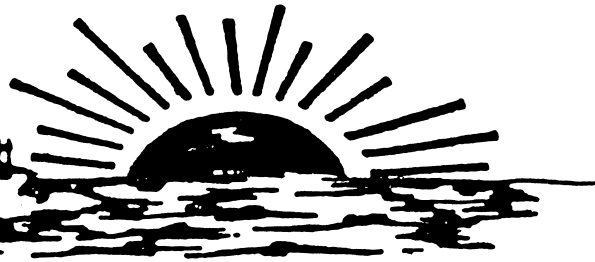




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Kalender

**Summer Outing at Geneva Point
Come Celebrate Mid-Sommer Dag!
Saturday; June 28, 2008**

Wednesday June 4 to Sunday June 8:

District Convention; Virginia Beach, VA.

Saturday June 28, 2008:

Mid-Sommer Dag; Geneva Point Center. Lake Winnepesaukee, NH. Afternoon and evening with dinner.

Saturday, August 2, 2008:

Maine Nordmenn Lodge Summer Outing. Details to follow.

Sunday, September 21, 2008:

Meeting at 2:00 p.m. with social/dessert.

Sunday, September 28, 2008:

Zone mtg at 12:30p.m. at Rom's Restaurant in Sturbridge

Friday, October 10, 2008:

Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, November 14, 2008:

Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 13, 2008:

Julefest; 5:30 p.m.

Don't forget to get your reservations in to Kristianne asap. See inside flier for details.



The Geneva Point Outing is one of the Lodge's premier events. Everyone should make an effort to attend. Lots of food, fun, games and s'mores. A true Norwegian festival with an American Yankee twist (s'mores and lobsters that is).

This year we have three scholarships to be awarded and those recipients will be notified and announcements will be made at Geneva Point.

It can be a long drive for some coming from Massachusetts so we urge you to car pool up to the beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee.

See you there!

**Sons of Norway
Morgensolen Lodge No. 545**

Unless otherwise noted, regular meetings second Friday of the month at the Masonic Temple, 20 Washington St.; Beverly, MA. Deadline for submission of articles for publication is the 15th of the month.

**Social 7:30 p.m.
Meeting 8:00 p.m.**

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Fra presidenten



Thanks to Christine Tremblay & Beth Rojas for hosting the May meeting. A most generous presentation with lots of goodies! Doggie bags accompanied many of us home. Side line: Did you know that Chris & Beth live closer to the Lodge than any other members - just a short walk a few blocks away? Lucky them.

I would remind you to make your reservations and send your checks for our **Midsummer Dag** on **June 18th** to Kristianne ASAP (note more information within). This outing has become our annual trek to New Hampshire where a number of Morgensolen members reside. Be reminded that it is possible to make overnight arrangements at Geneva Point & one family has already made reservations to spend a whole day & night there during our event.

Then & by invitation, we are on to join Maine Nordmann Lodge's **Hummer Fest** held on Bailey Island, ME. Last summer, five of our members & some of Valorie Faxon's family attended this gala affair at this most beautiful venue. Three of us chose to stay overnight, as well. Our own Warren Johnson will again provide his delightful accordion music during the event. Reservations should be made directly with Nordmann Lodge (see further info within).

Please review our Kalender & plan ahead - especially noting that our September meeting is an afternoon affair to be held on the third Sunday (9/21). We are experimenting with other than our normal Friday evening meeting times. For several of us, driving conditions at those times are getting "wors(er) & wors(er)".



*FRATERNALLY,
HARRY*



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From the President

May 2008

The sun is shining, flowers are blooming, and the birds are singing the praises for the 2008 Convention Committee on the fine job they have done making this a cultural convention to remember. Wow! I can't believe it is June. The District Board has been working hard to get everything done. We have written the reports, made the arrangements, and planned some cultural events during the sessions. We have 14 resolutions, some are duplicates, so we hope to have some free time to enjoy the beach, visit the Norwegian Lady, and benefit from each others company.

There are some unique activities scheduled, informational reports to be announced, awards to be given, and surprises for some of the delegates, and the evening events will be a lot of fun. Chairman Verlin Morton and his committee have been working diligently to make the convention unforgettable. Please thank the members of the committee when you see them. There are approximately 130 delegates coming and I hope the delegates and guests are planning to take advantage of all the wonderful activities scheduled. If people would like to arrange any brainstorming get-togethers, let me know if you want me to join you. As all of the Districts and the International Board are preparing for their respective conventions, we have different opinions and different ideas. Debating these issues is why we attend, but I would like you to remember we are fraternal brothers and sisters. This is the business of the order and I have the utmost respect for each delegate's views and hope all of you feel the same. **Let us celebrate and have fun!**

June also brings one of our co-sponsored events. The Scandinavian American Heritage Society (SAHS) will hold their 'Midsommer' on June 21. There will also be a fun time at Scanfest on Sunday August 31. Both events



will be held at VASA Park and you can visit their web site www.vasaparknj.com for all the details.

It has been such a joy traveling around the district and I am glad I had the opportunity to attend as many functions as my schedule would allow. Your welcoming has made it all worthwhile. My goal for the last two years was to visit each Zone for a meeting and event. I am glad to say I have been successful in accomplishing my goal and thank the Zone Directors for making me part of your zone meeting and activities.

The District Presidents Council (DPC) meets twice each year in Minneapolis. Together we share ideas and solutions to reach our membership goals. You will hear more about those at the convention. Serving as the DPC Secretary for the past four years has been rewarding and I have made wonderful friends across the country.

Thank you: Audun, Ralph, Gail, Keith, Joe, Evelyn, Karen, Stu, Susan, John, Joan, Arnie, George T., Rannveig, George B., Roy, Helen, Joan, Luana Marie, Ken, Verlin, Bill, Peter, Margie, Bev and Rick, Ken, and Doris for all of the hard work you did over the past two years. I could not have done it without you. We have accomplished so much in the past two years. Be proud of yourselves! I know I am proud of you. You all deserve a big hug and can collect at convention. To the members of the convention committee, "Thank You" for volunteering for this very important job. To the delegates who agreed to be part of a temporary committee, "Thank You" for your extra dedication to the convention. To all the delegates, "Thank You" for taking time from your busy lives. "Thank You" to all those who participated in the Leadership Challenge Phase II or Adopt A School Programs.

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(TDT, cont. from p. 3)Princess

“Thank You” to the Membership Committees in the lodges securing our future. **To all the members** of the Third District, “Thank You,” for supporting and believing in me, making these the best years of my Sons of Norway life. I have cherished the time we spent together. It truly is the SON family I speak about so often. The weeks in July when we all get dirty working at LOV, the anniversaries you allow me to share with your members, the meetings to visit, the installations with new revitalization, each zone doing their own programs, the chartering of new lodges, the conversations we have held, your thoughts which meant you cared, and mostly your dedication to the lodges and the order. **You** are what make this organization so great.

This will be my last *Fra Presidenten* message and it has been an honor and a privilege to serve first as your District Secretary and now as your District President. There are many picnics, barbeques, and lobster fests planned over the summer, weekends away or holidays home to Norway, enjoy! I would like to wish everyone a safe trip to the Third District Convention and the International Convention. I know we will complete our business and have a great time.

Hope to see many of you in Virginia Beach.

Have a wonderful summer vacation!

Barbara

Mid-Sommer Dag Tradition in Norway

As in Denmark, Sankthansaften is celebrated on 23 June in Norway. The day is also called Jonsok, which means "John's wake", important in Catholic times with pilgrimages to churches and holy springs. For instance, right up to 1840, there was a pilgrimage to the stave church in Røldal (southwest Norway) whose crucifix was said to have healing powers. Today, however, Sankthansaften is largely regarded as a secular event.

Most places the main event is the burning of a large fire. In parts of Norway a custom of arranging mock marriages, both between adults and between children, is still kept alive. The wedding was meant to symbolise the blossoming of new life. Such weddings are known to have taken place in the 1800s, but the custom is believed to be older. Ref: Wikipedia

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Lingonberry Cake

Ingredients:

2 scant cups flour

2/3 cup sugar

1 tbls baking powder

2/3 scant cup unsalted butter

1 egg

3/4 cup lingonberry preserves

Topping:

2/3 cup oatmeal

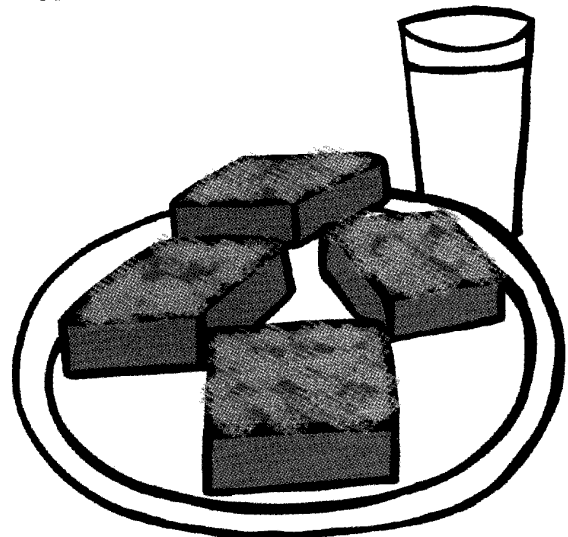
3 tbls butter

1/2 cup sugar

1 tsp vanilla sugar

Preheat oven to 400 degrees fahrenheit.

Combine sugar, flour and baking powder and add cut butter under a pastry blender. Add the egg and mix. Spread mixture into a pre-greased 8 X12 inch pan. Spread an even layer of preserves over the batter. Combine all the ingredients for the topping and sprinkle over the preserves. Bake for 27-30 minutes until topping is golden. Cool before cutting.



Gratulerer med dagen



Happy Birthday to the following birthday babies from all the rest of us at Morgensolen! If you have a birthday in a given month and your name does not appear on the list, please contact your Editor.

June

- 2 Phyllis Hutchinson
- 8 Debbie Jackson
- 8 Andrew I.B. Smith
- 23 Ruth Wilson
- 28 Jim Olsen
- 29 Elizabeth Kler
- 29 Greta Utz

July

- 10 Sara Widman-Worthington
- 13 Peter Skjold
- 14 June Guidara
- 19 Doris Briggs

August

- 6 Shirley Howard
- 7 Russ Larson
- 7 Alan Mack
- 15 Andrew Mack
- 17 Arthur Carlson



Correspondence Corner

Dear Harry and Lodge Members,

We are more than half way through our sabbatical and will be returning to U.S. June 12. Before our return, we plan to fly to Bergen, take the boat up the fjords, the train across mountains and valleys to Lillehammer. From there do some genealogy search of the Biri area (the farms & old glassworks). Then we will drive to Oslo and fly back to Cambridge, England. It is amazing how so much of English history had its beginnings in Viking times, particularly names Jarvik = York; Nordhymbraland = Northumbria, etc. Miss you all and hope all is well. Cheerio for now, fondly,

Ambia and Ken Smith

To My Dear Friends in Morgensolen Lodge,

Your kindness meant more than you'll ever guess! Thanks so much for the beautiful flowers. They brightened my days.

Jean LaCrosse

Scholarship Donation

A very generous donation to Morgensolen's Scholarship Fund was received via mail from Ken and Ambia Smith. Mange takk for thinking of us from across the pond.

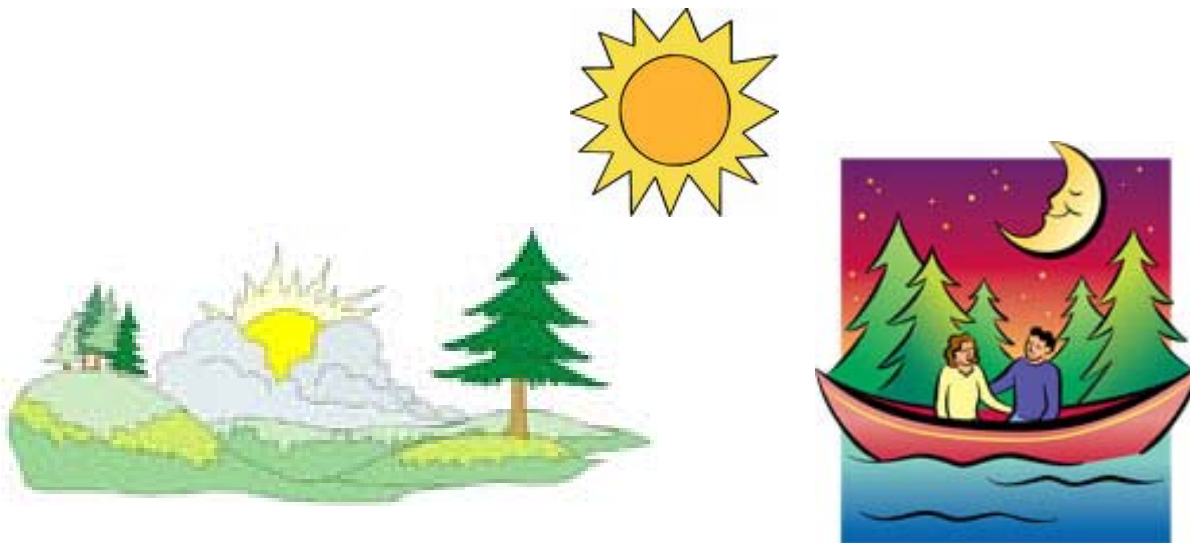
Members are reminded that this years scholarships will be announced at the Geneva Point Outing on June 28th.

Celebrate "Mid Sommer Dag" Saturday June, 28, 2008

Come celebrate the Norwegian Tradition of families, fun, and nature. Rain or Shine. Beginning at 1 p.m., we will have access to Geneva Point Center, a conference center located on the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee in Moultonborough, NH.

Feel free to arrive at your convenience. We will have "games on the green" at about 3 PM, boating and Swimming will be available after 2 PM. Somehow we usually manage to get a hike in as well. Our day conclude with a grilled chicken dinner – or if you like, **lobster!** And of course, smores by the campfire for dessert.

There is plenty of parking on the grounds directly behind the Abbott Administration building. Check in with the staff at the Abbott Administration building to get a map of the property. There are several marked walking trails, beaches with canoes available as well as swimming, and beautiful views of the Ossipee Mountains.



If you care to stay over, Geneva Point Center's office can be contacted at 603.253.4366 in order to secure housing at an additional cost.

Please make your reservation with Kristianne Widman-Johnson by mailing a check to her at 24 Sunset Circle, Marlborough, MA 01752-1660 by June 20th. The cost will be \$15 per person, which included access to the grounds and dinner – **unless you would like lobster for dinner. The cost of the lobster will be based on the market price and will be in addition to the basic cost.** We will not know the additional cost of the lobster until that day. Checks should be made payable to "Geneva Point Center".

Directions:

Geneva Point Center is located at 108 Geneva Point Road, Moultonborough, NH.

From Greater Boston, take I-93 north to exit 23. At the bottom of the ramp, bear right onto Rout 104 and follow for 9 miles. At the junction of 104 and US Route 3 in Meredith (there is a traffic light at this junction), turn left. Stay on Route 3 for approximately 1 mile until you reach a 4-way intersection with traffic lights. At the traffic lights, bear right onto Route 25 toward Center Harbor. Stay on Rt. 25 for approximately 8 miles that will bring you through Center Harbor and into Moultonborough. Look for Moultonborough Neck Road that is a right turn off of Rt. 25. Landmarks for this turn are Aubachon Hardware on the left and "Green's Corner" Gas station on your right. Travel down Moultonborough Neck Road for 5.7 miles, bearing left at the fork in the road and onto Waunakee Road. Approximately half a mile down, turn left onto Geneva Point Road.

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Litt på norsk...

Prinsesse Märtha Louise blir fulgt av kameraer

Det norske tv-selskapet TV2 skal følge prinsesse Märtha Louise med kamerarer i et helt år. Hva slags betingelser Märtha Louise har stilt for å stille opp, vil TV-kanalen ikke opplyse om.

- TV 2 er veldig glade for at vi har fått lov til å følge prinsessen et helt år. Hun lever et spennende liv, sa TV2s informasjonsmedarbeider Unn-Grethe Berge.

Programleder skal være journalisten Monica Øien, som er godt kjent med å intervju kjendiser etter flere år som reporter i programmet God Morgen, Norge. TV 2 vil ikke opplyse om i hvilken grad hun får intervju prinsessen som en del av prosjektet, eller i hvilken grad hun får filme hennes liv ut over de offisielle og kommersielle oppdragene.

Opptakene skal ha startet i fjor, og ifølge tabloieden Se og Hør er den turbulente perioden der Märtha ble utsatt for kritikk for sin engleskole er dekket av kamerateamet.

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A Little in English...

Princess Märtha Louise Followed by Cameras

The Norwegian broadcaster TV2 will follow princess Märtha Louise with cameras for an entire year. The TV channel would not say what sort of conditions Märtha Louise has set for the program.

“TV2 is very happy that we have gotten permission to follow the princess a whole year. She lives an exciting life,” said TV2’s spokesperson Unn-Grethe Berge.

The host of the show will be the journalist Monica Øien, who is well known for interviewing celebrities after several years as a reporter for the program God Morgen, Norge. TV2 would not disclose to what degree they have gotten to interview the princess as part of the project, or to what degree they will get to film her life outside of her official and commercial obligations.

Shooting apparently began last year, and according to the tabloid Se og Hør the turbulent period when Märtha was criticized for her so-called angel school was caught on camera.

