

# Tre Lag Stevne

Norwegians on the Move Rivers, Roads, & Rails

LaCrosse, Wisconsin · August 1 to 4, 2007 · Stoney Creek Inn



A gathering of descendants and friends of the Trøndelag, Gudbrandsdal, and northern Hedmark regions of Norway



# Pelkommen



As you've researched your Norwegian ancestors, you most likely eagerly sought out the destination they listed as they left Norway. From the Emigrant Protocols, you may have discovered that one of those destinations was "Lacrosse." The influence of Norwegian settlement in the LaCrosse area was noted before 1853. By 1856, the Norwegians had already established four churches in the county.

As we meet in the La Crosse area this year for the fifth annual Tre Lag Stevne, we will learn more about the immigrants' migration across our nation - most using the rivers, roads, rails and trails to eventually reach the site of what would become their new homeland.

We hope you will enjoy and learn from your participation in the seminars, genealogy labs, meals, and tours this week. Please take the opportunity to meet your fellow Norwegian-Americans and share your ancestral stories. You may even find a new cousin!

Thanks for attending. Have a great stevne! In 2008 we hope to see you all at the Tre Lag Stevne in Fergus Falls, MN from August 6-9 and at the Trønderlag Centennial Celebration on August 9.

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### Wednesday Afternoon & Evening - 1 August

1:00 PM - 1:00 PM Genealogy Lab Open  Lag Genealogists: Barry Dahl, Trønderlag John Reindl, Nord Hedmark og Hedemarken Lag Marilyn Sorensen, Gudbrandsdal Lag  1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  LaCrosse/Westby Area Guided Bus Tour Points of Interest: LaCrosse lumber baron homes, Mons Anderson home, Dregne's Scandinavian shop, Accelerated Genetics and the County Coon Priarie Church (coffee and donuts-cookies available at the church- free will donation suggested - Marjorie Haugen host) LaCrosse Guide - Eric Wheeler, Westby Guides - Shirley Schoenfeld, and Anne Farning  6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Registration Desk Open  7:00 PM - 7:20 PM Opening Ceremony  NW Reception Area	Wednesday Atterneon a Evening Tragast					
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7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Seminar: Beginning Genealogy: Where to Start - Jonna Peterson  Jonna Peterson teaches a beginning genealogy class at Western College in LaCrosse, is a history student at Viterbo University, and has been the editor and publisher of the LaCrosse Area Genealogical Society Quarterly magazine since 2005.	7:30 PM - 8:30 PN	Jonna Peterson  Jonna Peterson teaches a beginning genealogy class at Western College in LaCrosse, is a history student at Viterbo University, and has been the editor and publisher of the LaCrosse Area Genealogical Society	Timberlands			
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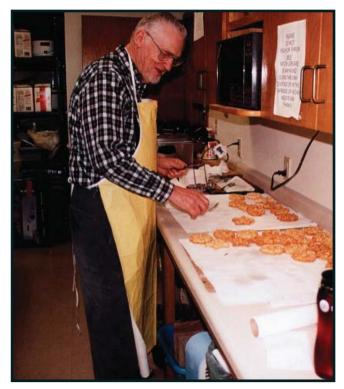
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### **Thursday Morning - 2 August**

TIME		EVENT		LOCATION
7:45 AM -	0.00 414	Gudbrandsdalslag Business Meeting	Timberlands	
8:00 AM -		Registration Desk Open		NW Reception Area
9:00 AM -		Genealogy Lab Open	Northwoods A+B	
9:00 AM -		Vendor Displays Open	Northwoods C	
	10:20 AM		Northwoods C	
		Hjordis Helgestad  Hjordis will demonstrate the ethnic folk art of Hardangersøm - a very elegant cutwork embroidery. She has been doing needlework since she was a child. She demonstrates yearly at the Westby 17th of May celebration and at other festivities.		
9:30 AM - 1	10:20 AM	Seminar: Koshkonong Settlement - Mike Bovre Mike has served in various capacities for many years on the boards of the Dane County Historical Society, the Koshkonong Prairie Historical Society, and the Vesterheim Norwegian American Museum and Genealogical Center		Timberlands
10:00 AM -	4:00 PM	Hospitality Room Open		Hearth Room
	11:20 AM	Seminar: Genealogy Seminar in Norway Marilyn Sorensen, Jim Olson, Jan Floeter, John Peterson  Tour leaders Jim Olson and Marilyn Sorensen, along with tour participants Jan Floeter and John Peterson, will discuss the recent Gudbrandsdal Lag genealogy seminar in Norway - which spanned 8 archives, and included unique presentations, special opportunities for research, visits with relatives, and a rich learning experience for everyone involved.		Pines Room
10:30 AM - 1	11:20 AM	Hands on Demonstration - Rosemaling - Lois Mueller  Lois has been rosemaling since 1977, teaching since 1979, and was recipient of a gold medal for rosemaling from Vesterheim in 1998.  Lunch (on your own)		Northwoods C
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## Thursday Afternoon & Evening - 2 August

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
1:00 PM	Hands on Demonstrations - continued	Northwoods C
1:15 PM - 2:05 PM	Concurrent Seminars  Seminar: North American Descendants of Norway's Founding Fathers - 1814 - Erik Tøndevold and Mike Bovre	Timberlands
	Seminar: Learning to Sing Norwegian - Johanna Hocker - Note: Beginners welcome!  Johanna, from Delavan, Minnesota, is a musician at heart and says that her Mom never needed to wonder where her daughter was - all she needed to do was to listen for singing or whistling.	Eagles Lookout
	Coffee and Refreshment Break	NW Reception Area
2:45 PM - 3:35 PM	Concurrent Seminars  Seminar: Reading and Interpreting Norwegian Records in the Gothic Script - Elaine Helgeson Hasleton  Elaine has been a professional Scandinavian genealogist for 35 years. A native Minnesotan, she is currently Manager of Library Public Affairs at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah.	Timberlands
	Seminar: Unique Genealogy Resources - Erik Tøndevold  Erik was born in the US to recent emigrants from Norway and the family returned to Norway when he was 2. He is a retired hydropower engineer whose hobby is genealogy. He lives in Oslo.	Pines Room
4:30 PM	Load Busses. Busses depart at 5:00 PM Sharp	Busses depart from Main Hotel Entrance
5:15 PM	Boarding on the LaCrosse Queen	Riverside Park / LaCrosse
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	LaCrosse Queen Mississippi River Cruise - Light Hor d'oeuvres and refreshments Entertainment: Turkey River All Stars	The Mississippi River
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Genealogy Lab Open	Northwoods A+B
8:30 PM - 9:20 PM	Q, I	Timberlands
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM		Hearth Room
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM		Eagles Lookout

## Tre Lag Stevne Music

#### The Star Spangled Banner

Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free, And the home of the brave



#### O Canada!

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!
From far and wide, O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

#### Ja, vi elsker dette landet

Rikard Nordraak

Ja, vi elsker dette landet, Som det stiger frem Furret vær bitt over vannet Med de tusen hjem, Elsker, elsker det og tenker På vår far og mor Og den saganatt som senker Drøm me på vår jord, Og den saganatt som senker, Senker drømme på vår jord. Norske mann i hus og hytte, takk din store Gud! Landet ville han beskytte, skjønt det mørkt så ut. Alt hvad fedrene har kjempet, mødrene har grett, har den Herre stille lempet så vi vant vår rett.

#### I Jesu Navn

I Jesu navn går vi til bords. at spise, drikke på ditt ord. Deg Gud til ære, oss til gavn. Så får vi mat i Jesu navn. Amen

#### Yes, We Love This Land of Ours

**Translation** 

Yes, we love this land of ours As with mountain domes Storm-lash'd oer the sea it towers With the thousand homes. Love it dearly, ever thinking Of our father's strife And the land of Saga sinking, Dreams upon our life, And the land of Saga sinking, Sinking dreams upon our life. Norsemen, in whatever station, Thank your mighty God; He has kindly saved our nation From oppression's rod. That for which our sires contended And our mothers wailed. Silently the Lord defended So our rights, our rights prevailed.

#### In Jesus' Name

In Jesus' name we go to the table.

To eat and drink according to His word.

To God the honor, us the gain,

We receive the food in Jesus' name.

Amen

#### Pål På Haugen

Pål sine høno på haugen utslepte, hønunn så lett over haugen sprang; Pål kunne væl på hønom forneme reven var ute med rumpa så lang: Klukk, klukk, klukk sa høna på haugom, Klukk, klukk, klukk sa høna på haugom; Pål han sprang og vrengde med augom: "Nå tør eg inkje koma heim åt a mor!"

#### Paul on the Hillside

Paul released his hens on the hillside, the hens sprang so lightly over the hillside; Paul could well worry about the hens, the fox was out with tail so long:
Cluck, cluck, cluck said the hen on the hillside, Cluck, cluck, cluck said the hen on the hillside.
Paul sprang up and rolled his eyes:
"Now I don't dare to go home to mother!"

## Kan Du Vissla, Johanna? Can You Whistle, Johanna?

(A Swedish Song)

Kan du vissla, Johanna? Ja visst kan ja de *(whistle)* 

Dä va bra lille vän, vi tar om det igen *(whistle)* 

Å Johanna ho visslade hella dagen lång, Dä kom ur svenska hjärtan blotten simple enkel sang Kan du vissla, Johanna? Ja visst kan ja de (whistle)

Kan du sjunga, Johanna? Ja visst kan ja de Tra-la-la (etc.)

Dä va bra lille vän, vi tar om det igen Tra-la-la (etc.)

Å Johanna ho sjungde do hella dagen lång, Dä kom ur svenska hjärtan blotten simple enkel sang Kan du sjunga, Johanna? Ja visst kan ja de Tra-la-la (etc.)



#### Hils fra Meg der Hjemme

(A Sailors' Greeting)

I den stille tause natt
Står jeg her ved skipets ratt,
under himmelens stjernevell,
Ene og forlatt.
Under himmelens høye tak
Høres fjerne vingeslag,
Fugletrekket atter gar
Mot nord, mot lyse vår.

Hils fra meg der hjemme,
Hils min far og mor,
Hils de grønne lier
Og den blanke fjord
Hvis jeg hadde vinger
Fløy jeg hjem med deg
Til de lyse netter,
Hils dem! Hils fra meg!

#### **Greet them All Back Home**

On the deck I stand at night,
When the stars above are bright,
Far away from friends and home,
Lonely here I roam.
Swallows on their wings so high,
Now in spring they homeward fly,
To the land where sunlight beams
In to my childhood dreams.

Greet my dear old mother,
Greet my father too,
And my little brother
When he welcomes you.
If I had wings to follow,
Happy would I be.
Dearest little swallow,
Greet them all from me!



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### Friday Morning - 3 August

TIME EVENT					
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7:45 AM - 8:00 AM -		Trønderlag Business Meeting		Timberlands	
8:00 AM -		Registration Desk Open Vendor Displays Open		NW Reception Area Northwoods C	
8:30 AM -		Hospitality Room Open	Hearth Room		
		Genealogy Lab Open (last opportunity)	Northwoods A+B		
		Concurrent Seminars		Northwood37(1)	
	,	Seminar: Dr. Adolf Gundersen, Early Norwegian Doctor - First Person - Dr. Erik Gundersen  Dr. Gundersen is a retired heart surgeon and is Vice Chairman of the Gundersen Lutheran Medical Foundation.	Dr. Adolf Gundersen	Timberlands	
		Seminar: Edvard Grieg: The Man and His Music - Janet Melby  Janet Melby, from LaCrescent, traces her Norwegian roots to Telemark, Hallingdal and Akershus Prison. Although she doesn't play the piano herself, she loves Grieg's music.		Pines Room	
		Seminar: The Immigrant's Trunk - Roger Hellesvig  Roger Hellesvig is a living history reenactor and educator. Using the trunk as a focal point, he describes what it was like to immigrate to American in the mid 1800s.		Eagles Lookout	
		Coffee Break		NW Reception Area	
10:45 AM -	11:45 AM	Concurrent Seminars  Seminar: Norwegian Settlements in the Midwest - Deb Nelson Gourley  Deb Nelson Gourley was raised on her family's ancestral farm in Amherst, Minnesota. She is the author of "Astri, My Astri: Norwegian Heritage Stories" and "History of the Norwegian Settlements."		Timberlands	
		Seminar: Curds and Whey - Norwegian Cheesemaking in the New Land - RuthAnn Wilson RuthAnn Wilson, a retired educator, has a long history of cheesemaking ancestors and will fill us in on Norwegian traditions. Come and learn how cheese is made on the seter and enjoy a sample too!  Seminar: Norway's Architecture: Past to Present - Byron Stadsvold  Byron Stadsvold is a native of Fergus Falls but now lives in Rochester. He is an architect (somewhat		Pines Room  Eagles Lookout	
11:45 AM -	1:30 PM	retired) and sculptor.  Lunch (on your own)			

#### Friday Afternoon & Evening - 3 August

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1:00 PM		Choir Rehearsal	Eagles Lookout
1:30 PM -	2:20 PM	Keynote Speaker: A Norwegian Travel Adventure Saga: A Genealogical Roll of the Dice - Howard Sherpe A country boy from Westby, Wisconsin, Howard Sherpe runs an advertising business called Sherpe Advertising Art, enjoys Norwegian folk art woodcarving, and is a columnist whose column appears in 13 midwest papers.	Northwoods A+B
2:20 PM -		Coffee Break	NW Reception Area
2:45 PM -		Memorial Service - Pastor, Donald Danielson; Pianist, Elsie Elverud, Tre Lag Choir, directed by Johanna Hocker	Northwoods A+B
3:30 PM -	4:20 PM	Concurrent Seminars	
		Seminar: NAHA Collections that Contain Travel as a Major Element - Kim Holland  With a lifelong interest in Norwegian ancestry, a degree in law from Drake University, and an employee at NAHA since 1999, Kim will highlight some of the interesting NAHA collections that contain travel as a major element.	Timberlands
		Seminar: The Psalmodikon Group  Musicians: Joan Saathoff, soprano; Beatrice Hole, alto; Floyd Foslien, bass; Kathy Pedersen, tenor	Pines Room
	,	Seminar: Travel Routes on the River, and Life on the Boats - Ed Hill  Retired special collections librarian and director of the Area Research Center at UW LaCrosse for 30 years, Ed has lectured and published on aspects of regional history, Mississippi River Steamboats, and historical photography.	Northwoods A+B
5:30 PM		Gudbrandsdal Lag Group Photo	Northwoods A
5:45 PM		Nord Hedmark og Hedemarken Lag Group Photo	Northwoods A
6:00 PM		Trønderlag Lag Group Photo	Northwoods A
6:15 PM - 7:00 PM -	7:00 PM 9:00 PM		NW Reception Area Northwoods A,B+C
		Tre Lag Musicians play on	Northwoods A,B+C

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**Howard Sherpe** Writer and Publisher Tre Lag Presenter Author of Across the Fence Madison, WI Carved items and carving demonstrations



## Saturday, 4 August [all Saturday events are at Norskedalen]

TIME	TIME EVENT	
8:00 AM - 9:15 A	Nord Hedmark og Hedemarken Lag Business Meeting	Meeting Room
9:00 AM	Coffee and Donuts	
9:30 AM	Norskedalen Video	Meeting Room
10:00 AM - 10:50 A	Concurrent Seminars	
	Seminar: Wood Carving as an Expression of Norwegian Art - Chuck Hulsether	Meeting Room
	Seminar: Rosemaling - An Overview of Styles - Lois Mueller  In this lecture, Lois Mueller, who is an accomplished rosemaler from Platteville, Wisconsin, will discuss the different styles of rosemaling.	Heritage Room
11:00 AM	Tour of Bekkum Homestead	Norsekdalen Grounds
11:00 AM	Norskedalen Video (second showing)	Meeting Room
12:30 PM - 2:00 P	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Norskedalen



# TIL MINNE OM Remembering Lag Members Who Passed Away During the Last Year

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The celebration comes at the conclusion of the regular

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## Centennial Celebration

Bigwood Event Center

August 9, 2008 Fergus Falls, Minnesota

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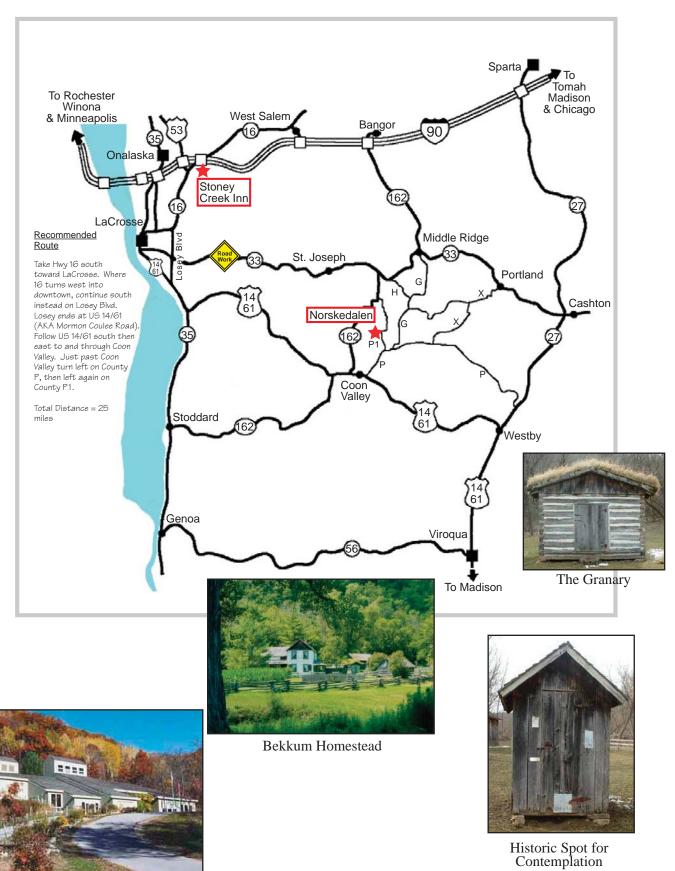




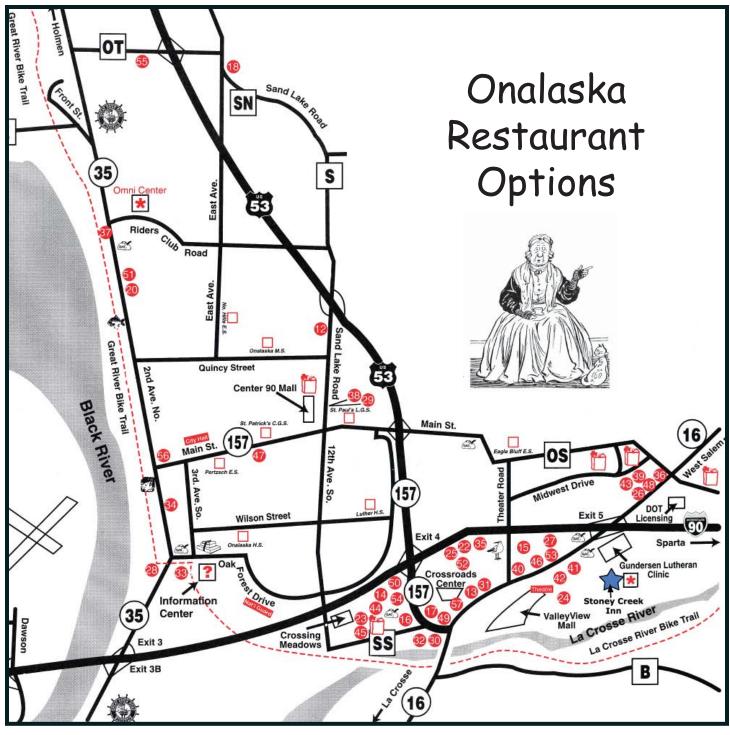




## Map from Stoney Creek Inn to Norskedalen



Thrune Center at Norsekdalen



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