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Lake Telemark, NJ



B.U.L Cabin
Lake Telemark, New Jersey
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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 5-10 3rd District Convention

June 23rd St Hans Zone Scholarship
3:00pm til dusk
Special Event & Fund Raiser
See info page 4



June 23rd Dusk St Hans Bonfire



Dear Members and Friends of Nor-Bu Lodge

As many of you already are aware the roof of our beloved BUL (Bondeungdomslage) Cabin is in dire need of replacement. Current codes require ridge venting, ice shield, etc. We have been patching recurring leaks over many years. In the next few months we will be embarking on an effort to raise the funds for its replacement/upgrade. We expect to need about \$16,000 beyond our normal maintenance funding for this project and will be asking for your generosity for this effort.

Suggestions and or questions ?
Contact Joe Zarnitz, BUL President
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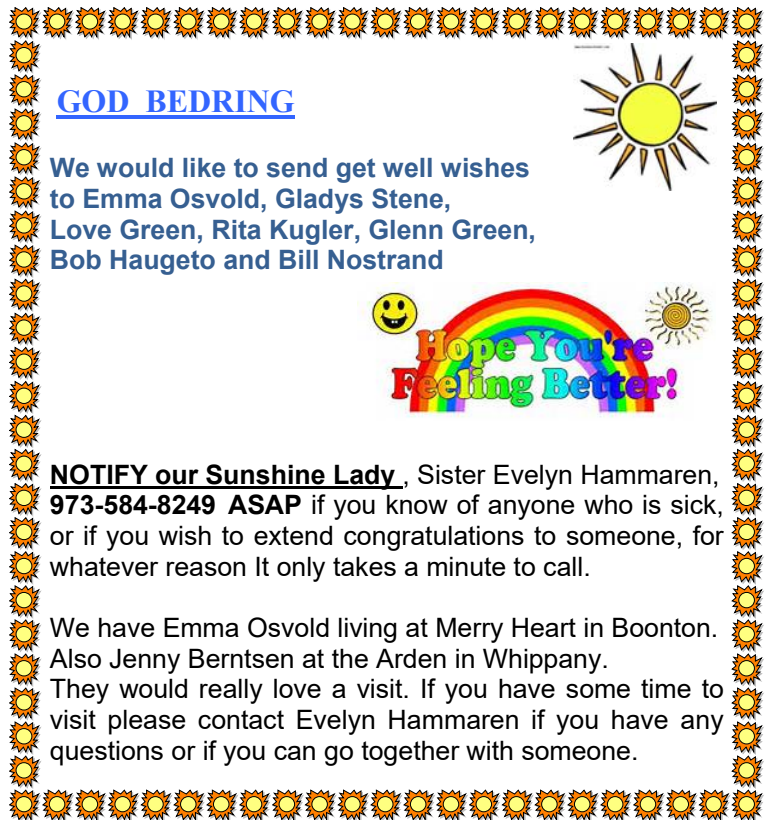




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GOD BEDRING



We would like to send get well wishes to Emma Osvoid, Gladys Stene, Love Green, Rita Kugler, Glenn Green, Bob Haugeto and Bill Nostrand



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.

We have Emma Osvoid living at Merry Heart in Boonton. Also Jenny Berntsen at the Arden in Whippany. They would really love a visit. If you have some time to visit please contact Evelyn Hammaren if you have any questions or if you can go together with someone.



GRATULERER MED DAGEN

June

- Steve Osvoid
- Elsie Svaasand
- Barbara Johanson
- Judith Bonn
- Barbara Selland
- Ingebjorg Baadshaug
- Louise Pedersen
- Lynn Perry
- Joan Cosgrove
- Helen Maltby
- Karen Johnsen
- Dorothy Furst Bahnatka
- Leif Larsen
- Glenn Green

July

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

Please help the editor keep this updated.
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Gratulerer med dagen

August

- Joseph Lehner
- Eric Midgley
- Marianne Gythfeldt
- Elizabeth GradyNielsen
- Ann Whitestone
- Sig Samuelsen
- Barbara Thorsen
- Vega Hendela
- Hessie Kjekstad
- Aidan Loevlie
- 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





JUNE 2018 MESSAGE

Even years are convention years, and at this time of the year many of our members are looking forward to reconnect with fellow members and friends from other lodges. We are also looking forward to discussing organization business, at least I am. The Sons of Norway governance model makes the International Lodge the supreme decision-making authority and its meetings are therefore, of the utmost importance for the organization.

In the June issue of the Viking Magazine, our International President, Jon Tehven, is discussing good governance focusing on nominating committees which were fairly recently implemented at both the international and district levels. He says: "These committees have been tasked with seeking out the best qualified, interested individuals who are willing and able to serve." From what I have seen in our district, the committee has certainly worked hard to find members who are interested and willing to serve, but I see no evidence of vetting the candidates. The International President goes on to say in his column in the Viking Magazine: "The committee screen applicants and present all those who are eligible, based on the requirements of the position." Really, we have job descriptions. But what are the requirements for say an International Secretary, or District Secretary? What I have seen in our district is that the committee tries to get a slate together of members interested in serving, end of story. In other words pretty much what we have done for years at the local lodge level. And I don't know if it is any different at the International Lodge level either, but we may know more come August and the International Convention. But does this really satisfy scrutiny by regulators?

An added complication this year is the unfortunate decision made by the International Lodge at its meeting two years ago that nominations cannot be made from the floor at the district level. In our district we have had problems for years filling all the officer positions, and at times only succeeding just prior to when the elections were to take place. There are things that are best left to the districts, and accepting nominations from the floor is an example of this.

Another thing best left to districts and local lodges is setting dues. The ill-prepared uniform dues structure approved two years ago, has as an example, presented our district with unnecessary new challenges as the fraternal fee has been discontinued. The Third District has had a fraternal fee for years supporting the operation of Land of the Vikings. Without it, LOV which is showing signs of improvements, must find other ways to shore up its finances, likely to be fund raising. But fund raising is a problem as the district and the local lodges also rely on fund raising for their needs. And it is always the same people who are being asked, which is an added problem. It would be nice and helpful if the International Board would review these most unfortunate decisions.

Fraternally,

Audun#

3RD ZONE SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAISER & BON FIRE

Date: JUNE 23RD, 2018

Time: 3:00PM until DUSK



**AFTERNOON PICNIC AND VIKING AUCTION
FOLLOWED BY BON-FIRE TO CELEBRATE
NORWEGIAN ST HANS, MIDSUMMER'S EVE.
EVENT TO BENEFIT ZONE 3 SCHOLARSHIP
FUND**



**COST FOR THE EVENT IS \$20.00 PER ADULT
WHICH INCLUDES ONE TICKET TO THE VIKING
AUCTION AND HAMBURGER/HOT DOGS, SALADS,
WATERMELON. SODA AND WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE.
CHILDREN ARE FREE**

**THERE WILL BE GAMES AND ACTIVITIES
FOLLOWED BY BON FIRE WITH S'MORES
BRING LAWN CHAIRS**



**HELD AT NOR-BU LODGE
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JUNE 2018

Fra Presidenten

“I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And what I can do, I ought to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I shall do.” Edward Everett Hale

I saw the above quote in a Blafjell newsletter and said wow, how powerful. As I reflect on my four years as your District President, I think of how much we were able to accomplish because of fabulous supportive Boards and because of all of you. Thank you for your support during these past four years, your smiles, your kind words, your encouragement. You unselfishly give your time to Sons of Norway and the Third District. You are all amazing.

Life seems to have hit the Third District hard recently, but we continue to weather through it. Whether it is the loss of dear fraternal brother or sister or the stressors of everyday life, illness, new joints (not the kind you smoke), work and family. We keep moving forward. You never lose your enthusiasm for the work you do for Sons of Norway. You are the reason your lodge and our District thrive. Don't ever underestimate the value and impact of your contributions. You may be only one, but to your lodge you are the one.

Ralph Waldo Emerson said – “Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success. When you do a thing, do it with all your might. Put your whole soul into it. Stamp it with your own personality. Be active, be energetic, be enthusiastic and faithful, and you will accomplish your object. Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.”

Your enthusiasm shows, and I thank you for it.

Have a happy, healthy and safe summer!!!!

Jeg ønsker dere alt godt,

Mary



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Sunday Worship Sunday School 11 am
Pastor Jack DiMatteo

Communion is celebrated every Sunday.
The 2nd Sunday of each month is our
Contemporary Service.

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

Stuart Anderson.....	11/2018
Dorothy Furst Bahnatka.....	7/2020
Sigrid Bjelland.....	5/2018
Frank & Kari Brescher.....	2/2019
Anne-Lise Henriksen Carew.....	3/2019
Joe Carlsen.....	11/2018
Artie Crane.....	12/2018
Ellen Crane.....	12/2018
Jeff & Debbie Dirgo.....	5/2020
Kim Dwyer.....	2/2019
Judith Eriksson.....	4/2019
Marit Fosstveit.....	9/2018
Gail Garnett.....	11/2019
Audun & Margaret Gythfeldt.....	4/2019
Ellen Hantho.....	3/2020
Bob Haugeto.....	10/2018
Jimmy Heien.....	10/2018
Vega & Arthur Hendela.....	04/2021
Ilene & Walt Jacobus.....	12/2018
Lillian Jensen.....	1/2019
Barbara & Peter Johanson.....	4/2019
Earl and Siri Kjekstad.....	4/2019
Stan & Hessie Kjekstad.....	2/2020
Irma Bergland Lafko.....	4/2019
Debbie Landvik Larsen Felner.....	1/2019
Barbara & Joseph Lehner.....	1/2019
Bjorg Lema.....	11/2019
Gerda Lindstrom.....	12/2018
John & Claire Loken.....	9/2021
Per & Marit Mikalsen.....	6/2019
Russell & Doris Nelson.....	6/2018
Elizabeth & Roy Nilsen.....	12/2018
William Nostrand.....	3/2019
Mary & Harry Ostevik.....	1/2019
Charly Pedersen.....	5/2019
Marilyn Petterson.....	1/2021
Kjell & Edith Ring.....	6/2018
Ruth Ruediger.....	11/2018
Gunvor Satra.....	1/2019
Ray and Carol Schutz.....	5/2019
Roy & Barbara Selland.....	2/2019
Thor & Gladys Stene.....	05/2019
Joyce Svendsen.....	1/2019
Mari Svensen.....	1/2019
Angie Thompson.....	1/2019
Austin Thompson.....	1/2019
Joanne Thompson.....	1/2019
Robert & Mary Thompson.....	1/2019
Gwyn Anne Thompson.....	1/2019
Mary Ellen Thompson.....	1/2019
Garth Eric Thompson.....	1/2019
Gindy Dale Thompson.....	1/2019
Garon Keith Thompson.....	1/2019
Gayle Elaine Thompson.....	1/2019
Heather Thompson.....	1/2019

Jason Thompson.....	1/2019
Laura Thompson.....	1/2019
Thelma Thompson.....	1/2020
Barbara & Karl Peter Thorsen.....	4/2019
Ellen & Richard Tonnesen.....	3/2019

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:

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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



- Daniel Lema October 2019
- Arne & Ingeborg Strom-Henriksen April 2019
- Arne Landvik-Larsen December 2019
- Dagmar & Susan Heien October 2019
- Eileen Anderson November 2018
- Oscar & Evelyn Tonnesen June 2018
- Ivar & Ruth Skavnes June 2018
- Palma & Olav Brastad December 2018
- Arnt & Solveig Walaas April 2028



We still have our Shop-Rite fundraiser. If you would like to buy a gift card for Shop-Rite please call Evelyn Karpack. 973-627-5634.

This fundraiser is a good one for the lodge and you don't lose anything if you buy one.



2018 Nor-Bu Lodge Calendar



June

3D Convention, Hauppauge, LI
St. Hans Zone Scholarship events
St. Hans Bonfire

Wednesday June 6 to Sunday June 10
Saturday, June 23rd time 3:00pm
Saturday, June 23rd at dusk

September

Board meeting
Business meeting
Norseman 40th Anniversary
Sunday Dinner

Tuesday, September 11th at 7pm
Saturday, September 15th at 6:30pm
Saturday, September 22nd
Sunday, September 30th at 2pm

October

Cultural night program
Zone meeting, Bernt Balchen

Saturday, October 20th at 6:30pm
Sunday, October 21st at 2pm

November

Tricky Tray
Board Meeting
Business meeting with elections

Sunday, November 11th at 2:30pm
Wednesday, November 14th at 7pm
Saturday, November 17th at 6:30pm

December

Food Sale
Annual Pork Dinner
Julefest
Children's Julefest

Sunday, December 2nd at 1pm
Sunday, December 2nd at 2pm
Saturday, December 15th at 6:30pm
Saturday, December 29th at 2pm





SCANFEST
 SEPTEMBER 2nd
 VASA PARK
 10AM TO 5PM

Nor-Bu will serve
 Pølse(hot-dog) in lefse
 also selling Solo, soda and water

Lobsters Lobsters Lobsters

@ Land of the Vikings!

LOV's 6th Annual Lobster Fest

Time: 1:30 pm

Saturday - August 18, 2018



Meal Options:

- Lobster
- Prime Rib
- Surf & Turf*



Meal includes corn on the cob, melted butter, potato, salad, rolls ... and delicious dessert!

Squeezing & Pleasing by:

Ellen Lindstrom
 "The Swedish Meatball"



Cost is \$35 per person for those planning to come for the afternoon of August 18th. *Each additional lobster or prime rib (Surf & Turf) is \$10 per item.

For those staying the weekend, there will be a small \$15 activity/entertainment fee added to each lobster/prime rib dinner. Expect fun-filled entertainment for the weekend!

FUN & Games by Crazy Bob Carlsen

Dinner reservations are a must!

We need to make sure we order enough Lobsters

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