



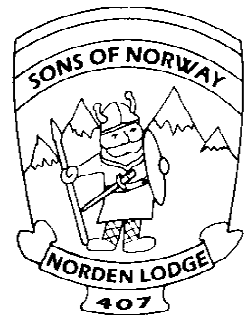
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NORDEN LODGE #407 HUNTINGTON



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Celebrating Our 86th Year

September, 2024

Meeting normally each 4th Sunday of the month at Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, Huntington Station, NY
 Phone (516) 791-3983 NordenLodge407@Gmail.com -Next Meeting **Sunday Sept 22, at 2 PM**
 On [Facebook](#) at: **NordenLodge3-407 Sons of Norway** - On the [WEB](#) at **NordenLodge3-407.org**
Deadline for Items for the October, 2024 Newsletter PERIODICAL is September, 28, 2024

MONTH'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone, I hope you have had a wonderful summer. It was a busy summer for the Berntsen's. We spent a week in Saratoga for the July 4th celebration. I haven't seen Barbara that relaxed in 2 years. It was really nice to get together for our Norden Picnic on August 11th. There was about 30 of us in attendance and we thank Ellen for coming and keeping us entertained.

Then we had the wedding of Kristin and Chuck's daughter Krystal to her beloved Nick Frenzo (he is from Boston) on August 16. It was a beautiful wedding and it was truly a thrill to see our granddaughter get married. That was a true family affair.

Next was the Henrik Ibsen Fishing trip. We had 20 of us (my family and Norden members) attend to support our neighboring lodge. And you would not believe. I caught a 23-inch fluke. It won me the pool for the boat and also some side bets. It was the first time I actually won on that boat, so maybe my streak had been met or it is just beginning – which makes me feel ready for the fishing trip next year.

Then Barbara went on her annual trip with her 2 sisters to Dragon Con, where Dara and myself had to hold down the fort with both mothers in the Nursing Home. My Mom Margaret is living there now and Barbara's Mom Gladys was tired after the wedding and sat down on the step at home, with her leg under her, and broke the left leg right above the ankle. So there are both Moms (who are members) are in Meadowbrook at this time. This has been the challenge of the summer.

OUR OCTOBER MEETING needed to be changed. When Barbara was in Dragon Con, she received a note from Sandy (President of the Church Counsel) that the church planned a church comprehensive meeting and will need our room in October. So Barbara said it was fine to hold **our next meeting on Sunday October 20th** instead. The church is so accommodating with our meetings, that she checked it out with me and we felt it was best to accommodate the church also. She is preparing the 2025 meeting nights for the meeting and will send it to the church after we agree on those dates.

I want to thank those who said they will represent Norden at the Zone 1 meetings. Karen, Les, Barbara, and Steve. I can always count on you.

As always the minutes in the Norden Star are a summary of what happened at the meeting. Barbara has the complete minutes and Les summarizes them. Contact: barbarajb1230@optonline.net. She will be happy to send them to any member.

Fraternally, Roy



Our Sister Lodge in Wash DC has been running a Genealogy Interest group Zoom meetings – on Sept 28 they offer "From Norwegian coast to American prairie" Email genealogy@NorwayDC.org for the Zoom link closer to the meeting date. Then on Sept 29 they have a Norwegian History Round Table Zoom Meeting with the topic During the WWII occupation of Norway, Hitler wanted to build an "Aryan" society and reshape Norway with a remarkable building campaign. Email programs@NorwayDC.org for the Zoom link closer to the meeting date. Both seem to be worth a look!

If you hear of anyone who is not feeling well, or needs some cheering up, please contact our **SunShine Lady**, Kathy Johannessen (631) 421-9482, so we can respond & get the word out.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS TO EVERY MEETING.

As voted, a \$1.00 reminder fee for a temporary name rental will be charged each time you forget. This could be fun! Only excellent above reproach excuses will be exempted by Vote on the floor. **See Les Johannessen for your Tag**

NORDEN ALWAYS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS

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June 23rd Meeting Minutes Summary –

President Roy opened the meeting of Norden Lodge #3-407 was opened at 2:20pm. Roy said “Happy scholarship day – today”. We are happy to have Ellen with us. We will have a shortened meeting so we can celebrate with the scholarship winners.

Pledge of allegiance.

There were a lot of guests and visitors, please see the attendance list for the names.

Secretary Barbara took the silent officer attendance – approval of the minutes as distributed - there are no application for membership.

Shirley gave the financial report: all is in order.

Correspondence Barbara wrote:

1. Remember to sign in the attendance book. It is over on the dessert table **or** it is with Mary for signing.
2. The NORGE NA is here at the desk.
3. The Helping Hands Mission sent their newsletter.

Scholarship awards: Barbara handed them out.

Committee reports

Social directors: Barbara, Janet and Kathy thanked all of the members who brought dessert. It makes the meeting more festive and a nicer selection. Janet won the LOV plaque at the convention and brought it for the lodge to have.

Newsletter: Les – has extra copies with him. Don't forget to sign up for a booster for the newsletter.

Sports Director: Chuck / Kristin

Atlantic city date is Oct – Chuck is checking for a date.
Picnic: don't forget the date is August 11. The food and cook is all set. \$10 per person, members get the money back.

Ducks game – don't forget the date is July 19th – get there early for a new t-shirt. Flyers are up here at the table. (Secretary note -- it had to be canceled due to lack of attendance)

Henrik Ibsen fishing will be at Captree on August 24th – 2 – 6pm. This is an afternoon boat ride. Norden has about 7 already attending – please let me know if you want to go. Les check with your sub buddies. Flyers are up here at the table.

Zone: Barbara / Karen / Les / Steve There has been no meeting since our may meeting – but our new zone 1

director is Elaine Breiland and the assistant zone 1 director is Susan Olsen.

2 -We need to vote on our zone delegates and alternates. We do all zoom meetings Barbara B, Karen H and Les agreed to stay. Steve H agreed to stay as the alternate. If anyone else wants to join the Zone, please let Barbara know.

3 – Scharship Comm: Remember Karen made the raffle Tickets again this year and both Barbara and Karen have for The Zone 1 Scholarrship. Barbara will send some out to our Members who asked.

Sunshine: Kathy no one is sick. No news is good news.

Parade: Barbara – we selected our theme: “she has 2023 & 2024 pins with her. I have our journals. The \$100. 50/50 raffle was won by a neighbor in Brooklyn. It was almost \$6000.

3rd District: Steve – Karen

1 - Camp – there is about 10 or 12 children signed up at this point. Please send in your application or it may be a chance that it could be cancelled. Same goes for the cultural weekend.

2 - Convention. It should be a nice time in DC. Barbara will write a report for the convention over the summer and either add it to the newsletter or send it out before the meeting.

* Les did a presentation for Youth Camp to spark more families to send their children and grandchildren. Les also spoke about the changes in the by-laws and it went smoothly.

* Karen spoke about the culture weekend in 2025 in South Carolina.

* Roy presented Steve and Karen their 50 year pin at the banquet.

Old business

1 - Loyal lodge celebration of their 100th was wonderful. They had great raffle prizes and we all enjoyed ourselves. Norden had a table plus to share in their celebration. Barbara and Roy thanked the lodge for sending them. They we glad to see so many from the lodge attend.

2 - Dues assistance program: *Karen and her committee developed a “Dues Assistance Program for Norden Lodge. With the increase of dues, anyone who has trouble paying their bill can contact the committee for assistance in that payment.*

Good of the order

1. Bob McKeever congratulated all the scholarship winners and spoke about the SofN annuity.

2. Roy wished his daughter Kristin “Happy 50th Birthday”. We all sang.

Norma won the 50 / 50.

Counselor: may peace and harmony prevail within our lodge.

Roy wished congratulations to all the scholarship winners. Roy thanked everyone for coming today.

He said to have a great summer – remember the ducks game on July 19th, the picnic on august 11, and the Henrik Ibsen fishing on august 24th.

Our next meeting, will be on Sunday September 22 at 2 pm– we will again have a zoom meeting starting at 2:00 pm.

Roy declared the business meeting adjourned.

Meeting ended at 3:15pm

Barbara

Respectfully Submitted by Barabara Berntsen

*** UP COMING EVENTS *** *



IT'S ALL SCANDINAVIAN

**Follow and see
Ellen Lindstrom's Band
perform at:**

<http://www.theswedishmeatballs.com/shows.html>

V VESTERHEIM

**Emigration Anniversary
Tour to Norway**

Tour Leader: Rolf Svanoë

June 24 – July 5, 2025

Commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the first organized emigration of Norwegians to the United States with Vesterheim in 2025! The single masted sloop, *Restauration*, left Stavanger on July 4, 1825, with 52 people on board. Often referred to as the "Sloopers," they arrived in New York City harbor on October 9. Two hundred years later, a replica of that ship is going to recreate their journey.

Join Vesterheim leader Rolf Svanoë along with expert local Norwegian guides for this tour through the fascinating history of Norway during the 1800s. We'll begin in Oslo with a brief city tour and a visit to the Norsk Folkemuseum. We will also visit the Amerikalinjen Hotel, which was once the headquarters of the Amerikalinjen shipping company where many Norwegian emigrants began their trip to America with hopes for a better life. Next, we visit the Norwegian Emigration Museum in Ottestad, the only museum and research center in Norway fully dedicated to Norwegian emigration history.

Then we travel south to the Herregården in Larvik, the former home to one of Decorah's most famous historical people, Elisabeth Koren. Her father was headmaster of the school in Larvik when she and her husband, Rev. U. V. Koren, emigrated. After an overnight in Kristiansand, we drive to Norway's southernmost point for a tour of the Lindesnes Lighthouse. Then it's on to Lista with its strong connection to the United States. We will attend the American Festival Parade held every year in Vanse, and make a brief visit to the American Emigration Museum in Kvinesdal.

Our tour takes us along Norway's west coast to the Utstein Monastery Hotel and home of the replica of the *Restauration* ship. We will meet with the Friends of the Restauration Association and also the Tysvær and Avaldsnes History Association.

On July 4, we will join the celebrations in Stavanger as we watch the replica of the *Restauration* sail away on its recreation of the journey 200 years ago. The tour ends the following day with our hearts full of wonderful memories from our travels in Norway.

For more info, check vesterheim.org or contact Vesterheim Coordinator of Tours to Norway Rolf Svanoë at 563-382-9681, ext. 240, norwaytours@vesterheim.org.

**TWO DECADES LATER, THE ENDURING
LEGACY OF 9/11**

We watched in horror as the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, left nearly 3,000 people dead. Nearly 20 years later, we remember the nation's military mission in Afghanistan which lost many American lives. Every year we see the ceremonies in Downtown Manhattan. The enduring power of the Sept. 11 attacks is clear: An overwhelming share of Americans who are old enough to recall the day remember where they were and what they were doing when they heard the news. Yet an ever-growing number of Americans have no personal memory of that day, either because they were too young or not yet born.

A review of U.S. public opinion in the two decades since 9/11 reveals how a badly shaken nation came together, briefly, in a spirit of sadness and patriotism; how the public initially rallied behind the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, though support waned over time; and how Americans viewed the threat of terrorism at home and the steps the government took to combat it. As the country comes to grips with the tumultuous exit of U.S. military forces from Afghanistan, the departure has raised long-term questions about U.S. foreign policy and America's place in the world. Yet the public's initial judgments on that mission are clear: A majority endorses the decision to withdraw from Afghanistan.

Never the less we cannot forget the date that demonstrated our vulnerabilities to the evil the world has to offer and we came together.

WE MUST NEVER FORGET !!

**Immigration Tour to
New York City**

October 5 – 10, 2025

Tour Guides: Anna Peterson and Victoria Hofmo

Tour Leaders: Rolf Svanoë and Amy Boxrud

Known as the city of immigrants

NY welcomed people seeking economic prosperity & cultural



freedoms. Norwegian sailors had a presence in NY since the 1600's organized a group to help Norway's immigrants enter the US aboard the Sloop Restauration on October 9, 1825. – Join us as we retrace the steps of these immigrants while

touring important sites.

Highlights include the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island National Museum, and the Tenement Museum, Scandinavia House & Norwegian-American sites & people in Brooklyn. On October 9 will welcome the replica of the Sloop Restauration to NY with events & exhibits in conjunction with this commemoration of Restauration's arrival exactly 200 years prior.

This tour is collaboration the Norwegian-American Historical Ass. Based in Northfield Minnesota, Vesterheim, National Norwegian-American Museum and Folk Art School, located in Decorah, Iowa. The guides will be Anna Petersen associated professor of history at Luther College & Editor of NAHA. Local expert Victoria Hofmo, president of the Scandinavian East Coast Museum in Brooklyn. The tour can easily be expanded to include your own interests in NY.

For more information check vesterheim.org
Or contact Rolf Svanoë, 563-382-9681 ext. 240,
norwaytours@vesterheim.org



FROM THE 3RD DISTRICT



Fra 3D President, Steve Helmold, September 2024 – It is hard to believe that summer is about over. I hope everyone had a great one and enjoyed it with picnics and vacation trips. Soon lodges will be starting to meet again, and I would like to bring you up to date on what has been going on in our Third District.

At the Third District Convention in Herndon, Virginia the delegates approved 10 resolution and 1 motion that have now been sent to the home office for recording. Washington Lodge was the host lodge, and they did a great job to make everyone feel welcome and making sure everything was perfect, which it sure was. They left nothing out. Every little detail was covered. The bus tour of Washington DC at night was fantastic. I want to thank Dave Brown and his entire committee for a job well done. At the District Lodge meeting, we had election of offices for the 2024-2026 Third District Board. A number of our Board members choose not to seek reelection. I want to thank Audun Gythfeldt, Susan Olson, Andy Mathisen, who is running for a position on the International Board, Jeanne Addison and Michael Pedersen for all they have done for the Third District. I know they will continue to be active in their lodges and their zones.

I would also like to thank those Board members who have agreed to stay on the Board for another year. Some have changed positions. Diana Syvertsen will be our Treasurer, Elaine Breiland will be the Zone One Director, and Paul Kornbrekke will be the Zone 3 Director.

Karen Olsen-Helmold will remain as Secretary, and she will serve as our liaison to the Sons of Norway Foundation. Leif Easterson will remain as Charitable Trust Director Asbjorn Lageraen as Publicity Director, Peter Hanson as Zone 2 Director, Kaare Hansen as Zone 4 Director, Christine Taylor as Zone 5 Director and Bill Browning as Zone 7 Director.

We also welcome a few new Board members. I really want to thank them for stepping up to the plate. Kaite Brink from Hampton Roads Lodge will fill the new position of Assistant Secretary. Our new Cultural Director is Cheri Johnson who is presently the President of Bla Fjell Lodge. They have both hit the ground running and have already been part of this year's youth camp and are planning the Cultural weekend for June of 2025. (Both events as discussed more in this letter). Robert Johnson from Loyal Lodge will be our new Vice President and Linda Hestvik from Washington Lodge will be our new Zone 6 Director. I am delighted to welcome them to the Third District Board. I am happy to see the lodges in the Southern half of the District having more representation on the Board. I have been working hard during my time on the Board to get more involvement from this area and from all lodges.

Youth camp this year went very well from what I heard from the camp counselors. For the children that did not go, they missed out on a great time. There were only 8 children this year, we were hoping for more, but we are going to advertise and push it for next year, so I hope if you have children and grandchildren of youth camp age (8 to 17 years old) you will encourage them to go to youth camp next year.

Next year there will be a Third District Cultural weekend from Thursday June 26th to Sunday June 29th in South Carolina. Third District Cultural Director Cheri Johnson and her committee are working on planning a fun weekend with cultural and more. The weekend is for members of all ages, families, couples and singles and for our friends. All are welcome. More information will be coming about it in the next couple of months, so if you are interested in going, please contact Cheri.

The Third District Board and its committees have been very busy planning the future of the Third district. The fall board meeting will be on Saturday October 19th and I will keep you informed of what has been planned after the board has met.

Until my next message, I hope you all have a great fall season.

Fraternally, Stephen Helmold

LODGE APPROVED ACTIVITY AND PROGRAM

Help is available to members in need to pay the new increase in their dues.

At our June meeting, Norden members voted to start a fund to be used to pay for the increase in the cost of dues that was forced upon us by the International Board of Directors. If you are or know of a member who is experiencing financial difficulties, please contact either Stephen Helmold or Roy Bernsten. There is a committee of 4 lodge or corporation members who will review all requests. If you qualify, Norden will reimburse you the amount of the increase. All members are important to us, and we don't want to loose anyone because of a dues increase that we had no say in. *(All information given will be confidential)*

Basket raffle to fund the Dues Assistant Program

We will have our first fundraiser to raise money to help those members for whom the dues increase will be a burden. There will be a number of baskets or other raffle gifts to be raffled off at our October meeting. The event is being chaired by Karen Olsen-Helmold. If you have anything you would like to donate to be part of the raffle, please bring it to the September meeting. Karen will make baskets from the donations. Monetary donations will also be accepted.

LODGE SAVE THE DATE 2024,

- Sept 22** - Lodge Meeting St Peters 2 PM
- Oct 20*** - Lodge Meeting St Peters 2 PM (note Date Change)
- Nov 24** - Lodge Meeting St Peters 2 PM
- Dec 8** – Christmas Fest St Peters 2 PM Music by Ellen

Activities In and Out of Our Zone!!!

- Sept 21** – Nansen Lodge Heritage Fair 10 AM – 4 PM (see Pg 5)
- Oct 5-6** – Viking Encampment Rockaway NJ 10 – 5 PM

***** BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS *****

Month's Birthdays – Gratulerer Med Dagen!

Name	Day	Name	Day
Lea Roth Johannessen	1	Russell Sachs	17
Katie Hroch	4	Johanna M Finck	18
Karen L Carella	6	James Hannigan	18
James Schofield	6	Lars Torkelsen	18
Mabel O Sorg	7	Shirley M Erland	24
Paul Roth	8	Randi Dyrvik	28
Jacqueline L Oltedal	9	Karl O Olsen	28
lillee bailey-sachs	11	Janet M Hannigan	29
Lili Johannessen	17		

5 Yr+ Membership Milestones For June, July & Aug Congratulations:

- Arthur Jensen – 54 Years, Joyce Pedersen – 55 Years
- Stephen Helmold - 51 Years, Elsa M Hansen – 50 Years
- David A Olsen –64 Years, Mabel O Sorg – 37 Years
- Jean A Tremel – 35 Years, Lisa Gundersen Umansky - 6 Years

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Time marches on! So we are returning from a very hot summer with high hopes for our second half. Dues are coming due and we are seeing the increase first hand. But don't forget we have plans to help if this turns out to be an undue burden. We are doing fund raisers to help, check into it, after all it remains ultra confidential. No need to suffer when help is willingly available.

Events over the Summer were well attended – we had a great Picnic once again and Fishing with our brothers and sisters from Ibsen Lodge was excellent. Our President Roy won the pool for largest fish and others went home with dinner. Not to mention the beautiful day we had both weather wise and all the camaraderie.

Meeting Attendances - an attempt to enhance our members benefits by increasing subsidies for good participation. The more involved the more you benefit. If you don't see your name, & you attended, let us know.

6-23-24 Meeting Attendance: MEMBERS Mary Booton, Tim Baxley, Janet Hannigan, Bob Saunders, Norma Ohsberg, Nancy Seals, Steve Helmold, Karen Olsen-Helmold, Les Johannessen. Kathy Johannessen, Barbara Struckman, Shirley Erland, Roy Berntsen, Barbara Berntsen, Kristin Gottilla, Chuck Gottilla, Nina Hotvedt, Clif Hotvedt, Ethel McKeever, Bob McKeever
 LODGE BROOKLYN - Ellen Lindstrom (music)
 LOYAL LODGE - Thom Brownworth, Barbara Brownworth, Melissa Pedersen, Michael Pedersen, Karin Ryan, Lucinda Berninger, Katherine

Chuliver (Student), Anthony Chuliver, Christine Chuliver, Jacqueline Reduto, Jacqueline Reduto (Student), Torun Reduto, Steven Reduto, Jason Wolf (Zoom student)
 FAERDER LODGE - Lois Hedlund (Zoom)
 NORGE LODGE - Sally Zender

2024 Norden Star Boosters Updated 05/09/24

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| Berntsen, Barbara & Roy 5/24 | Helmold, Steve & Karen 3/25 |
| Berntsen, Margret 5/23 | Meusel, Helen 6/27 |
| Berntsen, Roy Jr 5/23 | Rucci, Hector & Nancy 7/25 |
| Brown, Greta & George 6/28 | Sandberg, Mildred 4/24 |
| Carlson, Craig & Christine 11/24 | Seals, Nancy 5/24 |
| Erland, Shirley 9/25 | Sorg, Mabel 6/26 |
| Hansen, Elsa 6/25 | |

IN MEMORY OF

COMMEMORATORS

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| <i>Erland, Endre & Sigrid 9/25</i> | <i>Daughter Shirley Erland</i> |
| <i>Frey, Judith 2/30</i> | <i>Daughter Norma Frey</i> |
| <i>Maies, Betsy Jane Sersted 3/24</i> | <i>Daughter Janet Maies Hannigan</i> |
| <i>Johansen, Lars, Sigrid & Art 10/30</i> | <i>Family</i> |
| <i>Jacobsen, Edward 4/29</i> | <i>Brother John & Wife Carol</i> |
| <i>Larssen, Tryggve & Signe 3/23</i> | <i>Daughter Greta & George Brown</i> |
| <i>Stuckman, Erik 12/23</i> | <i>Mother Barbara</i> |
| <i>Skauvold, Harry & Kate 12/24</i> | <i>Daughter Christine Carlson</i> |

Room for more members that would like to join us. The \$5/Yr helps mailing costs. The dates following the names denote the end of the annual support

Please make checks payable to Norden Lodge 407

WE THANK ALL OUR BOOSTERS HELPING TO GET THE NEWSLETTER OUT

Celebrating Pride with Our Nordic Neighbors In DC

On Saturday, June 8, the Norwegian Embassy marched in the Capital Pride Parade alongside our friends at the other Nordic embassies (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, and Sweden). Our collaboration featured a float, plenty of ABBA music, and a joyful celebration of equality and diversity. - In addition, before the parade, the Nordic embassies hosted a reception for members of the LGBT Congressional Staff Association, the Senate GLASS Caucus, and the Library of Congress LGBTQ+ Employee Organization, as well as representatives from the administration. - Later, on June 13, we joined forces at the Swedish Embassy for a sold-out Nordic short-film screening. Each participating embassy showed one short film with LGBTQ+ themes. The Norwegian selection was *Skallaman*, directed by Maria Bock.

VIKING ENCAMPMENT

Saturday Oct 5 & Sunday Oct 6, 2024

Reenactors in authentic garb demonstrating Viking Culture
 The Place: NOR-BU Lodge 21 Oslo Dr., Rockaway, NJ 07866

Admission – Adults \$10, Family \$20, Seniors \$8

Kids under 10 FREE the Parking is also FREE

Scandinavian Baked Goods, Vendors, Viking Games,

Face Painting & Children's Tattoos

This is RAIN or SHINE – Info Facebook Norbu Lodge

Ask for or Pick Up a Flyer at your Lodge

Don't Miss This if You Have the Time!

Some Cultural Items for the Month

Cultural Corner: *A Norwegian Dad Hiking with His Family Discovered a Rock Face Covered with Bronze Age Paintings*

It's the first time this type of painting has been found regionally. Rock paintings have never before been found in the area. **by Richard Whiddington** July 5, 2023.

All Photos: Jan Magne Gjerde, NIKU.

A man on a hike with his family in the countryside outside of Oslo, Norway, has stumbled across a rock face covered in

Bronze Age paintings.

The discovery did not, however, come as a complete surprise to Tormod Fjeld, a graphic designer and devoted amateur archaeologist who has hunted down more than 500 petroglyphs with friends in recent years.

And so, when Fjeld spotted a nearby boulder with unusual coloration while taking a break from hiking, he was ready. Fjeld pulled out his phone, took a picture, and then plugged it into an app that could clarify if the markings were natural pigments, such as iron deposits, or something altogether more interesting.

Once a scene of human figures and animals came into view, he promptly called Jone Kile-Vesik, the local archaeologist, with whom Fjeld has collaborated many times previously.

Photo: Experts think the painting depicts a hunting scene.

"We were enjoying a little snack of juice and biscuits on a Sunday when I saw something red on the rock," Fjeld said in an interview with the Norwegian Institute for Cultural Heritage Research (NIKU). "I took a picture and went into the app. I had something like an out-of-body experience. I didn't really think it could be anything."

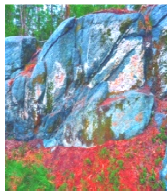
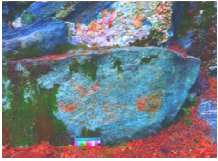
Kile-Vesik called in a team from NIKU to inspect the rocks and they quickly confirmed Fjeld's latest find. The paintings, which include depictions of rowers and standing human figures, are the first to have been found in the coastal area of Østfold and Viken—though the precise location is, for now, being kept a secret to protect them, given contact can quite

easily remove pigment. Photo: A scene with a boat and rowers, a colour effect by Dstretch and Adobe Photoshop was added.

"They are extremely hard to find due to the faintness of the paint,"

NIKU's Jan Magne Gjerde told Artnet News. "Not many people have been looking for them, which is why not many have been found, though we are sure there are more paintings." It's the first time that this type of painting has been found in southern Norway and based on the motifs and style researchers believe they were made during the Bronze Age, though the Iron Age remains a possibility.

The researcher also noted that the paintings had been protected by the rock's overhang, which means it's possible that the whole rock was at one time covering in markings.



(Check out this site) <https://news.artnet.com/art-world/norway-dad-hiking-bronze-age-rock-paintings->

Barbara

History Article: *The Battle of Hastings: -- part 4*

The Minstrel Taillefer leads the Norman attack juggling his sword and singing the 'Song of Roland': **Battle of Hastings on 14th October 1066 during the Norman Invasion: picture by Richard Caton Woodville**



Harald Hadrada's army had been nearly annihilated in the savage fighting at Stamford Bridge but the Saxons had suffered significant losses. The King's brother, Earl Gurth, urged a delay while further forces were assembled but

Harold was determined to show his country that their new king could be relied upon to defend the realm decisively against every invader.

Battle of Hastings; the deaths of King Harold's brothers, the Earls Gurth and Leofwin: a scene

from the Bayeux Tapestry.

Safely landed at Pevensey Bay, William built a fortification and then moved further east to



Hastings; his troops ravaging the countryside which was known to be part of Harold's personal earldom.



The Saxon army arrived in the area on 13th October 1066 and established a position on a hill north west of Hastings, known subsequently as Senlac (sang lac or lake of blood); putting up a rough fence of sharpened stakes

along his line, fronted by a ditch. Harold issued orders as compelling as he could make them that, when throughout the battle, his army was not to move from this position, whatever the provocation.

Barbara

Don't forget by selecting (clicking) on a picture you can enlarge it by selecting it first and then select & hold one of the dots that appear & pull until the desired size is reached



**Nansen Lodge
Heritage Fair**

Sept 21 10 AM to 4 PM

Rain or Shine

Under the Pavilion Nansen Picnic Grounds

3465 - Victory Blvd, Staten Island, NY 10314

Raffles, Birthday Board, 50/50, Social Director's Food

Store, Waffles, Lapskaus and Cake table. Trash to

Treasure Nansen Crafts, Vendors with various items.

Food & Beverages sales by A Taste of Honey ^ More!!

NORWAY



INFO

American dies in Viking voyage sinking off Norway

August 28, 2024

The Naddoddur set off from the Faroe Islands on Aug 24 on a trip of about 400 nautical miles.

An American woman has died after the replica boat she was in capsized in rough seas during an expedition from the Faroe Islands to Norway.



Six people were on board the Naddoddur when it got into trouble on Tuesday evening, on the fourth day of the trip, and a distress signal was sent.- Only five people managed to get into an inflatable life raft. They were later airlifted to safety by helicopter. - A woman's body was eventually found on Wednesday morning not far from where the boat sank. - Norway's Sea Rescue Society (NSSR) described conditions west of the town of Stad at the time as very demanding, [posting a video of the strong winds and high sea.](https://x.com/NSSR/status/1828529982056054803)

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It said waves were up to 5m (16ft) and winds were as much as 40 knots. - Bergur Jacobsen, who is chairman of the Naddoddur boat club on the Faroe Islands, told the BBC that everyone was very sad about what had happened. - He explained that the 10m-long boat had been on previous Viking voyages before to Iceland, Shetland and Norway. - "It's not a Viking boat, it's a Faroes fishing boat without a motor but with sails." - He said he could not speak about the accident as a Norwegian investigation team was due to speak to him. - Locals were said to be in shock at what happened. One seaman told the BBC that visitors were keen to go on expeditions with the boat, although he would not have done so himself. - The expedition had been postponed for several days because of bad weather until Saturday. - One of four Swiss nationals on the trip, Andy Fitze, posted a map on social media two days into the voyage showing the boat to the north-east of Shetland. - Before the trip, the Faroese member of the crew, Livar Nysted, said when you were in the middle of a storm "you just try to do the best you can". "It's an open boat. You sleep under the stars and when it's raining or windy you can feel the elements."

Celebrating America's workers: What to know about Labor Day, summer's last hurrah !!!

The federal holiday is so much more than just a long weekend amid the last gasps of summer. Here's what to know about the celebration of America's workers:

The thought of Labor Day likely conjures with it images of city parades, backyard barbecues and even dogs swimming in public pools soon to shut down for the season. - But the federal holiday is so much more than just a long weekend. - Observed each year on the first Monday of September, Labor Day is at heart a celebration of the hard-won achievements of America's labor movement and a recognition of what workers

have contributed to the nation's prosperity. - Here's what to know about Labor Day:

Why do we celebrate Labor Day?

Rooted in the the labor movement of the 19th century, the holiday originated during a dismal time for America's workers, who faced long hours, low wages and unsafe conditions. - As labor unions and activists advocated and fought for better treatment for workers at the height of the Industrial Revolution, the idea arose to establish a day dedicated to celebrating the members of trade and labor union.

How did Labor Day begin?

Two workers can make a solid claim to the title of Labor Day's official founder, according to the labor department. - Some records show that it was Peter J. McGuire, the co-founder of the American Federation of Labor, who in 1882 first suggested the idea for the holiday. However, recent research supports the contention that machinist Matthew Maguire proposed the holiday in 1882 while serving as secretary of the Central Labor Union in NY

Labor Day first become federally recognized 1894

President Grover Cleveland signed a law passed by Congress designating the first Monday in September a holiday for workers.

But the federal recognition was hard-won, having come after a wave of unrest among workers and labor activists brought the issue of workers' rights into public view.- There was a lot of push back for years however, finally past by congress. The signing proved to improve life for workers and increased reducing the many dangers that were experienced by workers prior. Perhaps we take for granted that work as we know it today was always that way. We certainly can take pride in our work today.

Norway at the Paris Olympics

Norway made *The New York Times* this summer with a [great article](#) on its recent sporting success. This was well timed with the **2024 Olympics** took place in Paris, France, where Norway had several exciting victories, resulting in eight medals total – and four of them gold!

The **Norwegian women's handball team** took the top spot after a nail-biting final game against their French rivals. Additionally, famed runner **Jakob Ingebrigtsen** became the men's 5,000-meter champion; **Markus Rooth** was first in men's decathlon; and **Solfrid Koanda** was victorious in women's 81-kilogram weightlifting. **Karsten Warholm** earned the silver for the men's 400-meter hurdles. Bronze medals went to sailor **Line Flem Høst** for the women's Laser Radial; men's beach volleyball duo **Anders Mol** and **Christian Sørum**; and **Grace Bullen** for the women's freestyle 62-kilogram wrestling event.

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