



Echoes of the Past: Stories of our Immigrant Ancestors

Join us in honoring and sharing Norwegian family lore at the *Flere Lag Stevne* in Austin, Minnesota, September 15-18, 2026! This gathering is sponsored by heritage groups whose ancestors came from the old regions of Norway including *Solør*, *Romerike (Akershus)*, *Hedmark*, *Gudbrandsdal*, and *Trøndelag*. Volunteer genealogists with experience in researching those areas will be on hand to assist in tracing family history in Norwegian records.

Janette Dragvold will perform folk tunes on *hardanger* fiddle and *nyckelharpa* for our entertainment at the Thursday night banquet. Austin architect Miranda Moen is slated to give a presentation on “Houses our Ancestors Built” on Thursday afternoon. Other program topics during the conference include “Writing Your Family Stories,” “Early Norwegian Settlers in Southeast Minnesota,” and “How to Research House History.” Full event and single-day registrations are available.

A free Nordic Fair will be open to the public on Tuesday, Sept. 15 (1-6 pm), Wednesday, Sept. 16 (10 am-6 pm), and Thursday, Sept. 17 (8 am-4 pm). Vendors will have a variety of Scandinavian items for sale.

The *stevne* will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton, 1701 Fourth St. NW, Austin, MN 55912.

For more information, email nkwbarnes@yahoo.com or go to: www.fellesraad.com and click on the *Flere Lag Stevne* page.