

Calendar of Coming Events

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| Thursday February 25 | Karen Solgard (hardanger fiddler from St. Paul) will be playing a Norse Fiddle program at Ginkgo's Coffee-house, St Paul. She says: Something a little different... I'll play a series of my favorite tunes for 20-30 minutes without explanation. Note cards for people to write down questions--if any. After a break, I'll direct the remainder of my program toward the interests of the people gathered. | 7:00 PM |
| Saturday February 27 | American Birkebeiner Race from Cable to Hayward, WI 54K Cross Country Race, in which our lodge is sponsoring Eric Kalmes, son of Sharon Kalmes. A Tier 1 racer, Eric will give our lodge a report soon. | 8 AM |
| Saturday February 27 | Genealogy Group Meeting at Stillwater Public Library, 224 3rd St. N. http://www.stillwaterlibrary.org/ (followed by lunch if you want) | 10:00 AM To Noon |
| Tuesday March 2 | Synnøve-Nordkap Board Meeting (*NOTE*) Shoreview Library conference room, 4570 N. Victoria Street; Shoreview MN 55126 | 7:00 PM To 9:00 PM |
| Tuesday March 9 | Synnøve-Nordkap Lodge & Social Event Dennis Rusinko of the Viking Age Club Servers: Rod Hale, Lenore Jesness, Jeane Pearson | 7:00 PM |
| Sunday March 14 | Flavors of Slovakia Dinner, 383 Michigan St. at West 7th in St. Paul; Contact Marit Lee Kucera at 651-222-2483 for more info. | 12:30 PM |
| Saturday March 20 | Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner with the Norwegian Glee Club of Mpls. - \$17.00 - 612-861-4793 | 2:00, 4:00, & 6:00PM |
| Tuesday April 6 | Synnøve-Nordkap Board Meeting Maplewood Library conference room; 3025 Southlawn Dr. (W side Maplewood Mall) | 7:00 PM To 9:00 PM |
| Tuesday April 13 | Synnøve-Nordkap Lodge & Social Event Lodge Membership Dinner with Janet Martin, author (Growing Up Lutheran) & humorist See next page for more information. | 7:00 PM |
| Thurs-Sat June 17-19 | District 1 SON Convention Rochester, MN | |

American Swedish Institute

"Where is Home?" Exhibit Opening Friday, May 7 Info: 612-871-4907
6 PM: Reception

7 PM: Talk by the exhibit's artist, Tone Stockenström The exhibit is a visual exploration of what "home" means to Stockenström, a Swedish immigrant at age 6, and will be on display from May 7 – Aug. 29.

Admission to the reception and presentation is free; reservations advised.

Norwegian Language Classes

- (1) "Norwegian In Five Minutes A Month" series. Class 6:30-7:00 PM Tuesdays before lodge meetings. March 9 and May 20.
- (2) "Norsk Nordmenn og Norge" Class 6:30-8:00 PM Thursdays, 1/month. Sun Ray Library, 2105 Wilson Ave., between McKnight Rd. & Ruth St. March 18, April 22, May 20.

For information, contact class co-facilitators: Sheryl Hove 651-738-4908 or Crystal Bloecher 651-774-8545. New participants are invited to join the classes.

Ingebretsen's Events:

1601 E. Lake St., Minneapolis
612-279-9333

"Write Your Memoir"

Mar. 10, 17 and 23 + April dates,
9:30 - 11:30AM, \$65

"Remedial Tatting"

Mar. 16 and 23, 6:00-8:00PM, \$25

More on website: ingebretsens.com

Mindekirken

The Norwegian American Church

924 E. 21st St., Mpls

March Open Houses:

Mar. 2: Jim Erickson-Norway House

Mar. 16: Kayaking in Arctic Norway

Mar. 23: Spirituality & Hymnsing

Mar. 30: Judge John Tunheim-
Laws in Existence in Jesus' Time

For information call: 612-874-0716

Minnesota Orchestra and

St. Olaf Choir

Thurs. April 22, 7:30 PM

Fri - Sat. April 23-24, 8 PM

Minnesota Orienteering Club

Info: www.mnoc.org

"Introduction to Orienteering"

Mar. 15, 7:00 PM, Roseville REI

Orienteering Meet, Terrace Oaks
Park, Burnsville, April 3, noon-1:30
start times



Hats Galore!

If clothes make the man, hats make the woman. Loryce Sivertson will entertain us with her famous "hat show" following our soup luncheon. March 27th at noon in the Danish American Center, Lake Street & West River Road. Donations only.

Each hat tells a story. Please join Oslo 2 for this delightful event.



Please make a reservation
763-545-4827



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,

-Dave

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Don't Miss Janet Martin at our April Membership Dinner



What does Sons of Norway and Synnove-Nordkap lodge in particular have to offer you or a prospective member? Our Membership Dinner on Tuesday, April 14 at 6:30 PM will answer that question.

Magnolia's Restaurant will again cater this event. The menu will feature chicken Kiev with wild rice, tossed salad, green beans, dessert and beverage, all for only \$8.50. And, as in past years, if you bring a prospective member, both of your dinners will be free. Reservations are a must, and should be made by calling the lodge phone number at 651-762-7872 by Friday, April 9. Payment and reservations can be made at our March meeting also. More information will follow in our April newsletter.

Janet Letnes Martin, a native of Hillsboro, ND lives in Hastings, MN. A graduate of Augsburg College, she began writing books in 1983. She has authored/co-authored and created 14 books, two audio tapes and various novelty products and calls herself a "Norwegian-Lutheran Farm Girl Humorist". Janet presently does about 50+ speaking engagements each year and often teams up with her co-author Suzann Nelson to perform a comedy routine billed as *Those Lutheran Ladies*. In 1998, Suzann and Janet received the Minnesota Book Award for Humor for Growing Up Lutheran and in 2006, they were awarded Metro Lutheran's Gold Pen Award by Augsburg College in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

NEWSFLASH!!

Our lodge membership directory has recently been updated. It will be available at the March meeting and thereafter. We are not mailing it out to save postage costs. You may have one copy per household. The new directory will also be available on our web site, and will be password protected for reasons of privacy. You will be notified by e-mail of the password and future updates.

FAMILY HISTORY FOR BEGINNERS: TRACING YOUR ANCESTORS FROM AMERICA TO THE OLD COUNTRY

Tuesdays: March 16 and 30 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

CSPS Hall 2nd floor dining room

Instructor: Jay Fonkert

Cost: \$10.00 member \$12.00 non-member

This two-part class will give you the basics for tracing your ancestors. You will learn about census records, vital records, citizenship records and immigration records, *and* get tips for finding them on the Internet. The first class will focus on your ancestors' lives in America; the second class will show you how to follow your ancestors back to the old country, with an emphasis on Czech and Slovak heritage.

About the instructor: Jay Fonkert is a board-certified genealogist, genealogical educator and writer. A member of Czech and Slovak Minnesota, he is President of the Minnesota Genealogical Society and a director of the Association of Professional Genealogists.

For more information or registration information call Education Director, Jean Verner at 651-426-2826 or email her at: education@sokolmn.org.