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Fra Presidenten

Welcome to October!

It is hard to believe it is October already. The weather has been so warm and beautiful. I know it is dry but still it is colorful and so nice to just walk and not need a coat.

We are coming to the time for our annual Torsk and Meatball Dinner so I hope you put us on your calendar and call for reservations. We have only one seating this year so please come join us. There is more information further in the newsletter, so please follow up.

We are coming to the time for voting on a new roster of officers. Come join us at the Torsk Dinner and take time to vote for new officers. This is very important to our lodge.

Some of you will be getting ready to leave for warmer climates, but before you do please come for Torsk and fun. I'll miss all of you.
Takk, Carolyn

VONHEIM'S ANNUAL TORSK & MEATBALL DINNER

TUESDAY OCTOBER 16, 2012
at THE LUTHERAN CHURCH of the GOOD SHEPHERD

This year we are having one seating at 6:30 p.m. This is for our scholarship students who will be our servers.
The tickets are the same at last year, $14.00 for adults and $7.00 for children to 12 years.

You may call for tickets to Erling Husby at 651-484-5780 or Bob Hagen at 952-920-2602 or a S.A.S.P. to Merle Tingelstad, 13636 Marigold St. N.W. Andover, Mn. 55304-7500. Please come join us for a wonderful dinner and evening.

Coming Events

(Meetings at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 4801 France Ave So, Mpls. The meeting room is downstairs and handicapped accessible, including elevators)

Oct 16	**Torsk Dinner 6:30PM**
Oct 23	**Board Mtg in Fjord Room 7PM**
Nov 20	**Potluck Supper 6:30PM**
Nov 27	**Board Mtg in Fjord Room 7PM**
Dec 18	**Christmas Party**

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Officer Slate to Be Presented October 16th

At Vonheim's annual Tosk Dinner Tuesday, October 16, the Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers in preparation for election to be held Tuesday, November 20.

Nominating Committee members hope to have a full slate of officer candidates to present to Vonheim members.

They are still looking for candidates for Vice President, Membership Secretary, and Sports/Recreation Director. If you are interested in serving Vonheim or have suggestions for candidates, please call one of the members of the Nominatin Committee before October 15. Members are: Gene Brandvold, 952-831-4361, Dave Kompelien, 651-454-7019, or Russ Tokheim, 952-835-4241.

Nominations from the floor may also be made the evening of the officer election.

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We need cakes for our Torsk & Meatball Dinner. Since we only have one seating, we need the cakes by 6:15pm that evening. Call Carolyn if you can bring a cake--952-920-2602

Deepest Sympathies

Russell Griffin, former Secretary of Vonheim Lodge, Sons of Norway, passed away on August 30 in St Paul. Russell was very active in many organizations and leaves Enid, his wife of 60 years. He also was survived by 8 children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Our love and condolences go to Enid and family.

Vonheim Honors Long-Time Members

At its September meeting, Vonheim honored 20 members for their years of loyal membership. Edna Prestholdt received a certificate and pin recognizing 50 years of membership. Edna was present and spoke briefly of her enjoyment over the years of her membership. Others honored are indicated by years of membership.

Twenty-five years: Barbara Gertsema, Enid Griffin (and her late husband Russell), Brian Kraabel, Walter Martin and Merle Solie.

Ten years: Laurel Engelmann, Dennis Opsahl, JoAnn Opsahl and Irene Sunt.

Five years: Carissa Babcock, John Davis, Robert Forseth, Eunice Gran, Baylee Hagen, Jonathan Jostad, Jack Kompelien, Sharon Ledin, Gerald Nelson and Geraldine Nelson.

Norway Trip Offered for Recruiting New Members

Sons of Norway is teaming up with its official travel partner Borton Overseas to offer members the chance to win a trip through the Norwegian Experience Recruitment Contest.

Sons of Norway describes the contest this way:

Just imagine a 10-day land-tour of Norway enjoying some of the most beautiful scenery Scandinavia has to offer! The best part is that the winner gets to choose his/her own adventure! Whether you prefer an active trip full of sightseeing and touring or a more laid-back vacation, that's up to you.

To enter this year's contest, all you have to do is recruit one new, dues-paying member and make sure your name is listed on the "Referred By" line of the membership application form. Entries will be taken through December 31. You can enter as many times as you recruit a new member, says Russ Tokheim, Vonheim Membership Secretary Tokheim at 952-835-4241.

Fjell og Fjord Junior Lodge & Dancers

Activities for Junior Lodge
From the desk of Chris Elwell

Oct 6th, 2012 Saturday 1:30pm-3:30pm Apple Jack's Orchards, Delano, MN
http://www.applejackorchards.com/sitepages/pid42.php
Corn Maze, Wagon ride, apple cannon, and more!
I will leave at NOON from Eagan. You may carpool with me if you wish. Either be in Eagan by **NOON**, or I can also pick folk up in Eden Prairie and 494/394 area along the way if you wish. Just call and make arrangements (651-206-0698).

Nov 4th, 2012 Sunday 1:00-3:00pm Dinner and Dessert at my home in Eagan

Norwegian dinner and dessert at Chris's house in Eagan. Contact me (Chris) for directions.
I'll bake a ham and perhaps even salmon. You bring a side dish to share and/or a dessert. This will be in place of our Christmas baking as December simply gets too busy. I would not be opposed to baking into the evening if people voiced an interest. I have a lefse griddle and krumkake iron. Just let me know if you'd be interested in that after dinner.

New members are very welcome. Don't miss out on these fun activities.

100th Anniversary Concert

The Norwegian Glee Club of Minneapolis is currently celebrating its 100th anniversary. To highlight their century of singing and service to the greater Twin Cities area, they are hosting a special 100th anniversary concert on Friday, October 5, 7:30 p.m., at the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church (Mindekirken), 924 East 21st Street, Minneapolis. In addition to the singing several selections themselves, they will be joined by the American Swedish Institute Male Chorus and the St. Paul Swedish Male Chorus.

Special talent from Norway will also be on the program. Kai Robert Johansen, renowned trumpeter from Sarpsborg, Norway who has previously visited the Twin Cities, will perform. He will be joined by two sisters- Haldis and Aaslaug Hegstad from Oslo. Both are students at the Norwegian Academy of Music, Haldis playing the violin and Hardanger fiddle while Aaslaug the piano and organ.

A festive evening of Norwegian music is planned followed by a reception hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Norwegian Glee Club. A $10 donation is requested which includes the reception.

Final Expense

Did you know that Social Security only pays $255 to those who qualify. Now Sons of Norway has a FINAL EXPENSE policy for your future planning. The policy is a single premium whole life with guaranteed coverage to age 121. Now is the time to plan your future with the plan by asking for more information from your Sons of Norway agent

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VONHEIM'S November Potluck Dinner

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2012
at THE LUTHERAN CHURCH of the GOOD SHEPHERD
Dust off your favorite recipe and bring it to the potluck.
Every one bring something to pass: salad; main dish; or a dessert.
Plates, cups, silverware, coffee will be furnished.
PLEASE COME!

October 20th Glee Club Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd Seatings at 2PM, 4PM, & 6PM
Tickets $18 Reservations by October 12th to Earl Evenstad
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