

## Askeladden 2010 Lodge Officers

Lodge President	Dennis Darling
Lodge Vice President	Jean Darling
Lodge Secretary	Sandra Shaffer
Lodge Treasurer	Louise Adams
Membership	Christine Sitkins
Social Director	Mary Sue Dawsey
Counselor	Delores Pederson
Historian & Tubfrim	Holly Jensen
Youth Director	Karen Kunze
Webmaster	Thad Shaffer
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Librarian	Dick Adams
Publicity Director	Karin Løberg Code
Song Leader	Karen Kunze
Pianist	Margery Selden
Cultural Director	Curtis Cleveland
Sports & Recreation Director	Svein Thoen
OTHER POSITIONS	
District 5 Vice President	Burton Bittner
Zone 6 Director	Gilbert Bergsrud
Financial Benefits Counselor	Greg Ragan

### Sons of Norway Mission

The mission of **Sons of Norway** is to promote and to preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic Countries, and provide quality insurance and financial products to our members.

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# SONS OF NORWAY

## Askeladden Lodge 5-610

Velkommen • Welcome

The members of **Askeladden Lodge** of Kalamazoo, MI, invite you to join them at their monthly meeting and potluck dinner at 4 p.m. the second Sunday of most months at the Portage Senior Center.



For more information on Askeladden Lodge membership, contact Membership Secretary Christine Sitkins at 345-4215 or [cszoo@sitkins.org](mailto:cszoo@sitkins.org).

[www.norwayinkalamazoo.net](http://www.norwayinkalamazoo.net)

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## Askeladden Lodge Programs and Activities

**Monthly meetings and potluck dinner.** We meet most months the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 4 p.m. at the Portage Senior Center off Centre Ave and Westnedge, behind the Portage Library. All monthly meetings at the Senior Center have some kind of program planned as well as a potluck dinner. Some meetings also include a brief business meeting. Summer meetings vary. We enjoy frequent events with the local VASA Lodge.

**Rosemaling Classes,** conducted monthly. Pay only for materials.

**Newsletter.** Published 10-12 times per year with lodge updates and Norwegian articles.

**Lodge Lending Library.** Lodge has a library of Norwegian-related books that can be checked out.

**Juletefest in December.** Christmas celebration for the whole family.

**Syttende Mai Celebration.** Celebrate Mai 17<sup>th</sup>, Norway's Constitution Day.

**Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarships.** Awarded to college students at the special Syttende Mai celebration.

### District Activities [www.sonsofnorway5.com](http://www.sonsofnorway5.com)

**Masse Moro Camp.** Two-week Norwegian cultural heritage summer camp for youth ages 9 - 15.

**Ski for Light.** Cross country skiing for visually impaired individuals.

**Barnebirkie.** Children's version of the Birkebeiner cross country ski race.

**Golf Outings, Bowling, Leadership Seminars.**

**District scholarships** for Masse Moro and more.

### National Activities [www.sonsofnorway.com](http://www.sonsofnorway.com) or [www.sofn.com](http://www.sofn.com)

**Fraternal Insurance, investment, and financial planning.**

**Sons of Norway Foundation** provides grants, scholarships and humanitarian contributions.

**Viking Magazine.** 12 issues per year.

**Norwegian language** Free 5-minute online classes

## 2010 Program Schedule

Dates	Time	Location	Program Topic • subject to change
January 10	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Hjemkomst Ship</b> – replica of a Viking ship by Curtis A. Cleveland
February 14	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>St. Olaf: Patron Saint of Norway</b> by Adam C. Wolfe
March 14	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Norway Trip • Oslo, Bergen, Stavanger</b> by Curtis A. Cleveland
April 11	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Scandinavian Textiles</b> by Carol Hassemmer
May 9	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Syttende Mai Celebration • Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship Awards ceremony</b>
June 19 (Saturday)	noon	Cadwallader Park, Hickory Corners	<b>Midsommarfest</b> and Scandinavian potluck hosted by VASA Swedish Lodge
July 11	2 p.m.	Nottawa Crossing Fjord Horses Farm in Marshall	<b>Norwegian Fjord Horses &amp; picnic</b> presented by the Crandall & Karns families
August 7 (Saturday)	4 p.m.	Punzel's Cottage Buckley, MI	<b>Afternoon Adventure to Punzel's Cottage</b> hosted by Hildy Montgomery
September 12	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Scandinavian Genealogy Workshop</b> by Roger Drong
October 3	1:30 p.m.	Trinity Lutheran Church, Kalamazoo	<b>Fish Boil</b> RSVP to VASA Swedish Lodge Music: Nyckelharpa & Hardanger fiddle
October 10	4 p.m.	Zion Lutheran Church, Kalamazoo	<b>Lefse Party</b> hosted by Chris Sitkins
November 14	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Norwegian Fram Expeditions</b> by Mary Sue Dawsey
December 11 (Saturday)	3 p.m.	Trinity Lutheran Church, Kalamazoo	<b>Luciafest Pageant &amp; Christmas Celebration</b> (VASA Swedish Lodge event)
December 12	4 p.m.	Portage Senior Center	<b>Juletefest and Luciafest</b> – Askeladden Lodge Christmas Celebration

## Celebrating our Norwegian Cultural Heritage