

*Hello Friends in Nordmanns-Forbundet,*

May is full of Norwegian events here in Northfield. Here are two upcoming celebrations of Norway's National Day for you to enjoy.

**Saturday, May 14: Syttende mai celebration (5:30 pm)**

Nordmanns-Forbundet and Sons of Norway Nordmarka Lodge will hold a joint potluck supper and program with music and a special guest from Norway on Saturday, May 14 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 500 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Northfield.

Our guest of honor this year is professional storyteller and drama teacher, Anne Elisebeth Skogen, from Rogaland, Norway. She will present a program created especially for this occasion on "Syttende Mai Traditions, Past and Present."



Anne Elisebeth has performed and taught storytelling throughout Norway and Scandinavia. On this tour to the U.S. she also brings the story of the first immigrants, "With Restauration Through Hell Gate to the Promised Land" which she will present at the Seamans' Church in New York, and at Mindekirken in Minneapolis on May 17th at noon.

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors! Everyone is welcome! We would like to have a great turn out to welcome our special guest from Norway. (Bring your own plates and silverware and a dish to pass...)

***Velkommen!***

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*Celebrating Syttende mai at St. Olaf.....*

Celebrate Norway's Constitution Day by attending the **St. Olaf Syttende mai celebration from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Tuesday, May 17!** This year, the celebration will be held in St. Olaf's newly renovated building, Tomson Hall, on the third floor above the east entrance.

Enjoy the taste of Norwegian waffles and ice cream cones while listening to music by students and faculty in the Norwegian Department, the Gjetost accordion/guitar group, and the Lars Skjervheim Spelemannslag, the St. Olaf Hardanger fiddle group.

The event is free and open to students, faculty, staff, and the general public. There will be a brief program at 3:15 p.m. and again at 4:15 p.m.

(Note: This afternoon celebration will replace the Syttende mai breakfast at St. Olaf this year.)

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