

November
2015

SCANDINAVIAN CLUB SOUTH EAST VALLEY



Denmark



Iceland



Iceland



Norway



Sweden

From our President

WELCOME BACK! We can all feel the change, extra cars on the road, in the stores, getting yards and plants ready for our wonderful next six months.



The Scandinavian Board is excited about the 5 meetings we will be having starting November 15th. We are anxious to meet the new members and see

those of you from last year.

Lyle Replogle has put together 5 informative and interesting programs. The herring is waiting to be bought for the happy hours.

See you November 15th.

Somewhere in a Norwegian community in Minnesota is a high school cheer that goes like this:

Lutefisk, Lutefisk

Lefse, Lefse

We can beat Roosevelt

Ya sure ya betcha.

Thanks to Roger Rodeberg.

NOVEMBER DINNER RESERVATION

Click here to make your reservation no later than November 10th. BE SURE TO CLICK ON SUBMIT when you are finished. You can also make a reservation by calling SUE JORDAN AT [480-895-5691](tel:480-895-5691). Just be sure to do so no later than 5 P.M. on Monday, November 10th.

Reservations may be canceled no later than November 9 by sending Email to: scandinavianclubsev@gmail.com. You may also pay in advance by sending a check to: Scandinavian Club, 8910 E. Ohio Ave., Sun Lakes, Arizona 85248. It must be received by the 9th of November. In addition to the dinner, please include the \$15 membership fee.

SCHEDULE FOR 2015/2016

November 15 - Agnes Jorgenson - author of Danish Immigrants - Southern Territorial Days

December 13 - Story of St. Lucia

January 17 - Scandinavian Exchange Students

February 21 - Heritage Dinner - Sun Lakes resident Sjven Jenshaus - Norwegian immigrant

March 20 Video - Thor: Pagan God of Scandinavia

50/50 DRAWING To assist the club in our program selections and plan for some Scandinavian outreach we will have a 50/50 drawing. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Photos from March 2015



BOARD MEMBERS - 2015/2016

President	Nancy Espy-Martin
Vice President	Lyle Replogle
Treasurer	Jerry Johnson
Asst. Treasurer	Carol Jacobsen
Secretary	Darlene Knipping
Past-President	Bob Sjolin
At Large two year term	Sue Jordan Butch Hall
At Large one year term	Carol Knudson Lydia Larson

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Darlene Knipping tells about her Scandinavian heritage. Sue Jordan presents Butch Hall with an award for his service to the Club. Sylvia Jorgenson and Carl Nyquist provided music for us. Maynard Iverson addresses the club and on the right we stand during our countries national anthem.



The club had some losses over the summer. Soon after returning to North Dakota for the summer, Lester Zimmerman passed away at his home. Lester on the right with his wife, Corrine.



Long time member and avid club supporter Bruce Brown passed away in



Minnesota from injuries suffered in an auto accident.

Past President Bonnie Dowling died after a brief illness. She is shown seated at right in March 2011 with other past presidents.



JERRY CHRISTENSON

Jerry's service on the board of directors came to an end in March 2015. Jerry informed the board that he would no longer be able to continue on the board and serve as publicity chairman as a result of his declining health. Jerry's tenure serving the club is said to be in decades rather than years.

Jerry has served as President of the Scandinavian Club and when not President served as one of the at-large directors. Jerry was the long-time contributor of articles to the Sun Lakes Splash.

In March, 2015 Jerry was presented with a plaque for his many years of dedicated service to our Club.



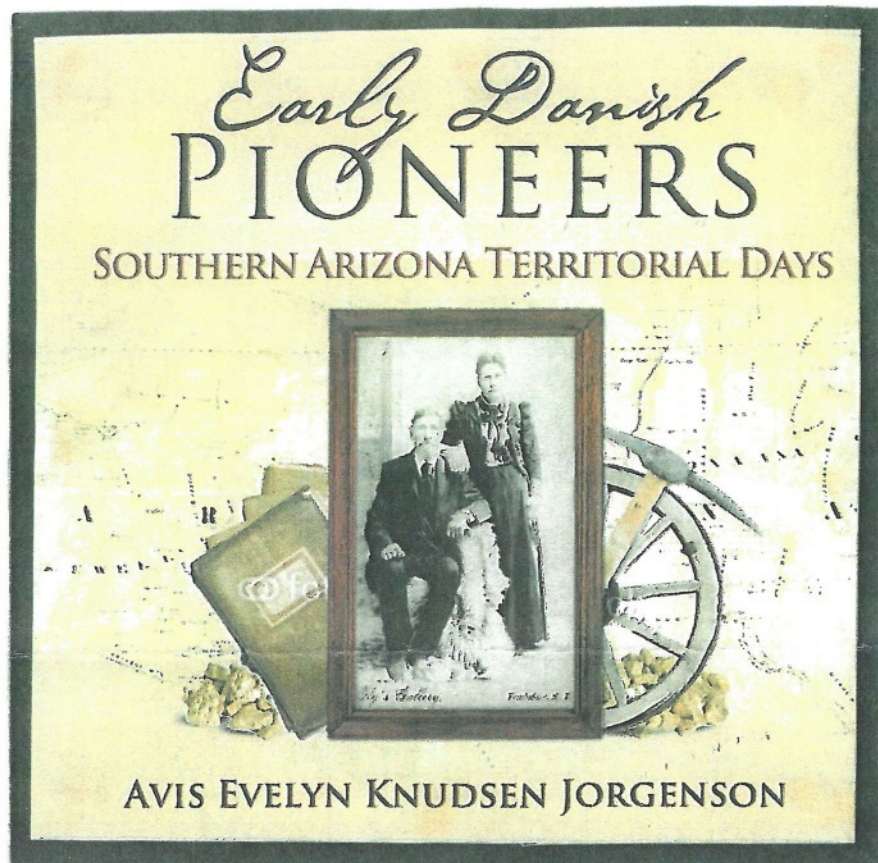
JERRY ADDRESSING THE CLUB



In November of 2011 above and in March of 2012 .



Jerry with the plaque awarded to him in March, 2015

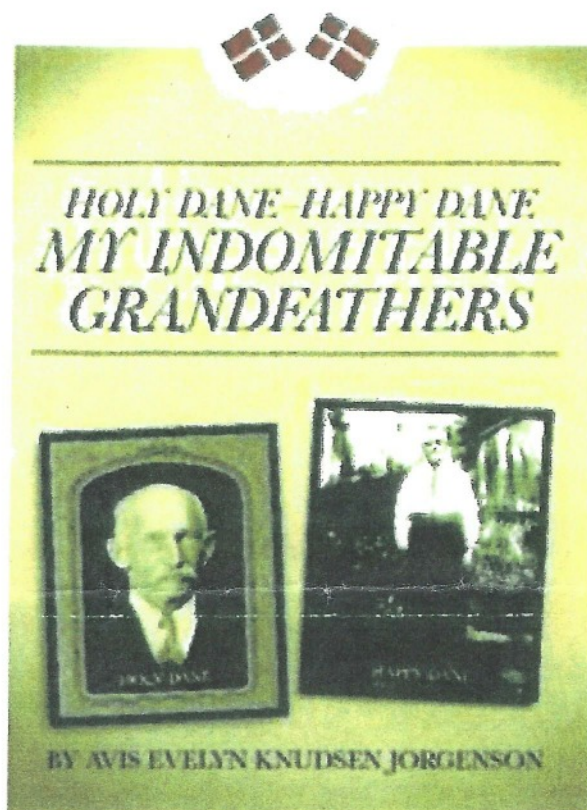


“Early Danish Pioneers: Southern Arizona Territorial Days” narrates the remarkable history of Danish western migration. The family stories of more than 70 trailblazers included here, describe the lives of soldier, miners, railroad workers, hotel and store keepers, community builders, ranch families and a very famous Wild West artist, Herman Wendelborg Hansen. Readers can view three watercolors, painted in the late 1800s in Territorial Arizona. In this Arizona Centennial Legacy Project numerous archival photos illustrate the hard-scrabble living endured by risk takers who tried to tame the captivating Sonoran Desert for their new homeland. The discovery of silver in 1878 fueled visions of wealth and security for Danish families and helped establish cities in the sometimes lawless desert. Eastern bankers and investors found their fortunes above ground. The Butterfield Overland Stage was the single means of travel until the completion of the Southern Pacific Railroad in 1883, which brought relatives who joined families in southern Arizona’s untamed Apache land.

Families, young and old, historians and researchers will find this volume a treasure trove of information about many Danish immigrants who pioneered or just traveled through this vast unexplored wilderness. Danes found lush, green farmland along the cascading rivers. Many settled down to become respected citizens stabilizing the heart of their communities.

Retired professor, Avis E. Jorgenson, Ed. D., author of “Holy Dane-Happy Dane: My Indomitable Grandfathers,” has never lost her enthusiasm for researching and writing about the stout-hearted, adventuresome Danish settlers starting life in the New World. She completed five volumes of family history and numerous articles in addition to this, her latest book.

“Early Danish Pioneers: Southern Arizona Territorial Days” is available online directly through [lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com), <http://www.lulu.com/spotlightAvisJorgenson> or at [Amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). Copies are available directly at most major booksellers (ISBN 978-1-300-05840-3).



“Holy Dane – Happy Dane” is a retelling of important memories from her childhood in Albert Lea, Minnesota. A heartfelt memoir filled with examples of the influences of both of her grandfathers; one a Minnesota farmer, and the other a big-city merchant. “My Indomitable Grandfathers” paints a vivid picture of growing up in the ‘20’s and 30’s.

Avis E. Jorgenson, Ed.D., a retired professor, has never lost her enthusiasm for researching and writing about her Danish ancestors. She has written five volumes of family history and is currently working on “Early Danish Pioneers: Southern Arizona Territorial Days”, which is a history of the early Danish immigrants who settled the Southern Arizona Territory.

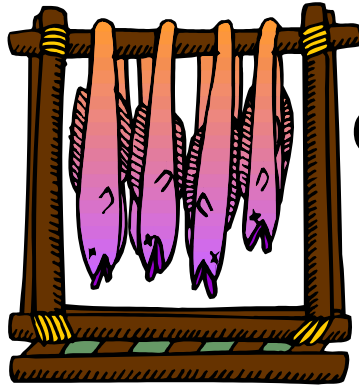
“Holy Dane – Happy Dane: My Indomitable Grandfathers” is available online directly through [lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com) for \$18.98, <http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/AvisJorgenson> Copies can also be ordered directly by most major booksellers. (ISBN 978-1-257-82509-7) An eBook version will also be available through [lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com).

“Indomitable Grandfathers is a charming slice of pure Americana nostalgia. Seen through the eyes of a very observant grandchild, it’s the story of two Danish pioneers – one a Minnesota farmer and the other a big-city merchant – whose endeavors and values still echo today.”
-- *Cindy Hayostek, Historical researcher and free lance writer, Douglas, AZ.*

Dr. Jorgensen recreates her childhood growing up under the tutelage of her two Danish immigrant grandfathers - one a 'holy' Dane, the other a 'happy' Dane. The Minnesota winters, the aromas of the kitchen, the summer excursions to Pickerel Lake island - all are brought alive through the eyes of an inquisitive, spirited child. A delightful and charming reminiscence of growing up in the 1920's.

-- *M. H. Savage, Deree-Pierce college, Athens. Tucson, AZ*

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**LUTEFISK & MEATBALL
DINNER**



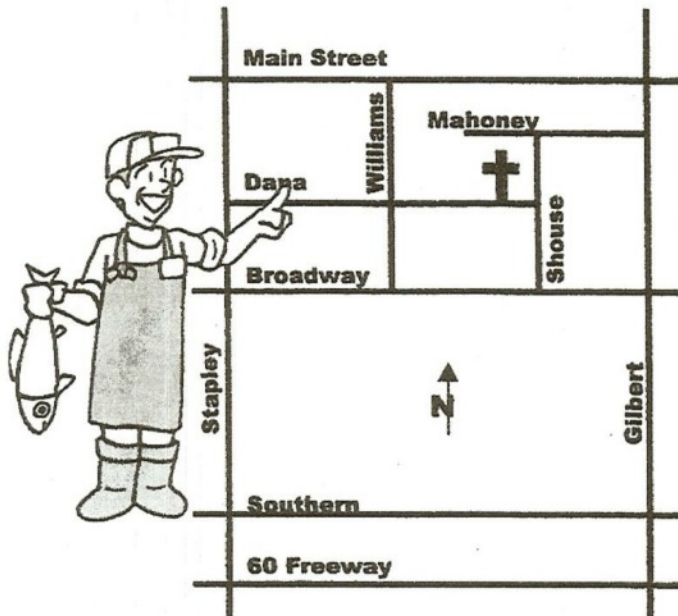
Saturday, December 5, 2015

Scandinavian Music by Sylvia and Carl

TICKETS: \$17.00
Seating's: 1:00 pm & 4:00 pm
Location: St. Peter Lutheran Church
1844 E Dana Ave, Mesa
West of Gilbert & So. of Main

MENU

Lutefisk & Meatballs
Potatoes & Gravy
Carrots Pickled Beets
Lefse & Butter
Rice Pudding & Mandel Brø
Coffee



Join Sons of Norway
for only \$31.50
(a discount of \$17)

after paying \$17
for Lutefisk Dinner

Pay for Membership at Door
(Applies for new members only)

Bake Sale

For Tickets & Reservations contact:
lutefiskdinner@yahoo.com or 480-577-7900