 100 adults and children gather to celebrate Norway's Constitution Day; some were regular members and some were newcomers and visitors. Regardless, a good time was had by all. Almost everyone was in the parade and they circled the building three times; the children had fun playing a lot of games; and there were several prizes raffled off during the event. Timothy Boyce gave a great presentation on his book "From Day to Day" (Odd Nansen's diary from WWII) and fielded many questions from interested listeners. It takes a lot of help to plan, conduct, and clean up after an event of this size. There are so many to thank that I can't name them all. All of you really made a difference! Tusen takk!

Deb McConaghy and I just came back from the Third District Convention that was held in Myrtle Beach, SC. There were many resolutions to vote on as well as electing the district board for the next two year term. Full details in a future meeting! (Check out the Facebook page – Deb has put some interesting things out there from the convention J. It wasn't all business – we had some fun too!) Also, several of our members joined us as non-delegates. They met other attendees from the Third District or caught up with friends from other lodges. We are really glad you came! Hope you had a good time!

Our last event prior to our summer break is Midsummer. This will be held at Deb McConaghy's house on June 25, 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Additional details are in this newsletter.

If I do not see you before our next regular meeting in September, I hope that you have a wonderful and safe Summer! Stay tuned for our upcoming schedule and calendar of events. Thank you for all you do to make our lodge one of the best!

Fraternally,

Ruth Campbell, President, SON Norsk Carolina Lodge 3-679

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Calendar of Events

Your Lodge Officers:

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Saturday June 25th, Midsommer

5:00pm until 9:00pm
 Deb McConaghy's home
 8012 Covey Chase Drive, Charlotte

Come out and enjoy Midsommer with Norsk Carolina

This year we will have Frogmore Stew (shrimp, potatoes, onions, corn, kielbasa) AND Pølse AND ice cream!

Southern or Norwegian you get to pick!

Members are FREE

Non-Members: \$ 5.00

Please bring an appetizer/side and/or dessert *Plus* the beverage of your choice.....and chairs !

Send an email to Deb to let her know how many we can expect so she can buy the right amount of shrimp..... Deb-McConaghy@carolina.rr.com

TWO WAYS TO PAY: RSVP TO DEB NO LATER THAN JUNE 23rd!

1. PAYPAL
2. At the Event

Gratulerer med dagen

to our members with Birthdays!

HAPPY DAY!!

Gratulerer med dagen!

June

7 - Linda Stedje-Larson

14 - Diane Robinson

15 - Richard Thorsen Jr

21 - Bertram Moglebust

24 - Deb McConaghy

26 - Bjarne Berg

27 - Vera Krynski

July

5 - Nancy Blackwell

23 - Andrea Watson

28 - Marilyn Nicolay



District 3 News



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Fra Presidenten, Mary B. Andersen

"Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." William Arthur Ward

Over the past two years I have shared great happiness and sorrow with you. Sorrow at the loss of a dear fraternal brother or sister and great happiness celebrating lodge anniversaries and just attending lodge meetings. Most recently I, and other Board members, former and current, attended Hudson Valley's 70th Anniversary and Faerder's 105th Anniversary. It was such a great feeling to see connections made years ago renewed and strengthened. As the commercial

says, the experience was "priceless". Over the next few months there are other anniversaries to celebrate including:

Garborg's 90th

Nordkapp's 95th

Blafjell's 20th

I am so grateful to each of you who support Sons of Norway, your lodge, your zone and your District. I am incredibly grateful to the 3D Board, the LOV Board and all the lodge Boards. I am grateful to those who labor behind the scenes maintaining our facebook page and our website; those who organize our golf tournaments year after year; those who are just there simply being you. You are unique and a valuable part of Sons of Norway and are much appreciated.

We have a convention this month with a lot of business to transact. I appreciate all of the delegates who will take the time to read all the resolutions, talk to their lodges, gain consensus on a vote (yea or nay), and vote according to your lodge's direction.

I am grateful to all of you and the opportunity to have served as your President for the past two years.

Have a healthy, happy and safe summer!

All the best, Mary



<http://www.businessinsider.com/norwegian-phrases-the-dont-exist-in-english-2015-4>

The phrases below are things that the Norwegian language has a unique way of expressing. Check them out, along with their literal translated meanings.

6. Faen

Yes, everyone's favorite all-purpose Norwegian swearword. While the actual meaning of the word translates to "the devil," its usage is far broader. It can be a noun, an adjective, an adverb, a preposition... I yell "faen" when I hurt myself. "Fy faen" is to express surprise or disappointment. Faenmeg is just an intensifier. Faenskap is the kind of mean-ish pranks teenagers get up to. Det går til faen means something is about to go horribly wrong. Give me a swearword in any language, and it can probably be translated to "faen."

Continued in September...

News from Norway

From Vesterheim's Collection: Herbjørn Gausta, "Grace Before the Meal"



Herbjørn Gausta, "Grace Before the Meal (Bordbønnen)," ca. 1880-89. Oil on canvas, 20.5 x 28.5 inches. | This poignant scene of a Norwegian home interior shows a mother and four children seated before a meal of grøt, kjøttkaker, and flatbrød. The father's chair is empty, and there has been speculation that it refers to a father who has gone to America while the family waits for him to send funds so they can join him. It is also possible that the empty chair is for a father who died. A favorite even today, this painting was especially

popular in the early twentieth century. www.norway.org

U.S.-Norway Agreement for Peaceful Nuclear Cooperation

On June 13, 2016, President Obama submitted to Congress for its review an Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Kingdom of Norway Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy. Pending Congressional review, the Agreement will establish the legal framework for the United States to engage in civil nuclear cooperation with Norway under agreed-upon nonproliferation conditions. The Agreement reflects the strength and breadth of the longstanding and strategic U.S.-Norway relationship. The Agreement will establish a firm foundation for continued, mutually beneficial cooperation in civil nuclear energy in conformity with the highest standards of safety, security, and nonproliferation. www.norway.org



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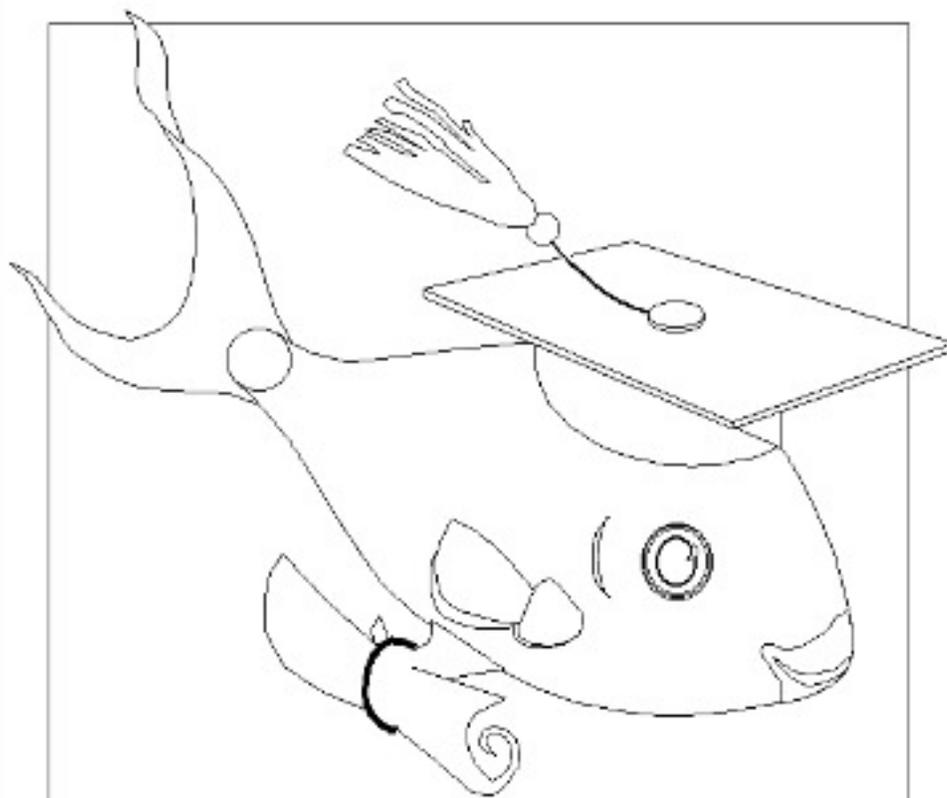
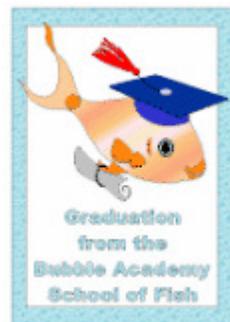
Norway and the US Strengthen Their Collaboration on Climate Change



Norway and the US share the goal of halting global deforestation. By strengthening collaboration between our two countries on forests and climate change, we can contribute to a more rapid and forceful implementation of the Paris agreement and the sustainable development goals, says Vidar Helgesen, Minister of the Climate and Environment in Norway. Minister Helgesen signed a joint statement on deeper collaboration on forests and climate change, with State Secretary of the US, John Kerry. In the statement, which was signed during the world's largest rainforest conference Oslo REDD exchange, Norway and the US underscore that the global climate goals will not be within reach unless the remaining tropical forest is protected. Measures in forests can contribute with up

to one-third of the effort that is needed to limit global warming to well below two degrees. Through its international climate and forest initiative, Norway has pledged up to 3 billion NOK annually for this effort. The Paris agreement will underpin efforts to reduce deforestation, in the years to come. Many countries have included forest sector measures in their nationally determined contributions under the agreement. Norway and the US will support implementation of these climate targets, in cooperation with ambitious forest countries. www.tnp.no

Youth Page - Graduation Coloring Page



Graduation
from the
Bubble Academy
School of Fish

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- Blåfjell Lodge (Roanoke)— <http://222.sonsofnorwayblafjell.org>
- Capital Viking — www.norwaydc.org
- Gulf Coast Vikings — <http://www.gulfcoastvikings.com>
- Hampton Road Lodge — <https://sites.google.com/site/hrsofn>
- North Carolina Vikings (Raleigh) — www.northcarolinavikings.org
- Restauration Lodge of Cedar Rapids — www.sofn-cedarrapids.org
- Vennekretsen Lodge (Atlanta) — www.vennekretsen.com
- Vikings of the Smokies Lodge — www.tnvikings.org
- Norrona Lodge (Van Nuys, CA)— www.norronalodge.org
- Sklold Lodge (Illinois)— www.skjoldlodge.com
- Lodge Brooklyn — www.lodgebrooklyn.org

**Norwegian Genealogy Websites:**

- <http://homepages.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~norway/> — A comprehensive list of sites related to Norwegian-American genealogy
- <http://www.nndata.no/home/jborgos/register.htm> — Oldest Church registers in Norwegian Parishes; shows the year the different parishes began keeping church records
- <http://www.cyndislist.com/norway/> — List of sites related to Norwegian-American genealogy
- <http://www.emigrationcenter.com/index.cfm> — The Norwegian Emigration and Genealogy Center
- http://www.dokpro.uio.no/dipl_norv/diplom_field_eng.html — Search among 16,000 documents from Norway in the period 1050-1590

**Collect stamps for Tubfrim!**

The stamps benefit disabled children in Norway!
Used stamps have been collected since 1928! Cut around them (1/4 inch border) and turn them into Diane Robinson.

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<http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/profile.php?id=100002241664795>

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Sons of Norway website -

<http://www.sofn.com/home/index.jsp>

Facebook- <http://www.facebook.com/groups/SonsofNorway/>

Twitter - <http://twitter.com/#!/SonsofNorway>

LinkedIn- <http://www.linkedin.com/company/2080826>

Sons of Norway Blog -

<http://www.sonsofnorwayblog.blogspot.com>

