



VIRGINIA VIKING

SONS OF NORWAY HAMPTON ROADS LODGE NO. 3-522

President: Leonard Zingarelli Vice President: Mike Solhaug Secretary: June Cooper Treasurer: Ragnhild Zingler



The President's Corner

Another summer came and gone so quickly. I know several of our members took advantage of this summer to vacation, see friends and relatives or just relax a little. As a lodge, we started the summer by attending the Mid-Summer Nights picnic at Ralph and AnneGrete's home. We had a good number of members attend. We all had a wonderful time with lots of delicious food and kubb playing.

With the start of autumn, your lodge has a number of fun events planned. At the conclusion of each membership lodge meeting, a program is scheduled that has us sharing our Norwegian culture and heritage. These programs are very informative and fun. Take a look at our Schedule of Events to find out what exactly is being presented at each lodge meeting.

Besides lodge meetings, we are participating in Norfolk's International Children's Festival on 5 October. We are celebrating Leiv Eiriksson Day at the Mariner's Museum in Newport News on 9 October. We have our annual Scandinavian Christmas Bazaar on 2 November. And we finish off 2019 with a fun time at our lodge's Christmas party on 8 December.

We have a lot of new members join into our lodge lately, so please come on out to our lodge meetings and events to meet them and share our Norwegian culture and heritage.

Again, you can view our lodge's schedule (with additional details) by reading it in our Virginia Viking Newsletters (cut it out and place on your frig), attached to my membership group e-mails once a month, and found on our web site (hrson.org) and Facebook page (Hampton Roads Sons of Norway Home-Facebook). If you have any questions about these, please ask me.

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September 19, 2019

Membership Meeting at Bayside Presbyterian Church at 7:30 pm.

The program is "Viking Runestones in North America: Fact of Fiction" by Mike Solhaug.

October 2, 2019

Board Meeting at Bayside Presbyterian Church at 7:30 p.m.

October 5, 2019

Norfolk International Children's Festival at Town Point Waterside
10 am – 3:00 pm

October 9, 2019

Leiv Eirikson Day Celebration
Mariner's Museum in
Newport News at 11:45 am
followed by lunch at Rick and
Libby's Restaurant. RSVP to
Deanna Rumney via email.

Fra Presidenten, Kathy Dollymore, 3rd District President

Happy September! God Høst! Autumn begins September 23



The summer has gone by so quickly, I hope everyone had a wonderful “straw-hat, flip-flops, read a good book, relax-if-you-want season” Autumn marks the transition from summer to winter, in September when the duration of daylight becomes noticeably shorter and the temperature cools considerably. One of its main features in temperate climates is the shedding of leaves from deciduous trees. Another feature of Fall is the return to the local Sons of Norway Lodge meetings for those who have been on hiatus for the summer. There were members of our 3D lodges who did a bit of traveling this summer and members who have had home exploits. The lodges hope to hear about their adventures. The Third

District is comprised of members of lodges who have continued to provide great meetings and activities. As everyone is welcome, let’s start off the new round of meetings by bringing an acquaintance and show them what we have to offer in fraternalism, culture, and friendship.

We’ll be thinking of the 2020 convention in Jacksonville, the Alzheimer’s Goal, elections, programs and Jultrefests, and the always popular retention and recruitment goals. Lot’s going on this time of the year! Reach out and help your local lodge and get involved. Benjamin Franklin said “Tell me and I forget, teach me and I remember but Involve me and I learn.”

We all share a connection and are here to support each other, if there are issues within your lodge there may be keys that other lodges have discovered and can share. There are a number of reasons why we are the “Tremendous Third” and the care and backing of each other is one of them. Thanks again everyone for all you do.

Our District Board will be meeting in October. If there are any topics you feel need to be brought to our attention, don’t hesitate to contact your leaders.

Fraternally Kathy Dollymore, 3D President

Gratulerer Med Overstått Sommer Bursdag! Happy Belated Summer Birthdays!

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| Carter Alwan | Karen A Kise | Eleanor K Beyer | Rolf A Williams | Rick Rudell |
| Vickie L Ammons | Linda Larsen | Frances Caldwell | Thomas C Bakke | Alexander Rumney |
| Susan M Berg | Angela Z LaPlante | Richard Conrod | Thomas H Bakke | Addyson Salvigsen |
| Joseph Bogstad | Melody Ann Loftheim | Chris E Fosback | Martin Joseph Boo | Grete Sutton |
| Virginia Bogstad | Karen D Luvaas | Judy G Grandstaff | William Clanton | Kathleen Uyak |
| Katharina Powers | Karen D Minson | Constance V Hoff | Melanie M Gardea | Leroy E Williamson |
| Georg Fuglevik | Marie H Nilsen | Kari Stedt Lane | Clifton F Gauss III | |
| Pamela S Geisinger | Vencka Peterson | Gerhard Larsen | Astrid V Gulas | |
| Terrence Grandstaff | Ole A Raustol | Henry J Lindenberg Jr | Anja Howard | |
| Gunnar Haugh | Chase Rebman | William Macdonald | Clare Ellen Kerr | |
| Carol V Johnson | Linda H Reynolds | Tyler Minson | Karen M Lawrence | |
| Elizabeth Kamosa | John M Stehlik | Allyne L Nordstrom | Grace Lindenberg | |
| Cordelia Keeley | Anne Lise Truitt | Kip Pagach | Annegrete Peterson | |
| | Mary H Zimmerman | David J Snow | Ralph D Peterson | |

Gratulerer med September Bursdag!

Happy September Birthdays!

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| Harry Randolph Hansen | Elaine J Murray |
| Jane Elizabeth Holland | Elaine M Norman |
| Abigale Lindenberg | Bernt (ben) Raugstad |
| Ruth Lindenberg | Katy Salvigsen |
| Jane Stangeland- Lipscomb | Michael J Solhaug |
| Anna Maria Lissnils | Sarah Ann Stires |
| Grayson James Loftheim | Arne S Svindland |
| Maxine MacGregor | Pat A Trent |

JOIN US FOR THE INSTITUTION OF VIKING MOUNTAIN
LODGE OCTOBER 4TH - 6 TH AT THE LAND OF THE
VIKINGS

461 Big Valley Road, Susquehanna, PA Institution Ceremony
Saturday, October 5th Cocktail hour 5 PM Institution 6 PM
Dinner 7:30 PM Music and dancing til - ?? Reservations are a
must: call Bev at 570 461 3500 and reserve today!!

Dinner is only \$35. A \$10 activity fee added to weekend rates.

MID SUMMER NIGHT PICNIC



Norway's oil fund is now worth 9.16 trillion kroner



The Bank of Norway, which manages the fund, said in a statement that "the Government Pension Fund Global returned 3.0 percent, or 256 billion kroner (25.7 billion euros, \$28.5 billion) in the second quarter of 2019."

"Uncertainty about global trade and economic growth dampened returns early on, but markets rallied towards the end of the period, driven partly by the prospect of more expansionary monetary policy in developed markets," said the fund's deputy CEO, Trond Grande.

The fund – which manages the country's oil revenues in order to finance Norway's generous welfare state when its oil and gas wells run dry – attained "positive results in a volatile market", the statement said.

It saw its total value swell to 9.16 trillion kroner (921 billion euros, \$1.02 trillion) by the end of June from 8.94 trillion kroner three months earlier.

The fund's strong second quarter was attributed primarily to its share portfolio, which accounts for 69.3 percent of its investments and which rose by 3.0 percent.

The return from bonds was 3.1 percent, while the return on real estate holdings was a more modest 0.2 percent, the statement said.

Norwegians told to seek their fortune in Sweden

Unemployed Norwegians are being urged to head for greener pastures in Sweden as the country's oil boom peters out, reversing the age-old trend of young Swedes moving to Norway to work. Sweden's unemployment rate has been on a downwards curve in the past few years. In June 11,000 fewer Swedes aged 18-24 were without a job compared to the same month last year. But the situation is starkly different across the border, where the number of unemployed Norwegians aged 15-24 grew by 22,000 people in the past year alone, according to Statistics Norway. The well-known trend of Swedes moving to Norway to work peaked between 2011 and 2014. It was even the subject of [the award-winning Swedish film Svenskjävel](#) (Underdog in English), which follows a Swedish au pair who has an affair with her Norwegian employer. But financial experts are now advising young Norwegians to instead look for work in Sweden, particularly in the construction sector, teaching and computer engineering. "Norwegians should seek their fortune in Sweden. It is certainly worth the trip," Terje Strøm, chief economist at the Ny Analyse institute in Norway, told Norwegian broadcaster NRK. Even unemployed oil workers should quit Norway for Sweden, he added. "Working a few years in Swedish industry could be very useful for future jobs when the labor market has improved in Norway." In the past ten years more than 100,000 Swedes have come to the Norwegian labor market and helped us here. So it is good if Norwegians can go in the other direction now," he said. Swedes are the second-largest immigrant group in Norway after the Poles, but last year was the first time since the new millennium that the country saw a negative net migration of Swedes. "Over the past year the demand for labor in Norway has been much lower, while demand has been very high in Sweden," Harald Magnus Andreassen, the chief Norway economist for Sweden's Swedbank, told Aftenposten in December. "There have never been more vacancies than there are now in Sweden. There is simply much less reason to go to Norway."



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