



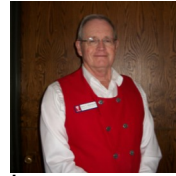
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President's Report



What a season!! Rain, humidity, wind, hail, tornados, flooding, heat all intermingled. None of these however, dampened our enthusiasm for food, fellowship and picnics. A special thanks to Derle and his family for hosting our group on the 24th at his home. What an ideal setting. They have done a marvelous job of clearing, designing and building. We incorporated the regular board and business meeting into the agenda, so read all about it in the meeting minutes. An early evening shower damped things, but not appetites, however it did delay the departure of many as the road became a real challenge...there have been no reports of missing persons, so assume everyone made it home...Thanks too to the social committee for doing the leg work!!

I was as shocked as everyone else was at the events that transpired in Norway. It is difficult to imagine what goes through the mind of an individual as he carries out such a horrific plot. The country has handled the crisis with dignity, and is focused on the future, prayer won't hurt a thing!!

The August 25th board meeting will be special, as we have several invited guests. Elaine Nelson our International Director, Martha Elliot, Vice President, District IV, and Carol Nelson our Zone 3 Director. They plan to be in town, attending a meeting at the Heritage Center, with your board of directors to discuss avenues for Sons of Norway in North Dakota to participate in the Heritage Center expansion. Hopefully their schedules will allow them to stay for the evening and attend our lodge board and business meetings in the evening.

The meeting at the Heritage Center is scheduled for August 25th at 4:00 PM. It is open to our members, but primarily focused on the board of directors and lodge officers. Should others desire to attend, let me know, as the heritage center is providing a lunch and will need a count of those planning to attend.

As the cleanup in Minot gets in gear, is there interest among our lodge members, in organizing a caravan of 'Sverdrup Helpers', volunteering a day or two of cleanup assistance...Let me know. So until we meet again, 'Be Blessed'.

Herb Mittelstedt, President

Note from Derle: An umbrella and a lawn chair were found following Sunday's outing. If these items are yours, call Helen at 255-1611 to claim them.

Barn Dance: September 10 at Derle's place with Polka Band, potluck supper. Bonfire at 6 p.m., Dance starting at 8 p.m. All S/N members and families invited, but not solely a S/N event. Call 734-6823 or 391-8011 for reservations and more information. There "may" be a hayride as well if he can obtain some horses.

Calendar of Event

August

- 8 Knitting - 1:30 p.m. Wilma Melstad's home, 304 Linden Lane, Bismarck
- 13 Små Fjell Lodge 35th
Reservations should be made to Zola Hagen - 701-853-2363 Anniversary, Scranton, ND
- 16 Folk Groups supper at Esser's 5:00 p.m.
- 17 Hardanger no afternoon meeting
7 p.m. Ella Naves home, 1026 Highland Place, Bismarck
- 22 Knitting - Marilyn Kristensen's home, 209 Stuttgart Drive, Bismarck.
- 25 Business Meeting, 7:15 p.m. Library

September

- 06 - Folk Dance/Singer picnic - Steinke's - potluck
- 10 Barn Dance at Derle Marcus'
- 13 Folk Group Practice 7-9
- 20 Folk Groups at Missouri Slope
- 22 - Business Meeting
- 23 - Social Meeting
Note: Date for September social has been changed to September 23rd
- 28 Folk Group Practice - 7-9

Nordic Fest Date

July 26 - 28, 2012

Plans are in the making for a bus to attend the 2012 event in Decorah, IA. It has been 20 years since our lodge has taken this tour and many people have expressed an interest.

Enjoy your Summer!



August Birthdays

Mornell Ringsak	1
Adelaide E Johnson	2
William G Senti	2
Richard D Hansen	3
Carla A Engelstad	4
Shirley A Grondahl	4
Linda M Juhala	5
Jo Ann Peterson	5
Gladys R Walz	5
Howard A Loftesnes	8
Judy M Mjelstad	8
M Arlene Strand	8
Jane E Thune	8
Ona J Welder	8
Erling L Olson	9
Bruce M Hetland	11
Solveig Land	11
Ralph H Leet	11
Diane M Rue	11
Helen Hammond	12
Robert E Johnson	13
Hollis M Nappen	15
Raome M Johnson	16
Patricia A Larson	18
Mardell A Sievers	18
Donald E Baglien	22
Blaine F Engelstad	22
Cherie D Harms	22
Marcia K Hansen	23
Karen A Jensen	23
Erls Jm Fardal	25
Dolly Gay Leer	26
Juleen Cunningham	27
Larry Thompson	27
Adeline T Thiede	28
Henry S Wisness	29
Judy K Erickstad	30
Arline J Olson	30
Arthur L Olson	30
Carol Stack	30

DOES FAIR HAVE TO MEAN EQUAL?

Many times when a family is thinking about estate planning they run into a roadblock about the family business or farm. Often one or two of the kids are still active in the operation and want to continue on after their parents have passed.

Let's consider Ole and Lena who have 4 grown kids and a beautiful farm. Their son Leif is farming with them and wants to buy the farm, but he cannot afford to borrow the money to buy it. His sister Ingrid has moved to the city and is working, married and has children. His brother Lars is a pilot for a private company and loves to be on the go. His other sister, Randi, lives nearby, is married to a farmer and shares the farming duties with her husband Sven on their farm.

Ole and Lena want to be fair to all the kids. They also know that the farm will remain a farm only if it stays in one piece. They worry that if they give each child one fourth of the farm, Leif will not be rewarded for all the sweat equity he has put into the farm over the past 15years.

Ole and Lena called their Sons of Norway Financial Benefits Counselor. They invited Leif to join the planning discussion. After a complete financial review, they concluded that a buy-sell agreement between Ole and Lena as sellers and Leif as buyer would keep the farm in one piece and that Leif would eventually own the whole farm. The buy – sell agreement obligates Leif to buy 3/4ths of the farm from Ole or from Lena's estate if Ole passes before Lena. But where does Leif get the money to buy the farm which is worth \$400,000? Leif buys a life insurance contract on Lena's life; she is younger and healthier than Ole. Leif pays the premium and when Lena dies there will be \$300,000 in cash to pay to the siblings. Ingrid is happy to get the cash, her kids are off to college soon, Lars likes the money too and Randi and Sven can buy land that wasn't in the family. This is fair to Leif because he is spending far less to buy the entire farm with life insurance, discounted dollars than if he were to take out a loan for \$300,000 or worse yet, have to agree with his siblings on all of their wishes.

Mom and Dad are happy with this. They know Leif will be a good steward of the land and feel everyone has been treated fairly.

This is one of many types of cases that your Financial Benefits Counselors can help you and your family work through. Call today to have your free financial review and rest easy that your plans can be fulfilled.

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Jenny Johansen

I want to inform you the Jenny Johansen, daughter of Peachy and Agnar Johansen, died about 4 pm on Tuesday July 26 while on a flight to Bismarck for her BHS class reunion. Jenny was confirmed by pastors Nicolai and Lutness, was active in Luther League, and sang in the Youth Choir for four years. While at BHS she played the cello in the BHS Orchestra and was active in the Girls Athletic Association. During the summer she helped our parents at the Dakota Maid Bakery.

Jenny graduated from Concordia College, Moorhead, in 1965 majoring in biology and chemistry. Jenny went on to receive a MS in Radiological Health Physics from NDSU. Later she worked as a health physicist at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston before becoming the Safety Officer at the University of Delaware. She was recruited by the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission where she worked for 30 years as an NRC radiation safety inspector at hospitals and universities that used radiation machines and radioactive materials. She retired in 2010 and took a 4 week trip to Norway to visit all of our friends and relatives.

There are no final plans for the time of the memorial service which will be held at her church in Pottstown, PA.

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St. Olaf Celebration

A group of Sons of Norway members gathered at the home of Jerry and Sonna Saude to celebrate St. Olaf's Day. Not only was the food tasty, but the Dog Show by Orlin Lyng, the information Jerry provided on St. Olaf, plus a trampoline display from Bjorn and Sigurd Saude made for a super evening.

Membership Information

Primary member \$41.00, Spouse \$34.00
 Unge Venner—\$22.00 (unless a parent belongs) in which case there is no fee. Age 16-23

Applications are turned in to Cathy Bergan, Financial Secretary for processing together with a check for the appropriate amount. Address: 1343 Republic, Bismarck (phone 258-9244)

PEANUTTY CANDY BARS from Arlene Olson

- 4 cups quick-cooking oats
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 2/3 cup butter, melted
- 1/2 cup plus 2/3 cup peanut butter divided
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 pkg. (11oz.) butterscotch chips
- 1 cup (6oz.) semisweet chocolate chips (I used milk chocolate)
- 1 cup chopped salted peanuts

In a large bowl, combine the oats, brown sugar, butter, 1/2 cup peanut butter, corn syrup and vanilla.

Press into a greased 13 x 9 inch baking pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 12-14 minutes or until mixture is bubbly around the edges.

In a microwave-safe bowl, melt butterscotch and chocolate chips; stir until smooth. Stir in peanuts and remaining peanut butter; spread over the oat mixture. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour before cutting

Baker's Note: Reduced-fat or generic brands of peanut butter are not recommended for this recipe.

Pictured below are Sverdrup Lodge members who enjoyed a great trip through Northwestern North Dakota.

Bus Tour July 26-27, 2011 - Scandinavian Heritage Park



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