

# Sons of Norway OSLO Lodge #2 Hi-Lites



IN OUR 112<sup>th</sup> YEAR - ESTABLISHED 1899

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## Christmas Party Invitation

When: December 4th

Where: St Peder's Lutheran  
Church, 4600 E 42nd St,  
Minneapolis, MN

Time: 2:00PM

Join us for traditional holiday  
food, conversation with friends,  
singing songs, and sharing mem-  
ories.

Please think about your best or  
worst holiday story to share.

Bring a non-perishable item for  
the Food Shelf.

Members will be recognized for  
their years of service.

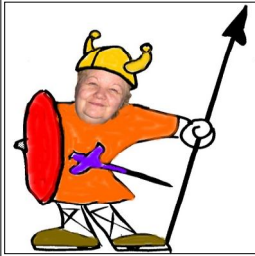
**Reservations required:**

**763 545-4827**

### OSLO AT A GLANCE

December 4	Christmas Luncheon 2PM Enjoy the Holidays
January 7	Book Club 10-12 Louise Bakken 763-545-4827 RSVP
January 14	Nordic Needlers Esther Chi 952- 938-9640
January 28	Son Anniversary at Fred Babcock VFW in Richfield at noon
February 7	Book Club 10-12 Julie Schowalter 952- 881-4928 RSVP
February 14	Nordic Needlers Esther Chi 952- 938-9640
February 28	Lodge meeting at noon

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



Thanksgiving is almost upon us. Before the shortest month of the year, which is unlabeled since it starts the day after Thanksgiving and ends on Christmas, slips by (you know you agree it goes poof! in the blink of an eye) take a moment to mentally list the things and people you are thankful for. My mother hosted Thanksgiving dinner

by herself until she turned 90. I just pawned it off on my brother who is younger with two women to help because it is too much work for me. Mother made it look so easy. I never realized until the baster was passed how remarkable she was in so many ways. We said "thank you" for dinner but didn't consider all the work she did to make it look easy. Just a reminder to really thank the host/hostess who serves you this year.

Looking at my list of how lucky I am and what I'm thankful for You are at the top of my list. Imagine how boring my life would be without my presidential tasks. Book the meetings with the church, find someone or thing for entertainment, select an appropriate food, and find it at a reasonable cost. Then there is the logistics of arranging for the food to get to the meeting. For this I am thankful to my closest friends. I hope they know how much I appreciate them.

In case you were thinking of nominating me for sainthood, I must admit I am not always perfect. (Guess whose voice I hear saying "pride comes before a fall") Shouldn't a person be able to feel smug when everything works out perfectly? Moving on down the list, I hope you can all list a place to live, food in the refrigerator, someone to be there when you need someone to listen, friends and family near by, and enough money to "do" lunch once in awhile. (I used to just go to lunch, but now that I "do" it, I feel more satisfaction. A topic for another time.)

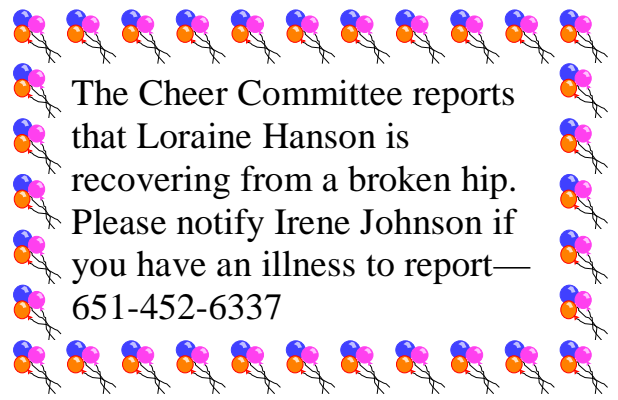
Time to wish you a very happy Thanksgiving and invite you to the lodge's Christmas Party luncheon. This event is our gift to you. Please try to find a relative or friend to bring. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Remember Oslo 2 is thankful for you and the time you share with us.

*Louise Bakken, President*

### First District Convention

In 2012 the First District will hold it biennially convention in St Cloud, MN, from June 14-16. New District officers will be elected and changes to the constitution and/or bylaws will be voted upon. Not all expenses are covered by the lodge. Please let me know if you are interested—763-545-4827.



The Cheer Committee reports that Loraine Hanson is recovering from a broken hip. Please notify Irene Johnson if you have an illness to report—651-452-6337

### Annual Membership Appreciation

- Each year we honor some of our members for their years of service. We begin with 25 years and list every member whose years of service ends in increments of 5 plus those who attain Golden Member status which requires 30 years plus being 65 years of age.
- Thank you to all of you.

Celebrate the Anniversary  
of the Sons of Norway  
(117 years)

With the Joint Committee of Metro  
Lodges

January 28th at the Fred Babcock  
VFW #5555  
on Lyndale and 67th in Richfield

Entertaining us will be  
Loryce Sivertson & Ann Sather

### Menu Choices:

Chicken Oriental Salad  
French Dip w Cole Slaw  
Fish Sandwich w French Fries  
Wild Rice Soup w BLT Sandwich

Cost: \$12



RSVP to Carolyn  
952-920-2602 by Jan 20, 2012







# Fjell og Fjord Junior Lodge and Dancers

The Junior Lodge will continue to meet at 2PM in the Fjord Room at SON on Humboldt & Lake St. The meeting day is the second Sunday of the month. For addition information contact Chris Elwell, celwell@farmington.k12.mn.us, or 651-688-0698



 Madeline Broom, Masse Moro Camper and Scholarship recipient wrote this note to Oslo 2: 

 Thank you for the scholarship to Masse Moro. Having a second year at camp was greatly appreciated. During my time there I learned to love my Norwegian heritage even more. Thank you for the wonderful experience this scholarship has allowed me to have. 

 Tusen Takk Madeline Broom 



## “Things To Do Before The New Year”

It's that time of year again, the hustle and bustle of the holidays are upon us. Here are a few things you can receive help with from your Sons of Norway Financial Benefits Counselor:

1. Add Money to your existing Sons of Norway Annuity.
2. Purchase Viking Voyager Life Insurance on Grandchildren or Children.
3. Final Expense Plans, find out your options.
3. Charitable giving, get the most bang for your buck.
4. Start and or Add to your Roth / Traditional IRA.
5. Reposition Assets for Growth and Safety.
6. If It's Been Over 1 Year: Schedule a Financial Review with Your Sons of Norway Financial Benefits Counselor.

You'll feel better and be ready to face the New Year after you accomplish the above list. Then there's that other list; shopping, cards, parties, company and lodge functions.

Seasons Greetings to all and I want you to know how much your support means to me and your Lodge. Thanks!

Happy Holidays & Fraternally,

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***Members being honored at the Christmas Party on December 4th***

Name	Years of Membership	Name	Years of Membership
Steven J Dzurak	25	John & Judy Reiter	40
Gary T Seim	25	Robert G Fuglem	40
Donna M Rocha	25	Betty Lou Strand	40
Hans J Skalle	35	Clayton E Erickson	40
Gloria A Erickson	35	Philip Quanbeck Sr	45
Betty J Lindskog	35	Biorn M Carson	45
Margaret A Ibach	35	Marion D Osen	45
Finn W Henrikssen	35	Mary Barnes	45
Jeanne F Obert	35	Marilyn A Storm	45
Helen C Hammersten	35	Marion J Braaten	45
Marie L Markley	35	Virginia L Knutson	45
Paul R Norby	35	Solveig M Farhat	45
Erland & LaVonn Olson	35	Donald Freestone	45
Jean M Mitby	40	Kenneth B Svee	45
Liv & Tor Dahl	40	Lars G Kindem	50
Karin E Herman	40	Richard D Larsen	50
Richard M Fredbo	40	Bernice B Johnson	50
Rachel A Husom	40	Evelyn B Froise	60
Elsa B Bye	40	Roy C Eide	65
Phyllis Buecksler	40	Edward A Iverson	70
Norlan J Lee	40	Lloyd Ohme	70
Aina D Kretchman	40	Clifford G Johnson	70
Karl O Knutson	40	Albert H Brekke	75
Elaine N Carlson	Golden	Robert N Munson	Golden
Joan L Baker	Golden	Finn Haug	Golden