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B.U.L. Cabin
Lake Telemark, New Jersey
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Area & Lodge Activity Planner FOR 2011

Board meeting Jan.12th 7:30 PM
All members are welcome to attend.

Lodge Meeting Jan 15th Sat. 6:30 PM
Installation of Officers for 2011 & 2012.
Barbara Bensen our new zone director
will be our installing officer.
Please come out to support the people
who have volunteered to be our officers
for the next two years.

Lodge Annual LOV weekend Feb 11-13.
A fun time for us at a great place! If anyone
is interested in attending call me on my cell
973-479-5526 Evelyn Karpack President.

Zone Meeting on Sunday, February 13th at
Noreg Lodge - 2:00 PM all delegates to the last
convention are to attend.

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MEETINGS HELD AT BUL CABIN
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far this fundraiser has brought us
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Think about it folks the lodge makes
more on the cards than on other
investments. This is an ongoing
fundraiser so you can call me for them. I will have them
in \$50 and \$100 denominations.

If you want you can send me a check made out to Nor-
Bu and I will mail the cards to you. For more info call
Evelyn 973-627-5634.

Thanks for your support with this.
Evelyn Karpack
President

Boosters in Memorial

Marit Laber	May 2011
Irene Paulsen Plaff	Dec. 2010
Palma Brastad	Dec 2011



You can memorialize a loved one here also for the same price as a booster.

Sons of Norway Announces 2011 Presidential Tour of Norway

How would you like to spend 10 days and 9 nights traveling throughout Norway this September, visiting some of the most interesting and scenic places in Norway, like 800 year-old stave churches and UNESCO World Heritage sites, while enjoying upscale accommodations and totally worry-free travel? Even better, imagine sharing the experience with other Sons of Norway members and being the special guest of the tour host, International President Dan Rude!

If you join the 2011 Presidential Tour of Norway, that's exactly what you can expect, and more! Members who sign up for this exclusive adventure scheduled for September 12-21, 2011, will also enjoy a behind the scenes tour of the renowned Hadeland Glassworks, driving tours of the Sognefjord and a stunningly picturesque ride on the famous Flåm railway.

When asked about the trip, Dan had this to say:

"As I have visited lodges and talked to members throughout our organization, I have repeatedly heard about a desire for more travel opportunities. In response, I have been working with Sons of Norway Headquarters staff and Borton Overseas to plan a truly unique and special travel adventure. This Presidential Tour of Norway will take us to some of the most spectacular locations in the country."

Do you want to join International President Dan Rude and members from throughout Sons of Norway on this special trip? Reservations are currently being taken and space is limited, so don't wait to make your plans to join International President Dan Rude on this trip of a lifetime! To learn more about the 2011 Presidential Tour of Norway and make your reservations, contact Linda McCormick at Borton Overseas by calling (800) 843-0602 ext. 12.

Founder's Day of Sons of Norway

January 16th marks the 116th anniversary of the founding of Sons of Norway, which began as a simple, practical way for members to support each other through times of hardship. At the time it's likely that none of the founders would have guessed their fledgling group would go on to become the largest and longest-standing

organization dedicated to promoting and preserving Norwegian culture.

In commemoration of the day, Sons of Norway is encouraging all lodges to participate in the first official Founder's Day celebration.

First, all members are encouraged to wear their membership pins, vests, or any other Sons of Norway clothing. In addition, for lodges interested in celebrating further, consider taking an ad out in your local paper acknowledging Founder's Day, or maybe hosting a festive lodge event commemorating the 18 founders.

To learn more about Sons of Norway's history and about the founding of our 116-year-old organization, select the "history" link on www.sonsofnorway.com/about_us Excerpt of letter from Eivind Heiberg, CEO of Sons of Norway.

THIS AND THAT

The Zone 3 Scholarship Program's 50th anniversary will held at Nor-Bu on April 10, 2011.

The Memorial Service will be hosted by Nor-Bu on March 20, 2011 at Holy Trinity Church.

The next Zone meeting will be on February 13 at Noreg Lodge.

A DVD on events in Norway was received for our library.

A Sons of Norway [Financial Benefits Counselor](#) can help you to determine which of our financial products are right for you. *It's the kind of work we do.* Get your free [Financial Review](#) and get started toward a more secure tomorrow.

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The folks that help bring you the newsletter.

Booster Club Members * Expires

Walther Andersen	8/2011
Stuart & Eileen Anderson.....	11/2010
Ellie & Holger Arnell	8/2011
Ingebjorg Baadshaug.....	10/2011
Olaf Bedviklvn	3/2012
Stanley & Alice Bentzen.....	12/2010
Jenny & Fred Berntsen	2/2011
Kari & Frank Brescher.....	11/2010
Marga Conn.....	2/2011
Joan Cosgrove	10/2010
Joe Carlsen	11/2012
Theodora Duncan	5/2011
Judy Eriksson.....	2/2011
Deborah Landvik Fellner.....	11/2011
Gail Garnett.....	11/2012
Peg & Bob Gerding.....	11/2011
Audun & Margaret Gythfeldt.....	4/2011
Evelyn Hammaren.....	12/2011
Alan & Barbara Hanenberg.....	9/2010
Gisela Haugenes.....	5/2011
Dagmar & Jimmy Heien	11/2010
Grunde R Haugeto	1/2011
Walter & Ilene Jacobus	9/2011
Lillian Jensen.....	10/2011
Barbara & Peter Johanson.....	10/2011
Edith & Andy Karlsen	9/2011
Roy & Sue Karlsen.....	11/2010
Bill & Kim Karpack.....	3/2011
Stan & Hessie Kjekstad.....	12/2011
Rita Kugler.....	11/2011
Irma Lafko	4/2011
Dolly & Arne Landvik-Larsen.....	4/2011
Bjorg & Danny Lema	9/2010
Gerda & Allen Lindstrom.....	10/2011
Claire & John Loken.....	1/2011
Helen Maltby	1/2011
Margit & Bert Mattson	4/2011
John MacDougall	4/2011
Mari Svensen-MacPeak.....	8/2011
Doris & Russell Nelson	1/2012
Steinar & Evelyn Nelson	2/2011
Bill Nostrand.....	1/2011
Sigbjorn & Agnes Nystol	12/2012
Mary & Harry Ostevik.....	2/2011
Katheryn E Peake	4/2011
Arne Pedersen	5/2012
Marilyn Pettersen	12/2010
Ruth Ruediger	11/2011
K Marian & Jean Sanders	5/2011
Gunvor Satra.....	11/2010
Wendy & Carol Schutz.....	12/2010
Barbara & Roy Selland.....	09/2011
Jan & Brit Source	10/2011
Thor & Gladys Stene.....	11/2011
Roy & Rigmor Swensen	9/2010
Sig Syvertsen	1/2012
Robert & Mary Thompson	10/2011
Gwyn Anne Thompson.....	10/2011

Mary Ellen Thompson	10/2011
Garth Eric Thompson	10/2011
Gindy Dale Thompson	10/2011
Garon Keith Thompson.....	10/2011
Gaye Elaine Thompson.....	10/2011
Heather Thompson	10/2011
Jason Thompson.....	10/2011
Laura Thompson	10/2011
Thelma Thompson	1/2020
Alice Thoresen	10/2011
Britt & Jan Thorsen, Norway	2/2012
Arnstein & Arlene Tjornhom	*8/2010
Ellen & Richard Tonnesen	3/2012

You can be a booster too! \$ 10.00 donation to the Treasurer will put you on the list!

Anne-Lise Meisner
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Tusen Takk to all those that continue to support this publication!



**HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM
Richard and Ellen Tonnesen**



Happy New Year from Claire & John Loken



Gratulerer med dagen! HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nor-Bu Lodge #427 hereby extends "BIG CONGRATULATION" to the following members who celebrate their birthdays in January

Happy Birthday folks, have a good one!

Irma Bergland Lafko	1/ 2
Sonja Johnsen	1/ 2
Cheryl Knutsen	1/ 3
William (Bill) Laber	1/ 4
Erik Landvik-Larsen	1/ 5
Ruth Murray	1/ 5
Dawn Green	1/ 8
Elizabeth Fox	1/ 8
Marie Hacik	1/ 9
Heidi Walsh	1/10
Patrick Deo	1/ 11
Robert Reese	1/ 11
Grethe Zarnitz	1/ 12
Betty Karlsen	1/ 14
Yvonne Forsythe	1/ 14
Wayne Ring	1/ 14
Gerda Lindstrom	1/ 15
John Brastad	1/ 18
Lida Macrae	1/ 18
Anna Rolfsen	1/ 18
Allen Lindstrom	1/ 20
Keith Samuelsen	1/ 21
Herbert Veit	1/ 21
Douglas Eike	1/ 23
Jim Baadshaug	1/ 24
Earl Bjordal	1/ 25
Marilyn Pettersen	1/ 28
Evelyn Karpack	1/ 26
Anna Marie Osvold	1/ 30
Kimberly Samuelsen	1/ 30

If you would like to see your name here, email Joyce at SVENDSEN@REALTOR.com.

TUBFRIM: Please remember to save used postage stamps for Tubfrim. Please cut the stamps from envelopes with scissors, leaving a 1/4 inch margin of paper around the stamp for ease of handling. Picture post cards should be left whole. Tubfrim also collects used telephone cards. The money realized from the sale of stamps benefits disabled children and youth in Norway. Please bring the stamps to our Stamp Chairman; Richard Olsen

NOR BU LODGE OFFICERS FOR 2011-2013

President- Evelyn Karpack

Vice President - Jim Baadshaug

Counselor- Evelyn Hammeran

Secretary- Peggy Gerding

Recording Secretary- Judy Randazzo

Treasurer- Anne-Lise Meisner

Financial Secretary- Joan Cosgrove

Social Director- Kari Brescher

Asst Social Director- Ingunn Pedersen

Marshall- Audun Gythfeldt

Asst Marshall- Nancy Ambjor

Sports Directors- Richard Lillis
Lisa Bischer

Editor- Joyce Svendsen

CabinDirector- Richard Olsen

Greeters- Charley Pedersen
Jimmy Heien

Cultural Director- Deb Landvik-Fellner

Junior Lodge Director- Kim Karpack
Asst Junior Lodge Director- Lisa Bischer

Trustee 3 years- Barbara Lehner

Historian & Foundation Director- Audun Gythfeldt

Musician- Margaret Gythfeldt

Auditors- Stuart Andersen
Patrick Deo
Barbara Johanson

Thank you to all the above named members who have decided to step up and serve the lodge by donating their time and energy, So many of the names are familiar to us in that the same people serve for years and years. Their efforts are very much appreciated. Any member is encouraged to assist any officer. This is our Lodge and we are all responsible for making it a great one. Irma Lafko and Anne-Lise Meisner are also to be thanked. Though not named on the officers list they are co-editors and do so much to see to it that this newsletter comes together and is delivered to you each month.

Joyce R Svendsen



January 2011




Nor-Bu Lodge Calendar



SONS OF NORWAY

Call Evelyn Karpack if you have any questions on lodge events 973-627-5634

Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat

						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Bridge 1-4 PM 	12 Board Meeting 7:30	13	14	15 Lodge Meeting 6:30 Installation of Officers
16 Sons of Norway 116 th Founders Day Wear your pin!	17 <i>Martin Luther King Day</i>	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24	25 Bridge 1-4 PM 	26 Brown Baggers!	27	28	29

Think you would like to come to a meeting? Never attended before? Visitors, including children, are always welcome, and first-time guests are not expected to contribute to the pot luck. Just come and join us. Need directions? See the Lodge web site, or call one of the officers listed on the first page. We will be happy to meet you!

January 2011



Well we didn't have a white Christmas but we certainly had a white after Christmas. I guess winter is really here. December started out fairly mild. On December 5th we had a delicious pork roast dinner and on that same day we had our annual food sale. Our Jule party was held on December 18. We had a wonderful crowd and were served a great smorgasbord prepared by a terrific committee. Bert Stromholm was our musician for the evening and much to our surprise Bill Nostrand who was attending as a guest brought his accordion with him so we had some fabulous music by that duo, also caroling around the tree and a visit from Mr and Mrs Claus.

We would like to have a good showing at our January meeting as our new officers will be installed that evening by Barbara Bensen our new Zone Director. Please come out and show these people how much you appreciate them taking office for the next two years.

I would like to encourage you to purchase Shoprite cards from us as it is an easy fundraiser. Thanks to the members and friends we have sold over 12 thousand dollars worth of cards which means we have made a profit of over \$600 to add to our treasury. We all have to eat and this is an easy way to help our lodge to make money.

We have a couple of rooms open for our annual trip to LOV in February. If anyone is interested in joining us for this great family weekend contact me.

I will be off to Florida the day after our installation for a few weeks so I will see you when I get back.

Hilsen,
Evelyn
President



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Take advantage of cruise specials now being offered for the 2011 season.
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Anne-Lise Meisner

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GOD BEDRING

Feel better soon!

We'd like to send get well wishes to the following members; Greta Carey, Jimmy Heien, Marianne Matyola.

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.

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Fra Presidenten
Ralph Peterson

I am hoping that you had a great Christmas and I am wishing another great year for you, your family and the Sons of Norway.

I don't know if we all had a White Christmas but I do know we all had some cool days in December. Between the cold East Coast Days and my November trip to Minneapolis when I experienced a significant snow storm, it reminded me of why I don't spend winters in the great state of North Dakota.

I was looking at some of the past letters I have written to you and I see that a year ago we were impressed to be getting 90 visitors a day to our web site. A year later we averaged 205 visitors a day to the web site during the month of November. <http://www.3dsofn.org/home.html> Many improvements have been made to the site over the year and more are coming. Our web master is working on creating another blog where you will be able to post your local lodge newsletter. This will be a great addition for our District. Keep your eye on our web site for the announcement of the blog. It will happen shortly. We are also looking for a local lodge correspondent to provide information to the web from each lodge. Please make sure one is assigned as we start our new year.

District 3 signed up a lot of new members (over 100) in November and December. Almost 60% of them were signed up at local bazaars and I am still missing some reports so the number will be higher. Bazaars are a great way to sign up new members and make some money for your lodge. I know that one lodge reported being close to \$50,000 in gross sales so I would like to think they made some money. Another lodge reported making \$900 which is also a good day's work. Most of the lodges reported making over \$1,000. There is no doubt that the cookie table is a big money maker for most of the lodges. Hampton Roads sold over \$2,500 worth of cookies in just over 3 hours. That left many disappointed cookie buyers who will come earlier next year.

We are currently in negotiations with Vesterheim to offer classes in rosemary and wood carving at LOV next fall. Vesterheim will furnish the instructors and LOV the facilities. It will give our East Coast members an opportunity to be trained by the world renowned Vesterheim staff without having traveling to the Midwest. Keep your eye on our web site for the announcement. Class sizes will limit the number of available slots so when the announcement is made do not wait long to sign up. The classes will most likely be held in September.

January will see a lot of new SON officers take the reins of their lodges. I wish you all good luck and thanks to the retiring group for all that you have done. New leaders normally mean new ideas and new directions. The SON needs both in order to keep growing. Let's all pledge to help these new leaders and those remaining in office during the upcoming term.

godt nytt år

Ralph Peterson
President District Three
Sons of Norway



SONS OF NORWAY 3D

ZONE 3:

Barbara Bensen Director

THIS N' THAT'S :

Here we are ...it's 2011. As everyone comes off of their holiday high, it is time to think about the year ahead of us, and the goals we will be setting to keep Sons of Norway healthy. Membership is the key driver. I know the Lodges in Zone 3 put effort into both attracting new members and retaining the existing members. Though we may not be successful at all times, we just have to keep working at it.

Lodge newsletters within our Zone continue to reflect an abundance of programs and activities such as; cultural classes, LOV weekends, fairs, picnics, reading circles, adopt a highway, chorus groups, bazaars, group activities in smaller lodges, heritage fairs, etc.. As you know, getting involved and staying involved is the key to preserving our heritage and our culture. Additionally, all of these functions contribute to the health of a lodge. And, any activity that exposes Sons of Norway to the outside element, is an important link to membership growth. To that end, I say to my lodges, MANGE TUSEN TAKK for all of your efforts in providing programs to both your lodges and your communities, for everyone to enjoy.

If you are looking for some new ideas, read newsletters from you sister lodges. Or, read Third District Today on line. Sharing information is like a partnership...it's fun, and it brings lodges together. Remember, there is the Third District Newsletter contest, the bowling contest, and the Sports Medal contest in place for 2011. We can only win, if we are part of it.

In closing..... Our lodges are happy, hopeful and fun,
With stars to be wished upon, and songs to be sung.
We have memories to treasure, and dreams that came true,
May the year 2011 bring the best to all of you.

Lodge Installations for Zone 3:

Bernt Balcheon March 17, 2011 1:00 pm

Nansen January 7, 2011 7:00 pm

Nor-Bu January 15, 2011 6:30 pm

Noreg January 7, 2011 8:00 pm

Zone 3 Meeting is Sunday, February 13th, 2:00pm at Noreg Lodge in Marlboro, NJ.

Zone 3 Memorial Service, Sunday March 20th, 2:00pm at Holy Trinity Church, Hibernia NJ. Host Lodge is Nor-bu.

Zone 3 Scholarship 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance is April 10th, 2:00 pm at Nor-bu Lodge, Hibernia, NJ..

ZONE 3 HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL

May the joys of the holiday season warm your hearts and your homes. Wishing everyone a joyous Holiday Season and a New Year of peace and happiness

Godt Natt Ar- Barbara Bensen, Zone 3 Director