President's Report

Here we go again, summer is over and our busy fall schedule starts again. Notice the change from an earlier notice of our social. It is Friday September 19, the third Friday of the month as is the “regular” date.

Please remember to call with reservations to Nanc Skaret at 258 4703. Please bring school supplies to donate to the elementary school children in September.

We are also beginning the process of electing new officers and I have picked Dick Hansen, Gary Tibke and Herb Mittelstedt for a new nominating committee. I would also like to thank our previous nominating committee for their service. They are Arlene Olson, Robert Johnson and Ralph Feland. When you get a call from the new group please think about volunteering your time and service. You know that it really isn’t a large job to do but well appreciated no matter what the position is.

Ralph Feland and I attended the Chamber of Commerce "Pillar of Heritage at their annual meeting with about 600 people in attendance. We were joined by Three Crowns Swedish group, the Germans from Russia and a Native American group. One of the Native Americans said he would join our lodge if he did not have to eat that fish we brag about. The displays were set up nicely.

Derle Marchus is having a barn dance on September 13th. Call him at 250-9929. Potluck and pig roast with music by Jim Geiger. Eat at 6:30 p.m.

At the September and October socials we will have report from district and International convention presented. In October at our social we will have our annual Norwegian auction sale and you are encouraged to bring items for the sale. Norwegian items, antiques and anything new and of value is welcomed for the auction. Last year was a super auction and we hope to beat our sale amount this year. Clean out your spare items. Call me at 222 2274 if you have questions on what to consign.

We are also looking for new members. Please let us know if you have friends that may be interested in joining. We still have our program for a free dinner for prospective member invited to our social. Also I would see to it that if someone needs a ride we can arrange that.

Enjoy fall, my favorite time of the year.

Rich Fadness, President

P.S. Please note the updated schedule for socials!

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Calendar of Events

September

03 Needle Work & - 1:30 p.m. at Marilyn Christensen's home - 209 Stuttgart Drive, Bismarck [combined Knitting and Hardanger group]
10 Bok Møte - Valley View, 7 p.m. Report on the Hurtigruten Trip in Norway
16 S/N Chorus Practice - Senior Center 7 p.m. bring black 3 ring binder song books
17 Needle Work & - 1:30 p.m. at Marilyn Christensen's home 209 Stuttgart Drive, Bismarck
18 Business Meeting - Library 6:30 p.m.
19 Social (see information below for details)
23 Folk Practice, Sr Center 7 p.m.
30 Folk Practice, Sr Center 7 p.m.

Social Date: Friday September 19

Location: Bismarck Eagles Club

Time: 6:15 p.m. - $15/ meal

Menu: Meatballs with the trimmings. Dessert will be cake donated by Ruth and Erling Olson in commemoration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Remember to Bring School Supplies

Program: PowerPoint and Delegate Reports from District IV Conventions

Music: Jim Geiger

Reservations: By Friday, Sept 12
Call Nanc Skaret, 258-4703 or e mail skaret@bis.midco.net (unless you have established your “regular” status)
Are taxes getting you down? Are you concerned that when you pass, your heirs may be burdened with taxes that will erode your estate? There are options that you can make now that will give you tax advantages currently and lift the tax load from your estate and your heirs down the road.

Sons of Norway’s Financial Benefit Counselors are trained to advise you of several options that can help you with decisions that will benefit you now and in the future. Call and set up a time to see the possibilities.

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September Birthdays

Yvonne Carlson 1
Candace Christianson 1
Lowell L Jensen 1
Richard Olsen 3
Orlin J Larson 4
Jeanette K Wutzke 4
Gretchen M Schafer 5
Orlin E Jacobson 6
Arlene M Olson 7
Eric E Franklund 8
Burt L Riskedahl 8
John Bersvend Rieke 10
Tom M Tuntland 11
Gearl R Fenster 13
Nicholas Hanson 13
Michelle M Svanes 13
Duane Slovarp 15
Richard A Fadness 16
J Karen Krauth 16
Alfred C Schultz 16
Blanche Flynn 17
Janet A Mc Callum 19
David Lee 24
Gloria N Doll 25
Bernice M Lagro 25
Dennis F Meyer 26
Lisa J Wutzke-Bleth 26
Linda L Lennie 27
Derrick Placek 27
Ruth C Bettenhausen 28
Shirley M Boger 28
Vernon Monger 30

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Cultural Classes
Rosemal painting is a unique Norwegian folk art. In Norway it was dominated by men but in America it is an art form for everyone with a desire to learn. An acclaimed Gold Medal painter, Joan Varty from Minot has agreed to come down and conduct a beginner class this fall. The class will be limited to 10 individuals. You must be at least 15 years old to take this class. You will need nothing but a good attitude and $25 to take the class. Please contact the lodge if you are interested. We need 8-10 people to express and interest and will schedule the weekend class (Friday night and Saturday morning) later this fall. Your input will help with the scheduling.
More details at the September social too
In Memory of
Raymond Larson, Golden Member
Vern Hansen, Golden Member

What is a Golden Member?
Our lodge currently has 58 Golden Members and 13 Life Members. Requirements for both are being a member in good standing for 30 years and 65 years of age or older. The category and benefits for these members changed several years ago. Life Members pay no International or District dues, Golden member pay half the District and International Dues and all the Local dues.

International Officers
At the recent International Convention of the S/N held in Florida the following officers were elected:

Jon Tehven - President
Ron Stubbings - Vice President
Dan Rude - Secretary
Roy Knutson - Treasurer

The 2016 International Convention will be held in Tacoma, Washington.

Pictured Below, taken at the International Convention are: Convention Co-Chair Marci Larson; Ruth Olson, District IV Secretary from Sverdrup; Mae Strich, Delegate from Bottineau and Kent Larson, President of the host lodge in Florida.

You are invited to attend the 95th Birthday party for Golden S/N member
Blanche Flynn
Sunday, September 7 - 1 - 3 p.m.
Touchmark Dining Room

Transfer In
Maggie Hendrickson - Bismarck
Stephanie Sandstrom - Mandan

School Supplies
You are encouraged to bring school supplies to the September Social to be donated to the school children as part of our Adopt a School project.

New Membership Information
Dues are currently as follows:
Primary member $43 - Spouse $36 - Unge Venner $23 (unless a parent is a member, in which case there is no fee, just an application for Ages 16-23).

New member applications are turned in to Eunice Wolf, Financial Secretary for processing together with a check for the appropriate amount written to Sons of Norway. Eunice’s Address: 2951 Arizona Dr, Bismarck, ND 58503-5369
Current membership number: - 370

Mission Statement
The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and to preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and provide quality insurance and financial products to our members.