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MEETINGS HELD AT BUL CABIN

21 Oslo Dr., Lake Telemark, NJ, **ONLY FOR GPS NOT MAIL**

Deadline for submission of materials for publication is the 20th of the month prior. PLEASE NOTE!

Nor-Bu is on Facebook at Nor-Bu Lodge.

Check our website. www.norbulodge.org

ATTENTION!

Here is our plans for the October meeting.

October 17th, Saturday 6:30pm

DINNER

**Ham and Scalloped Potatoes
vegetables and salad
Dessert, coffee and tea
Cost \$12.00**

As we are limited to 25 people,
Reservations are a must.
Deadline will be Oct.14th.

Call Elizabeth Nilsen at 908-283-1295
or email at uffda810@optonline.net

As this is a social night perhaps a
game of Trivia would be of interest.

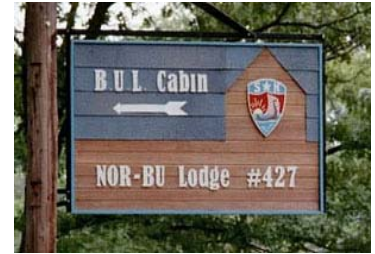
The Covid19 and CDC guidelines will
be followed.

Dear Members:

Due to the pandemic, we as a lodge
find ourselves very restricted in
what we can do to be able to meet
our lodge expenses.

Since we are currently limited
to only 25 people at a time inside,
having a fund raising dinner, renting
out the cabin or having our major
fund raiser, The Tricky Tray. As an
alternative, we are asking our mem-
bers to donate \$25.00 each to make
up for the loss of the Tricky Tray or
the other events.

Please, if you are able to help,
send a check made out to Nor-Bu
Lodge and mail it to PO Box 317,
Hibernia, NJ 07842



October 2020 MESSAGE

Trying to help lodges in these COVID troubled times, the International Board proposed, and the International Lodge approved to enable lodges to vote by mail or electronic means. When this was proposed for the International Lodge a few years ago I opposed it, basically because it deprived me of the opportunity to both debate the issue and propose amendments to the resolutions. The resolution referred to above enabling the lodges to vote by mail and electronic means is an example of why debate, and amendments are helpful. The resolution that was approved now, proposed to amend the Sons of Norway Charter and Constitutions section so and so. Well now, problem here is that there is no Sons of Norway legal document called the Charter and Constitutions. We have a Charter, and we have Constitutions. Although they are published in the same publication, they are separate legal documents. The resolution should have proposed to amend the Sons of Norway Constitutions section so and so. It amazes me that nobody on the International Board saw this when they approved the resolution. Sloppy work folks, sloppy work! I would hope that the International Board would see to it at the next International Convention that a proper amendment be passed.

I personally voted to approve this resolution as the mistake does not impact the intent, and as it was necessary to pass this resolution to give the lodges the voting choice as soon as possible, not having to wait almost two years. We do of course, have a situation that lodges that may like to make their bylaws changes, cannot do it because their meeting places are not available to them, and they have to meet to make bylaws changes. We at Nor-Bu discussed this at our September meeting, and there was not much interest in making the change, so our members will have to come to the lodge to cast their votes.

I got the sad news a couple of days ago that my good friend Helen Timoney died. Helen was District Treasurer when I was District President, and she was also the LOV Board treasurer for several years. Helen and I had something in common that few of you know. I grew up in Stavanger during the war. Helen had family in Stavanger and spent a year there after the war going to High School. Maybe it was part of the reason why we connected so well! Helen, you are part of what I call "the good old times." You may be gone, but we will remember "the good old times."

Fraternally,

Andun

TENTATIVE NOR-BU LODGE CALENDAR FOR 2020

October 17, 2020 6:30pm Social event with dinner

November 21, 2020 6:30pm Business meeting, election of officers with dinner

December 6, 2020 (could be the 5th) Food Sale. Tentative time 1:00pm to 5:00pm
(More information to follow)

December 19, 2020 6:30pm Tentative: Julefest.
(If the Covid19 restrictions change to increase people inside)

All events tentative and subject to change.

SHOPRITE CARDS



Here is a fund raiser that is not restricted by the COVID19 Pandemic.

We are still selling Shop-Rite Gift cards
You can call Evelyn Karpack at 973-479-5526 to request them.
Then, simply mail a check to Nor-Bu Lodge,
PO Box 317, Hibernia, NJ 07842.
She will then mail the cards back to you.
Let her know the amount \$50, \$100 or more.

This is one Fund Raiser that can help us at least a little with our expenses and it is not difficult to do.

The Chinaman

A young man walks through New York Chinatown and notices a shop with the name Hans Olaffsen's Laundry. He thought it seemed out of place but curiosity got the best of him and he walked into the shop. He sees an old Chinese man sitting in the corner.

He asked the old man, How in the world did this place get a name like Hans Olaffsen's Laundry?

Old Man - That's the name of the owner.

Young Man - Who's the owner?

Old Man - I am.

Young Man - How did you get a name like Hans Olaffsen?

Old Man - Many years ago when I came to this country from Hong Kong, I was standing in line at Immigration. A man in front of me was a big blond Norwegian. The lady from Immigration asked him, What is your name? He say "Hans Olaffsen". Lady ask me, What is your name? I say Sam Ting.

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Although things are uncertain it can be a good time to think about what you may like to do for vacation when this is all over. We can help. Give us a call.



GOD BEDRING

We would like to send get well wishes to Rita Kugler, Bob Haugeto, Bill Nostrand, Marilyn Pettersen, Margaret Gythfeldt.



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.

Old Norwegian Cookbooks.

Irma is in possession of some very old Norwegian Cookbooks. They contain all the old recipes that many of us search for sometimes. If anyone is interested in them, please call Irma at 9730983-9479.

TUBFRIM

Please note: Evelyn Hammaren will collect the stamps that our members collect for Tubfrim. **Bring your stamps to the lodge.** She will take care of getting them to Kjell Kittilsen who is the current chairman or you can mail your stamps to Kjell at 871 - 70th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11228, directly. Also, if you have a stamp collection, or old post-cards, you no longer wish to keep, call Kjell. Thank you.

GRATULERER MED DAGEN

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Karen Tonnesen
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Karen Pennett
Raymond Cody
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Gayle Farrell
Margaret Kristoffersen
Maude Ceruso
Izayaih W Cuffie
Irene Findley
Anstein Tjornhom

LANGUAGE CLASSES

In an effort to keep some of our members together in a virtual fashion, Kari Brescher is holding Norwegian language classes on Zoom every week or every other week as needed.

You can contact Kari by phone at 973-627-6334 or by email at karifbrescher@gmail.com.

Several of our members have found this Zoom contact to be enjoyable and in some way able to keep the Nor-Bu Lodge contact alive.

Please consider joining the classes. You may find it very enjoyable.

Fra Presidenten, Kathy Dollymore, Oct 2020



Here's a great quote concerning a new skill: "Do one thing every day that scares you."

Quotation often assigned to Eleanor Roosevelt

Lodges are gearing up with their nominating committees for officer elections coming up and maybe that can be a little scary, *"can I do it, will I get help, what if I make a mistake. I'm not ready"*

With National Baseball taking place, (yea, Phillies) even if it isn't the way we had hoped to see it, these are thoughts for you: Don't hide from the fear--lean into it, take a swing, or let it hit you and take your free base. We're all here cheering you on and waiting for our turn to step up to the plate! Meaning try a position in your lodge as an officer or part of a committee. We'll get back to our lodges, our meetings, our programs, our friends in the new normal but we won't hide from the fear but will take on the new day. Sons of Norway members are resilient and we are all in this together and we will persevere. So, when asked to step up to the plate, think about that quote.

I am learning to use my Zoom, something I never thought was on my agenda. And yes, a little scary but still trying to learn more each day.

Some of our lodges have started meeting with a safe-distancing-mask-in-person meeting and some lodges have done virtual meetings with members who have been unable to attend in a while but through the virtual world here they are with the group. So, we will find ways to get together. Programs shared from other lodges and members of other lodges visiting in the virtual world makes this something we had not envisioned, but it's something that's working.

October is also the month we recognize as FOUNDATION MONTH. A donation to the Sons of Norway Foundation is a contribution to the positive impact we make through community, youth, educational, and cultural projects. With every contribution, there is an impact. The Sons of Norway Foundation is proud to announce the brand-new Helping Hands to Members Medical Relief Grant. This grant assists current members with unreimbursed medical claims resulting from extreme illness or injury. Awards of up to \$5,000 are available to help members who are uninsured, underinsured or denied coverage for major medical expenses. Grants are made from the Foundation's Humanitarian Fund.

Everything the Sons of Norway Foundation accomplishes is the result of the support of our donors: the people who contribute time, talent and resources to further our mission in member communities. Every contribution matters and you can be sure that we're using your donations responsibly and effectively. Our 3D Foundation Director, Dirk Hansen, has information on how the Foundation can work for **YOUR** lodge. hansenoaks@lowcountry.com

Kathy Dollymore

Norse and Medieval Europe

Leif's successful expedition in Vinland encouraged [other Norsemen to also make the journey](#). The first apparent contact between the Norse and the indigenous people, who the Norse later referred to as *skrælingjar*, was made by his brother Thorvald, and resulted in hostilities and killing. In the end there were no permanent Norse settlements in Vinland, although sporadic voyages at least to Markland for forages, timber and trade possibly lasted for centuries. The casual tone of references to these areas may suggest that their discovery was not seen as particularly significant by contemporaries, or that it was assumed to be public knowledge, or both. Knowledge of the Vinland journeys spread around medieval Europe although to what extent is unclear; writers made mention of remote lands to the west, and notably the medieval chronicler [Adam of Bremen](#) directly mentions Vinland (c. 1075) based upon reports from the [Danes](#). It has been suggested that the knowledge of Vinland might have been maintained in European seaports in the 15th century, and that Christopher Columbus, who claimed in a letter to have visited Iceland in 1477, could have heard stories of it.



The folks that help bring you the newsletter.
Booster Club Members

Nils Abate.....	12/2020
Kristine Anker-Kaufmann.....	9/2022
Dorothy Furst Bahnatka.....	7/2023
Eric Barman.....	12/2020
Kari & Frank Brescher.....	5/2021
Anne-Lise Henriksen Carew.....	3/2021
Kim Dwyer.....	2/2021
Jeff & Debbie Dirgo.....	9/2024
Gail Garnett.....	11/2021
Peggy Gerding.....	6/2021
Audun & Margaret Gythfeldt.....	5/2021
Norman & Jean Halls.....	8/2022
Barbara Hanenberg.....	5/2021
Ellen Hantho.....	3/2021
Iris R. Hascup.....	9/2020
Vega & Arthur Hendela.....	4/2021
Henny Henriksen.....	12/2020
Stan & Hessie Kjekstad.....	2/2022
Irma Lafko.....	11/2020
Debbie Landvik Larsen.....	4/2021
Joe & Barbara Lehner.....	8/2022
Bjorg Lema.....	11/2021
Gerda Lindstrom.....	3/2021
John & Claire Loken.....	9/2021
Viola Muriello.....	6/2021
William Nostrand.....	3/2021
Mary & Harry Ostevik.....	1/2021
Charly Pedersen.....	5/2021
Neil Pedersen.....	10/2021
Marilyn Pettersen.....	1/2023
Judy & Eugene Randazzo.....	12/2020
Gunvor Satra.....	1/2021
Ray and Carol Schutz.....	9/2021
Barabara & Roy Selland.....	6/2022
Kevin Smith.....	2/2025
Mari Svensen.....	2/2021
Angie Thompson.....	1/2021
Austin Thompson.....	1/2021
Joanne Thompson.....	1/2021
Robert & Mary Thompson.....	1/2021
Gwyn Anne Thompson.....	1/2021
Mary Ellen Thompson.....	1/2021
Garth Eric Thompson.....	1/2021
Gindy Dale Thompson.....	1/2021
Garon Keith Thompson.....	1/2021
Gayle Elaine Thompson.....	1/2021
Heather Thomson.....	1/2021
Jason Thompson.....	1/2021
Laura Thompson.....	1/2021
Thelma Thompson.....	1/2021
Barbara & Karl Peter Thorsen.....	4/2024
Richard & Ellen Tonnesen.....	10/1021

You to can be a booster too! Adding your name to the booster list helps to pay for mailing and printing. \$ 10.00 donation to the Treasurer will put you on the list! Make Check out to Nor-Bu Lodge.

Mail to:
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Memorial
Boosters



Daniel Lema	October 2021
Arne & Ingeborg Strom-Henriksen	April 2021
Arne Landvik-Larsen	December 2020
Arnt & Solveig Walaas	April 2028
Louise Scantlebury	June 2021
Ruth & Ivar Skavnes	October 2021
Evelyn & Oscar Tonnesen	October 2021

Morris, an 82 year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical.

A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm.

A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, 'You're really doing great, aren't you?'

Morris replied, 'Just doing what you said, Doc: 'Get a hot mamma and be cheerful.'

The doctor said, 'I didn't say that.. I said, 'You've got a heart murmur; be careful.'