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Lake Telemark, NJ



B.U.L Cabin
Lake Telemark, New Jersey
Pen and Ink Sketch by Don Tripp '94

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Deadline for submission of materials for publication is the 20th of the month prior. PLEASE NOTE!

Nor-Bu is on Facebook at Nor-Bu Lodge.

ATTENTION

JUNE

June 23, 6:30pm
Bonfire and barbeque

SAVE THE DATES

Sept. 1, 10am-500pm
Scanfest at Vasa Park

Please come and visit our
booth for a hot dog with lefse

Sept. 21. 6:30pm
Business Meeting & Social

Sept. 29th, 2:00pm
Sunday Dinner
to support Alzheimer's

Special Birthday Congratulations

We are going to add special birthday
greetings for our members that have
reached that golden age of
"90"plus

Summer's 90 plus birthdays are

Greta Cary 91

Else Ege 91

Kari Liseth 93

HAPPY BIRTHDAY





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Time to think ahead for your summer vacation plans. We can help you with all your travel. Give us a call.



GRATULERER MED DAGEN

June

Steve Osvold
Elsie Svaasand
Barbara Johanson
Judith Bonn
Barbara Selland
Ingebjorg Baadshaug
Louise Pedersen
Lynn Perry
Joan Cosgrove
Helen Maltby
Karen Johnsen
Ann Louise Gallagher
Dorothy Furst Bahnatka

July

Erik Barman
Else Ege
Stacey Titus
Lauren G Phillips
Debbie Dirgo
Kristine Anker-Kaufmann
Kari Liseth
Magnus Gythfeldt
Greta Carey
Roger McKeon
Ruth Hirschauer
Carol McKeon
Bjorg Lema
Kenneth Arntzen
Kjell Ring
Katherine Deo
Karen Oren



GOD BEDRING

We would like to send get well wishes to Gladys Stene, Rita Kugler, Bob Haugeto, Bill Nostrand, and Maryanne Matyola, Kathy Deo, Richie Olsen, and Marilyn Pettersen



NOTIFY our Sunshine Lady, Sister Evelyn Hammaren, 973-584-8249 ASAP if you know of anyone who is sick, or if you wish to extend congratulations to someone, For whatever reason It only takes a minute to call.



Don't forget our ongoing sale of Shop-Rite cards.

This is an successful fundraiser. Since we started in March of 2010, we have sold over \$100,000.00 in gift cards, that is \$5000.00 for Nor-Bu. Please consider purchasing for yourself or for gifts. If you wish to purchase some gift cards, contact Evelyn Karpack at 973-627-5634 or just mail a check for your order to Nor-Bu Lodge, PO Box 317, Hibernia, NJ 07842 and let us know the amount you wish and we will mail them to you.

FOOD SALE CONTINUES AT ALL MEETINGS

We have these items for sale, nøkkelost, norvegia, snøfrisk, ekte gjetost, blended gjetost, gulost (gouda), lohengrin, firkløver, milkchocolate, "dronning" chocolate, selskap chocolate, gullbrød, mokka-bønner, marzipan gris, Laban (seigman), tyttebær, tidbits, lefse, surkål and rødkål, fishballs, herring, mackerel, cod roe, solo, crisp bread and kardemomme.



Summer 2019 MESSAGE

Making plans for big events are always done with some concern about participation. And let us face it, participation in our 17th of May celebrations have not always been great these last several years. So I was delighted that this year we had a nearly full cabin celebrating the Norwegian Constitution Day. Maybe having the International President, our District 3 President, and the International Director from District 8 (Norway) with us made the difference, but whatever it was, we had a great time. And with delicious food and great music, who wouldn't enjoy themselves? And the enthusiasm carried over to the next day when we had more than 20 members traveling with us to Brooklyn for the Parade. Yes, I would have liked to see more of our members participating, but the good thing this year was that nearly all of those who came with us in the bus marched in the Parade. In Brooklyn Love joined us, and she was with us in the Parade being transported in a rickshaw! An announcement about her and her condition was made as we passed the Reviewing Stand. I thought that the judges might have made a comment when rendering their decisions, as surely this was something new and special, emphasizing the need for finding a cure for Alzheimer's, and finding a way for anyone, regardless of physical condition to participate in the Parade. This is not meant as criticism of the judges, they have a difficult job, and I am sure, follow their guidelines.

What I am very grateful for is what I heard from my good friend, International Director Ken Johnson. The International Board considered at their recent meeting a suggestion I made at the District Board meeting this spring to make Alzheimer's a cause for Sons of Norway, and that their reaction was very positive. I am hoping to hear more from the International and District Boards, but I also hope, and expect that we as a lodge will do our share in engaging in fighting this terrible disease, and that together we can help finding a cure.

As you can see on our lodge calendar for the fall, a Sunday dinner fundraiser is scheduled in September. It is a start, and let us make it a good start. Many of us have family and friends who have suffered from Alzheimer's. This would be a great way to remember those who have suffered, and to help in fighting this currently incurable disease. I look forward to seeing many of you at the dinner on September 29, and of course, at coming to meetings and events.

Fraternally,

Audun





2019 Nor-Bu Lodge Fall Preview

September

Scanfest

Board meeting

Business meeting/Program

Sunday Dinner/Alzheimer Fund Raiser

October

Cultural night/Program

Zone meeting,

November

Tricky Tray

Board Meeting

Business meeting, program

3rd Zone Scholarship Fund Raiser

December

Food Sale

Annual Pork Dinner

Julefest

Children's Julefest

Sunday, September 1st at 10am-5pm

Saturday, September 21st at 5:30pm

Saturday, September 21st at 6:30pm

Sunday, September 29th at 2pm

Saturday, October 19th at 6:30pm

Sunday, October 21st at 2pm

Sunday, November 10th at 2:30pm

Saturday, November 16th at 5:30pm

Saturday, November 16th at 6:30pm

Sunday, November 24th 1-5pm at Nansen

Sunday, December 8th at 1pm

Sunday, December 8th at 2pm

Saturday, December 21st at 6:30pm

Saturday, December 28th at 2pm

GRATULERER MED DAGEN

August

Joseph Lehner

Eric Midgley

Marianne Gythfeldt

Elizabeth GradyNilsen

Warren Andersen

Ann Whitestone

Sig Samuelsen

Barbara Thorsen

Vega Hendela

Hessie Kjekstad

Thomas Bakos

Daniel Spector

Edith Ring

Robert Thompson

Lise Meisner

Marilyn Bakos

Elizabeth Merritt

Stuart Anderson

Gail Garnett

Jill Hammaren

Charly Pedersen

Deanna Evensen

John Jenkins

Nancy Lund

Steinar Nelson



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Pastor Jack DiMatteo

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“The Longest Day”. Its about time— The Past, The Present and The Future and the teachings of Sankt Hans

Like other MIDSUMMER DAY celebrations, the St. Hans (St. John) Festival in Norway combines both pagan and Christian customs. This festival was originally held in honor of the sun god, for the ancients believed that the sun's change of course at the SUMMER SOLSTICE was an important event. The gates of the upper and lower worlds stood wide open at this time, and supernatural beings such as trolls and goblins roamed the earth.

After Christianity was introduced, the Norwegian midsummer festival was linked to the birth of John the Baptist and it became known as **Sankt Hans Dag**, or **St. John's Day**. But some of the ancient customs and superstitions surrounding Midsummer Day have persisted. Only a century ago it was still common for Norwegians to hide their pokers and to carve a cross on their broomsticks as a way of warding off witches who might otherwise use these household items for transportation. The present-day custom of decorating with birch boughs also has its roots in ancient times, when the foliage was considered a symbol of the life force that awakens in Nature in the spring and early summer.

The festival of St. Hans is still celebrated in Norway much as it has been for hundreds of years. On *Jonsok*, or St. John's Eve, Norwegians who live near the fjords head out in their boats, which are decorated with green boughs and flowers, to get the best possible view of the St. John's bonfires on the mountains.



“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,” (John 3:16)

John shows us that the Biblical concepts of “love” and “gift” are inseparable. In fact it is impossible to understand one without the other. Therefore, because God’s love is gifted love, our love must be expressed through giving back as well.

The 3rd District is fortunate to be able to celebrate this year’s Sankt Hans Dag by honoring The Past in the form of Donations to the **3rd District Charitable Trust**. This fund is unique in all of Sons of Norway and demonstrates how the spirit of generosity of our District 3 members has been evident since the very beginning of our Fraternal Order.

The Sons of Norway Foundation insures The Future for our members and families with the numerous scholarships, disaster relief for our members and by funding our efforts to promote and maintain our Scandinavian Cultural Heritage.

Lastly, the 3rd District acknowledges the needs of The Present by actively participating in this years “Longest Day” fundraising campaign for **The Alzheimers Association**. Are there any of us or are there any of our Lodges in the 3rd District who have not been affected by this disease? According to the World Health Organization, out of 183 countries, Finland ranks #1 in mortality rate for Alzheimers. The US ranks 8th, Iceland 15th, Sweden 17th, **Norway 21st**, Canada 22nd and Denmark 31st.

On June 21, 2019, The Longest Day, while participating in the District 3 fundraising drive for Alzheimers, please consider dividing your charitable gifts budget 3 ways and honor the Past, insure the Future and contribute to a better world now by taking a few minutes of your time and donate to **all 3!**

The link for “The Longest Day” (Alzheimers Association) is; ***click below***

http://act.alz.org/site/TR/LongestDay2019/TheLongestDay?team_id=539887&pg=team&fr_id=11896

It will take you right to our Sons of Norway Third District Team Page, Once you donate you will be able to track our District 3 results—we are shooting for \$12,500 and this should be no problem. Your gift will also be posted on the website and a very nice letter will follow.

The link for the Sons of Norway Foundation donation page is; ***click below Be sure to watch the video***

<https://www.sofn.com/foundation/>

The link for the 3rd District Charitable Trust is: ***click below***

<http://3dsofn.org/charitable-trust/>

Tusen takk Dirk Hansen, District 3 Foundation Director

The folks that help bring you the newsletter.
Booster Club Members

Nils Abate.....	12/2019
Stuart Anderson.....	2/2020
Dorothy Furst Bahnatka.....	7/2020
Eric Barman.....	10/2019
Frank & Kari Brescher.....	2/2020
Anne-Lise Henriksen Carew.....	3/2021
Artie Crane.....	4/2020
Ellen Crane.....	4/2020
Jeff & Debbie Dirgo.....	5/2020
Kim Dwyer.....	2/2020
Marit Fosstveit.....	6/2020
Gail Garnett.....	11/2019
Peggy Gerding.....	6/2020
Audun & Margaret Gythfeldt.....	5/2021
Ellen Hantho.....	3/2020
Iris R. Hascup.....	9/2019
Vega & Arthur Hendela.....	4/2021
Henny Henriksen.....	12/2020
Barbara & Peter Johanson.....	4/2020
Stan & Hessie Kjekstad.....	2/2020
Debbie Landvik Larsen.....	4/2021
Joe & Barbara Lehner.....	3/2020
Bjorg Lema.....	11/2019
Gerda Lindstrom.....	3/2021
John & Claire Loken.....	9/2021
Per & Marit Mikalsen.....	6/2019
William Nostrand.....	3/2020
Mary & Harry Ostevik.....	1/2020
Charly Pedersen.....	5/2021
Neil Pedersen.....	10/2021
Marilyn Pettersen.....	1/2021
Judy & Eugene Randazzo.....	12/2019
Ruth Ruediger.....	11/2019
Gunvor Satra.....	1/2020
Ray and Carol Schutz.....	5/2020
Roy & Barbara Selland.....	2/2020
Thor & Gladys Stene.....	5/2019
Mari Svensen.....	2/2020
Angie Thompson.....	1/2020
Austin Thompson.....	1/2020
Joanne Thompson.....	1/2020
Robert & Mary Thompson.....	1/2020
Gwyn Anne Thompson.....	1/2020
Mary Ellen Thompson.....	1/2020
Garth Eric Thompson.....	1/2020
Gindy Dale Thompson.....	1/2020
Garon Keith Thompson.....	1/2020
Gayle Elaine Thompson.....	1/2020
Heather Thompson.....	1/2020
Jason Thompson.....	1/2020
Laura Thompson.....	1/2020
Thelma Thompson.....	1/2020
Barbara & Karl Peter Thorsen.....	4/2024

You can be a booster too! Adding your name to the booster list helps to pay for mailing and printing. \$ 10.00 donation to the Treasurer will put you on the list! Make Check out to Nor-Bu Lodge.

Mail to:


Anne-Lise Meisner
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 If your name is missing and you have sent in your booster, please let Anne-Lise know, 973-663-1070.

Memorial Boosters



In Loving Memory

Eileen Anderson	February 2020
Daniel Lema	October 2019
Arne & Ingeborg Strom-Henriksen	April 2021
Arne Landvik-Larsen	December 2020
Dagmar & Susan Heien	October 2019
Arnt & Solveig Walaas	April 2028
Louise Scantlebury	June 2021



Two repeats shown

SAVE THE DATE

SEPT. 29TH 2:00PM

ALZHEIMER'S SUNDAY DINNER

Please come and support this special fund raiser.

See Sept. newsletter for Reservation information.

June – August message – District President Kathy Dollymore

I hope everyone had an excellent 17th of May Day. Did you celebrate with family and friends, did you decide to have a quiet day flying your Norwegian flag and playing music, did you march in parades, did you feast on lutefisk, kumla, lefse, or fârikål, maybe hot dogs and hamburgers? Whatever you did I hope it was fun. I was in Brooklyn for the parade there. It was a beautiful day of sunshine, marching bands, bunads and good wishes and flags flying from the sidelines. Wonderful to see the Norwegian Spirit still alive and well at “Lapskaus Boulevard” We were honored to have SON International President Ron Stubbings, as Honorary Marshall, and wife Riitta showing off their dancing skills as we marched along.

I've just returned from the District President's Advisory Council meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota and I am proud to announce to all of District Three that we are number one in the whole order in Retention and Recruitment. Congratulations to you all for doing what you're doing, bringing new friends into our lodges to share our heritage and celebrations.

We were busy going over what works and what needs doing in each District. You can be proud of the way D3 shows itself. Between the programs presented, the LLST(local lodge support team), the outreach to communities, and making each member important we are doing something right. On the visits I have made so far to the lodges I am so impressed with the dedication I have seen of all our members. I will be trying to visit all our lodges and I have no doubt that dedication will be seen in those lodges too.

Now that summer is just around the corner and we have just a year to the D3 Convention, I hope your lodges are finding ways to help send delegates to the meeting. From what I was able to see in Jacksonville, when I visited the event facility, the hotel is exceptional, right on the St. John's river. More information will be forthcoming from the committee, they are a great group doing a first-rate job for us.

The mornings are a wonderful time for a walk or a swim, think about the sports medal program and getting an award. Talk to your Lodge Sports Director for more information. Take care with sun exposure, keep yourself safe swimming, boating and other summer activities. I enjoy my gardening while listening to my books-on-tape but so far there is no medal for that so it's off to walk around the block for me.

If your lodge is one of those taking the summer months off, remember to take a “Join Now” membership application with you as you enjoy the summer, you never know who you'll meet on travels. Let's all get one new member for our lodge between now and September.

Vi skal ikkje sova bort sumarnatta, Ho er for ljøs til det.

We should not sleep away the summer night, It is too light for that.

Have a happy, healthy and safe summer and don't forget to send in your pictures

Fraternally, Kathy



ST HANS AT THE LODGE

Sunday June 23rd, 6:30pm

Picnic and bonfire at the lodge to celebrate midsummers eve..
Hamburgers, hot dogs. Bring salad or dessert to share.

Call Elizabeth Nilsen 908-283-1295

NOR-BU WEBSITE

Take a look at our website to see videos from Our May 17th celebration at the lodge.

www.norgbulodge.org

**APPLICATION FOR
SONS OF NORWAY THIRD DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP
LAND OF THE VIKINGS, SHERMAN, PA
July 14-20, 2019 8- to-16 year olds**

Please Print
Name _____ Male ___ Female ___

Birth Date _____ Age at camp _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZipCode _____

Camper E-mail _____ Camper Cell Phone _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number _____ Parent/Guardian E-mail _____

Member Sponsor _____

Relationship to camper _____

Lodge of Sponsor's Membership _____

Emergency Contact (Name, phone and relationship) _____

Telephone: Day _____ Evening _____

Please identify roommate preference here: _____

The completed application form, along with a \$50 registration fee (deposit), must be sent to Susan Olson ASAP. The check should be made payable to District Lodge #3 Sons of Norway. You will receive camp materials including health form when your application is received.

Camp tuition is \$400 per camper. The \$350 balance is to be sent to **Susan Olson at the below address NO LATER than June 1**. Deposits are non-refundable if a cancellation is made after **June 15**. Any camper not related (child or grandchild) to a Sons of Norway member will pay a tuition rate of \$450. Non-members will be registered when members have been placed.

The SON Third District offers a limited number of partial camperships to those who qualify. To apply for this campership, the camper must write a full page essay stating why s/he wants to attend our camp. Completed essays must be submitted to the District 3 Youth Director, **Mrs. Susan Olson, 97 Locust Drive Rocky Point, NY 11778 no later than June 1, 2019.**

