

Calendar of Coming Events

Saturday Feb. 4	<u>Genealogy Group Meeting</u> Roseville Library	10:00 AM To Noon
Tuesday Feb. 7	<u>Synnøve-Nordkap Board Meeting</u> <u>Maplewood Library conference room; 3025 Southlawn Dr. (W side Maplewood Mall).</u>	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Saturday Feb. 11	<u>Junior Lodge. Welcome! The second annual Fish Toss! Meet at Our Savior's Church, 1606 West Olive, Stillwater from 1 - 2:30. Invite a brother or sister, cousin or friend to join us.</u>	1:00 PM To 2:30 PM
Tuesday Feb.. 14	<u>Synnøve-Nordkap Social Event</u> <u>Chili Dump and Movie Night</u> See cover for more information.	6:30 PM
Tuesday March 6	<u>Synnøve-Nordkap Board Meeting</u> <u>Maplewood Library conference room; 3025 Southlawn Dr. (W side Maplewood Mall).</u>	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Tuesday Mar 13	<u>Synnøve-Nordkap Social Event</u>	7:00 PM

American Swedish Institute - Jan. 20 to April 29:

"Wit in Wood: Nordic Figure Carving". The exhibition reveals the great mastery in these often understated, but clever, pieces, showing some of the masters represented in the American Swedish Institute's extensive collection of woodcarvings.

Norwegian Language Classes

(1) "Norwegian In Five Minutes A Month" series. Class 6:30-7:00 PM Tuesdays before lodge meetings. February 14: No Class.

(2) "Norsk Nordmenn og Norge" Class 6:30-7:45 PM (not 8:00, as the library will now close at 8:00 due to budget cuts). Sun Ray Library, 2105 Wilson Ave., between McKnight Rd. & Ruth St.
Date: February 16: Chapter 23 p. 386.

For information, contact class co-facilitators: Sheryl Hove [651-738-4908](tel:651-738-4908) and Crystal Bloecher [651-774-8545](tel:651-774-8545). New participants welcome!

Cultural Skills Unit 7: Language and Culture Group

Date: Tuesday, January 10 following the SON Meeting.

Location: Eat lunch together at the back corner table.

Plan monthly words for Brevet.

Cultural Skills Program *Unit 7: Norwegian Language and Culture*

There are three levels of participation for this unit. Level 1: The Basics of Norwegian Language, Level 2: A Sampling of Norwegian Culture and Level 3: Specializing in Norwegian Language or Norwegian Culture. For each level an activity is required from a list of 10 options. Option 2: Choose 12 Norwegian words and expressions which are also used in the English language, learn about their backgrounds and publish them in the lodge newsletter. See this month's word in the next column!

New participants are invited to join the classes.

Mindekirken Events::

924 E. 21st St.
Minneapolis, MN 55404
(612) 874-0716

Tuesday Open House:

Feb 7: Jack Salmela-- author "Sisterhood of the Hennepin Chalice"

Feb 14: Tom Dahl--"A Scandinavian Valentines Smörgåsbord of Songs and Humor"

Feb 21: Jeff Foltz, "Birkebeiner: A Story of Motherhood and War"

Feb 28: Rev. Deaconess Diane K Greve "Sr Elizabeth Fedde"

Feb. 9, 11:45: Fiskeboller Luncheon & Lecture, Steve Benson speaking on "Scandinavian Immigrant Humor. \$18.00"

Nordic Lights Film Festival

Save the dates, Feb. 3-7, 2012
St. Anthony Main Theater
<http://nordiclightsfilmfestival.org/>

Attention Reading Cultural

Skills group! Due to the chili supper and movie, the reading group will not meet in February. We will meet again in March. Our goal is that each of us will have one written report ready by this next meeting. The Reading Cultural Skills Group meets a half hour before lodge meetings.

Genealogy Group normally meets the first Saturday of the month from 10 am to 12 noon at the Roseville Library Community Program Room. Everyone is welcome to attend. Interested members should contact Cathie Reasoner at 651-646-8483 or harrie1030@netzero.com for more information.

This and That

Jill Storlie on Norwegian TV!

(Editors Note: Jill is a former Lodge member and Roar Moe gave a talk at our lodge approximately two years ago)

Dear friends,

As you may know I have been spending the last three summers helping Roar Moe with his nature life school on Litle Faeroy in Solund.. Two TV programs included me last summer. This one just came out and focused on the whole area. Another will come out in the fall and feature Roar and me more extensively. In fact, I was also shown doing landscape and figurative paintings (yes, I am now an oil painter after another year of courses at Luther College.) Click the link below if you want to see the new Norwegian TV show that I was on. It translates loosely to Glimpse of Norway:: The Post boat in Solund area. You may catch a glimpse of me and Roar's sister cleaning a fish net as well as the beautiful scenery of this farthest west coast area Solund Kommune. You don't need to understand Norwegian to enjoy this. Roar will be in Minnesota in February if you know anyone who would want him to give his powerpoint presentation and story with lots of new information. [NRK Nett-TV: Glimt av Norge: Postbåten i Solund](http://www.nrk.no) www.nrk.no Jill Storlie e-mail: jillellyn@jillellyn.com

Interested in Travel to Norway? Or Wood Carving Lessons?

Else Bigton and Phillip Odden are once again offering classes in wood carving and a group excursion to Norway in 2012.

Wood carving courses will be held in April and September. The September course will feature Harley Refsal of Decorah, IA. Mr. Refsal is a retired Luther College professor and is the author of several figure carving and pattern books. He is well known for his figure carving and pleasant teaching style. He teaches several classes each year in this country as well as in Scandinavia. He will teach a weekend class in his popular flat plane style figure carving. This course is expected to fill quickly. Check out the Norsk Wood Works website for details and registration. **Classes will be held at the Norsk Wood Works carving studio, which is located at Phillip and Else's farmstead west of Barronett, Wisconsin.**

The "Odden's Rural Life Traditions Tour" of Norway, will be conducted August 10 through August 21, 2012. For trip itinerary, costs and other details, visit the web site (<http://www.norskwoodworks.com/>) or call 715-468-2780.

23 or 92? Some of our lodge members may remember Ruth Gibson's Aunt Grethe Rogstad. She has been to the U.S. and to Minnesota twice. In 2000 she was here as we celebrated Leif Erickson's 1000th year discovery of America! She was at the Ibsen Statue in Como Park as we celeb rated there. She went to Mindekirken, to a country club on Lake Calhoun, and she walked in a parade in Minneapolis. She is on the Sons of Norway CD (I guess it is of the advertising - with our lodge) carrying one of Axel Torvi's big Norwegian flags. So a number of our members have seen her and may remember her! She is going to be 92 on February 29th. (Amazingly, Ruth has learned that Grethe is the 4th in their lineage with this leap day birthday - Technically, it is her 23rd!) Ruth is hoping Synnøve-Nordkap members might make her day special by sending a birthday card to:

GRETHE ROGSTAD
ROGSTADVEIEN 22
3618 SKOLLENBORG
NORWAY

The deadline to submit items to the Brevet for the coming month is normally the 20th of the previous month. Please keep this time frame in mind, and keep those news items coming! Thanks, -Lowell and Linda