



2026 Newsletter
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Meetings



Board Meeting: 2nd Saturday, **August 8, 10:00 am** will be an **OPEN** meeting at the church, Faith Lutheran Church, 926 W 6th Ave., Junction City. Additional packaging will be done. Kae will send out a reminder on or near Wed. , **August 5** with full info. There are **5** Saturdays in August & our scheduled meeting day would be **August 15**, that is Festival so we will not be having a meeting, but are encouraged to go to Festival instead.



Cruise Ships are abundant in August in Norway

August Newsletter Theme

It's Summer & we are sticking with that theme & including Happiness, Fun & Vacation, since August is Happiness & Family Fun Month. Also August 8 is Happiness Happens Day. Then there is the fact that August is just a good Vacation Time.



When did the first modern smiley face appear?

Stay Connected

Email: **daughtersofnorway52@gmail.com**
 Face Book: **<http://www.facebook.com/groups/amw52>**
 Email us with questions or comments. Check out our Face Book page. We try to post Scandinavian items often & we do post pictures of our in-person meetings.



Our Library Managed by Shirley

We have a number of books in our library, including Bill Sullivan's complete Viking Series & some of Randi's. Check out something from the Library. Be sure to check them out with Shirley.

August Celebrations



Celebrate Everyday

Name Meanings & Name Days Name Meanings

Nancy: English-favor, grace
 Judy: Hebrew-promised, praised woman
 Lynsay: Scottish-Island of the Linden trees
 Shirley: English-bright meadow
Celebrating August Name Days:
 Karin-Aug. 2- Sweden
 Karen-Aug. 2- Norway

Information (Informasjon)

Stamps for the Wounded

<https://www.stampsforthewounded.org/>

Representative Shirley



October is coming faster than you think!
KEEP COLLECTING & SAVING THOSE STAMPS!
We will continue saving stamps for *Stamps for the Wounded Project*. Please save all of your stamps & bring stamps to the meeting. The box to put them in will be next to the door. Or you can save them at home & bring them all at once to the October meeting.

Festival Information

Submitted by Amey



The JC Scandinavian Festival is quickly approaching!
There are still many ways you can help.

- You can bake, transport items to the hall, help with packaging, and refresh displays on the table.
- If you have baked goods to package, label or that need storage, bring them to the church Saturday August 8 for our festival prep day. Look for an email with specifics Wednesday August 5, or contact Linda.
- We have all shifts covered, but let Linda know if you're available as an alternate.
- We need people who attend Festival to pass through Fletchall Hall and refresh/replenish items from underneath the table. This is a 5 minute task and you don't have to be in costume.
- We need another person to help Kae with teardown Sunday August 16 at 8pm. Items will go to the church.
- Amey performs daily in the afternoon and in the evening as D'n'A.

Support The Scandinavian Cultural Foundation...

<https://junctioncityscandia.org/donate/>

Faith Lutheran Church News

<https://www.faithlutheranjc.org/newsletters>

926 W. 6th Ave., Junction City



Ongoing Sharing Opportunities

Sisters, we can donate too. Our Marshal, Lamae will see that they get to the right place.

- Bunches of Lunches: Fruit cups and/or applesauce cups.
- Donate money to BOL: make check to Faith Lutheran & indicate the money is for BOL.
- Egg cartons: for Local Aid.
- Warm socks, hats, gloves: for Low Income Pets & their people.
- Used Blankets, Sheets & Bath Towels: for pet shelters.
- Returnable cans & bottles: Use the blue bags found in the parish hall.
- Pet food (cat, dog, bird): donate to Local Aid. They are also in need of boxes & paper bags.

Festival Story

Submitted by Traci



In 1960 Junction City had become a very depressed town. The new I-5 freeway had been built and the town was missing out on the traffic that had flowed down Highway 99 in the past. Dr. Gale Fletchall searched for something unique that would draw people to town. He developed the idea of celebrating the Scandinavian culture with an annual festival in August. With help from area residents he created a four-day event that included dancing, entertainment, food, crafts and lots of flowers. Much to everyone's surprise, 25,000 people came to the first festival held in August 1961. Today the event is host to over 100,000 visitors. Who could guess in 1961 that this modest little festival would grow to be one of Oregon's most popular events?

**When you're weary of the summer ray, I revolve to keep the heat at bay.
What am I?**

Member News

Ellen

I took my granddaughter to the Scandinavian day camp in Junction City that was mentioned in one of our newsletters.

It was a day camp for elementary age children for one week at the end of June. The activities included dancing, crafts and cooking. My granddaughter thoroughly enjoyed it.

Linda's niece Cassidie was one of the counselors.



Scandinavian Day Camp 2026!

By Cassidie Peterson

On Monday of June 22, 2026 the Scandinavian Cultural Foundation of Junction City put on a Day Camp for kids aged 5-12. The day camp was held over five days, honoring Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Iceland and Norway. Each day we would listen to that country's anthem, learn dances, make crafts, cook foods from each country, and learn about that country in a travel class. The kids learned so much and were able to report back to their parents on what they learned that day, including language.

One of our beloved Daughters of lodge #52, Ellen Costello's granddaughter Annabelle participated in the day camp. I was one of the "teen helpers." My job was to lead the campers from station to station and help out the teachers as needed. On the cooking station, I even got to make the dish of the day if I wanted. On the last day, we made snow drop letters, which are given around in Scandinavia two weeks before Easter. Whoever made the letter would sign it with dots, equal to the number of letters in his or her name. It would be sent two weeks before Easter. If the recipient correctly guessed who wrote it then the person who wrote it would owe the other a chocolate egg. Annabelle gave one to me, and I was able to guess who it was from! The kids had a lot of fun, and I look forward to helping next year!

Jean

On July 19, four generations of our blended family gathered at Roaring Rapids Pizza in Springfield. With 17 out of 19 of us together, it marked the first time our original six have been reunited since 1981! It included us with our 4 kids, 5 of the 6 grandkids, 2 of the 3 spouses, & 4 great grandkids. We had a wonderful time catching up & taking pictures.



Traci

Went to Holland early July.



Kathy

Several of us went to lunch at Max's after the July meeting.



**I pass down stories, names, and fate; to descend is to carry on the debate.
What am I?**

Getting to Know Our Sisters

Colleen Gribble



My name is Colleen Gribble, and family, heritage, friendship, and creating meaningful memories have always been at the heart of my life.

I am one-quarter Norwegian, and my grandfather came from Horten, Norway. Although I did not grow up in Norway, I have always felt proud of that part of my family history. Becoming a member of Daughters of Norway has given me a special way to learn more about Norwegian traditions, celebrate my heritage, and enjoy the friendship of women who share an appreciation for Norwegian culture.

My family is the most important part of my life. I am a wife, mother, and grandmother, and I treasure time spent with the people I love. I enjoy preserving family photographs, children's artwork, travel mementos, ticket stubs, and heirlooms because I believe the stories of our lives and families deserve to be remembered and passed down.

One of the most life-changing experiences for our family has been my daughter Nicole's diagnosis with Huntington's disease. Her journey has brought many challenges, but it has also taught me about courage, perseverance, compassion, and the importance of speaking up for families facing difficult circumstances. I have become actively involved in fundraising and raising awareness through the Huntington's Disease Society of America and our Walk for Hope team, Nicole's Avengers. This cause is deeply personal to me, and I hope our efforts will support research, provide resources for families, and bring greater awareness to this devastating hereditary disease.

Of course, there is also a lighter side to my story. My first concert was Three Dog Night, my favorite movie is Gone with the Wind, and one of my favorite songs is "Brown Eyed Girl"—which seems especially appropriate since I have brown eyes. I also love Irish folk music, even if that may be a slightly suspicious admission in a Daughters of Norway biography.

At one point in my life, I honestly believed that one of the most important signs of having your life together was wearing matching lingerie. I am not sure when that stopped being a priority, but somewhere along the way, comfort, family, and finding a great bargain at a thrift store moved much higher on the list.

I enjoy a beautiful glass of Sauvignon Blanc, eating wonderful food, traveling, gardening, decorating, reading, and visiting thrift stores in search of something unusual or beautiful. I especially love things with history, character, and sentimental meaning. A perfect day might include finding a treasure at a thrift shop, enjoying a delicious meal, listening to music, and ending the evening with a lovely glass of wine.

I am drawn to beauty, tradition, humor, and the little details that make life special. Whether I am working in my garden, decorating my home, or preserving a family memory, I enjoy bringing people together and making ordinary moments feel meaningful.

At this stage of my life, I am especially grateful for family, friendship, heritage, laughter, and the opportunity to make a difference. I look forward to continuing to learn more about my Norwegian roots and to sharing traditions, stories, and new memories with my sisters in Daughters of Norway.



My two sisters Kerry and Jeanie and my mama and me.



My spouse, Oz and me.



Me with my son, Scott and daughter, Nicole at Disneyland for her 40th birthday

Why should you keep a close eye on a roasting marshmallow?

Meeting Information (møteinformasjon)

Pictures Submitted by Shirley

July Meeting-July 18, 2026

We had a productive meeting this month, attended by 14 officers & members & 2 guests, Linda's niece Cassidie Peterson & Kae's granddaughter Marley. Kathy led us in the Pledge of Allegiance & we sang Ja Vi Elsker acapella. We had a short business meeting then into Culture. Several members brought bunads, solje jewelry & pictures of themselves or family in costume. A very entertaining time. We then moved tables around & set up for a packaging session. We packaged a lot of cookies & some bread for Festival in a short amount of time. Amey & Karen brought refreshments of cinnamon swirls that were very good, Kae brought some cake. Linda donated a Strawberry designed teapot set for the door prize won by Lamae. Thank you to all who showed up & helped in any way.

Meeting



Culture: Sharing Family History



Packaging



goodies



Door prize winner-
Lamae with teapot set

Who is credited with the first Smiley Face?



Culture (Kultur)

--Submitted by Candice



A HAPPY WORLD

The six variables that account towards the happiest countries



1. Social support- having someone to count on
2. GDP per capita
3. Healthy life expectancy
4. Freedom - To make life choices, choosing what you do with your life
5. Generosity - Donated to charity
6. Perception of corruption - in government and business

2025 RANKINGS

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|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Finland | 6. Norway | |
| 2. Iceland | 7. Netherlands | |
| 3. Denmark | 8. Israel | United States #23 |
| 4. Costa Rica | 9. Luxembourg | |
| 5. Sweden | 10. Switzerland | |

COUNTRY	BEST RANK	LOWEST RANK
Finland	1	7
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Denmark	1	3
Iceland	2	4
Norway	1	8
Sweden	4	10
U.S.	13	24

Other countries that have reached the top 10

Australia	Austria	Canada
Mexico	New Zealand	

VACATION TIME!

Some top choices for vacation destinations

- *Hyttel/Stugal Mökki /Sommerhus* -A family owned or rental cottage in nature. Chosen for extended summer holidays, 3 to 4 weeks in July. For hiking, fishing, berry picking, mushroom foraging, swimming, or midnight sun enjoyment.
- *Syden* - Southern Europe; Mediterranean , Spain, Greece, Croatia, Italy. To enjoy lounging by the pool or on the beach and eating local cuisine
- *Sportlov/Vinterferir* - For skiing and winter sport - Usually local, if international; the Alps.



For shorter holidays or long weekends

- City breaks - London, Paris, Berlin, Rome.
- Domestic island hopping - sailing Swedish archipelago, travel Danish islands, cruising fjords. Icelanders often head to the mainland.



FAMILY FUN

Top activities for family friendly fun in each country

ICELAND - Visiting geothermal public pools (sundlaug To swim hot tub and waterslide, Hiking, exploring caves and waterfalls, variety I planted horses, Visiting petting zoo and farms such as Reykjavik Zoo and Family Park, Going on ice cream runs And during the holidays going to Dimmuborgir In northern Iceland to visit the lava beds.



MAINLAND NORDIC COUNTRIES

Cozy Indoor Traditions

DENMARK - Practice *Hygge*-play boardgames, do puzzles, cook/bake together

FINLAND - Public libraries-for more than books; boardgames, crafts, social time.

NORWAY - Museums- Especially Open Air Museum.

SWEDEN - *Fredags* (cozy Fridays) - Movies & snacks like pick a mix candy.

Helsinki Central Library Oodi is considered one of the most futuristic and innovative public libraries on Earth.



Outdoor Nature Activities

DENMARK - Riding bikes-head to the beach, parks and playgrounds.

FINLAND - Lake Cottages, hiking, skiing, skating, saunas and swimming.

NORWAY - *Friluftsliv*- Hiking, Camping, Skiing,

Hytte Trips, Sledding, Søndagstur (Sunday Walks)

SWEDEN - *Utflykt* (Nature trips)- Archipelago Ferries, Berry/ Mushroom Foraging



Iconic Amusement Parks

DENMARK - Tivoli Gardens, Bakken, Legoland

FINLAND - Moomin World, Ranua Zoo, Korkeasaari Zoo, *Särkänniemi* (includes: Amusement Park, Aquarium, Planetarium, Fairytale Farm, Observation Tower, & Restaurant), *Linnanmäki* (Finland's oldest amusement park).

NORWAY - *Dyreparken*, Polar Park (The world's northernmost animal park), The Little Zoo, *Hunderfossen Adventure Park*

SWEDEN - *Liseberg* (Scandinavia's largest park), *Gröna Lund* (Sweden's oldest park, dating back to 1883).



In Svalbard, Norway when does the midnight sun(24 hours of daylight) start and end?

Ja Vi Elsker

1. Ja, vi elsker dette landet,
Ya, vee EL-skur DET-tuh LAHN-duh
2. som det stiger frem,
somm deh STEE-gur frem
3. furet, værbit over vannet,
FOO-ret, VAIR-bit OH-vur VAHN-nuh
4. Med de tusen hjem.
Meh dee too-sen yem.
5. Elsker, elsker det og tenker
EL-skur, EL-skur duh aw TENK-ur
6. På vår far og mor,
Paw vohr fahr aw moor,
7. og den saganatt som senker
aw den SAH-gah-naht sum SEN-ker



Culture (Kultur)

Culture for August

Submitted by Cultural Director Amey



Festival is occurring on our Meeting day, so we are asking you to go to Festival instead of a meeting & enjoy!

I'm a festival of kin, where hugs are plenty and grins begin. What am I?

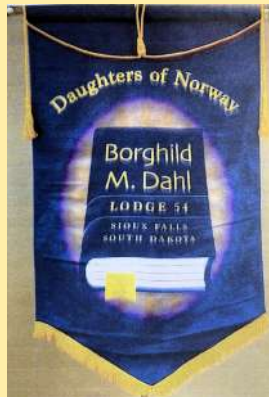
Our Sister Lodge

<https://www.daughtersofnorway.org/>

Submitted by Amey

Borghild M. Dahl #54

in Sioux Falls, SD was founded in 2017. They meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm at a Lutheran Church. When they have their Jul Fest in December, they start at 6pm, but otherwise they meet all year. Their lodge started after the President of Anna K. lodge in San Francisco (Norma Barnes) met an associate member from South Dakota at the Minneapolis Convention in 2014. Norma was preparing a move to her home state of South Dakota upon retirement, and the interest of a few other associate members encouraged them to begin a lodge in Sioux Falls.



Lodge Name

Borghilde Margrethe Dahl was born on February 6, 1890 in Minneapolis to Norwegian immigrants who had arrived in the 1880s. Despite severely impaired vision, she earned a Bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota and an M.A. from Columbia University, and then a scholarship to study in Norway. She taught Journalism and Norwegian at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, and lectured widely until she lost her vision completely. An operation in 1943 at the Mayo Clinic improved her eyesight dramatically, and she devoted herself to writing books. She wrote for adults, young adults and children, 16 books in total. Her autobiography chronicled her struggles and successes. She received the St. Olaf award from the King of Norway in 1950 for her work promoting good relations between Norway and the United States. She died in 1984 at the age of 94. Blue and gold were chosen for the lodge's banner because they are official colors of both South Dakota and Augustana College.

Borghild M. Dahl Books

I Wanted To See*

Finding My Way*

A Minnetonka Summer

My Window on America

Factors of American society

Rikk of the Rendal Clan

Stowaway to America

Glimpses of Norway

This Precious Year

Good News

The Daughter

The Cloud Shoes

Homecoming

Karen

Under This Roof

Happy All My Life

*found on Amazon. The rest are not easily found.

Culture (Kultur)

SCANDINAVIANS IN SPORTS THIS SUMMER!

It's been an action-packed summer with sports, and Scandinavian athletes are playing a big role.

Erling Haaland Submitted by Amey



Star Norwegian soccer player Erling Haaland won hearts and many new fans for the Norwegian national team during the World Cup. He was born in Leeds, UK (where his father was a professional player), but was raised in Norway. His mother was a national heptathlon champion in Norway. He regularly plays for Manchester City, UK and earns 27 million pounds a year (approximately \$36 million). The Norwegian team made it further than ever before, largely but not entirely due to Haaland's skills.

Tour de France Submitted by Amey



In the Tour de France, Scandinavian cyclists are in full force. A new Scandinavian team was promoted to participate, and they brought a strong roster. Søren Wærenskjold won a stage in a furiously fast and chaotic sprint finish. Torstein Træen won Stage 3 and earned the Yellow Jersey (for overall 1st place), but caught the wheel of another rider on a descent, fell and had to withdraw. Mads Pedersen won Stage 4 and earned the Green Jersey (for best sprinter). It was heartbreak for Danish rider (top contender and previous winner) Jonas Vingegaard, when he suffered a hard crash and broken collarbone midway through the three-week event and had to abandon. Norwegian fans have always lined the roads along the route with flags to make "Norwegian corner", and this year they brought the "row" tradition as well, sitting in the road while they waited for the cyclists to pass by.



Scandinavian Track & Field Submitted by Amey



Scandinavians have been soaring in the world of track and field. Swedish pole vaulter Armand "Mondo" Duplantis is the main attraction for all events worldwide, as he holds his reigning Olympic and world record status. In the 400 meter hurdles, Karsten Warholm from Norway is the undisputed king. Andreas Algren from Sweden holds the European 5000 meter record. Henriette Jæger and Håvard Bentsdal dominate the 400 meter. Three events are being held in Scandinavia this summer : Stockholm Diamond League (the premier track meet in Sweden), Nordic Athletics Championships (top athletes from Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Iceland compete in a newly renovated stadium in Copenhagen), and the World Athletics Road Running Championships (global titles for half-marathon, 5K and mile will be decided on the streets of Copenhagen in September).



Top Chefs Feed National Squad at World Cup https://www.sofn.com/blog/top-chefs-feed-national-squad/?utm_campaign

Submitted by Kae



The Norwegian National Men's Soccer Team, hired an elite culinary squadron in Chefs Aron Espeland, Erik Tufte, and Christian Karlsson, who are well-equipped to feed the team. Their goal was to provide nutritious meals that help the team survive the anticipated 95°F /35°C heat. Preparations were underway for over six months prior. They shipped in an abundance of Norwegian raw goods; to provide fewer variables that may change their diet. Read more of the story at the above link.

When did summer vacation as we know it begin?

Culture (Kultur)



They have forest fires in Norway too.
DRAMMEN, Norway (AP) — The largest residential fire in modern Norwegian history destroyed more than 100 homes and forced hundreds of people to evacuate, authorities said
 Saturday, July 18

a. How long is the shortest commercial flight in the world, connecting two islands in Scotland?



Danish farmer **Søren Poulsen** reportedly created a **world map** inside a **lake** using **stones and soil**, building a **walkable miniature Earth** over **25 years**.

More info:

<https://www.worldfamousthings.com/world-map-at-klejtrup-lake/>



The British Princess who became Norway's Queen

More info:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=122303232524218516&set=a.122125498922218516>

Svalbard, Norway

Interesting facts:

<https://www.lifeinnorway.net/svalbard-facts/>



Svalbard is a group of islands in Norway with a special rule. Under the Svalbard Treaty, people from any country can live and work there without a visa or residence permit. But they must be able to support themselves and follow Norwegian law.



Norway is building the world's first hotel that **makes more energy than it uses**.

<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=122120022153283983&set=a.122097981447283983>

Norway Birthdays

Mother & Son celebrate July birthdays.



July 4 – 89 years



July 20 – 53 years

Fjord Chips



These chips are made in Norway using Norwegian potatoes and are cooked in rapeseed oil, giving them a unique and delicious taste. They are available at World Market in Eugene.

b. How much was Harvey Ball paid for his Happy Face?

Food and Recipes (Mat og oppskrifter)

Recipe of the Month (Månedens oppskrift)

Swedish Queen's Jam (Drottningssylt)

<https://true-north-kitchen.com/swedish-queens-jam.../>

is a beloved Scandinavian preserve made with a regal pairing of blueberries and raspberries. Sweet, tart and jewel-toned, this easy jam brings together two of Sweden's most treasured summer berries into one delicious spoonful.



Ingredients

- 1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
- 1 cup fresh or frozen raspberries
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- Pinch of salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Instructions

1. In a medium saucepan, combine the berries, sugar, lemon juice and salt.
2. Place the pan over medium heat and bring to a gentle simmer. Reduce the heat to medium low and cook, stirring often, until the berries break down and the jam thickens slightly, about 10-15 minutes. It will continue to thicken as it cools.
3. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla extract.
4. Let cool and transfer to a clean glass jar. Cover and refrigerate. Use within 2 to 3 weeks. You can also freeze small portions for longer storage.

Notes

Don't be tempted to overcook the jam; it will continue to thicken as it cools.

What plant family does the watermelon belong too?

Judy's Recipe Corner

Watermelon-Raspberry Breakfast Pops

<https://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/food-network-kitchen/watermelon-raspberry-breakfast-pops-3363600>

You don't always have to drink your breakfast when there's a morning time crunch. Try one of these super-refreshing frozen pops instead.

Special equipment: Four 3- to 4-ounce ice pop molds

Ingredients

- 1 cup raspberries
- 1 cup cubed seedless watermelon
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup coconut milk (shake well before opening)
- 3 tablespoons honey
- Juice of 1 lime
- Pinch kosher salt
- Toasted coconut or cocoa nibs, for serving, optional

Directions

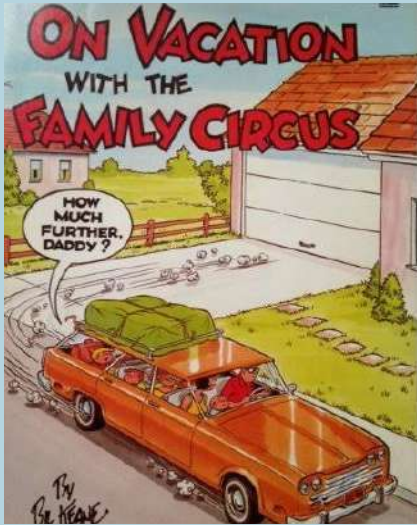
1. Combine the raspberries, watermelon, coconut milk, honey, lime juice and salt in a blender and puree until smooth.
2. Divide the mixture evenly among four 3- to 4-ounce ice pop molds and freeze until solid, at least 8 hours and preferably overnight. Let sit at room temperature for a few minutes before unmolding. Roll in toasted coconut or cocoa nibs if desired.
3. The pops will keep in the freezer for up to 2 weeks.



Brain Food Page (morsom side)

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JOKES OF THE MONTH (Månedens Vits)

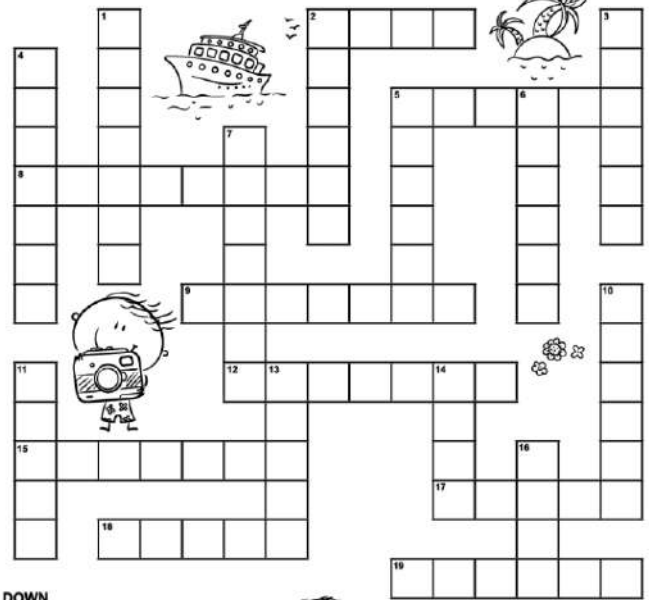


Submitted by
Traci



What is the word for family in Danish, Finnish, Icelandic, Norwegian, & Swedish?

CRUISE VACATION



DOWN

1. an act of traveling from one place to another
2. to go to a place that is far away
3. a gentle wind
4. free time when you can do whatever you want
5. a device used for taking photographs
6. an area of land that is surrounded by water
7. a place where aircraft can land and take off
10. a long journey usually by ship
11. to spend time resting or doing something enjoyable
13. the salt water that covers much of the Earth's surface
14. a large boat
16. to put clothes into a suitcase to take with you



ACROSS

2. a journey to a place
5. a journey on a ship as a vacation
8. the sun's light or rays
9. another word for vacation
12. a person who travels to a place for pleasure
15. the bags a person takes when travelling
17. a flying vehicle with wings
18. room or sleeping quarters on a cruise
19. boarding pass

Did You Know?

Summer, Happiness, Families, Travel

1. Summer break is global, but the length varies by country.
2. One of the most stunning meteor showers of the year peaks in mid-August.
3. In Norway you can camp almost anywhere – and people do.
4. In Denmark summer food is light, local – and celebrated.
5. Laughing improves wellbeing and mood, but it also increases endorphins and your pain threshold.
6. Research suggests that happiness and other good vibes are extremely contagious.
7. 'Stop and smell the roses' is actually really good advice.
8. Happier individuals tend to be healthier and live longer lives.
9. Sibling relationships are some of the longest-lasting bonds we have.
10. Family vacations create bonds and lasting memories.
11. Sweden offers one of the world's most generous parental leave policies, with parents entitled to 480 days of paid leave per child, with 90 days reserved specifically for each parent to promote gender equality.
12. Families that travel together report higher satisfaction.
13. Alaska is both the westernmost and easternmost state in the USA. (look it up).
14. The Finnish travel the most.
15. The shortest place name is Å. A small village in Norway. It is tied with Y in Alaska, a Y in France, an Ö in Sweden, and an Ø in Denmark.



Upcoming Events (Kommende arrangementer)

Nordic Northwest Events for August

<https://www.nordicnorthwest.org/upcoming-events>



- Aug. 2: Slöyd Experience: Kids Woodworking Classes
- Aug. 9: FREE EVENT! Ole Bolle's Birthday
- Aug. 10: Slöyd & Nature Craft Camp
- Aug. 16: Trollbacken Summer Camp
- Aug. 19: Nordic Heritage Night with the Portland Timbers

Check the above website for times & costs.

There are also multiple knitting, conversation, etc. events on a regular basis.

VESTERHEIM



[https://vesterheim.org/Online Folk Art Courses](https://vesterheim.org/OnlineFolkArtCourses)

<https://vesterheim.org/folk-art-school/>

I will no longer be listing online classes here. Please go to the website listed if you are interested in a class. Be sure to check for Signup dates at the end of each class description.

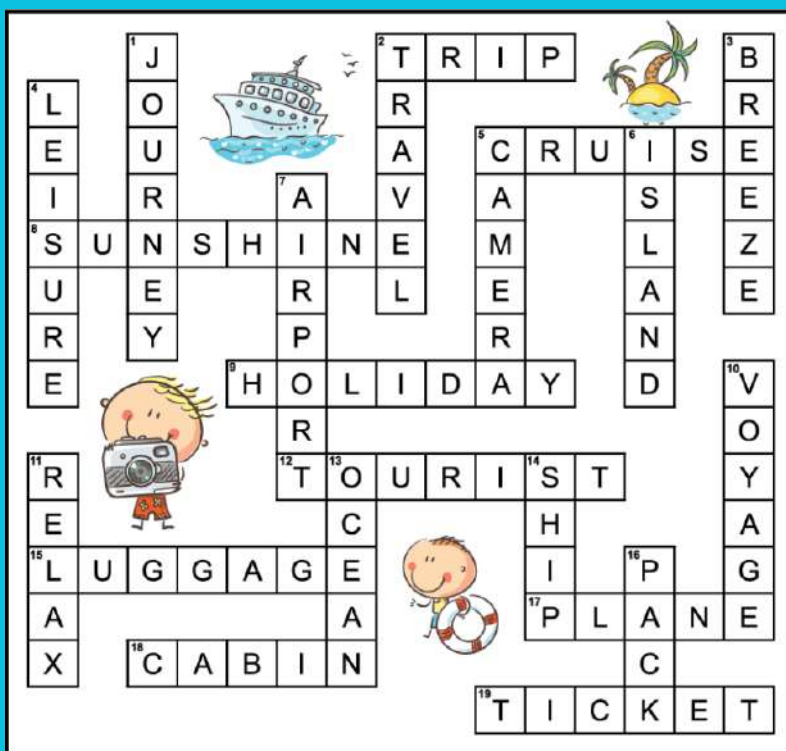
Answers & Extras (svar og tillegg)

Trivia, Brainteasers, etc.

Answers

- page 1: 1963
- page 2: a fan
- page 3: Heritage
- page 4: Because once it catches fire, it's toast!
- page 5: Harvey Ball
- page 6: April 20 and August 22.
- page 7: a family reunion
- page 8: the late 1800s.
- page 9a: 57 seconds
- page 9b: \$45.00
- page 10: Cucumber, pumpkin & squash
- page 11: Danish: familie, Finnish: perhe, Icelandic: fjölskylda, Norwegian: familie, Swedish: familj

Cruise Vacation Answers



**Happiness
Happens**



**A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE HELPED WITH THE
NEWSLETTER THIS MONTH...TUSEN TAKK**