

## Solglimt Posten

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

### Lodge Meeting

Tuesday, February 26, 2019  
Cedar Falls Woman's Club  
3<sup>rd</sup> and Clay Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa  
6:30 pm: Dinner Cost: \$12.00

### Menu

Ham Balls, Roll/butter  
Glazed Carrots  
Red Velvet Brownie

### Installation of 2019 Officers

**"Danish Cedar Falls:  
The Immigrant Experience"**  
Carrie Eilderts



Carrie Eilderts grew up in Parkersburg, Iowa, and is a 2015 graduate of the University of Northern Iowa, where she earned an M.A. in History with a Public History Emphasis. For her Master's thesis project, she curated an exhibit at the Cedar Falls Historical Society entitled, "Danish Cedar Falls: The Immigrant Experience." Carrie is the Executive Director of the Cedar Falls Historical Society.

**Reservations by Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.**  
Cancellations by Saturday, February 23. If your caller misses you, or if you are not a member and would like to attend, please call **Karolyn Haugebak, 277-2294**. Also call **Karolyn** for cancellations. Remember, if you reserve and do not attend, you will be asked to pay for your meal.

Bring items for the Northeast Iowa Food Bank!

### *Fra Presidenten*

Greetings, everyone!

Hello February, goodbye January. And most of us are very happy to see January in our rearview mirrors. What a cold and unpleasant month, even for a Norwegian. It was unfortunate that we had to cancel our breakfast meeting in January. The call needed to be made early, since the Woman's Club would be purchasing food and preparing a meal for us. Any delay would have been a waste of money for both them and the Lodge. We'll try to see where we might still be able to have **Kris Meyer** share her storytelling talents with us.

On the bright side, February is a short month and the promise of warmer weather is only a few weeks away for us.

Interestingly, our Lodge has gained a few new members in the last month or so by transfer and through our website. How cool! So keep your eyes open for new faces at our meetings and be sure to greet them warmly.

And speaking of new members, remember to keep your eyes and ears open to those around you who may express an interest in things Norwegian and invite them to a lodge meeting with you. Invite your Danish friends to our February meeting!

Your Lodge is trying to stay busy. We are investigating some projects with the Food Bank to work as volunteers for them. Potential cultural trips are being considered for this Spring!

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(Fra Presidenten, Continued)

Your Strategic Planning Group is “daydreaming” about assorted ideas to promote our lodge and also offer opportunities to engage with other groups benefitting charitable organizations in the Cedar Valley. It is too soon to share any details just yet, but we will, once we have them. If you have ideas for lodge activities, please be sure to share them with anyone within our leadership. It’s your lodge, too!

In closing, as usual, you are all urged to attend your Lodge’s monthly meetings. The food is good and the meetings are entertaining and informative.

Share your experiences with others and invite them to attend with you. We welcome new faces! And we appreciate familiar ones, for sure!

**Your President, Keith Jorgensen**

### **Secretary’s Notes, Jan. 7, 2019 Business Meeting**

**President Keith Jorgensen** called *Solglimt’s* monthly business meeting to order at the **Tehven** residence in Waverly on Monday, January 7. In addition to **Keith, Jon** and **Gloria, Eunice Becker** attended.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as written (**Jon/Gloria**).

As **Social Director, Jon** is finalizing preparations for January’s *frokost* with program presenter, **Kris Meyer** on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Editor Gloria Tehven** requested reports and news items for the next issue of the POSTEN by February 1. It was suggested that an itemized listing of the Lodge’s 2018 donations be included in the newsletter. **Treasurer Jim Miller** is to be contacted.

Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> was confirmed as the date for the next Strategic Planning meeting. The 2018 Lodge Achievement Report is among the items to be discussed.

**Keith** is pursuing the Lodge logo design with **Percy Slattenow**.

There was no information on this year’s Culture Fest to report as yet.

**Jon** agreed to officiate at the 2019 officer installation during the January 19<sup>th</sup> *Frokost*. (Note, this is a different date from the one originally scheduled.)

Several possible Lodge service projects were discussed.

Announcements:

Lodge *Frokost*: Jan. 19, 9:30 am (later cancelled due to weather.)

Strategic Planning: Jan. 24, 2 pm (later postponed)

Business Meeting: Feb. 5, 3 pm

Lodge Meeting: Feb. 26, 6:30 pm

Following adjournment, a fine dinner was enjoyed, surrounded by **Gloria’s** nativity collection.

Respectfully submitted,

**Eunice Becker, Secretary**

### **Lodge Member News**

Get well wishes are extended to **Joel Johnson** following his recent hospitalization.



*Tusen Takk* to **Jon** and **Gloria Tehven** for hosting January’s business meeting and for preparing the dinner that followed.

Greetings from **Ron** and **Sharon Lance!** (They are “Down South” in the Rio Grande Valley, and sent a message January 29<sup>th</sup> regarding “cold” weather.)



“We’re cold here, too-----instead of being the normal 75-80° for this time of year, we are only 63° this afternoon so we need to put on a light jacket when we go outside. I’m sure you all will sympathize with **Sharon** and me. It got up to 90° yesterday!”

## A Little Humor

"I have got some bad news for you, Ole. Your farm is right on the state line, and we have determined that it is not in Minnesota. It is actually in Iowa."

Ole replied, "Dat is duh best noos I'ff had in a lonng time!! I vas yust telling Lena dat I don't tink I can take anudder Minnusooda vinter."

Ed. Note: I guess Ole doesn't know much about Iowa winters!

## Treasurer Jim Miller's Report

### 1. Checking/Savings Accounts

Balance on January 1, 2019.....	\$3619.54
Receipts.....	+728.40
Interest.....	+ <u>19.37</u>
Sub Total.....	\$4367.31
Disbursements.....	<u>0.00</u>
Balance on 1/31/2019.....	\$4367.31

### 2. Certificates of Deposit

4 \$1000.00 Certificates.....\$4000.00

### 3. Savings Bonds (none)

4. Cash on Hand.....\$50.00

Total Assets on 1/31/2018.....\$8417.31

The receipts for January include \$572.00 for Calendars. *Tusen Takk* to the folks who purchased them!. There weren't any disbursements because our meeting was cancelled.



## Donations and Gifts

Here is a list of the donations and gifts that *Solglimt* Lodge made in 2018. Most were sent in December.

SON Foundation—cash donations:	\$ 78.00
Norman Borlaug Heritage:	\$100.00
Ski for Light	\$200.00
Museum of Danish America	\$50.00
Norwegian American GC and NL	\$150.00
Norwegian American Historical Association	\$100.00
Vesterheim Museum	\$150.00

\$173.15 was spent for flowers and memorials in honor of our members who passed away in 2018.

## Northeast Iowa Food Bank

*Solglimt* received a nice letter from Barbara Prather, the Executive Director, and Agnes Kress, the Community Events Manager, on behalf of the Food Bank. The letter thanked the Lodge for contributing 20 pounds and \$292.79 to the Food Bank in December. The Food Bank can turn this amount of money into 1,185 meals! That's amazing!

**Linda Slattenow** also reports that in 2018 you folks donated 164 pounds of food, and \$636.79 in cash. This was better than in 2017—which was 107 pounds of food and \$386.35 in cash. It is very good that our membership is helping to serve the needy in our communities through the work of the Food Bank, and we thank **Linda** and **Percy** for taking charge of this project, delivering our gifts, and encouraging us to help our neighbors.

**Linda** says "Thanks to everyone for giving from your heart!"

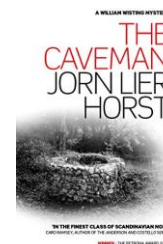


Donations are welcome at every meeting. In February bring extra, since we missed out in January!

## Book Club

The Book Club did not meet in January because too many people were out of town. They will meet on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at NewAldaya, 7411 University Avenue in Cedar Falls. You can enjoy lunch with friends, at 12 pm. If you can't come for lunch, come at 1 pm for discussion.

The group will discuss the book that was scheduled for January: The Caveman, by Jorn Lier Horst. It's about the mysterious death of a man who lives alone and dies while watching TV.



Contact **Clare Palmer**, 266-5703, [dandcpalmer@cfu.net](mailto:dandcpalmer@cfu.net) if you have any questions.

## Concordia Language Village—*Skogfjorden*

Do you have children or grandchildren that would be interested in attending the Norwegian Language Village —*Skogfjorden*---one of the many Concordia Language Villages (CLV) near Bemidji, MN?

CLV has just released its 2019 schedule, with sessions beginning the week of June 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information, google Concordia Language Villages.



District 1 has awarded *Solglimt* Lodge \$450 to be used for scholarships at *Skogfjorden*, or District 5's *Masse Moro* Heritage Camp. Additional scholarship funding is available through our Lodge.

There are scholarships for the Norwegian Folk High School and the Mikal Kartvedt *Skogfjorden* Scholarship for those needing financial assistance.

For more information, contact **Jon Tehven at 352-6094** or [tehven@msn.com](mailto:tehven@msn.com).

### Photos on our Website!

Check out our website for lots more pictures in the Gallery!

[WWW.Solglimt.org](http://www.Solglimt.org)

### Welcoming New Members

Janmarie and Rocky Olson live in Holland, IA and are transferring from Nor-Win lodge in Winona, MN.

John Williams lives in Waterloo.

These new members came to us through our website.

We look forward to greeting and welcoming them at our February meeting.



## A Little Sunshine

**Ron Lance** recently received a Get Well Card from our Sunshine Lady. He's having therapy for a hip problem. He sent a note, thanking our Lodge for the get well wishes. If you know of anyone else who could use a little Sunshine, contact:

**Beverly Haugen**  
**Western Home Communities**  
**5300 Main Street #45**  
**Cedar Falls IA 50613**  
**[bhaugen@cfu.net](mailto:bhaugen@cfu.net)**  
**266-2269**

### 2018: Year of High Achievement for Sons of Norway Report from Eivind Heiberg, International CEO

The numbers are reported, tallied and triple-checked. It is my pleasure to announce how Sons of Norway did with achieving our 2018 organizational goals.

Goal: 300 new insurance members.  
Achieved: 391 – 130% of goal

Goal: \$4.8 million in total life insurance premiums  
Achieved: \$4.7 million – 98% of goal

Goal: \$16.5 million in total annuity premiums  
Achieved: \$10.8 million – 65% of goal

Goal: 3,300 new members  
Achieved 3,742 – 113% of goal

Goal: \$200,000 Foundation Funds raised  
Achieved: \$307 thousand – 154% of goal

Exceeding three of five goals is a cause for celebration! It could not have been done without the strong commitment and unwavering focus of each of you who heard the rally cry, then planned, recruited, sold, presented, networked and gave long hours of service to the effort. Due to your dedication and hard work, we have strengthened our fiscal vitality and ability to serve our members. Our Sons of Norway Foundation is grateful for its generous donors who share our core values and embrace serving our heritage.

I also thank you for your early enthusiasm and commitment to success in 2019!

Note: These officers will be installed at our February meeting.

2019 Solglimt Lodge Officers	
President	Keith Jorgensen
Vice-President	Dottie Roiseland
Secretary	Eunice Becker
Treasurer	Jim Miller
Membership "Strategic Planning"	
Past President/Counselor	Steve Norby
Social Directors	Robin Voster Clare Palmer
Ass't Social Directors	Lori DeVries Beeb's Downing
Cultural Director	Cheryl Moore
Foundation Director	Jon Tehven
Editor	Gloria Tehven
Trustees	Hovey Brom Jim Miller Steve Mauer
Marshall	Dave Haugebak
Greeters	Ron & Sharon Lance
Publicity	JoAn Headington
Historian	Deloris Laube
Musician	Kathy Schuhmacher
Sports/Youth Director	Jim Walsh
Librarian	open
Auditors	Mike Butler David Palmer
Adopt a School Coordinator	open

### Sons of Norway Benefits

To learn more about the many financial benefits offered by Sons of Norway, contact our Benefit Counselor:

Scott Johanssen, FIC  
Riverland Insurance Group  
1970 Spruce Hills Drive  
Bettendorf IA 52722  
Phone: 563-503-5400  
Cell: 563-543-5157



### A POSTEN Reader's Contest

This month's riddle is: Name two *Solglimt* meetings that were cancelled in January?

Send your answers to this riddle to the POSTEN editor during the month of February. The names of everyone who contribute correct answers will be entered into a drawing at our May meeting. The prize has not yet been determined—but there will be a prize!!!

Also send any items you'd like to see in the March POSTEN by March 1<sup>st</sup> to:

**Gloria Tehven**  
1507 Hickory Heights Drive  
Waverly IA 50677  
352-6094  
[gtehven@live.com](mailto:gtehven@live.com)

(Voice messaging on the phone is not available.)

### Pictures from the Past



**Marv Haugebak and Past International President Jim Olson**



**Palma Behrens**

### Highway Clean-Up



**Joyce Spande, Helen Rostad, Karolyn Haugebak, Dorothy Sundet**



**Jack Hovelson, David Palmer, Axe Haugen, Aaron Sundet**



**Governor's Volunteer Award for Highway Clean-up - 2013**

### Beach House Picnic



**Bill Hanson, Clayton Hanson, Harold Sundet, Jack Hovelson**

## ***Kalender***

- Feb. 7: Lodge Business Meeting
- Feb. 10: Norwegian Mother's Day
- Feb. 14: Happy Valentine's Day
- Feb. 18: Book Club  
President's Day
- Feb. 26: Lodge Meeting  
"Danish Cedar Falls:  
The Immigrant Experience"  
Carrie Eilders
- Mar. 5: Lodge Business Meeting
- Mar. 17: St. Patrick's Day
- March 18: Book Club
- Mar. 26: Lodge Meeting  
"Preserving the History of  
Luther College"  
Haley Jackson



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## **Truths About Growing Old**

1. Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.
2. Forget the health food. You need all the preservatives you can get.
3. When you fall down, you wonder what else you can do while you're down there.
4. You get the same sensation from a rocking chair that you once got from a roller coaster.
5. You know all the answers, but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.
6. Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.
7. Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes age comes alone.