



Echoes of the Past: Stories of our Immigrant Ancestors

(Schedule is tentative and subject to change)



Tuesday, 15 September 2026

Time	Event
12:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Registration Desk Open
1:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Hospitality Suite – Drop off items for tomorrow
1:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Genealogy Lab Open
TBA - 9:00 PM	Vendor Displays Open <i>(for Vendors arriving Tuesday, doors open once they are set-up)</i>
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Finnskog Seminar & Workshop — Elaine Hasleton
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Genealogy Mini-Sessions <i>(at 2:30 PM & 3:30 PM)</i>
12:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Silent Auction Open for Item Drop-off and Bidding
5:15 PM - 6:30 PM	Light Stevne Dinner: Pulled-Pork or Chicken Sandwich <i>(pre-registration required)</i>
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Gudbrandsdalslaget Annual Business Meeting
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Seminar: Rye Grain in Europe / History of Norwegian & Finnish Bread — Shanna Kurth

Wednesday, 16 September 2026

Time	Event
7:45 AM - 9:00 AM	Trønderlag Annual Business Meeting
8:00 AM - 9:00 PM	Genealogy Lab Open
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM	Registration Desk Open
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	Opening Ceremony
9:45 AM - 10:45 AM	Seminar: Olaf Kjome, Dairy Expert — Joe Grodahl
10:00 AM - 8:00 PM	Vendor Displays Open <i>(the public is welcome)</i>
10:45 AM - 5:00 PM	Hospitality Suite Open <i>(you may drop off food donations starting at 9:00 AM)</i>
10:45 AM - 9:00 PM	Silent Auction Open for Item Drop-off and Bidding
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Seminar: History of the Founding of Spring Grove as the First Permanent Norwegian Settlement in Minnesota — Bill Fried
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Stevne Grab & Go Box Lunch w/ Turkey or Ham Sandwich <i>(pre-registration required)</i> <i>or lunch on your own</i>
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Seminar: Norway 2026: Stories from a Photographer, Historian and Musician — Chris Falteisek
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Seminar: My Country 'Tis of Thee — Joel Quie
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Romerikslaget Annual Business Meeting
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Seminar: Don't Let Your Memories Fade, the social and health benefits of photos, stories, and reminiscing — Rick Voigt
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM	Solørlag Annual Business Meeting

Thursday, 17 September 2026

Time	Event
7:45 AM - 9:00 AM	Nord Hedmark og Hedemarken Annual Business Meeting
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Registration Desk Open
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Vendor Displays Open
8:00 AM - 2:45 PM	Silent Auction Bidding Ends at 2:45 PM <i>(winners will be revealed at 3:45 PM)</i>
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Genealogy Lab Open
9:00 AM - 2:45 PM	Hospitality Suite Open
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM	Seminar: Researching Our Immigrant Ancestor's House History — Elaine Hasleton
10:15 AM - 10:45 AM	Break <i>(visit hospitality suite & vendors)</i>
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM	Seminar: Return Migration: Knud's Story — Lawrence Moe

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Thursday, 17 September 2026 (continued)

Time	Event
11:45 AM - 1:15 PM	Lunch (<i>on your own</i>)
1:15 PM - 2:15 PM	Seminar: Houses Our Ancestors Built — Miranda Moen
2:15 PM - 2:45 PM	Break (<i>visit Vendor Displays and Hospitality Room</i>)
2:45 PM - 3:45 PM	Seminar: Finding Stories in the Records — Jeff Svare
3:45 PM - 4:15 PM	Silent Auction — Winning Bidders: pick up and pay for the items you won
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Social Hour with Cash Bar
5:15 PM - 6:05 PM	Lag Group Photos: Trønderlag at 5:15 PM / Gudbrandsdalslaget at 5:25 PM / Nord Hedmark og Hedemarken at 5:35 PM / Romerikslaget at 5:45 PM / Solørslag at 5:55 PM
6:00 PM - 8:45 PM	Stevne Banquet (<i>pre-registration required</i>) Emcee — Doug Johnson Entertainment: Nordic Instruments — Janette Dragvold Bunad Parade

Friday, 18 September 2026

Time	Event
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Tour: Mower County Historical Society, Spam Museum – Includes Bus Transportation & Lunch at St. Olaf Lutheran Church (<i>pre-registration required</i>)

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Double Tree by Hilton, Austin

1701 4th Street NW, Austin, Minnesota

Flere Lag Room Rate = \$109/night + tax

Important!: The deadline for booking at the Flere Lag Stevne Rate is **15 Aug 2026**

Book online at the Stevne rate through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/432trnu5>

You can also find a direct link for stevne-rate hotel booking on most of the Flere Lag websites

Flere Lag Stevne has blocked rooms (King or Queen) for the nights of:

Monday Night	14 September 2026 (<i>for those arriving a day early</i>)
Tuesday Night	15 September 2026
Wednesday Night	16 September 2026
Thursday Night	17 September 2026 (<i>with check-out on Friday September 18, 2026</i>)