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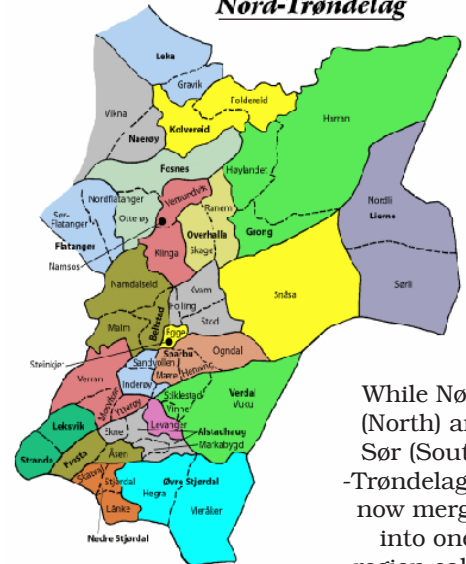
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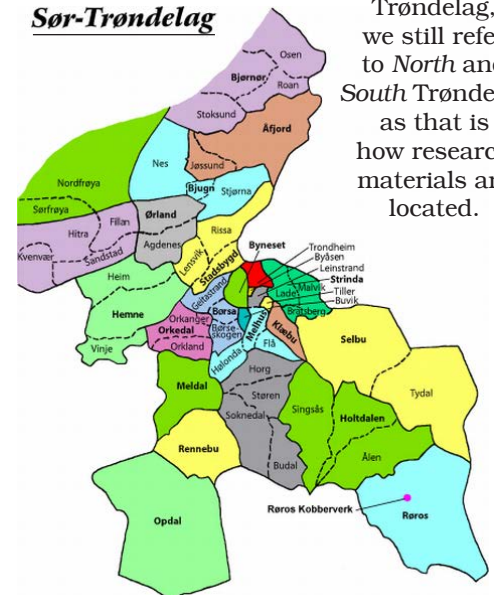
Membership applications, stevne registration and other information about the activities of the organization are available at our web site: <http://www.tronderlag.org>

# Did your Ancestors come from the Trøndelag Region of Norway?

## Nord-Trøndelag



## Sør-Trøndelag



While Nörd (North) and Sör (South) -Trøndelag are now merged into one region called Trøndelag, we still refer to North and South Trøndelag as that is how research materials are located.

## Trønderlag of America Membership Application

Please complete this form and send it with your dues to our Treasurer. Make checks payable to "Trønderlag of America" or \_\_\_\_\_ please email me a PayPal invoice so I can use a credit card. (Be sure to list your email address below).

**Membership Dues:** U.S. \$12.00/year for Individual or Couple / \$22.00 for 2 years / \$30.00 for 3 years  
Canada - \$13 per year / Norway/Europe - \$15 per year. Dues are effective from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 each year.

**Dues enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ year(s) [US Dollars only] Date \_\_\_\_\_  
I wish to make an additional donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mail to:**  
Trønderlag Treasurer  
5420 Brookbank Road  
Downers Grove, IL 60515

**My roots in Trøndelag are:** (indicate which spouse). If available, include a copy of your 4-generation chart.  
Emigrant Ancestor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Farm Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Year Emigrated \_\_\_\_\_



**Trønderlag of America** is a bygdelag (lag) – an organization of emigrants and their descendants from North and South Trøndelag areas of Norway. The Trønderlag, established in 1908, is a not-for-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code and also a member of the Bygdelagenes Fellesraad.

### **Purpose of the**

#### **Trønderlag of America:**

- To aid in the preservation of Norwegian history, culture and heritage for future generations by collecting historical information and data relative to immigration and settlement and to encourage research and writing of family, immigration and settlement histories.
- To maintain communication and working relationships between the members of Trønderlag and other organizations with Norwegian heritage.
- To develop and maintain a library of resources for member use, such as bygdebøker (farm histories), Norwegian church and government records and other such genealogical information.
- To maintain and enhance fellowship among the descendants of people from the Trøndelag area of Norway and to maintain a bond between Trønders in North America and Norway.

To further these purposes, the Trønderlag may hold conferences, symposia and other

meetings; publish journals, books and other publications; seek and accept grants, gifts and contracts for any of the above purposes and, make available the results of its collection of information to the general public on a nondiscriminatory basis.

#### **Membership Benefits:**

Membership in Trønderlag of America is open to anyone with an interest in the history and culture of the Trøndelag region of Norway, especially descendants of Trønder emigrants. The membership year runs from January 1 to December 31. Renewals should be sent in December to our Treasurer at the address listed on this brochure.

• **Stevne** - An annual stevne (gathering) includes educational seminars on varied Norwegian cultural and historical topics; genealogy research; annual Lag business meeting; local heritage tours; a banquet and Norwegian entertainment. Currently, the stevne, named the “Tre Lag Stevne,” is held together with the Gudbrandsdal and the Nord-Hedmark og Hedemarken lags. The **Stevne** usually takes place in August each year.

#### • **Genealogy Research Assistance**

- During the annual stevne, many hours are set aside for genealogy research. Lag resources include bygdebøker from many parishes in Nord- and Sør-Trøndelag, personal family histories, other Norwegian reference books and films of emigration protocols. During the rest of the year, our lag genealogist is available to do lookups and searches in the lag-owned materials. Lag members may contact him directly for assistance. There is no charge for member lookups, although we ask for reimbursement for photocopies.

• **Web site** - Our lag web site provides up-to-date information about the organization, activities, and links to many genealogical resources specific to Trøndelag.

<http://www.tronderlag.org>

• **Newsletter** - Our newsletter, Trønderlag Nyhetsbrev, is published three times a year. Members receive the newsletter as part of their dues. It contains information about the activities of the lag, the stevne, as well as genealogical and historical articles.

• **Aarbok (Yearbook)** - In 2012 the Lag published their fourth Aarbok since 2005. The Aarbok documents lag activities and history and includes hundreds of indexed biographies of Trønder immigrants. Publication of future books will depend on having a sufficient number of volunteers to handle the various aspects of publishing.

• **Heritage Tours** - In 2005, 2010, 2014, and 2019 the Lag sponsored heritage tours to the Trøndelag area (middle) of Norway. Participants enjoyed seeing many historical areas as well as having the opportunity to visit their ancestral farms and meet Norwegian relatives.

The 2014 tour celebrated the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the Norwegian Constitution. Members of the group joined with the Syttende Mai adult parade in Trondheim on May 17 and participated in a special service at Nidaros Cathedral. Future tours will be planned.



*The symbol of the Trønderlag is the Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim.*