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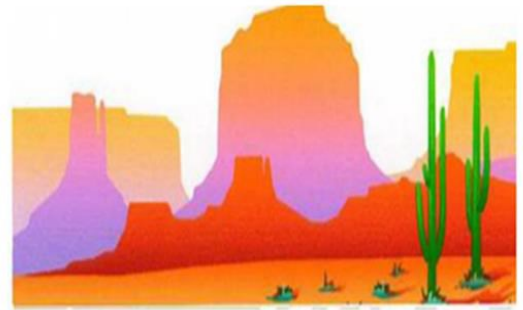
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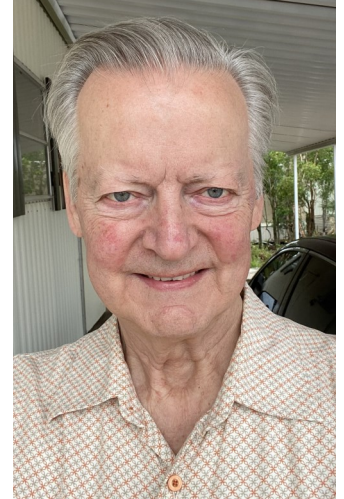
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President's Column

Because the Super Bowl falls on the second Sunday of February, we're holding our Heritage and Cultural meeting on the 16th. This month we're getting a chance to learn about the Sons of Norway District Six Recreation Center for members, known as Camp Norge in Alta, CA. Several of our members have attended a camp for adults there called Camp Oldfjell. They'll bring us a program about their experience and sharing about what is offered at the camp. Going to Camp Oldfjell may seem out of reach for most of us financially or logistically, but perhaps you'll reconsider about taking advantage of this event after coming to this month's program! (This year Camp Oldfjell is being held Saturday, September 20th through Tuesday 9/23.)



Member Jana Peterson has been busy using her artistic gifts to help with the Norwegian immigration anniversary observance this year, called Crossings. Please see and enjoy her rendition of the famous ship **Restauration** on page 9.

Our Viking book club continues to read Scandinavian authors. Work on our Sons of Norway Literature Cultural Skill pins requires us to explore nonfiction and poetry or drama in addition to our usual focus on crime fiction. We're having a good time with this ... we invite other members to join us! *(see page 6 for details)*

I was able to attend AZ Norseman's Fenalår Dinner, featuring cured leg of lamb. I hoped to invite Desert Fjord members, but received very late notice of the event. AZ Norseman will have more events this year and I'll do my best to keep you informed. Let's continue to enjoy our Viking heritage in Arizona throughout the year!!

*Velkommen*₁

Heritage and Cultural Meeting

February 16th at 2 PM

Masonic Lodge, 2531 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale, AZ

Program: SONS OF NORWAY ~ CAMP OLDFJELL



Laurie Peterson, Earl Fuchs, and Jana Peterson will present stories, photos, and examples of finished crafts from their stay at Camp Oldfjell at Camp Norge in Alta, California, September 21-24th, in 2024. Please join us for a fun-filled presentation of this wonderful camp provided for Sons of Norway members!



Menu:

- Light refreshments.
- Coffee will be served.

Cost: \$7.00 (includes \$5 building rental fee)

- Click [here](#)= to register **by February 14th** or RSVP to Janet Peterson (480) 209-0684

Membership Matters by Lois Ripley, Membership Secretary

You never know what interesting and delightful people you'll meet when you come to Sons of Norway!

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If your contact information changes, please let me know! Your current phone number and your email address are how we stay connected.

I can be reached at: (480) 521-8693 or my email address: lcripley@gmail.com. (You can also speak with me at one of our lodge meetings.)



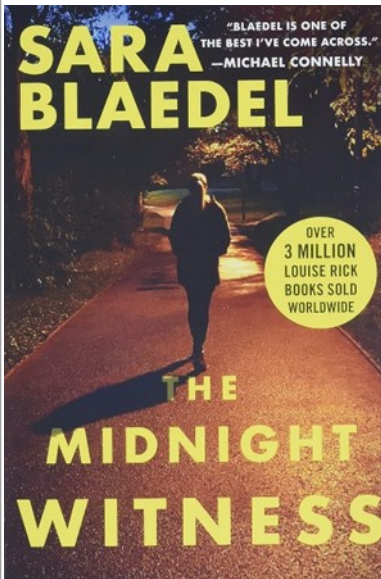
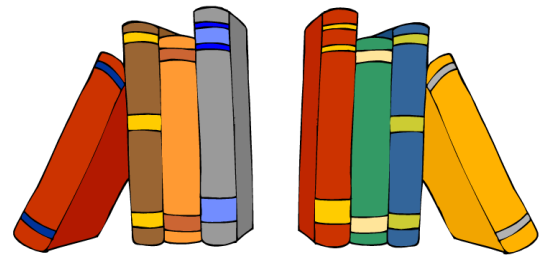
LIBRARY CORNER

A Book Review by Jan Johnson

(from Amazon)

The Midnight Witness

By Sara Blaedel



Rookie homicide detective Louise Rick makes her debut in this thrilling #1 international bestseller that launched 3 million copy bestselling writer Sara Blaedel's incredible career.

A young woman is found strangled in a park, and a male journalist has been killed in the backyard of the Royal Hotel in Copenhagen.

Detective Louise Rick is put on the case of the young girl, but very soon becomes entangled in solving the other homicide too when it turns out her best friend, journalist Camilla Lind, knew the murdered man. Louise tries to keep her friend from getting too involved, but Camilla's never been one to miss out on an interesting story. And this time, Camilla may have gone too far...

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Sara Blaedel is the number one Danish bestseller and author of the Detective Louise Rick crime series, which has been published to acclaim around the world. In her native Denmark her books have sold over a million copies and she has been voted Denmark's most popular novelist three times since 2007. [Sara is also an ambassador for Save the Children and lives in Copenhagen with her family.]

District Six President: Lis Barca

District Six is made up of the following states:

Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Hawaii - Website: **www.sofn6.org**

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/377019032437840/>

Zone Seven Director: Jonathan Walters

Zone Seven is made up of lodges in the following states:

Arizona: Scottsdale #133-Desert Fjord; Sun City #134-Sol Byer; Mesa #153-Overtro Fjell; Flagstaff #167- Nordic Pines; and Yuma #168-Sola

Utah: Salt Lake City #83-Leif Erikson

OTHER SONS OF NORWAY LODGES IN ARIZONA

Overtro Fjell 6-153 - 3rd Saturday at 11:00 am

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

625 S Ellsworth, Mesa, AZ

Sol Byer 6-134 - 3rd Saturday at 11:00 am

Sun City West Foundation

14465 R.H. Johnson Blvd, Sun City West, AZ

LODGES IN OTHER STATES

Go to: <https://members.sofn.com/lodgeDirectory/>

Most post their monthly newsletter on their lodge website.

OTHER CONTACTS

Honorary Norwegian Consul:

Alex Boemark



“Like” us on Facebook to receive interesting Desert Fjord Lodge and Sons of Norway, District Six news-feeds.

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<https://www.facebook.com/Desert-Fjord-Lodge-6-133-Sons-of-Norway-563052183744742/>

February Birthdays

Hiro Liev Cummings * 15



Sharon Rae Peterson 17

* Heritage Member

Gratulerer Med Dagen – Happy Birthday !!



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Annuities

An Annuity is an investment designed for protection from market risk while offering you a guaranteed rate of return. An Annuity is a contract between you and an insurance company. Annuities give you the option to simply let your money grow with interest, ability to access free withdrawals, or take systematic payments over a set number of years; there are even life time payment options. Annuities have many advantages:

- Tax Deferral
- Protection from market risk
- Diversification
- Guaranteed Interest Rate
- Access to Free Withdrawals

With the right Annuity, Sons of Norway can help you reach your long-term goals.

Please contact me so we can have a discussion about your goals.

Len Carlson FIC CLU

(651) 253-1943

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Desert Fjord's Scandinavian Noir

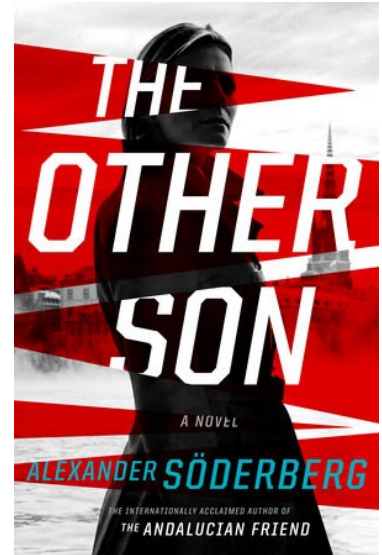
(aka Viking Book and Wine Club)

February 22nd at 4 pm

Jana Peterson's Home:

**5901 E Hummingbird Lane, Paradise
Valley, AZ**

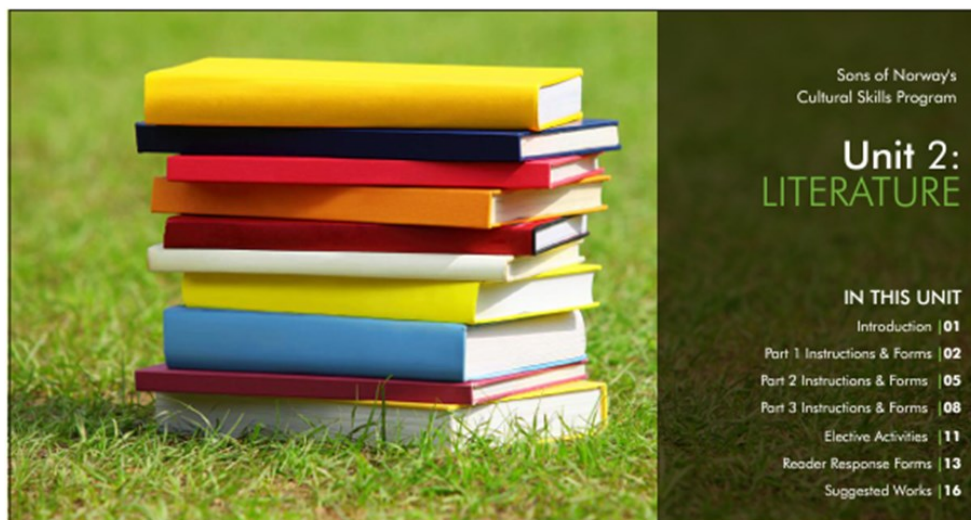
RSVP (480) 326-2927



We continue work on our Sons of Norway Literature Cultural Skills pins. Also, we're discussing The Other Son by Swedish author Alexander Soderberg. Please come and join us!

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Bringing snacks is optional



Desert Fjord Resources

- *Looking for information on future meetings, events and Posters?*
Desert Fjord website: <https://desertfjord.org/>
- *If you are looking for some wonderful Scandinavian recipes, check out:*
Sons of Norway website: <https://www.sofn.com>
- *As members, we have access to a free, in-depth genealogy club that meets monthly via zoom –* **Genealogy Club (District 6):**

Anthony G (Tony) Hjelmstad, Slektforskningklubb / Genealogy Club



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Genealogy@Fjelldalen.com <https://www.fjelldalen.com/>

- *Our Desert Fjord Lodge (**Scandinavian Noir Book Club** ... previously known as **Viking Book and Wine Club**) hosts a monthly Book Club meeting in Jana Peterson's home. Members gather to read and review Scandinavian books with an emphasis on murder mysteries. For more information call Jana Peterson at 480-326-2927.*
- *As members of Sons of Norway, we are invited to join the free, national book club that meets monthly via Zoom:*
Sons of Norway Book Club:
Bill Browning
Sons of Norway Book Club Coordinator
SonsofNorwayBookClub@gmail.com
[404-953-2525](tel:404-953-2525)
- *As members of Sons of Norway, District 6, we have access to Camp Norge in California. Check out the camp information:*
Camp Norge: <https://www.campnorge.org/site/>

Reasons to attend the Desert Fjord lodge meeting.....

Besides interesting programs, good food and
wonderful fellowship with friends,
now there is another reason to attend.

~Attendance Contest~

For everyone who attends four out of the regular lodge meetings their name will be entered into the Attendance Contest. (during months when lodge

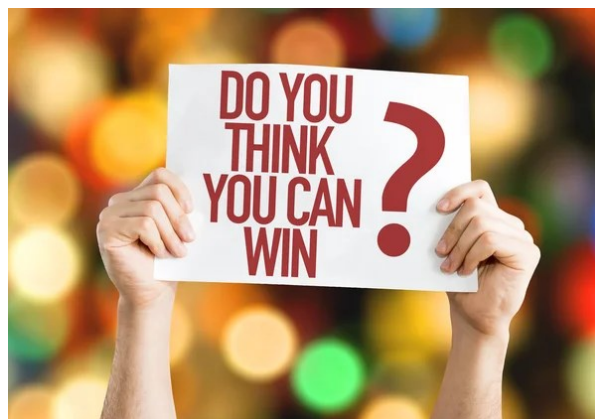


meetings aren't held, other contest-qualifying events will be announced in the Posten)

At the April meeting, two names will be drawn and those 2 lucky individuals will have their Sons of

Norway membership paid for one year.

*(Membership dues have gone up to **\$84** for individuals, so this is a great deal. If a winner is part of a family membership, the \$84 will go towards the family membership total.)*





RESTAURATION

Our new year, 2025, brings a special observance (“**Crossings**”) for Norwegian Americans – the 200th anniversary of the 1825 historic journey which delivered Norwegian immigrants to the New World in the Sloop Restauration. This was the beginning of the wave of more than 800,000 Norwegians to the New World. I painted my rendition of the Restauration, being a Norwegian American, to commemorate the 14-week journey to the New York Harbor from Stavanger, Norway. A replica will set sail in July, making the same trip. Here’s my colorful rendition of the Restauration for you to enjoy; prints of the famous ship are available.

Jana Peterson

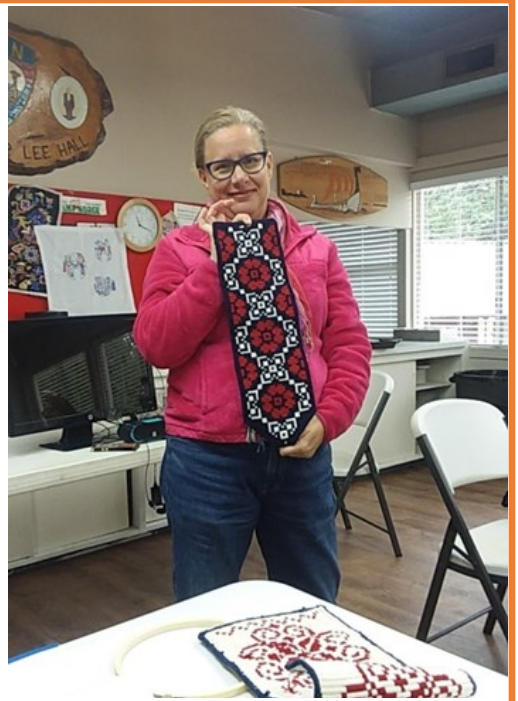
<https://sites.google.com/view/jana-peterson-designs/home>

Ole Makes Some Money

One day Ole gets a plan to make some money, so he goes to one of the rich neighborhoods. Ole rings the doorbell and says, “Hello, is der anything I could do for you ta make some money?”

The man thinks and says, “Sure, you can paint my porch. You will find all the stuff in the garage.” Ole says, “Okay, how much vill ya pay me?” The man says, “How much does fifty bucks sound?” Ole quickly agrees and gets straight to work. The wife who had heard the conversation inside says, “50 bucks—I hope he knows the porch goes all around the house!”

Two hours later Ole knocks on the door and says, “Okay, I am done. Can I have da money now?” Surprised, the man replies, “Okay, let me get the money.” He comes back and Ole says as he’s leaving, “By da vay, dat’s a Ferrari, not a Porche!”



Baking and Hand Crafts at Camp Oldfjell in Alta, CA

Officers of Desert Fjord Lodge

President: Open (Jonathan Walters)—(347) 801-3345

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The mission of Sons of Norway is to provide quality insurance and financial products to our members, promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, and to celebrate our relationship with other Scandinavian countries.

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