



VIRGINIA VIKING

SONS OF NORWAY HAMPTON ROADS LODGE NO. 3-522

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



The President's Corner

Our annual lodge's Christmas party is once again here. This year it is on Sunday the 8th of December from 5:30pm to 9pm. We are NOT at Cypress Point for the Christmas party but rather at the Holiday Inn Virginia Beach Conference Center 5655 Greenwich Rd. This was the same place that our lodge held its 45th Anniversary Party. You should have already received your invitation in the mail a few weeks ago. By the time you read this article, RSVP's are do. So, if you have not rsvp'd and paid by now, please do so immediately to ensure that you will be a part of the fun. Judy Grandstaff is collecting the payments. We will be sharing our Norwegian heritage and culture by being with friends and having a traditional Norwegian Christmas. This includes family fun like dancing around the Christmas tree. Additionally, we have a lot of new members that have joined recently, so please come on out to our Christmas party and lodge meetings to meet them and share our Norwegian culture and heritage. If you are wondering what to get your relatives for Christmas or birthday, and running out of time, buy them a membership to Sons of Norway. It is a great way to start them appreciating their Norwegian culture and heritage. Within the SON Int. website (sofn.com), just join them into our Hampton Roads lodge 3-522 for them to start receiving the Viking magazine and our very own Virginia Viking newsletter, no matter where they live. A great gift to have them start reflecting upon their Norwegian heritage and culture, like we have. If you need assistance in doing this, just call Ralph Peterson or myself for help. Besides e-mailing the members, I've also included a 2019 lodge survey within this newsletter in hope that you will print it out, fill it out and then send it or hand it to me, if not already done. It is important for me to hear what the membership thinks and what they feel that we can improve upon. I can only do that if you help me out and let me know. Thanks. 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. Lastly, please have a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Hope to see you at the Christmas party. **Lenny**

December 5, 2019

Board Meeting at Bayside Presbyterian Church Room 506 at 7:00 pm.

December 7, 2019

Christmas Sermon at the Good Shepherd Church in Virginia Beach at 10:00 am. See brochure below

December 8, 2019

Christmas Party at 5:30 pm at the Holiday Inn Virginia Beach Conference Center 5655 Greenwich Road.

January 2, 2020

Board Meeting at Bayside Presbyterian Church Room 506 at 7:00 pm

January 18, 2020

(Saturday Potluck) Lodge meeting Bayside Presbyterian Church at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall, Program will be "The Ghost of the Norwegian Lady" by guest speaker

Fra Presidenten, Kathy Dollymore, 3rd District President

December President's Letter

GET INVOLVED
Make a Difference!



“Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.” -John Wooden

Here we are six months into a new board. You may wonder what we have been doing. So, let me reflect on our accomplishments so far, and to check in with you to make sure what we're delivering is meeting our membership needs. We've been monitoring lodges where there may be a need for some assistance in programing, leadership, or any number of requests that have come to the board. Our goal is to provide support if a lodge feels they need it. By visiting the lodges, I want to show that we are there to help.

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We have committees working on updating our Bylaws and Policy and Procedure manuals. I've been out to SON headquarters relaying our D3 issues to SON International and they are being timelier in responding to membership applications.

We have also started to update and refresh our 3D website, it is a work in progress but we hope to make it more palatable to first time guests and more informative to returning visitors. Communication is key in celebrating Sons of Norway and between the lodge newsletters, the website, social media and the Third District Today (TDT) I hope we are getting the word out as to what a great organization the SON is.

If you haven't been on our Facebook or website, why not take a peek and see how hard we are working to improve our communication and celebrate our membership. I hope you'll take the opportunity to connect with us. The Tremendous Third is a district for members, led by members and the more you get involved the more you'll get back from your membership.

The holiday season reminds me to think about the people in my life. My family, my friends, and my Brothers and Sisters of Sons of Norway. They give me the opportunity to grow and succeed. As we close out 2018, I'd like to thank our members for making this a District I am proud to be part of. I wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday season.
Gledelig jul og glade nytt år. Kathy

TUBFRIM ARTICLE FROM DEANNA RUMNEY

For the past 29 years, members of Sons of Norway have been clipping canceled postage stamps and sending them to Tubfrim who then sells them to dealers and collectors. Originally the money raised went to help children afflicted by tuberculosis. Since tuberculosis is no longer the threat to health that it once was, today the proceeds from the resale of stamps helps improve the quality of life for children and youth with disabilities and special needs. Sons of Norway members are the largest contributors outside of Norway to Tubfrim's efforts, sending nearly 30% of all stamps collected. To date this year, our Lodge has already sent 3 pounds of stamps to 3rd District. Christmas is fast approaching and we will soon be receiving Christmas cards. This is the perfect opportunity for you to clip the postage from your cards(leaving 1/4" around the stamp) and save them for Deanna who will send them on to 3rd District once we have a pound.

**Gratulerer Med Dagen (Happy Birthday)
To the Following Members in December**

Gail Stenberg

Gunilla Noaksson Burker

Harriet Lindenberg

Jaboc Klaus Bunnicont

Jeanne McDonald

Ken E. Reynolds

Marie Jewel Kuinsland

Cynthia S. Sanoba

Alan B. Thorsen

Kirsten A. Hill

Linda L. Beck

Martha A. Blau

Mona J. Denton

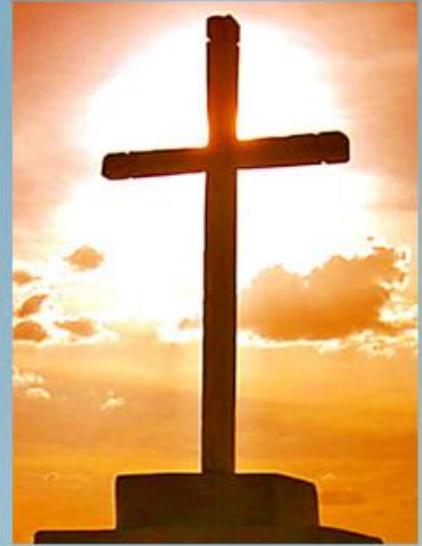
Victoria M. Clanton

Walker Randolph Douglas

Carl Cyril Morrow Jr.

Dory Starke Christa Silfen

COME JOIN US
FOR A CHRISTMAS
SERMON WITH
THE NORWEGIAN
SEAMEN'S
CHURCH.



WHERE: 1489 LASKIN RD,
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23451 AT GOOD
SHEPHERD CHURCH

WHEN: DECEMBER 7, 2019 AT 10 AM

The Norwegian Seamen's
Church in New York is a
Lutheran church serving
Norwegian sailors, residents
and visitors in the greater New
York City area. The church is
located in 317 East 52nd Street
on the east side of Manhattan
in New York City.



2019 HAMPTON ROADS LODGE 3-522 Questionnaire

We are trying to provide a better program for you so we have a few questions that we would like you to respond to either by mail or return email. You can circle an answer where possible and then fill in the blanks where applicable.
Tusen takk Fellowship

1. Are you satisfied with the times of our meetings 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM and occasional Saturday potluck? Yes/No a. If not, when would you like to meet. _____
2. Are you satisfied with our meeting location? Yes/No a. If not, do you have any suggestions as to where we should meet. _____
3. Have you been to a Fellowship lunch? Yes/No a. Should we continue with the lunches? Yes/No b. Do you have a suggestion as to future lunch sites? _____
4. In 2018 dues were raised for single members to \$60 (from \$56). Will that affect your decision to stay in the SON? Yes/No/non applicable
5. In 2018 dues were lowered for married couples from \$102 to \$90. Will that affect your decision to stay in the SON? Yes/No/non applicable Programs
6. If you had a choice would you rather have a movie or a speaker for our monthly program? Movie/Speaker/either
7. Do you have any suggestions for future programs or future activities? _____
8. What type of information would you like to see on our web site and/or Facebook page.

9. Have you been on our web site or Facebook page? Web site yes/no Facebook page yes/no
10. Would you like to see more pictures in our newsletter? Yes/No/its just fine now
11. What type of information would you like to see in our newsletter?

Other Comments: Do you have any suggestions for improving our bazaar? Please send to: Lenny Zingarelli 3409 Archer Ct. Virginia Beach VA. 23452

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