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Gratulerer med Fødselsdagen - 3 år!! Happy Birthday - Cleng Peerson Lodge is 3 years old!!

Fra Presidenten Jane Bolgen

It seems not so long ago that Cleng Peerson Lodge celebrated its inception. Mange takk to all the dedicated officers and members who served faithfully since the planning of the lodge from Viking Fest 1996, thru to the installation of the original board February 14, 1997, to the present. It is with much pride that we celebrate the anniversary of the lodge on Sunday evening February 13. A potluck supper is planned for 6 pm at Ascension Lutheran Church. The social committee promises a special evening with Norwegian music, stories, a language lesson and you can count on good food. Hope you can be with us to celebrate.

Speaking of Norwegian food, the board members met at Leila and Ray Tackett's one Saturday morning in January to experiment with Lapper (Norwegian pancakes) and Swedish pancakes. The reason for the experimentation was to decide if we could prepare pancakes for the Viking Fest. We all really enjoyed the thin Swedish pancakes. The Norwegian pancakes are good too.

They are thicker and similar to American pancakes. We decided to offer both pancakes for sale at the Viking Fest. There will be opportunities for you to take part in this project. We will be looking for people to prepare the batter at home and deliver it to the fairgrounds and people to man the booth and flip the pancakes. The Viking Fest will provide an excellent opportunity to promote our Norwegian heritage and the Cleng Peerson Lodge.

We look forward to seeing you February 13th. Bring the entire family.

Men vennlig hilsen,

Jane

VikingFest's Web site address as seen in the rear window of John Eberley's sporty car!



Pamela Knott with VikingFest T-shirts

VikingFest 2000 Raffle and New T-shirts

Be sure to get your new VikingFest 2000 t-shirts before VikingFest. They are \$10 now (\$15 at VikingFest) for M/L/XL and \$12 for XXL and XXXL. These t-shirts are collector's items. Also, buy your VikingFest raffle tickets at \$1.00 each. The grand prize is round-trip SAS tickets for two to anywhere in Scandinavia. More prizes to be announced. Raffle tickets and t-shirts are available from Fred and Russ.



VikingFest 2000
*will be held at San Gabriel River Park
in Georgetown Texas
on April 29-30, 2000!!*

Watermark - Cleng Peerson - Father of Norwegian Emigration to the USA (Viking May 1996)

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Kalender fer februar (fe-bru-AHR) 2000

- 13.feb (søn) Pot Luck at Ascension Lutheran Church, 3rd Anniversary Celebration, 6 pm
- 20.mar (man) Brown Bag Business Meeting at Ascension Lutheran, 6 pm. All are invited.
Social Meeting, Demonstration of Norwegian baked goods, 7 pm. Learn how to make lefse, krumkaker, and heart waffles (vafler)
- 17.apr (man) Cleng Peerson Lodge Business Meeting at Hometown Buffet (located on Mopac just north of Parmer in front of K-Mart), 6 pm
Note: there is no regular Social Meeting in April due to VikingFest

Sat/Sun, April 29 & 30

Viking Fest 2000!!

San Gabriel River Park, Georgetown

- 20.mai (lør) Joint 17 May Celebration with NST (no details at this time)
- 19.jun (man) Brown Bag Business Meeting at Ascension Lutheran, 6 pm. All are invited.
7 pm Social Meeting. A Video Tour of Norway by Rita and Merrill Carlson (postponed from Jan)

man=mandag (Mon), **tør**=tørsdag (Thur), **fre**=fredag (Fri),
lør=lørdag (Sat), **søn**=søndag (Sun)

Ole's Favorite Rock Group

"What is yer favorite rock group, dad?" asked little Lena, Ole's teen age daughter.

Ole scratched his head and thought for a long time. Finally he replied, "I guess it's Mt Rushmore in South Dakota."

Newsflash from VikingFest

Bella Musik accepts invitation for American debut at VikingFest!!

This group consisting of 18 members is a professional touring group from Denmark. They will be performing "Blind King" on both Friday and Saturday night, April 28 and 29, at 7:30 on the VikingFest grounds in Georgetown. Don't miss this special event!

E-mail me at vikingfest@worldnet.att.net or call 512-873-8786 if you any questions. Check out our new site www.vikingfest.com. Fred Bolgen, President Viking Fest 2000



Viking Fest

Y'all Come to the 2000
Viking Fest
April 29 & 30, 2000
San Gabriel Park, Georgetown, Texas
Sat. 10 am to 8 pm & Sun 11 am to 5 pm

Celebrating the settlement and contributions of the Swedes, Norwegians, Danes, Finns, Icelanders, & Estonians, who have enriched the heritage of Texas and America.

- ▶ Lively Nordic Music & Folk Dancing
- ▶ Nordic Craft Demonstrations
- ▶ Nordic Arts and Crafts
- ▶ Authentic "Living" Viking Village with
- ▶ Modern Vikings telling stories & Fighting!
- ▶ Viking Ship Replica
- ▶ Authentic Foods
- ▶ Cultural Displays & Lecture Series
- ▶ Drawings for Trips & Merchandise
- ▶ Raffles & Games Galore!
- ▶ Children's Games
- ▶ Games between Nordic Nationalities
- ▶ Free Souvenir Program
- ▶ Free Parking - \$3 Admission (under 6 Free) & 2 day pass for \$5

Two Days of Fun for the Whole Family



The Sam & Ellie cartoon that appears in this month's *Bakke Land Posten* is part of a series that has and continues to appear in *Western Viking* and the *Chicago Tribune-New York News* Syndicate. Ray Helle passed away on September 19, 1999 (See December issue.)

Fra Sekretæren Ray Tackett

- * Due to “technical difficulties” the anticipated Norway Travel Program by Rita and Merrill Carlson was not available and has been rescheduled for the June 19 Social Meeting.
- * On behalf of Cleng Peerson Lodge, President Jane Bolgen presented Past President Carol Tveita with a gift certificate to the Wooden Spoon.
- * Glenn Mack confirmed that our lodge will support joint events with the Norwegian Society of Texas (NST) for both the May and December meetings.
- * The January 22 Business Meeting was held at Ray and Leila Tackett’s house with lapper (Norwegian pancakes) and Swedish pancake demonstrations.
- * A motion was passed to have a food booth at VikingFest and sell both lapper and Swedish pancakes. Lodge membership information will be available at the booth. Jane Bolgen will take names for the booth shift workers. Lewis Stimson and Ray Tackett will set up the booth.
- * A motion was passed to revise the lodge name tags to include a clasp. Sandy Helle, Carol Tveita, and Linda Erickson will chair the project.
- * Pam Knott, Treasurer, will be asked to provide Sons of Norway information to the Lutheran churches in the Austin area.



From a napkin provided during a recent lutfisk feast at the Kringen Lodge in Fargo, ND.

If someone dares to call the Lutfisk Hotline number (1-800-882-0212), please let me know the results - The Editor

On-Line Dictionaries

Fred passed along the e-mail addresses of useful **English to Norwegian** and **Norwegian to English** on-line dictionaries:
<http://dictionaries.travlang.com/EnglishNorwegian/>
<http://dictionaries.travlang.com/NorwegianEnglish/>
Although these dictionaries are very quick to access they only contain about 1900 words—still they are useful to bookmark. Thanks, Fred!

On-Line Museums

The **Nobel Prize Museum** has a formidable web site. They will have a **Nobel Electronic Museum** finished in 2001. Check it out at:
<http://www.nobel.se>

Also, walk through the **Norwegian Nobel Institute** at
<http://www.nobel.se/qtvr/norge/>

Check out the awesome Norway Museumsnett site:
<http://www.museumsnett.no/engelsk/museer/museer.html> On **Museumsnett Norge** you can find the addresses to more than 800 museums in Norway and these museums cover a lot of areas. So far you can get additional information on 300 museums. In order to find your museum you can go through them in alphabetical order and search for a special county or theme.

Welcome to the world of Norwegian museums!

Birthday Kringle (*Fødselsdagskringle*) Contest

February is Birthday month at Cleng Peerson Lodge –
Who wants to make Birthday Kringle (*Fødselsdagskringle*) ??
From *Sons of Norway Recipes*
From *Ekte Norsk Mat—Authentic Norwegian Cooking* by
Astrid Karlsen Scott

Ekte Norsk Mat—Authentic Norwegian Cooking is available for purchase, through Heritage Books for \$24.95 plus \$4.50 for shipping and handling. Call toll free at 1-888-838-2665. Sons of Norway members receive a 10% discount.

The perfect substitute for those who do not want a cake on their birthday. Also pleasing any time a good delicacy is called for. You need to have a little room to prepare as the dough needs to be rolled out to a length of 34 inches. It will take 4 to 5 hours to raise twice.

Birthday Kringle (*Fødselsdagskringle*)

1 pkg. active dry yeast, 1 tbsp water (lukewarm), 2 eggs (slightly beaten), 2 1/8 cups flour, 1/3 cup sugar, 1/4 tsp salt, 7 oz butter

Filling: 5 tbsp butter, 1/3 cup sugar, 1/2 cup raisins, 1/2 cup citron (finely chopped), 1/2 cup almonds (chopped)

Dissolve yeast in water, and beat in the eggs. Sift together flour, sugar and salt and cut in the butter. Mix with eggs and work until you have a smooth and elastic dough. Cover, and let rise in a warm place until double in bulk. Punch down dough and turn out onto floured board. Knead, adding flour as needed to prevent sticking, until dough is soft and elastic. Roll out to a 6 x 34-inch long ribbon.

Filling: Cream butter and sugar until light, and spread over the dough. Sprinkle with raisins, citron and almonds. Fold the long sides toward the center overlapping slightly. Form into kringle shape in large cookie sheet. Cover and set to raise until double in bulk. Brush with egg and sprinkle with sugar. Bake on middle of rack in 375 °F preheated oven for 25 minutes.

Growing Older

Lena, Hilda, and Olga were discussing growing older.

“Vell, sometimes when I go tew my refrigerator, I just can’t remember vether I am putting someting in or taking someting out,” confessed Hilda.

“Vell, dat’s nothing!?” declared Olga. “Sometimes I just don’t remember if I am going up stairs, or if I have just come down!”

“Vell, uff-da!” exclaimed Lena. “I sure am glad dat I don’t have any problems like dat!” as she knocked on wood. “Oh!!” she exclaimed, as she started up from her chair, “Dere is somevun at da door!”

From a personally autographed copy of *Leapin’ Lena, Here’s Uff-Da #4*, compiled and edited by **Charlene Power**, Box 209, Crosby, North Dakota 58730. Signed “Queen Lena” (**Charlene Power**)

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Cleng Peerson Lodge #1-645
Austin, Texas
Instituted February 14, 1997**

Mission statement. The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote, preserve, and cherish a lasting appreciation of the heritage and culture of Norway and other Nordic countries while growing soundly as a fraternal benefit society and offering maximum benefits to its members.

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**Gratulerer med Fødselsdagen
(Grah-tew-LEHR-er meh FERDS-els-dah-en!)
FEBRUAR**

2 Cheryl Christensen	7 Kathryn (Kay) Knutsen
2 Phyllis Huseby	13 Erik Svenkerud
7 Don Nedrud	23 Deborah Hall

Sherlock Holmes

Did you hear about the Norwegian who thought Sherlock Holmes was a housing development?

Officers 2000



February Social Meeting

3rd Anniversary Party and Potluck

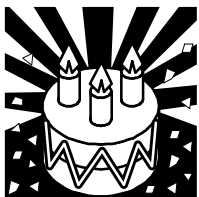
Norwegian Music, Norwegian Valentine's Day Lesson & Surprise Event

6:00 pm on Sunday, February 13th

At Ascension Lutheran Church

(6420 Hart Lane, Corner of Balcones overlooking MOPAC, between 2222 and Far West)

Please Bring Your Favorite Dish!



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