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President's Report

Happy Thanksgiving!! What a beautiful fall we have had. The bad news is it will not last. The leaves have come and gone, blue skies have been with us and we are ready for our next season. Busy time of the year for our lodge too. We are getting ready to vote on new officers in November and we still have some offices to be filled. The major ones have one or two



nominees and we will vote on these at our November social.

Last month included our annual Norwegian auction and we did well with about \$1,500 in sales. Most of the money goes back to our Foundation to help people in need. Thank you to all who brought items and also to our buyers. You did a great job. German Kuchen sold especially well at our Norwegian auction.

Ralph Feland is still working on a woodworking class; Marcia Hansen is also establishing a Norwegian language class and Jerry Saude is working with Joan Varty on a Rosemaling class. Lots of things to do within the lodge. Also we are getting ready for Bell Ringing with the Salvation Army. Call Alice Falkenstein to volunteer. The big event of the year, the Lutefisk Dinner is already being worked on. Duane Svanes, our new Lutefisk Dinner chairman has made some preparations and talked to some people to help with the dinner. Again we will need volunteers to make cookies, work as waiters, cooks, cleanup and all of the other jobs necessary for a successful dinner.

Please note our business meeting in on November 20th this year due to Thanksgiving being on our regular meeting date. This will happen again in December and our meeting then will on December 18th. This month for our social we would ask everyone who has a striped vest to wear it to our meeting. We also decided at our Business Meeting to ask people with vests to wear them to funerals for our lodge members. There is something about the unity this shows that makes us all feel well. November is also the month for Welcoming new members. Audrey and Jerry will be giving an orientation program for the new members. After that, Jerry and Sonna will share with us information about their trip to Norway this summer.

One more thought I have to talk about is the passing of one of our lodge members, Janet McCallum. What a great lady and what a great lodge member. I am so proud we presented Jan and her husband Bob with a tree at the Sons of Norway Park last May. Please say a prayer for their family.

Happy Thanksgiving! Don't Forget to Vote.

Rich Fadness, President

If you are leaving the area for the winter months, please let the editor know so newsletter can be sent to the appropriate address.. Bulk Mail is not forwarded and costs us money in postage when returned.

Calendar of Events

November

- 01 Lutefisk Dinner in Almont
- O4 Chorus Practice 4 p.m. Sr Center
- 05 Needle Work 1:30 p.m. at Juluie Roe's, 2900 N 4th Street #110.
- 07 Bok Møte Radig's 2 p.m.
 1407 N 19th Street, Bismarck,
 Report by Jackson Kaguri, the
 founder and ED of the Naka
 AIDS Orphans Project in
 Uganda.
- 18 Chorus Practice 4 p.m. at the Sr. Center South Conference Room
- 19 Needle Work 1:30 p.m. at Ione Leet's, 1300 Ridgeview Lane, Bismarck
- 20 Business Meeting Library 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Social (see information below for details)
- 22 Lefse Sale Gateway Mall

Social Date: Friday November 21

Location: Bismarck Eagles Club **Time:** 6:15 p.m. - \$15/ meal

Menu: Turkey

Program: Welcoming Ceremony;

Travels Through Norway

Jerry and Sonna Anderson Saude

Music: Jim Geiger

Reservations: By Friday, Nov 14 Call Nanc Skaret, 258-4703 or e mail skaret@bis.midco.net (unless you have established your "regular" status)

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November Birthdays

Evelyn E Cowell 1 Orla A Smith 1 2 Lvle D Larson Kathryn L Holle 3 Karen L Jorgensen 3 5 Margaret T Nolte John D Olsrud 5 Debra H Grant-Howard 6 Marjorie G Peterson 6 8 Claudia J Berg Bjarne J Frafjord 8 Robert A Matz 8 Barbara Arneson 10 10 Dixie K Lang Dan Halvorson 11 Marjorie A Robinson 12 Barbara Wetzstein 12 Janyce B Bjornson 18 Alfred W Steinke 18 Maggie Hendrickson 20 Ardyce L Miller 21 22 Amy D Lehn Carol A Anderson 24 Ronald Rosenvold 24 Alice F Schott 24 Diane E Rieke 25 Albert John Olson 28

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LIFE Insurance IS Available to the Middle Class

We often hear stories that the wealthy get all the breaks. A big part of this is they pay experts to give them advice that will help them utilize things that are there for anyone, you just have to know about it and put it to use. Well guess what? Sons of Norway has professionally trained Financial Benefit Counselors that can do much of this for our members at NO COST.

According to an article in the Wall Street Journal, "a growing proportion of the tax benefits of life insurance goes to the well-off, not to the middle class."

These folks are advised that cash value life insurance can provide money when needed to; pay taxes, keep a business solvent, maintain the family farm, finance education, pay off mortgages, replace income, build a larger estate, pass income tax free to the beneficiaries, this list can go on and on. Why do the wealthy need all of this if they already have lots of money? Because like all of us, it makes good sense. What other investment can you pay pennies on the dollar for that is paid up at the precise time you need it?

Unlike many investments that are out of reach of the average middle class family, the benefits of permanent life insurance can, and should, be considered by every household.

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{Congratulations on Your Day}



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Rosemaling Class Update

Eight people have signed up with their interest in taking the Rosemaling Class. There is room for a couple more and some alternates too. The Class will provide you with 6-8 hours of instruction and you will complete your very own decorative authentic Norwegian Rosemaling craft. You will be able to proudly display it in your home. The class time is being considered in February. You will commit a Friday night and Saturday morning to this project. We'll get the date and location set by the December social time.

Pass the Piggy in November

In November our nation honors our military veterans. Sverdrup Lodge will lend a hand by our "Pass The Piggy" campaign to raise funds for the ND Veterans Memorial Cemetery Foundation. Your gift is tax deductible and the interest generated from this long-term fund will be used to operate and maintain the cemetery. It will also be recognized by donor level on our Kiosk Donor Board located in the visitor's center. Gifts are tracked and cumulative totals are recognized. We can grow our contribution by adding to it each November. Checks should be made payable to: NDVCF or ND Veterans Cemetery Foundation and cash donations will be lumped into a lodge check.

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.

In Memory of

Lorna Tyson Golden Member

Jan McCallum 22-Year Member

Beginners Norwegian Language Class

We are pleased to report that former president, Marcia Hanson has agreed to teach the Norwegian Language class and it will begin after the first of the year. Details are still be worked out but II people have already expressed their interest in starting. Each month we will have the signup sheet at the socials and will report on the progress of the class. You will likely be able to earn a Cultural Language Pin to proudly wear on your vests too!

Christmas Party for Children

If your family has children that will attend a children's Christmas Party with a Scandinavian flare, please let us know. Without children, we can't have a party. No date has been set, but we can arrange one if there is interest. The Saturday or Sunday before Christmas has worked well in the past. Contact Jerry at 224-0963 or grammas@bektel.com We need children and volunteers to help with the program.

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: - 367



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