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



LODGE EVENTS

January 22, 2022 6:30pm

Business meeting

This is a very important meeting because we need to elect delegates for the international convention and confirm the budget for the new year.

Please respond if you will be attending.

RSVP to Anne-Lise @
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MEETINGS HELD AT BUL CABIN

21 Oslo Dr., Lake Telemark, NJ, **ONLY FOR GPS NOT MAIL**

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.

Check our website. www.norbulodge.org

WELCOME TO 2022

As we begin a new year still dealing with the pandemic, we want to be able to have our meetings in person at the lodge.

It is therefore important that we hear from you, our members, how you feel about attending meetings in person at this time.

We would like to get back to meetings with programs and entertainment, but need to know if our members will be there to support the events

There are several programs on the table that we would like to present. So please let us know what you think.

Contact: Anne-Lise @ 973-663-1070 or
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December 2021 MESSAGE



Let me begin this message by wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year, and may the new year be better than the old.

With Sons of Norway in mind there are things to look forward to. But it all depends on COVID and how it will be handled. We have a district convention coming up in Jacksonville in June, and we in Nor-Bu are scheduled to elect our delegates at our upcoming meeting in January, which I hope we have in person, but we will be prepared to go to Zoom if we have to. I believe we are entitled to 5 delegates and I hope that five of our members are interested in going. As a member of the District board, I am a delegate. So hopefully we will have six Nor-Bu members in Jacksonville.

When it comes to the cost of the convention, we know that the room prices are, \$124, \$144 and \$164 with tax of 7.5%. There is a fee for valet parking, otherwise parking is free. What we don't know is the package price. I have heard that they are trying to hold it below \$300, which would be as promised originally. But a final decision has not been made yet, and to me, this is unacceptable. The lodges need to know the cost so that members interested in becoming delegates will know what the costs are, and also so that the lodges will know in order to determine whatever amount of compensation they will offer the delegates. We know that prices are changing, but time has come for the host committee to make up their mind one way or another, set the price and inform us immediately. This has gone too far!

Of course, the virus is rearing its ugly head and we can't say for sure that we will actually have a convention in Jacksonville. I certainly hope that the situation will allow us to meet as planned, but time has come for the district to start thinking of a plan B. We have not had a District lodge meeting since 2018 and there is a limit for how long we can go without one, particularly now with the changes that are happening in Sons of Norway.

We have a similar situation when it comes to the 17th of May parade. Similar in the sense that we are planning a parade, but that we are not sure that we will get the necessary permits to have one. But the parade committee is better prepared to make the necessary decisions, and other arrangements are being discussed, in other words a plan B. I certainly hope we will have the parade, but COVID will be a deciding factor.

Many of you have probably heard that Judith Eriksson passed away in December. A long-time member who was all Sons of Norway, she will be greatly missed. Timing of the services made it difficult for our members to attend, but we will try have a memorial service for Judith at Nor-Bu sometime in the Spring. So, until we meet again, rest in peace my friend.

Fraternally,

Audun





Nor-Bu Nordic Ski & Outdoor Club.

Keep watching, more outdoor activities in the planning.

Contact Dawn Green @ 650-906-8520 or Jill Hammaren @ 973-979-0992 if you have any new ideas or can help with events

Hoping for some skiing events this winter.

Dawn and Jill could use some help and some new ideas for the winter.

Special Birthday Congratulations

We are celebrating our 90 plus members for December 2021

Eleanor Arnell 90

members for January

Evelyn Karpack 91

Ruth Murray 95

Marilyn Pettersen 97



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Pastor Jack DiMatteo

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

SHOPRITE CARDS



We are still selling Shop-Rite Gift cards
You can call Evelyn Karpack at 973-479-5526 to request them or Anne-Lise Meisner at 973-662-1070 or email to anne@smallworld-travel.com.

Lte one of them know how many you want and what denomination \$50, \$100 or more.

Then, simply mail a check to Nor-Bu Lodge, PO Box 317, Hibernia, NJ 07842.
One of them will then mail the cards back to you or meet you somewhere to deliver.

This is an easy fundraiser and we have made several thousand dollars so far and would like to keep this fundraiser going, but we need your help.



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Although things are uncertain it can be a good time to think about what you may like to do for vacation when this is all over. We can help. Give us a call.



GOD BEDRING



We would like to send get well wishes to Rita Kugler, Marilyn Pettersen, Henny Henriksen, Kjell Ring, Peter Johanson, Stuart Anderson and Irma Lafko



Roxbury Cultural Expo Feb 17, 2022

We are looking for Norwegian Artifacts to show at the Roxbury Cultural Expo 2010 on February 17, 2022 from 6 - 9 pm. They can contact me at 201 317-3459. This is such an enlightening event with all the different countries it would be nice for anyone that would want to attend. Thank you - Deb Landvik-Larsen

NOTIFY Your 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.

GRATULERER MED DAGEN

Irma Bergland Lafko
Alek Brescher
Eugene Randazzo
Ruth Murray
Elizabeth Fox
Patrick Deo
Grethe Zarnitz
Thelma Thompson
Betty Karlsen
Yvonee Forsythe
Wayne Ring
Gerda Lindstrom
Dawn Green
Doug Eike
Jim Baadshaug
Marilyn Pettersen
Evelyn Karpack
Anna Marie Osvold

LANGUAGE CLASSES

January 06, Beginner class at the Lodge, 6:30 PM
January 13, Zoom class, 6:30 PM
January 20, Beginner class at the Lodge, 6:30 PM
January 27, Zoom class 6:30 PM.
For the record, the Advanced class finished the first book .
Congratulations!



TUBFRIM

Please save your stamps for Tubfrim.



This organization in Norway sells stamps and uses the money to help children in need in Norway. Please note: Evelyn Hammaren will collect the stamps that our members collect for Tubfrim. Bring your stamps to the lodge. She will continue to take care of sending them on so that they can be sent to Norway.

January 2022 3D President's message



January is a great time to look back on 2021 and to also look forward to 2022. This type of introspection gives us an idea of how far we've come and also reminds us of what is yet to be done.

I enjoyed my lodge's 45th anniversary/ Juletreffest and hope you also have had some pleasant times whether with your lodge, family, church or friends. I want to wish you and yours a prosperous and Happy New Year. As we leave the year there are reasons to be optimistic. Multiple COVID-19 vaccines are approved and are available to the public. As you gather for the holidays, I hope you are taking all the precautions that are available and warranted. Let's keep everyone safe. This should put us on a path to a degree of normalcy as the year progresses looking forward to our in-person lodge meetings, events, dinners out, and of course our convention in Jacksonville. If you are interested in being considered for a leadership role, please contact a current officer or nominating committee members Barbara Berntsen at barbarajb1230@optonline.net, or Gail Martinsen at gail8402@aol.com to better understand the commitment.

The District Board approved the-motion that each and every lodge in our District receive a check from the Third District to go toward any kind of Lodge event or used to cover operating expenses. We want you to know even with how bad things had gotten during this pandemic, when push came to shove your lodge members came through and your lodge is prevailing. Let us know what you found your lodge using this little bit of "Good will" for.

Keeping the lodges informed is essential to developing and maintaining strong membership participation. We are working hard on a District level and are also keeping in touch with the International Board to keep our Sons of Norway 3rd District's membership informed about what's going on in Sons of Norway. It's an ongoing process and the updating of the Sons of Norway Bylaws is continuing.

Following, I'm repeating what our District Secretary Jeanne Addison has to say about important deadlines. Please have your lodges follow-through with these.

You can find a good list of yearly important deadlines for Lodge business on the Sons of Norway website www.sofn.com at Log In/Member Resources/ Lodge Leadership Resources/ Administrative Resources/ Important Deadlines.

IMPORTANT 2021-2022 DEADLINES:

December 2021 – D17 and D18 forms, instructions, and timeline sent to lodge treasurers

Dec. 16, 2021 – Application deadline for Sons of Norway Foundation Community Partnership Grant

Dec. 31 or sooner, 2021 - Lodge Officer Update/ D63 form due to Sons of Norway Membership Services. All lodges, whether in an election year or not, must complete.

Dec. 20, 2021 – Mail an expense receipt and a brief statement to District Secretary for the \$100 Fraternal Fund reimbursement.

Dec. 31, 2021 – Application deadline for Sons of Norway Foundation's Lodge Helping Hands to Children Grant, Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant, and Lodge Vitality Grant.

Jan. 1, 2022 – Some Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarship applications due.

Jan. 10, 2022 – Third District Directory Order Form (on www.3dsofn.org) due to District Secretary.

Over the next few months, lodge will begin for preparations for 3D convention 2022. This will include selecting and voting for delegates, looking into fund raisers for your elected delegates, writing resolutions that you may want your lodge to present, getting your folk-art crafts ready for competition, donations to the Viking Auction, journal ads, etc. I recently traveled to the Jacksonville Hotel chosen for the convention and what a wonderful site it is. Right on the St. John's River and the Riverwalk. The water taxis that pick-up just out the door and the riverside pool and sundeck. It's going to be a great couple of days doing District 3's business, seeing some old friends, making new ones and having some fun while were working for the betterment of our lodges and District 3.

Finally, for the majority of calendar year 2021 the focus has been on navigating the pandemic and incorporating safety measures throughout Lodge operation and social activities. The last 20 months have been hard on all of us but it is so wonderful to see how much we have accomplished together. Thanks to you all we'll be going into the new year with strength to build on. A new year that will bring new opportunities and challenges.

In closing, please stay safe, look out for family and friends.

"Let our new year's resolution be this: we will be there for one another as fellow members of humanity, in the finest sense of the word." - Hans Göran Persson, former Prime Minister of Sweden

Fraternally, Kathy Dollymore

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

Norman & Nancy Ambjor.....	3/2022
Stuart Anderson.....	12/2022
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Dorothy Furst Bahnatka.....	7/2023
Kari & Frank Brescher.....	10/2022
Anne-Lise Henriksen Carew.....	3/2023
Jeff & Debbie Dirgo.....	9/2024
Kim Dwyer.....	5/2022
Marit Fosstveit.....	4/2022
Peggy Gerding.....	6/2022
Dawn Green.....	12/2023
Audun Gythfeldt.....	5/2023
Norman & Jean Halls.....	8/2022
Barbara Hanenberg.....	5/2022
Ellen Hantho.....	3/2023
Vega & Arthur Hendela.....	4/2024
Henny Henriksen.....	12/2022
Barbara & Peter Johanson.....	12/2022
Stan & Hessie Kjekstad.....	2/2024
Irma Bergland Lafko.....	11/2022
Debbie Landvik Larsen.....	4/2022
Joe & Barbara Lehner.....	8/2022
Bjorg Lema.....	11/2022
Gerda Lindstrom.....	3/2022
William Nostrand.....	3/2022
Mary & Harry Ostevik.....	1/2022
Marilyn Pettersen.....	1/2023
Judy & Eugene Randazzo.....	12/2022
Gunvor Satra.....	1/2023
Ray and Carol Schutz.....	9/2023
Barabara & Roy Selland.....	6/2022
Joanne Schaper.....	12/2023
Kevin Smith.....	2/2025
Elsie Svaasand.....	1/2022
Joyce Svendsen.....	12/2021
Mari Svensen.....	2/2022
Angie Thompson.....	1/2023
Austin Thompson.....	1/2023
Joanne Thompson.....	1/2023
Robert & Mary Thompson.....	1/2023
Gwyn Anne Thompson.....	1/2023
Mary Ellen Thompson.....	1/2023
Garth Eric Thompson.....	1/2023
Gindy Dale Thompson.....	1/2023
Garon Keith Thompson.....	1/2023
Gayle Elaine Thompson.....	1/2023
Heather Thomson.....	1/2023
Jason Thompson.....	1/2023
Laura Thompson.....	1/2023
Thelma Thompson.....	1/2023
Barbara & Karl Peter Thorsen.....	4/2024
Richard & Ellen Tonnesen.....	12/2022

You to 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, 92 W. Shawnee Trl., Wharton, NJ 07885

Memorial Boosters



Margaret Gythfeldt	October 2022
Daniel Lema	October 2022
Arne Landvik-Larsen	December 2022
Arnt & Solveig Walaas	April 2028
Louise Scantlebury	June 2024
Ruth & Ivar Skavnes	December 2022
Eileen Anderson	December 2022
Evelyn & Oscar Tonnesen	December 2022
Arne & Ingeborg Strom-Henriksen	June 2023
Richard Olsen	September 2022
Kari Liseth	October 2025
Rick Lillis	October 2022
Glen Green	December 2024

With Deepest Sympathy



The members of Nor-Bu Lodge wish to send their condolences to the family and friends of Judith Eriksson, who entered the Lodge Eternal on Dec. 14th. Judy was a long time member of Nor-Bu Lodge and had been a very active and involved member.

Since her viewing and funeral was at a difficult time, we would like to have the Sons of Norway service at one of our spring meetings in her honor since this was a very important service for Judy.

INFORMATION SHEET FOR THE ZONE 3 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

THE PURPOSE of the scholarship fund of Zone 3 is to grant a one-time award to promote and encourage the higher education of individuals who wish to pursue an education beyond the secondary school (high school) level.

THE AWARDS will be given directly to the successful candidates to be used by the recipient for expenses associated with the pursuit of the goal of further education. The number of scholarships to be awarded will depend on the Zone 3 Scholarship Fund available balance.

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

1. Application for an award from the Zone 3 Scholarship Fund will be considered by the Selection Committee in the following order of priority:
 - A. Active Member of a Zone 3 Lodge
("Active Member" is defined as a member who is on or has served on one of the Boards of his her lodge or Zone 3 and/or regularly attends meetings and supports the lodge and/or Zone at most events – a member who takes and shows an active interest in the operation of his her lodge and/or the Zone. This includes consideration for those members who have been active but may have become incapacitated and unable to participate.)
 - B. A member of a Zone 3 lodge OR child of an active Zone 3 Lodge member.
("Child" is defined as the son, daughter, grandchild, stepson, stepdaughter or legally adopted child of a Zone 3 lodge member. A legal guardian will be considered a parent if he/she is solely responsible for the support of the applicant.)
 - C. Child of a Zone 3 Lodge member.
2. No award money will be given to any candidate until the Committee has received all the information required from the applicant including a copy of the *notification of acceptance* from the school to which the candidate has applied or *notification of attendance* from the school that the candidate is presently attending
3. **An applicant must submit each of the following items**
 - A. An official transcript of academic record. The official transcript is imprinted with the school's seal and no transcript will be accepted without this seal. For high school seniors, this transcript should be a current high school transcript. If applicants are presently enrolled in higher education, submit a current college/school/university transcript
 - B. Three (3) letters of reference from the applicants' present or former professors, teachers or instructors. Letters from relatives will not be accepted
 - C. **Notification of acceptance or continued attendance of an educational institution where the applicant will be enrolled Summer/Fall 2022. This can be a college admission letter if the applicant is a high school senior, or else paperwork showing acceptance at an acceptable institution like the International Summer School at the University of Oslo, or paperwork showing that the applicant is a continuing student working toward a degree (for example, transcript showing intended Summer/Fall 2022 Coursework.**
 - D. An essay written by the applicant.

Complete and return the application form and all required documentation prior to the deadline. Complete applications must be received by May 1, 2022.

Return the application form with all required information to:

Kathleen Muller 126 Raymond Pl Staten Is, NY 10310

APPLICATION FORM/ Due May 1st, 2022
ZONE 3 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Name (first last): _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Birth date: _____

SONS OF NORWAY MEMBERSHIP (if candidate is a member in good standing)

Lodge Name and #: _____ Member since: _____

If candidate is not a member of Sons of Norway, but a relative is a member in good standing:

Name of Relative: _____ Relationship: _____

Lodge Name and #: _____ Member since: _____

SCHOLASTIC RECORD COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF CANDIDATE IS A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

High School Name (include city and state): _____

Cumulative Un-weighted GPA: _____ If weighted GPA, check here: _____

SCHOLASTIC RECORD COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF CANDIDATE IS IN A SCHOOL, COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, OR WORKING TOWARD A DEGREE POST HIGH SCHOOL

School/College Name (include city and state): _____

Expected Graduation Date and Degree to be earned: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Attending: _____ Full time or _____ Part Time

SAT score: (MATH and VERBAL only) MATH _____ VERBAL _____

OR ACT composite score: _____

Applicant to include with application a RESUME not to exceed 2 pages (done on a computer).

Resume to include: awards earned; extracurricular activities (distinguish between school-related and non-school related activities); volunteer experiences; community service; civic engagement; Sons of Norway participation leadership.

Applicant to include with application an ESSAY not to exceed 2 pages double spaced (done on a computer) or 1 page if single spaced.

Title of essay is "Why I should receive the Zone 3 Scholarship"

Three letters of references from the applicants' present or former professors, teachers or instructors. At least one of the letters must be from a schoolteacher who has had the applicant in class as a student

Send completed Application & Documentation by May 1st 2022 to: Mrs Kathleen Muller

126 Raymond Pl.

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