



Normanden Lodge 4-424 Newsletter April 2022



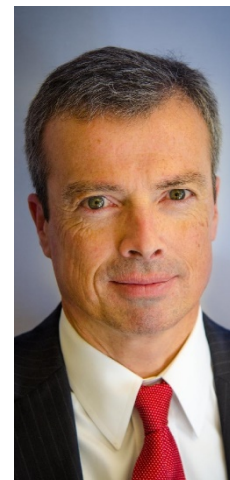
April Social Meeting

Saturday, April 9th , 6:00 p.m.

Potluck and Murder in the Basement

The scene, the props, and the actors are all set for Murder Mystery Night! Because the scene is a Sons of Norway Lodge, we are having an old-fashioned Sons of Norway **potluck dinner** with the standard hot dishes, red jello and Norwegian desserts on paper plates. We don't want to have anyone working in the kitchen and miss the play.

Please bring a dish to share. Come and be nervous.....
.....There will only be one body in the basement.....



President
M.v.h
Eivind Gjetmundsen

Pancake Breakfast Update

Our first sit down, in-person pancake breakfast in two years was a huge success! We had 192 guests, which is above the average for the spring breakfast. It was decided a week before the breakfast that the profit from the breakfast would go to a Ukraine refugee assistance group. The profit from the breakfast was \$854, and tips and donations were an astounding \$716, for a total of \$1,570 raised! After the breakfast another \$430 was received to round up the amount to be donated to \$2,000!!! At the Monday business meeting, it was voted to give the donation to World Central Kitchen, one of the first on-scene organizations proving hot meals for refugees. *TUSEN TAKK* to everyone who worked the breakfast, attended, or spread the word!

Bjornetann Language & Cultural Camp

Camp is back! We are happy to report that Bjornetann Language and Cultural Camp is back after a two-year absence. "Homecoming" is the theme for the camp scheduled for July 21-24 in a beautiful area between Livingston and Yellowstone Park. The cost is free for kids under 6. \$150 for kids 6-11; \$175 for those 12 and over. Early birds get \$5 off a t-shirt per registration. No refunds after June 20th. Handiwork, carving, rosemaling, cooking, folk dancing, language classes, and children's activities are offered. The cabins are comfortable. The food is great. The area is very beautiful with mountains and meadows for hiking. As stated in our Policy Manual the Lodge will award a \$75 scholarship for any member attending this camp. For more information contact Dan Rude, 432-3219 or email dbjrude@msn.com. You can also get information on the District IV website.

Annual 50-mile Yard Sale Event - June 25th

Do you have items that you would like to sell at a huge yard sale? Sons of Norway will provide the table and the parking lot space, but the rest is up to you! The yard sale is from 8-12. Customers can shop at yard sales along the highway from here to the Bitterroot Valley. If you are interested in participating this year, please contact Betty Rude, 543-3219. To encourage people to stop and shop, we probably need to have more than one table of goods.

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MURDER!

AT

Sons of Norway Lodge



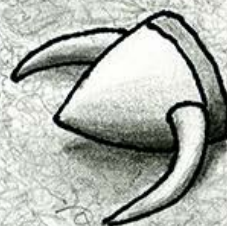
It's murder mystery night at

Normanden Lodge

is scheduled for **Saturday,**
April 9, 2022 6:00 p.m.

The theme is murder and this
time the murder happens in a
Sons of Norway Lodge!!!!
Hopefully you will not know the
culprit or the deceased.

Come guess who done it.



Happenings at the Lodge...

Missoula Marathon

Normanden 424 Sons of Norway members have again agreed to participate in the Missoula Marathon on June 26th. A couple people might be running, but most of us will be handing out water and cheering on the runners during the early part of the race. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Betty Rude, Volunteer Coordinator. More information later.

Sunshine Messages

Barrels of sunshine and continued healing to members Dan Rude, John Knudson, and Nurdy Riley. We all send our blessings and prayers to Hazel Sorenson for a speedy recovery on an upcoming surgery.

A special 95th birthday wish goes to Lois Hartse! We wish you another great year around the sun!

April showers bring May flowers! Enjoy the sunshine and stay healthy and well.

Please Contact Melodee Bureson at 406-370-7922 or m_bureson@yahoo.com

Easter/Spring Celebration

A special kids event is scheduled for Sunday, April 10th, 2 PM at the Sons of Norway. This is not the traditional egg hunt, but we will do crafts, play games, do some dancing, have treats, and mostly have fun! All kids are welcome. It would be helpful to know how many plan to attend. For more information, please contact Betty Rude, 543-3219 or dbjrude@msn.com.



April
New Members:
Carol Flint
Charmayne Small

April 2022

Rick Goldsby	1
Bruce Penwell Budge	2
Holly Faye Christianson	3
A James Fleharty	5
Burton L Stenslie	6
Anthony Lloyd Liane	10
Cameron A Mc Shea	11
Grace I Birnel	12
Molly Eriksson	14
Michael Reaves	14
Nina J Sverdsten	14
Mervin O Eriksson	15
Dennis R Gibbs	15
James Porter Hammitt	18
Theresa K Ragsdale	20
Christopher Tilleman	21
Mattyx Gre Fishell	23
Nancy Wolf	23
Robert J Leach	24
Brett Leischner	25
Rachel Knapp	27
Rowen Stauffer	27
Darrel B Fite	29
Darlene Schmid	30

Membership Corner

Sons of Norway has announced the 2022 new member recruitment campaign. Goals set by Sons of Norway's International Board of Directors for 2022 include enrolling 12,000 new social and financial benefits members. All lodges have been asked to recruit 4% more new members this year than in 2021. For Normanden Lodge this equates to 23 new members. Once again, a \$125.00 reward will be given to any lodge that reaches or surpasses the recruitment goal.

A new member must be completely new to Sons of Norway, dues paid member who joins either an individual or family membership. Former members are counted if they re-join at least 2 years after the exact date their prior membership expired. Heritage members do not count.

At last count Normanden Lodge has 4 new members so far this year. Please encourage your family and friends to join our lodge. Invite or bring them to a social event, pancake breakfast, rosemary, syttende mai, etc. so they can see for themselves the value of joining.

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Club Activities for April 2022

Language

Intermediate Class and Norwegian book club continue to meet, by zoom or in person.

If you have any questions, please contact Betty Wing -406-241-9170 redpandafan@yahoo.com

Librarian

If you have a donation, please contact our Librarian Betty Wing - 406-241-9170
redpandafan@yahoo.com

Fjell Nå (Mountain Needle)

The Fjell Nå (Mountain Needle) stitching group is meeting at the Lodge from 7pm to 9pm on Tuesday nights. We always love to have new people join us, so if you are interested come on out. We have many of the needle arts represented and are always willing to teach new members. If you have any questions please email me at Jennae.kuehl@gmail.com or call me at 406-880-8468. Happy Stitching!!

Sports

Just a reminder that you can track your activity and work towards the various sports medals that are offered by the Sons of Norway. There are tracking records available on the sofn.com website. If you have any suggestions for sports related activities please email Charles at cjkuehl2013@gmail.com. Have fun!

Genealogy Workshops

We are cancelling the genealogy workshops for the time being. If you are interested in continuing your genealogy research, I would recommend checking with local society (Western Montana Genealogical Society) and the public library. Happy Hunting.

If you have any questions email Jennae at Jennae.kuehl@gmail.com.

Cooking Club

The Cooking Club will take a hiatus in April and see if we can get together soon! Stay well.

Please email Betsy if you are coming or call 406-239-2861. betsymaier@montana.com

Rosemaling

The Rosemaling group will meet in April call for dates and time.

Please contact Mary Manning at 251-4783 or mary_am@icloud.com or Dan Rude at dbjrude@msn.com

Membership

Contact Dale Fellon at 406-273-6059 or fellonins@msn.com with any questions on membership!

Individual Membership	\$60 per year
Family Membership	\$95 per year

Youth Director

Amy Glaspey glaspeya@gmail.com 406-241-4043
or Betty Rude at dbjrude@msn.com

IT'S TIME FOR THE "BIG BAKE" VIKING BAKING 2022

We need your help!!

Wednesday, April 20th
Saturday April 23rd



8:30 a.m. until about 3:30 each day.

Different jobs have varied starting and ending times.

Split shifts available!

Call or email Sharon at

251-4224 or sptandberg@gmail.com



Come and be part of the fun!!



Lunch and snacks served.

Our 51st year of making Vikings for the
Western Montana Fair, August 10th to 14th, 2022



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Minutes of the Business Meeting of Normanden 424 Sons of Norway-February 21, 2022

The February Business Meeting of Normanden 424 was held by Zoom due to a blizzard. It was called to order by President Eivind Gjetmundsen at 7 PM. The following members were in attendance via Zoom: Eivind Gjetmundsen, Betty Wing, Betty Rude, Nordy Riley, Sharon Tandberg, Dale Fellon, John Knudsen, Jennae Kuehl, Cathy Erdmann

Minutes: The minutes of the January 17 Business meeting were approved.

Communications: Many thank you letters from organizations we gave to from the Fair.

President's report: No new information.

Treasurer's report: Jennae said her computer died so had no specific numbers. Bills paid, Corporate Board paid.

Membership Secretary's Report: Sharon reported that we have 250 members presently, and there are several new members joining.

Membership Committee Report: Dale asked if we got the \$125 from the home office for meeting our goal in 2021. Jennae and Nordy will check.

Volunteer. Betty Rude reported that 391 events and 1391 hours were donated by members in 2021 to various Missoula organizations.

Social Committee: A Social meeting is planned for Saturday, March 12, 2022, with a baked potato bar, trivia night, silent auction and Corporate Board meeting.

Cultural Reports: The Norwegian Book Club and the Intermediate Language Class are meeting. The Fjel Nal Group is meeting Tuesdays at the Nordic Pines Lodge, except for tomorrow because of the blizzard. Cooking club: Betsy was not present.

Rosemaling: 13th and 27th of March

Genealogy : members may join with the group at the Library

Youth Director: Betty Rude is planning some kind of Easter/spring celebration, probably Sunday, April 10 in the afternoon.

Foundation Director's Report: Merv was not present.

Scholarship Committee Report: There have been no scholarship applications yet.

Fair Booth Committee Report: The committee met. The Lodge will bake vikings April 20 and 23. No large expenses on the booth are needed, but 2 cash registers will be purchased. It was decided that Pop and water will be \$2, Vikings \$3.

Newsletter Editor's Report: Deadline for submissions Wednesday, Feb 23.

Sunshine: None

Corporate Board. The Board has not met for two months – John had his by-pass surgery and is recovering. We had a rental Saturday. Another on May 7. Annual meeting in March will be hosted by David Dobrowski. Erik will replace the sensor so there will be light.

Old Business:

1. Delegates to the District convention. There will be a notice in the newsletter inviting anyone interested in being a delegate to apply. Our Lodge will send 6 delegates, although Eivind wishes to appear on Zoom only. He will notify the District Board, though the Board may still decide to hold the convention by Zoom.
2. Pancake breakfast will be held March 20. 9 – 1:30 It will be the normal breakfast but with no extra advertising to the public. A take-out option will not be advertised, but would be possible if someone asks.

New Business: none

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next Business meeting will be held Monday, March 21, 2022 at 7 PM.

Respectfully,

Betty Wing