



# The Norden Club of Lincoln

Our 67th Year

July Issue

- Next Meeting: 6:30 Sept. 15 at First Lutheran Church
- Call for Reservation by Wednesday, Sept 10  
Dorothy Ekblad 402-488-6313  
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## Program

Our program presenters for the September meeting will be Len and

Arlene Nelson. They will be giving some tips on doing genealogy in Norway

and Sweden and also show video from their trip to Norway and Sweden.

## Editors Comments

You are not accustomed to receiving a Norden Club Newsletter in July, but we had some

information to get out to you that could not wait until the end of August. Thus, you will be getting

another newsletter at the usual time around the first of September.

## President's Corner

Dear Friends –

It is hard to believe that summer is here. Seems like we just had our Smorgasbord in December, doesn't it? You know what this means folks. The 2014 Smorgasbord and Christmas is only six months away!!!

On another note. Since we are all interested in our Scandinavian heritage, we thought it was important for you to have information about some of the coming events in our area. For that reason we decided to create an additional summer

trip in October. Please take a look in this Newsletter for details. It will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. So plan to register early.

Also, with a large number of members we would like to be able to communicate with you more efficiently. Keeping club costs low and providing you with timely information can be accomplished better via email than the traditional printed Newsletter. As you might expect printing & mailing Newsletters is costly and a time consuming process. This will allow us to get news and reminders to you quicker and "in color"!!

We have email addresses for about half of our members. So right now as you are reading this, if you did not receive it via email we need your email address. So go to your computer and send an email to either Ron Johnson, Member Chair, at [iron855@live.com](mailto:iron855@live.com) or myself at [Phyllis.ericson@gmail.com](mailto:Phyllis.ericson@gmail.com) so you won't miss out on any upcoming events.

Hope you have a great summer.

Phyllis Ericson

President

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Newsletter edition for you. Please take a moment and see if some of these events fit into your calendar.

We are excited to offer a Scandinavian Norden Club

## Norden Club is getting a web site

We will be developing and adding on to a new web site. You can check us out at [Nordenclub.com](http://Nordenclub.com). Let us know if you see other information we need to add to the site.

## Membership

Our president Phyllis Ericson and I were reviewing our Membership List and noticed there are still a lot of people who have not paid their dues for 2014. There are a number of you that have gone two years or more without paying. We hope this is just an oversight, and that you have every intention to pay your dues. There have been many positive changes taken place in The Norden Club and we want you to become aware of them. Starting with the Newsletter that you

are receiving, it has taken on a whole new look. It is much more informative in that we are trying to keep you abreast of the Scandinavian Events, programming, tours, listing interesting things about our members, publishing the Scandinavian Heritage booklet concerning our members, the Scandinavian Library, giving out Scholarships from our Foundation, starting up our program concerning Life Memberships, our annual Smorgasbord event, and the increasing number of new members.

We hope you will want to become members again and witness what The Norden Club has to offer. If you don't know whether you paid your dues or not, PLEASE CALL Karen Zins at 402 421-6003 or Ron Johnson at 402 488-3137. Again, we cannot do all these things without your help. LETS KEEP "THE NORDEN CLUB OF LINCOLN" GOING STRONG and a club you can proudly say that you're a member of.

### To our newest members:

It's great having you as a new member to The Norden Club of Lincoln. We look forward to getting to know you better and hope our club lives up to your expectations. Should you have ideas to help our club grow and become stronger, we would appreciate your input. We look forward to seeing you at the September meeting.

New members are:

Kathy Bangsund, Eric Bengston, Ron & Pamela Burklund, Varro & Jean Clarke, Evert & Marcia Claesson, Carl & Debbie Engstrom, Nicole Hageman, Deanna Hageman, Dave & Sandy Hanson, Eric Hanson, Kent & Kendra Hartwigs, Ross & Terri Heckman, Melisa Homestead, Sherry Koenigsman, Dr. Norman & Eloise Landgren, Rev. Bill & Margie Nelsen, Marjorie Osborne, Troy &

Heather Pedersen, Christine & Paul Read, Rosco & Leona Shields, Dave & Rebecca Singass, Duane & Karen Singass, Ron Thompsen, Rev. Dan & Marianne Warnes, Nancy Wehrbein.

If we left someone off the new member listing please call Ron Johnson at 402 488-3137.

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## Upcoming Events

**Wednesday, June 25 through Thursday, July 31**

**"Danish Children Growing up American"**

**Room 218 UNL Love Library South**

**Exhibit on Danish Immigrant Children on display in Love Library**

This exhibit features 50 large photos that depict different aspects of a child's life in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. According to the exhibit brochure, Danish immigrants placed a lot of emphasis on their children, who they saw as the true beneficiaries of the American dream and a better life.

"Danish Children Growing up American" is on loan from the Danish American Archive and Library (DAAL) located in Blair, Nebraska, which developed this exhibit in partnership with the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO).

This exhibit will be available to see during the hours Love Library is open. For more information on hours, visit: <http://libraries.unl.edu/hours>




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**Saturday & Sunday, September 27 - 28**

**Swedish Genealogy Workshop in Lindsborg, Kansas**

Spend two days exploring your Swedish roots in "Little Sweden USA". The McPherson County Old Mill Museum in Lindsborg, Kansas will host a weekend Swedish Genealogy Using ArkivDigital Workshop on September 27-28, 2014. The workshop will include lectures as well as ample time to apply your new research skills using ArkivDigital online. The museum staff, volunteers and Kathy Meade from ArkivDigital will be available to assist you in your research and to guide you in using ArkivDigital online. For registration and further information, go to <http://www.mcphersoncountyks.us/DocumentCenter/View/1825>




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**Monday, September 15**

**Norden Club Dinner Meeting**

**6:30 pm First Lutheran Church, 1551 So 70th St., Lincoln, NE**

The Norden Club of Lincoln promotes fellowship among Scandinavian-Americans and their descendants. We meet four times a year to preserve the cultural heritage of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. Come meet others as we gather for a dinner and program.

Cost for dinner is \$16 per person. Reservations required by Wednesday, Sept 10.

Call Dorothy Ekblad 402-488-6313 or Leona Bellinger 402-484-7123.

Come enjoy the evening. You'll be glad you did.



# Upcoming Events (Continued)

Friday & Saturday, October 3 & 4

2014 Fall Genealogy Conference

Lincoln-Lancaster County Genealogical Society

**FORENSIC GENEALOGY: *Where CSI Meets Roots***

Friday Evening, Oct 3, 7p.m.

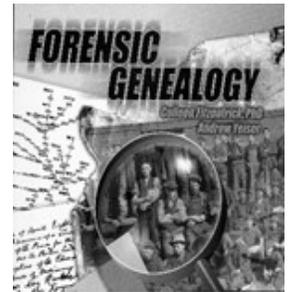
Saturday Conference, Oct 4, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Falls, 5925 Adams St., Lincoln, NE

**"Who? What? When? Where?"** Are these the words of a genealogist researching their family tree? Or a forensic scientist solving a mystery?

**Guest Speaker: Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD, consulting Genealogist for the Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory, author and speaker. Colleen is a real-life CSI detective who has helped crack**

**some of the most compelling mysteries of our time. Registration and More Information @ [www.LLCSG.info](http://www.LLCSG.info)**



## FROM OUR MEMBERS

INTERNATIONAL MYSTERIES – Including Scandinavian Mysteries

Hubert Paulson found a web-site that I found the programs on is [www.mhznetworks.org](http://www.mhznetworks.org).

The current schedule is as follows:

Saturday and Sunday: a 2-hour mystery each night, from Sweden, also from about 2001, also shown at 8:00 PM and repeated at 11:00. The current programs are: Saturday - "Annika Bengtzon", and Sunday - "Henning Mankell's Wallander", the Swedish versions. For dedicated mystery buffs, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

are also mystery nights.

To view the programs, go to the web-site, then click on "Watch Live" at the top of the screen.

The web-site also provides a further variety of programming from around the world the rest of the day to fill out a 24 hour schedule. To see the schedule, with descriptions of programs, click on "Schedule" in the blue band. Although a good number of "channels" are listed in the schedule, the only one to follow is "MHz Online".

Note that each of the tabs shown, "Now", "Day", and "Week" allow the user to choose the date and time to start each dis-

play. Don't forget to change the Time Zone to "CDT".

Be aware that there are two sliders at the right of your browser window. The "regular" one is just inside the right edge of your browser window. There is a second slider, though, that is part of the schedule table. It should become visible as you run the window slider up and down. In my browser, it is partially hidden by a vertical "button" for Feedback that seems to be fixed in place. You will need to use this "inner" slider to get to the later times listed in the Day or Week schedules.

## MID-AMERICAN SCANDINAVIAN TOUR

October 6th to October 10th

Come along and enjoy a five day living history of the Scandinavian heritage from the time the immigrants left their homeland to establishing new homes, schools, churches and communities in America.

The first day we will travel by a deluxe premier motor coach to The Danish Immigrant Museum in Elk Horn Iowa. Here we will have a guided tour of the museum and share the story of how Danish immigrants settled in America. We then travel on to the Ammana Colonies of have lunch. Then on to Decorah, Iowa where we will be staying at the Historic Hotel Winneshiek with dinner at the fame Opera House and a presentation of the history of the hotel.

The second day we will visit the Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum leaving you with a living heritage of

Norwegian immigrants to America. Then on to the Church Museum where we will have a speaker and a Norwegian lunch. That afternoon we will tour the Tom Porter House Museum and some free time to tour the shops and businesses in Decorah. Again that evening we will be staying at the Hotel Winneshiek and dinner in the Pub.

The third day we travel on to Minnesota a Swedish church & museum, a tour of the Red Wing Pottery Museum, Shoe Store & other shops. We'll have lunch at the historic St. James Hotel in the Veranda Room overlooking the Mississippi River. That evening we will be staying in Stillwater, MN. having a presentation and dinner at the Historic Lowell Inn.

The fourth day we will have a guided tour of the Gammelgarden Museum in Scandia, MN and then on to the

American Swedish Institute for a guided tour and lunch. A program called "Swedish Immigrant Trunk" showing what most Scandinavian brought with them to America. We will travel on to Plymouth, MN where we will be staying. That evening we'll be toughly at the Plymouth Playhouse.

Then on the Fifth day we will be heading home with at stop in St. Peter with a lunch and view the beautiful chapel on the Gustavus Adolphus Campus.

This of course is a tentative schedule with a cost of approximately \$650.00 to \$700.

More information and actual cost will be available by our next meeting and the mailing of our newsletter. Contact Ron Johnson 402-488-3137 with questions.

The Norden Club promotes fellowship among  
Scandinavian-Americans and their descendants and helps preserve  
for the benefit of the United States the best in the cultural heritage  
of Scandinavia.

The countries of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden  
make up Scandinavia.



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## **We hope to see you on September 15.**

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Call for reservations by Wednesday, September 10:

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Cancellations need to be made by noon Wednesday, Sept 10. Norden Club is charged for all dinners that are reserved. We appreciate you calling early if you know you can or can not attend.