



NEWSLETTER

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As the days grow shorter and the air turns crisp, I'm reminded how quickly this year has gone by—and how much we've shared together as a lodge. Our September meeting and Memorial Service were both heartfelt and uplifting. It was wonderful to honor those who have gone before us while reconnecting with so many familiar faces.

I wasn't able to attend our October gathering, but I heard it was a wonderful afternoon filled with good company and celebration—especially as everyone joined in marking **Færder Lodge member Alice Olsen's 90th birthday**. What a milestone and a beautiful reminder of the lasting friendships within our Sons of Norway family.

Looking ahead, we'll be gathering again on **Sunday, November 9 at 2 PM**, joining our friends from **Færder Lodge** for another afternoon of fellowship. Meeting together always brings great conversation, laughter, and a true sense of community—the spirit that keeps our lodges strong.

As we move toward the holiday season, I hope you take pride in being part of a lodge that continues to celebrate our Norwegian heritage and care for one another. Let's carry that spirit of warmth and gratitude into the months ahead.

I look forward to seeing you all on November 9 for another meaningful afternoon together.

Warm regards,

Kimberly Breiland, President

SAVE THE DATES LODGE BROOKLYN FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

NOVEMBER MEETING

Sunday, November 9, 2025
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sporting Club Gjøa, Brooklyn

SCANDINAVIAN XMAS FAIR

Saturday, November 1, 2025
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Zion Lutheran Church

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 15, 2025
3:00 PM
Sporting Club Gjøa, Brooklyn

FAERDER ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, December 14, 2025
12:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Hunter's Restaurant, Bay Ridge

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!



LODGE BROOKLYN HAPPENINGS

This year marks the 200th anniversary of the *Restauration*'s voyage—the “Norwegian Mayflower” that carried 52 courageous passengers from Stavanger, Norway, to the United States in 1825. Their journey marked the beginning of organized Norwegian immigration to America and stands as a symbol of courage, hope, and new beginnings.

To commemorate this historic milestone, a replica of the *Restauration* sailed to **South Street Seaport** in New York City this fall. Members of **Sons of Norway** from across the region, including many from **Brooklyn Lodge** and **Færder Lodge**, gathered to celebrate the occasion. It was a festive day filled with pride, fellowship, and a deep appreciation for our shared Norwegian heritage.

A special highlight came when our own **Bjarne** had the honor of meeting and shaking hands with **His Royal Highness, the Crown Prince of Norway, Haakon Magnus**—a moment that truly captured the significance of the day.

The story of the *Restauration* continues to inspire us, reminding us of the strength and spirit that connect us across generations and oceans.



Business

- We received a lovely thank you letter from Ski for Light, Inc. for our donation
- We received a thank you letter for our contribution from Third District Charitable Trust
- We received another thank you letter for our contribution in memory of Njål Svege.

Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarships

Sons of Norway Foundation scholarships help students like Camilla Bratteberg reach their academic goals and pursue work in fields like bioinformatics, which combines biology and computer science biological data such as DNA sequences. Camilla has lived in Norway and the US, truly bringing the Foundation's mission to life. Scholarship applications are now open! [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

Christmas Ornament

Show your Norwegian pride this holiday season by adding the 2025 Sons of Norway commemorative ornament to your Christmas traditions!



[Click here for more info](#)



LODGE BROOKLYN MEETING & EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY



NOVEMBER MEETING

Sunday, November 9, 2025

2 PM until 5 PM

Sporting Club Gjøa, Brooklyn

- Catered meal
- Requested donation of \$15 SON members, \$20 all others, Children under 12 FREE



FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 15, 2025

3 PM

Sporting Club Gjøa, Brooklyn

- Raffles, Specialty Drinks, Live Music, and more!

For more info contact Vera: 718-831-8423



SCANDINAVIAN XMAS FAIR

Saturday, November 1, 2025

10 AM until 3 PM

Zion Lutheran Church

505 Watchogue Road, Staten Island

- Nordic & Domestic Vendors
- Food, Raffles, 50/50
- Music



HOLIDAY CONCERT

Sundays, December 7 & 14, 2025

5 PM

Scandinavia House, NYC

A festive in-person concert featuring Scandinavian and American holiday favorites as well as a traditional Saint Lucia procession.

[Click here for more info](#)



FAERDER LODGE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

AND

115TH FAERDER LODGE ANNIVERSARY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025

12:30 PM – 4:30 PM

HUNTER'S RESTAURANT, 9404 – 4th AVENUE, BAY RIDGE

MUSIC BY ELLEN LINDSTROM

Faerder Members Gratis

Guests \$60 Per Person

Open Bar

Reservations are required by **December 6th**

Questions? Contact Sylvia Reich at sylrei12@gmail.com or 718-745-6284

Guest checks are payable to **Faerder Building Association**

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Brooklyn, NY 11209



HENRIK IBSEN LODGE ANNUAL

BOWLING FOR FUN

Sunday February 15th 2026

1:00pm-4:00pm

East Islip Lanes

117 E Main Street, East Islip

**\$28 adult/ \$26
child under 12
(shoes included)**

**DESSERT & COFFEE
PROVIDED**

**3 GAMES
4-6 PLAYERS PER
TEAM**

Please submit payment & names by 2/1/26 to:

Sport Director John Kern

jkern1337@gmail.com

(631)636-2035

1498 Brightshore Blvd

Bayshore, NY 11706



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HOLIDAY CARDS

SET OF 4: \$6.00

SET OF 20: \$25.00





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Lodge Brooklyn celebrates the traditions and history of the Norwegian and American Norwegian culture. We have a reputation as being fun, down to earth, and lighthearted. We gather and share past memories and create new ones in a warm and welcoming

HALLOWEENKAGE



WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- Sugar
- Unsalted butter
- Large eggs
- Vanilla extract
- Milk
- All-purpose flour
- Baking powder
- Salt
- Unsweetened cocoa powder
- Orange food coloring
- Orange extract
- Orange zest

Try this delicious and festive spiced cake to welcome all that fall has to offer.

[Click here for measurements and instructions](#)

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