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It has been a wonderful summer! There have been hot days and cool days. Rainy days and sunny days, and now the days are getting shorter. Fall is upon us. But what did we do this summer?

MAY was a busy month! During Spring Grove's Syttende Mai Fest our Sons of Norway

held a Bake Sale and had the following people do demonstrations:

David Susag working with his spring pole lathe..

Lee Grippen made krumkake; Karen Fried made doughnuts; Rachel Storlie made Goro; and David Sussag brought his spring pole lathe and made a couple of wood bowls.

Our Viking ship, sailed down the streets of Spring Grove during the parade. It was a gorgeous day and people really enjoyed being able to get together and celebrate!

MAY MONTHLY MEETING, May 17th

For the program, Rachel Storlie shared with us a short video she put together of Syttende Mai celebration which included the Spring Grove's fest, celebrating in Norway, the Nordic Four playing at SG school for the elementary students and the Barnetogot. We had a potluck supper which also was a birthday celebration for Janet Fossum (95) and Jackie Parker (much younger). Thank you Jill Storlie for getting the cake!



JUNE MONTHLY MEETING

For June. Karen Fried did a small presentation on Stave Churches and then challenged the group with the Sons of Norway Stave Church Trivia which can be found on the Sons of Norway website.

JULY MONTHLY MEETING

We met in LaCrescent as this was our joint

meeting with the Westby Lodge. The program was Amy Redington

who shared photos of her May trip to Norway to see her ancestral areas. She served Rommegrot to all as part of the pot luck supper. Mange Takk Solvang Lodge!

Get Well Wishes to **Lee Grippen**. His 9 broken ribs are healing from a tumble he took at Nordic Fest.

Symapthy to the families of **Oranda and Darrell Sinclair**, **Sharon Buxengaard** (wife of Dale Buxengaard), Edith Peterson (mother of Shelley Jerviss), and to so many others who may be grieving loved ones.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY JANET!!

UPCOMING VALHEIM LODGE ACTIVITIES

AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING

We are **invited to WINONA** to meet with Nor-Win Lodge.

Tuesday August 23 at 5:30 P.M. at Central Lutheran Church in Winona.

(259 W Wabasha St, Winona

There will be a light meal prior to the meeting.
After sharing a meal with Nor Win, the program will be a presentation by Emily



Stark, a staff member of the Sons of Norway Foundation. She will share the basic mission of the foundation. The Mission Statement makes very clear the partnership between the foundation and the local lodges: They provide scholarships and grants supporting the heritage and culture of Norway, providing assistance to our members, lodges and communities. This will make us aware of help provided which should make for a stronger lodge.

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MEETING Thursday September 15, 6:30 pm

Thursday, September 15, 6:30 pm at Giants of the Earth Heritage Center

Our program will be THE VIKING STORY Illustrated in Stamps of the World

by Glenn Borreson
According to Glenn, this program
tackles the impossible—a brief account
of the 300-year Viking Age in about
30 minutes! Beginning with the attack
on England's Lindisfarne in 793, he
traces the Viking travels by longship,

highlights some leaders and achievements, and looks at the culture of these Northmen. All this is done in a unique way—with his illustrations being stamps issued by many countries, some of these stamps beautiful and artistic in their own right. Following the program we will have a light potluck lunch, please bring something to share.



We are STILL PLANNING our Lodge Vitality Event!

The tenative date will be **Sunday, November 6, 2022** in the afternoon. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

What will we be doing? We will be spending the afternoon

living the Viking life! There will be food, competitions (not too wild), singing and who knows what else!? We have lots of details to figure out yet, so if you would like to be in on the planning, let

Karen know. We will be inviting Sons of Norwary members and the general public. Our hope is to spark some interest and gain new members. Just a reminder to please encourage anyone at anytime to come to any of our meetings.

Just an FYI...Numedalslagen
Lag Stevne will be meeting
at Giants of the Earth
Heritage Center September
9 & 10. If you are interested
in the Numedal area of
Norwary and would like
to join the Stevne, please
contact the President of the
Numedal Lag:
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UFF DA FEST Saturday, October 8

What would you like our lodge to do to be a part of this town celebration?

