

CULTURAL NEWS

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SONS OF NORWAY DISTRICT SIX

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Hardanger instructor, Nancy Madson (2nd from L)



Music Instructor, Mary Beth Ingvaldstad (3rd from L)



Tablet Weaving Instructor, Bruce Fihe (Standing)



Wood Carving Instructor, Joe Perey (L)



Cooking Instructor, Kären Aaker (L)



Rosemailing Instructor, Lotte Sather (L)



Dance Instructor, Jana Peterson (L)

HILSEN FRA KULTURDIREKTØREN

Greetings from your Cultural Director;

Hei, Summer is fast approaching. Summer Solstice is a cause for celebration in Norway and many parts of the United States. It means that summer is here and the days will be long for a while.

In Norway, summer (sommer) solstice is traditionally celebrated with family and friends. Hopefully, this year we can do that. Celebrations include bar-b-ques, outdoor picnics, and bonfires (kyst). In the US, we do the same things.

In Norway, the bonfires last well into the night as the sun doesn't really set. It's twilight at least until midnight. Close to the North Pole, in the Arctic Circle, the sun doesn't set at all. It's twilight all night.

How will you celebrate the summer solstice?

Plans are being worked on for Camp Oldfjell which is scheduled for Sept. 18 thru 21, 2021 at Camp Norge. Class offerings will be similar to 2019 and a catalog of offerings is nearing completion. It will be posted on the district six website soon. Registration will be through the District Six website also.

I hope many of you are working on projects to exhibit at the 2022 district convention in June 2022 held in Mesa, AZ.

Have a great summer everyone!

Your Cultural Director,

Judy Immel

CAMP OLDFJELL 2019

events

Summer-long series

On-line

Cost varies, see links

National Nordic Museum

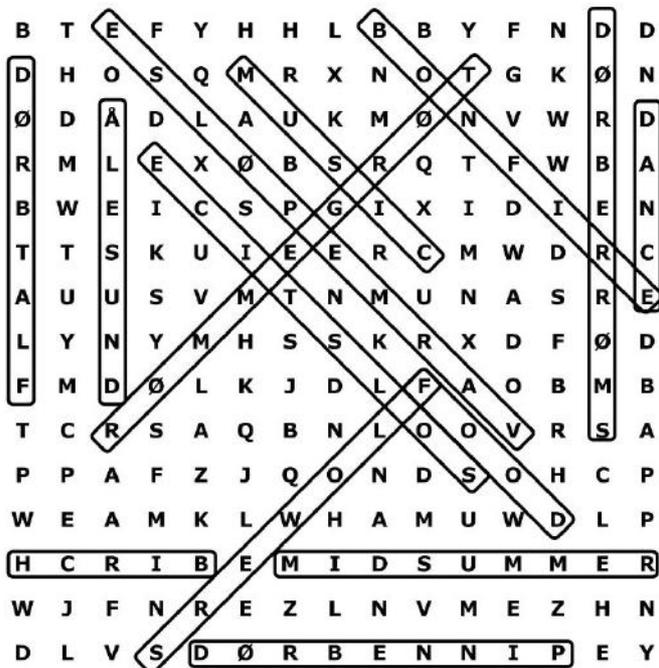
Join the National Nordic Museum for a summer-long series of mini classes highlighting traditional Nordic craft. Part lecture and part demonstration, these classes will introduce you to a variety of craft styles, including rosemaling, dalmåling, woodcarving, knitting, and weaving. No materials are required for these mini classes!

There are five classes in this summer-long series:

- June 27 Rosemaling with Lise Lorentzen (Click [HERE](#) for rosemaling only)
- July 11 Nordic Knitting with Laura Ricketts (Click [HERE](#) for knitting only)
- July 25 Woodcarving Basics with Brendan McGarry (Click [HERE](#) for woodcarving only)
- August 8 Decorative folk painting of Sweden: Dalmåleri and Bonadsmåleri (Click [HERE](#) for painting only)
- August 22 Woven Coverlets of Norway - Click [HERE](#) for coverlets only

Save money by purchasing access to all five classes by clicking [HERE](#).

To view the full calendar of events, including Virtual Kids' Crafts, classes for teenagers and various lectures, click [HERE](#).



Sons of Norway Mission Statement

International

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

District Six

The mission of the District Six Board of Directors is to inspire the preservation of Norwegian heritage and support District Six lodges and members through communications, program resources, and opportunities.



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INFORMATION**

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Camp Connection

June 27 through July 10, 2021

\$900 / 2 weeks

Trollfjell Folkehøgskule

Registration deadline is June 12th

District Six Language and Heritage Camp for youth ages 14 to 17 years old who want to learn about their Norwegian heritage, the language, culture, and daily living. The Folkehøgskule will be limited to 18 students. To keep up-to-date on announcements, subscribe to the Trollfjell Parents Distribution List by clicking [HERE](#). For details on camp activities and the registration form, click [HERE](#).

July 10 through July 24, 2021

\$900 / 2 weeks

Camp Trollfjell

Registration deadline is June 27th

District Six Language and Heritage Camp for youth ages 8-13 years old who want to learn about their Norwegian heritage, the language, culture, and daily living. To keep up-to-date on announcements, subscribe to the Trollfjell Parents Distribution List by clicking [HERE](#). For details on camp activities and the registration form, click [HERE](#).

Labor Day Weekend 2021

Northern California Kretsstevne

Meal registration deadline is August 27th

Our "Jewel in the Sierras" is open at last! Join us as we re-ignite old friendships, create new bonds, and simply enjoy each other's company. Help us introduce a new generation to Camp Norge; bring the kids you love, and attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony for our brand new play-set on Sunday. We'll have ice-cream sundaes, blow some bubbles, and have some fun. Visit Camp Norge's [WEBSITE](#) for up-to-date information.

September 18 to 21, 2021

\$200 4 days / \$100 2 days

Camp Oldfjell

Camp Oldfjell, Folkehøgskule for Voksne (Folk School for Adults), will be held at our beautiful Camp Norge. Cultural Skills classes will be offered in topics such as: Music, Literature, Hardanger, Vikings, Cooking, Tablet Weaving, Folk Dancing, Rosemaling, and more! Mark your calendar, submit your vacation request and join us for Camp Oldfjell! See page 11 or click [HERE](#) for updated details.



Congratulations!

The Playground Restoration Project, led by Baylee McKenney and assisted by Jason Morken has been completed! The campaign was far more successful than anticipated. The Project team would like to thank the more than 40 individuals, 8 lodges, the District Six Board, and Camp Norge's Recreation Board for their generous donations and enthusiasm for this project. Baylee started with a goal of \$6,000 to replace the old, but beloved worn-out swing-set, and raised more than double the goal, purchasing a fabulous new play-set.



Sharon Mahnken, of Roald Amundsen Lodge #6-48 donated the original play-set. It was installed over the 1996 4th of July weekend. Sharon's generous gift has served the youth of District Six at Camp Norge for 25 years. That play-set provided both Baylee and Jason with great memories over the years at Camp Trollfjell.



Baylee and Jason attended several lodge meetings over zoom, had numerous conversations with Sons of Norway members, family, and friends encouraging their participation.



The ribbon-cutting ceremony will be at 2PM on Sunday, September 5th at the Northern California Kretsstevne. Make plans to join us as we celebrate the successful completion of Baylee's quest to make sure future generations of campers love Camp Trollfjell and Camp Norge as much as she does. See the flyer on page nine for details. The sign up sheet for Kretsstevne is on page ten. Visit Camp Norge's [WEBSITE](#) for the latest details on events held at Camp Norge.

SANKT HANS AFTEN

Norwegians celebrate the coming of summer on the 23rd of June every year on a day they call "Sankt Hans Aften" which directly translates to Saint John's Eve, historically named to celebrate the birth of John the Baptist (who was born six months before Jesus Christ on the 24th).

A long time ago, people believed that witches and other supernatural elements were abnormally strong on Midsummer's Eve since the sun turns that day. People gathered herbs and made a bonfire to keep the witches away. This was the origin of the

Midsummer's Eve bonfire. The Norwegians take their bonfires so seriously, that in 2010 residents in Alesund, Norway built the world's biggest bonfire to commemorate the occasion.



CELEBRATE MIDSUMMER AT YOUR HOME...

Find an outdoor setting, or bring the outdoors inside with flowers and birch twigs. Birch branches were often used by Norwegians to ward off evil and were placed on either side of the home's entrance.

Some sort of light is essential. You can have a bonfire, or light yard torches or candles. Light a special candle from the Midsummer fire and save it to light again on the Winter Solstice.

Music is an important component of Midsummer night. Sing around the fire, and dance, too.

Eat lots of food! Try eating some of these Norwegian dishes:

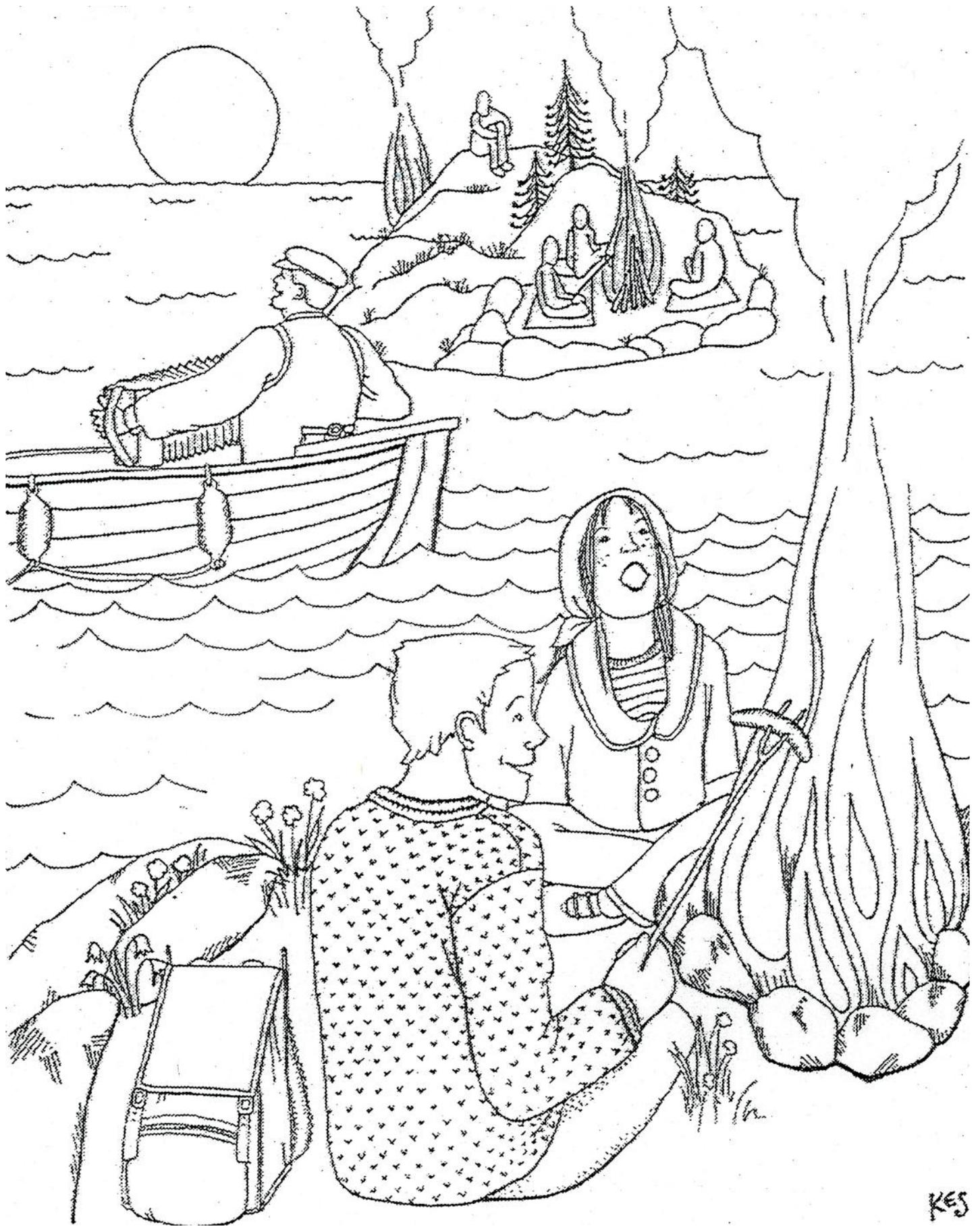
Varme Pølse: Hot dogs served Norwegian style, wrapped in lefse.

Smørrebrød: Open-faced sandwiches built on a thin layer of dense sourdough rye bread called rugbrød.

Rømmegrøt: Norwegian pudding eaten with a drizzle of melted butter and a good sprinkling of cinnamon and sugar.

Flatbrød: (literally "flat-bread") is a traditional Norwegian unleavened bread which is usually eaten with fish, salted meats and soups.

Pinnebrød: A biscuit-like dough that you wrap around a stick and cook over a campfire.



SANKT HANS AFTEN

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Bonfire

Ålesund

Flowers

Pinnebrød

Varme Pølse

Smørrebrød

Rømmegrøt

Midsummer

Music

Dance

Food

Birch

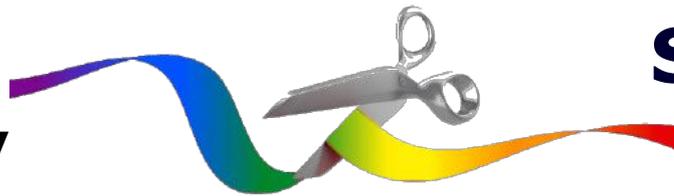
Solstice

Flatbrød



Playground Restoration Project Announces it's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

**2PM
Sunday**



**September
5th, 2021**

**Join us for some sweet treats as
Baylee and Jason introduce the
new play-set to District Six
members and our children. We'll
have ice-cream
sundaes, blow some bubbles,
and have some fun!**



Northern California Kretsstevne (NCK)

Labor Day Weekend, September 4, 5, 6, 2021

Zones 1,2 and 3 invite YOU to our "Jewel in the Sierras" for the "Gathering of the Clan"!! Come for the entire weekend or plan to be with us for part of the weekend.



Meals will be served in the Heritage Hall – Horseshoe Tournament – Swimming Pool fun – Hike the Railroad Tunnels – and more!!



▶▶▶ **Sunday, 2 PM** ◀◀◀

Dedication of the new play ground equipment

FREE ice cream sundaes for all!

Come and thank Baylee McKenney and Jason Morken for their hard work!!

Mail this form and your check for meals, made out to NCK, to:

Bruce Fihe, NCK Registrar
2345 Felt Street #57, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Name: _____
Address _____
Phone # _____

Lodge Name & #: _____
City, State & Zip _____
Email address: _____

Meals Purchased Individually in Advance:

see note

Total

	Breakfast	# of adults	_____ X	\$7.00	# of children	_____ X	\$3.50 = \$	_____
Saturday	Lunch	# of adults	_____ X	\$8.00	# of children	_____ X	\$4.00 = \$	_____
	Dinner	# of adults	_____ X	\$17.50	# of children	_____ X	\$8.75 = \$	_____
Sunday	Frokost	# of adults	_____ X	\$10.00	# of children	_____ X	\$5.00 = \$	_____
	Dinner	# of adults	_____ X	\$17.50	# of children	_____ X	\$8.75 = \$	_____
Monday	Breakfast	# of adults	_____ X	\$5.00	# of children	_____ X	\$2.50 = \$	_____

Purchase the weekend package and save! (Includes the pin)

Weekend Package:	# of adults	_____ X	\$65.00	# of children	_____ X	\$32.50 = \$	_____
Kretsstevne pin:	# of pins	_____ X	\$2.00	pins are included in weekend packages		= \$	_____

*Note: Children are kids 12 and under
Children under the age of 5 are FREE)

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Pre-registration of meals is imperative in order to purchase the correct amount of food.

The meal registration deadline is August 27
Make checks payable to NCK and mail to:
Bruce Fihe at the address above

Bring your tent or RV or call Susan to reserve a room at
(530)389-2508. Check out the accommodations at
www.campnorge.org.

CAMP OLDFJELL

\$200
Sat-Tue



\$100
Sat-Sun

Save the Dates!

Saturday, September 18th to
Tuesday, September 21st



Camp Oldfjell is held at District Six's
Recreation Center, Camp Norge,
located in Alta, California.



Meals are included in registration fee. Attendees are responsible for their own lodging. Visit Camp Norge's website for details on lodging and the latest news on Camp Oldfjell: www.campnorge.org. Course Catalog and Registration will be posted [HERE](#) when available.