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FYLKE

[Old Fylke Name]

(Names Spiral Clockwise From Oslo)

Oslo

Romerikslaget i Amerika

Buskerud,
Akershus,
Østfold,
Vestfold

Hallinglag
Numedalslågen Lag
Ringerike-Drammen
Districts Lag
Romerikslaget i Amerika
Sigdalslag

Innlandet
[Hedmark,
Oppland]

Gudbrandsdalslaget
Hadeland Lag
Landingslag
Nord Hedmark
og Hedemarken Lag
Solørlag of America
Totenlag
Valdres Samband

Telemark

Telelaget of America

Agder

[Aust-Agder,
Vest-Agder]

Agderlag

Rogaland

Rogalandslag

Vestland

[Bergen (city),
Hordaland,
Sogn og Fjordane]

Hardanger Lag
Nordfjord Lag
Nordfjord-WI Lag
Nordhordland Lag
Sognalag
Sognefjord Lag
Sunnfjord Lag
Sunnhordland Lag
Vosselag

Møre og Romsdal

Møre og Romsdalslag

Trøndelag

[Nord-Trøndelag,
Sør-Trøndelag]

Trønderlag of America

Nordland

Nordlandslag
Sami Lag

Troms

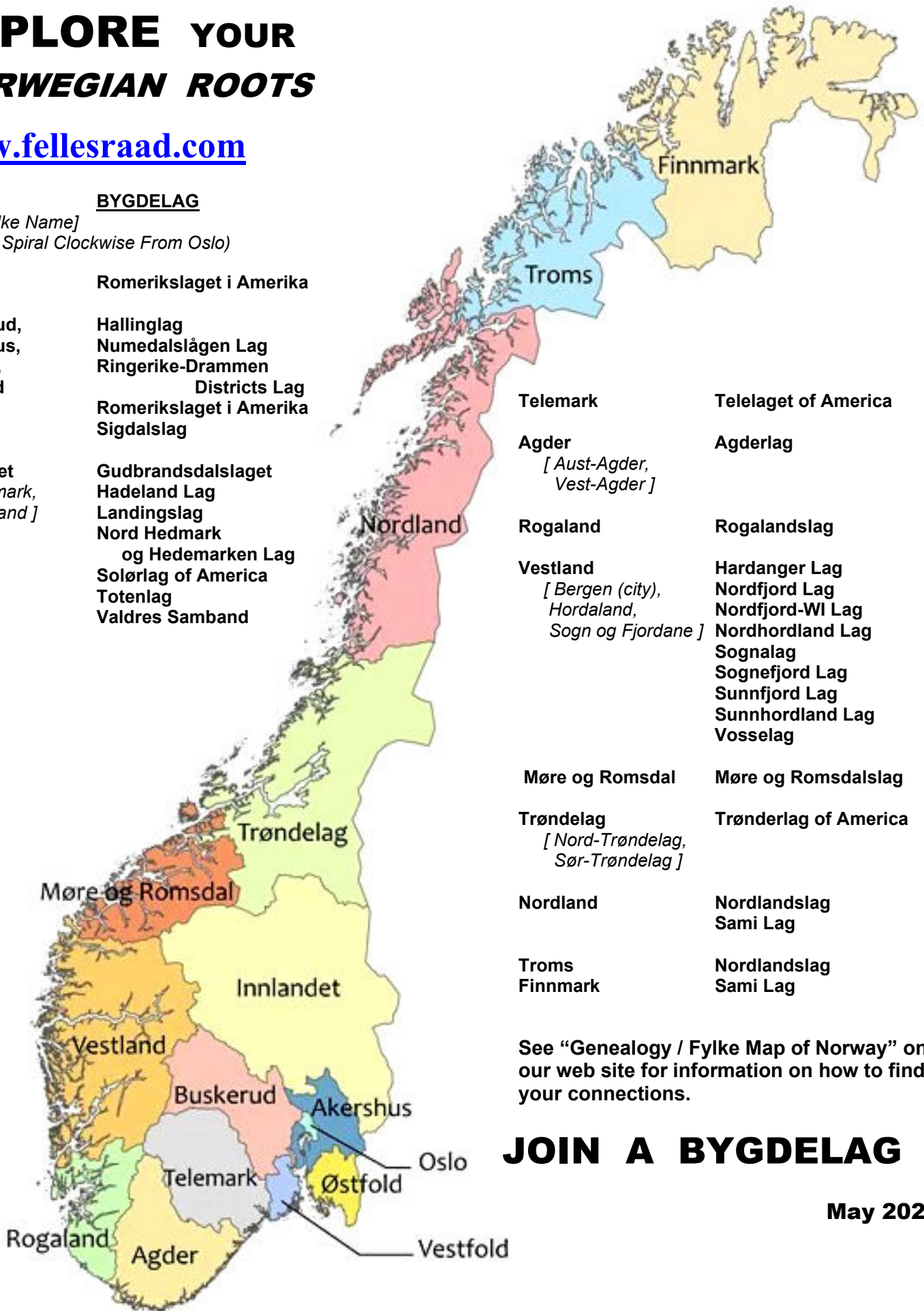
Finnmark

Nordlandslag
Sami Lag

See "Genealogy / Fylke Map of Norway" on our web site for information on how to find your connections.

JOIN A BYGDELAG

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Bygdelag Build Pride in Heritage

One or two contact people are presented for you in this brochure for over two dozen *bygdelag* (we often call lags) which affiliate with the national council, *Bygdelagenes Fellesraad*.

Each lag (*pronounced 'log'*) seeks to preserve and strengthen bonds with its home district or community-of-origin in Norway. Each will answer questions about:

- membership
- newsletters or publications
- Norway trips sponsored by the lag
- Their annual summer meeting, called a *stevne* ('*stev-na*') or *stemne*, and
- assistance with genealogy searches. (Inquire how they operate. Each may be somewhat different.)

Bygdelag ('*big-dah-log*') are organizations comprised of descendants of emigrants from Norway to North America. A *bygd* in Norway shared the same dialect in speech, the same ways to prepare food, the same folkways and the same special occasion costumes, called *bunader* ('*bu-na-der*'). Many lags serve a larger, regional area.

The national council of *bygdelag*, *Bygdelagenes Fellesraad*, ('*big-dah-log-n-es fell-es-road*') sponsors a web site to help you tie into the culture of your ancestors and learn that Norway is indeed a very modern country, even though it is proud of its past.

People from Valdres, our oldest group, first met in 1899 and a large celebration was held in Iowa to mark that occasion by all groups in 1999. In 2016 Fellesraad hosted its own Centennial Celebration. To date 23 *bygdelag* have held festive centennials.

Fellesraad invites you to use their site to further research your Norwegian connections. Many lags publish newsletters for members that give additional information on the annual meetings in America and often include articles about past and present culture in Norway.

E-mail the.president@fellesraad.com with your questions. Happy searching!

This brochure may be found (in two formats) at <http://www.fellesraad.com/>. The site includes a calendar of events giving dates and places of *stevner* for the next year or two. Check the web for the most current information.

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