

Sons of Norway Lodge 3-438



Oslo Lodge Mission Statement

“The mission of Oslo Lodge, Sons of Norway 3-438, is to promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway and other Nordic Countries.”



New York - The Empire State

Oslo Lodge in the heart of Central New York

**Sons of Norway Third District
2009 Small Lodge of the Year**

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Fra Presidenten:

Dear members and friends,

Fall has officially arrived and it is another sign that we again are having the Central New York Scandinavian Day October 17th. This is also our membership dinner. We had a huge success last year and we want to have the same this year. To be able to pull it off we are looking for people to help out. We have a lot of small jobs that anyone would be able to handle. Just let us know and we can match you up with a job you will enjoy.

This event is important to the future of the lodge! If you can only participate in a few things this year, then please let this be one of them.

On October 31st I will again go to the Zone 4 meeting at LOV. And I hope to have a good report to share with them about our October event.

Remember, if you know anyone who is of Scandinavian heritage or simply has an interest in Scandinavian culture, then please invite them. And, I look forward to seeing you all at Central New York Scandinavian Day on Sunday October 17th.

Fraternally,

Bjorn Solli, President

Oslo Lodge 3-438

You will find that Oslo Lodge has a lot of fun as great people gather every month for music, history, genealogy, cooking, and the opportunity to share their Nordic culture! **Come meet others and perhaps speak Norsk, Svensk, Danish, Icelandic, or maybe someday even Finnish or Sami!** Please join the fun at Oslo Lodge, which meets at Northminster Presbyterian Church, 7444 Buckley Rd., N. Syracuse, NY 13212.

OSLO LODGE 2010

Oct. 9th Leif Erikson Day
Did you know????



1. October 9th is not associated with any event in Leif Erikson's life.
2. This date commemorates the day the ship Restauration arrived in New York Harbor in 1825 from Stavanger Norway at the start of the first organized immigration from Norway to the United States.
3. In 1963, John Blatnik, United States Representative from Duluth, introduced a bill to observe Leif Erikson Day nationally. In 1964 the United States Congress adopted this unanimously and authorized the President to create the observance through an annual proclamation and therefore Lyndon B. Johnson was the first to do so. Each year the President makes this proclamation and praises contributions made by Americans of Nordic descent and honor the Nordic spirit of discovery.
4. Some states officially commemorate Leif Erikson Day, most in the Upper Midwest, where large most people of Nordic countries first settled.

Sunday October 17th Oslo Lodge Membership Dinner returns! Join the fun! See people dressed in their Nordic best, with friends and family as guests. Check out the Viking Butikk and Nordic Marked. Use your Viking Passport to travel the Nordic Ports of Call. And, to enjoy a delicious Nordic dinner, PLEASE get your tickets as soon as possible (adults, \$15; children 6-12, \$5; under 6, free). Have invitations with you so you can invite non-members for free. Read all the October 17th details on page 3.

OSLO LODGE 2010

October 31st Zone 4 meeting at LOV – Come join us for lunch (\$10.33). Contact editor@oslolodge.org



November 11th – Veteran's Day. Thank a Veteran today! And if the opportunity arises, be sure to thank a current military member or their family. Thanks to the Veterans at Oslo Lodge!

November 14th – Preparing for a Nordic Christmas. Join youth and adults in making Norwegian waffles. If you've signed-up in September or October, then you'll participate in the Nordic cookie exchange! Also the **2011 Zone 4 Scholarship Raffle Tickets** will be available. We are excited to provide this opportunity to our Unge Venner members and the children and grandchildren of our members. It is via the sale of these raffle tickets that we to support these scholarships. The prizes are 3rd prize, \$100; 2nd prize, \$200; and Grand Prize is a Land of the Vikings (LOV) weekend for two! Please plan to support this Scholarship. We end our program with election of Officers. Come vote & show your support!



Dec 5 Oslo Lodge Juletreffest (1:00 – 4:00) is fun for kids, youth, adults! This event is NOT to be missed. Fun for ALL! Final details in the November newsletter.

Dec 6 Finland's Independence Day 

2011 Dates

Jan. 16 Oslo Lodge Installation Program. Enjoy a delicious lunch for \$5: Potato Leek Soup; open face cheese sandwiches. Zone 4 Director, Karin McCadam, will preside over the installation of Officers and new members, assisted by others from Zone 4.

February 13th Valentine's Party – Come join the party. Join the 'sleigh' ride, skiing or snow-showing.

Saturday April 16 is the Zone 4 Scholarship Dinner

May 2011 Zone 4 Memorial Service hosted by Norrøna Lodge. Details to follow in the spring.

Circulation to a few brave Nordic folks and those who are not afraid of them!

**Central New York
SCANDINAVIAN DAY**
Sponsored by Oslo Lodge 3-438
Sons of Norway

A FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT



Sunday October 17, 2010
Northminster Church
7444 Buckley Rd
North Syracuse, NY

1 – 3 pm Culture Booths & Fun*
3 – 5 pm Dinner & Program **

- * Take a trip around Scandinavia via the Viking Passport!
- ** Reservations required.

Be certain to visit the **VIKING Butikk** and the **Nordic Market** - bring a piece of the Nordic experience home with you!

Dinner Menu
Garden Salad

Norwegian Meatballs and Gravy
(A vegetarian alternative)
Mashed Potatoes; Peas & Carrots
Surkål (Norwegian Sour Cabbage)
Applesauce, Cranberries
Pickled Beets & Assorted Pickles
A Viking Cake!

Please join us for a wonderful event.
If you have any questions, then
please contact one of the lodge
officers for more information!

Sons of Norway Membership is a passport that opens doors to history, language, rich Nordic culture, artisan crafts and more! Every month receive the Viking magazine and an invitation to a local lodge event. It is a wonderful way of bringing your family and friends together in wholesome and family-oriented events. (We hope to bring a Viking ship to Syracuse in 2011!). Please see, call or email any Lodge Officer for an application to become a member or to give someone the gift of membership! Please join us on October 17th and experience what keeps us all coming back!



OSLO LODGE 'Members Only'

Oslo Lodge members please mail payment for the dinner (\$15 per adult; children ages 6-12, \$5; under 6, free) as soon as possible for the lodge members in your family. **Make your checks out to Oslo Lodge** and mail to Mike McCadam, Oslo Lodge Treasurer, 103 Simmons Terrace, Syracuse, NY 13219. **Thank you! Remember guests are free but must be registered. If you have not already sent in your paid reservations and your guests' reservations, then please do so. We have a deadline of October 11th for the caterer.** Also, do not forget to wear your Nordic best. And, if you can help for just 15 minutes after the event with clean-up & break-down of booths & tables, it will be appreciated.

Several members have asked for a membership list so they can send a card, an email or make a phone call to another member. Such a list is being compiled for current members only. It will include your name, address, phone number and email address. If there is any portion of your information that you do not want included to be shared with others, then it is your responsibility to let us know. Please contact Social Director Lorraine Bentley at social@oslolodge.org.

Also, we need members to kick in and help with the breakdown after the dinner on October 17th. The Scandinavian Day Committee has been hard at work and will be setting up the night before and then showing up early for all the things that cannot be done the night before. Please show your appreciation by helping them in the true Nordic spirit. Remember: many hands make light work!

OSLO LODGE NEWS**OSLO Vikings – Youth Club**

Our Youth Director, Sarah Barbuto, brings enthusiasm and lots of great ideas to the youth activities. She's a teacher and a mom! She'd appreciate other parents lending a hand when they are able, especially for snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and other activities. What are some of your ideas? Are you willing to lend a hand and join the fun? Please email Sarah at youth@oslolodge.org

From Lorraine Bentley, Social Director,

In case you missed last month's newsletter, we now offer more healthy refreshments. Last month we had fresh pears, veggies & dip, crackers & herring, crackers & cheese, and, 2 delicious fruit crisps. We are all set for November but we need a few more to sign up for December. Thanks to everyone for participating. **Let your inner chef shine!**

Also, it is time to reactivate some of the practices of the lodge which worked very well in the past. One such practice is to "sign in" upon arriving. And then there is a Café Container, where each member is encouraged to donate toward the cost of coffee supplies and cold beverages. This donation is \$2.00 per person and a container is provided for your contribution. This money also helps to offset the donation the Lodge makes to Northminster for use of their lovely facilities.

Finally, Oslo Lodge had a "Sunshine Jar" for many years. Please read about it in the Sunshine Corner. Remember that this enables everyone to help pay for birthday, get-well, condolence cards (along with the postage) that our wonderful secretary faithfully sends out on behalf of the members of our lodge!

We have a great group of people and hope to see you all at the Oct. 17 dinner!



Members on the Mend. Do you know someone ill or in need of cheer? Please email Marsha at secretary@oslolodge.org

Sunshine Corner

We have our own "Little Miss Sunshine" – Marsha Roseen. As all who have received her thoughtful and timely cards know, she has given her time and talent to make certain each member knows that Oslo Lodge cares for them. Beginning in November, the Social Director will have available our Lodge Sunshine Fund Jar for your spare change and quiet money for those cards, stamps and remembrances. Oslo Lodge has had a Sunshine Jar for many years and this practice will be re-instituted. And, Marsha, thanks again for all you do!

Oslo Lodge Viking Butikk

The Viking Butikk returns in October and November for your shopping convenience. Find those uniquely Nordic items for holiday and gift giving.

Also you can order your Nordic holiday foods to be delivered at the Juletrefest. And you can also pre-pay & pre-order your Norwegian or Swedish calendars which will be available at the November and December events.

Members Nordic Marked (Market)

Nordic Marked is back! Lodge members can bring in any Nordic item (new or gently used) such as **Nordic** sweaters, jewelry, books, artwork, household items and collectables that others may like to buy. Nothing larger than a bread box – or if so, bring a photo of it. Please label your item with your name and a price. We also ask that you take a turn sitting at the table, in return for being able to sell your items. Oslo Lodge welcomes a small donation (10 %) from sales. For more info email Lorraine at social@oslolodge.org

T U B F R I M Bring canceled stamps to the Oslo Lodge

and give to Martha Williams. For each pound of stamps we mail in, Oslo Lodge gets one entry into a drawing for 2 tickets to Norway! Martha recently submitted 22 pounds of cancelled stamps from the lodge!



The true reward is the knowledge that we're helping Norwegian children and adults with multiple disabilities to have an improved quality of life!

OSLO LODGE

Lodge Challenge: who'll win? Sports and Fitness Medal challenge! **From your Third District Sports & Recreation Director, Gene Olson**

There are four grades of Medals: Bronze (1 point), Silver (2 points), Gold (3 points) and Enamel (4 points). Bronze must be earned first, silver second and on up. Depending on the Zone membership total as of 2010 Convention we have developed a set value for each Zone to level out the playing field so each Zone will have an equal opportunity to be named: **"Number 1 Zone!"**

This challenge is by Zone but earned by the individual to help build their Zone to the #1 spot. The Zone will be recognized at District Convention, District Board and HUGE Headliner in 3D Newsletter.

We want all individual members of each Lodge to start earning these medals in any of the following areas: Gangmerke (walking); Skimmerke (skiing); Sykkelmerke, (bicycle); Idrettsmerke (other fitness activity).

This challenge will start October 2010 and will end May 31, 2011. The next challenge will begin June 2011 and end May 2012. Pick which medal Program you wish to enter and "get with it". Have your Lodge confirm and then send all Medal Record Cards to me. Those who participate will help your Zone to be #1. If you have any questions, then please email me at mais@comcast.net



SPORTS PAGE

Lodge Members' Travelogue



From the pen of Marc Haynes:

It was a cold, windy and rainy day, not fit for man or beast yet the three of us finished putting our gear on our bikes. We were heading out on a 200 mile ride to a week long bike rally, Americade, located at Lake George, New York. We would travel the cold roads in early June through the Adirondack Mountains for 5 hours to reach our destination.

We had ridden together many times before and looked forward to joining as many as 50,000 other bikers for the week's events. Although I am a veteran of this event, I was especially looking forward to this journey this year as I had planned to purchase a black leather vest to sew the Norwegian Flag on the back. The flag was carefully packed in my bike.

While at Americade, I selected just the right vest and had completed my mission when the flag of Norway was stitched it. The next day, surrounded by thousands of bikers, I thought I heard someone speaking Norwegian. As I turned around there was a woman speaking Norwegian to me. She was asking about the flag as it had caught her attention. She explained that she was a native Norwegian visiting the States and her husband was Swedish.

We spoke briefly in Norwegian and then switched to English so I could better understand her. It was a friendly encounter that happened simply because there was a Norwegian Flag on my vest. You never know who you'll meet when you advertise that you are Norsk!

News from Norway via websites!

www.aftenposten.no/English
www.aftenposten.no/webcam
www.NorwayPost.no
www.norway.org

What to do October 1st – 3rd ?

The weather promises to be cool yet comfortable! So, how about a day (or a weekend) in New York!

Norwegian Festival 2010

The land of sparkling fjords, salmon, nine-time New York City Marathon champion Grete Waitz, and all things Norwegian is celebrated on this delightful day! The events include running, walking, Norwegian food, and entertainment. The Norwegian Festival and associated runs, Grete's Great Gallop, the Norway Run and Troll Stroll takes place for the 16th time in New York's Central Park on October 2nd.

Norwegian Festival Activities 8 am - 12 noon The annual Norwegian Festival has become a great celebration of Norwegian lifestyle and traditions engaging both kids and families in the festival area in Central Park, New York. This year, Madcon, the Norwegian superstars in will perform as one of many highlights of the festival.

Salmon with The Flying Culinary Circus Cooking classes for kids and parents with the Flying Culinary Circus. Learn to cook a delicious, nutritional salmon in seconds with the entertaining chef's in the Flying Culinary Circus

Win Dinner at Aquavit Restaurant with a guess winning race times and win a dinner for two at Aquavit restaurant in New York courtesy of Salmon-in-seconds. <http://www.salmoninseconds.com/festival/>

Vaffler! Don't miss the delicious waffles courtesy of the Norwegian Seamen's Church in New York. Visit the website: <http://www.sjomannskirken.no/newyork>

Norwegian Festival 2010**Central Park Norwegian Festival Runs**

Norway Run: 1.7M	8:15 a.m.
Grete's Great Gallop: 13.1M	9:00 a.m.
Troll Stroll: ages 2-12	10:30 a.m.

Go to www.nyrr.org for registrations

Norwegian Adventure Experience the Norwegian outdoor lifestyle without leaving Central Park. Get your own adventure photo at National Geographic Traveller and www.visitnorway.com/us green screen photo booth.

Visit Norway Sweepstake If you are the lucky winner, you and a companion will receive economy roundtrip tickets with Icelandair from New York (JFK), Boston or Seattle to Stavanger; located on Norway's beautiful West Coast ,and a natural gateway to the Fjords. Included in the prize is for 2 people to run the Stavanger Marathon on August, 2011. Stay three nights at one of Europe's leading hotel group's flagship hotels: RadissonBLU and experience a beautiful fjord cruise, courtesy of Region Stavanger. Visit the website: www.visitnorway.com/us

Fairytales Fairytales with Stine & Anita. The storytelling duo presents tales from indigenous people all over the world, through singing, traditional joking, music and instruments. The performance is highly interactive, educational and fun for kids.

Norwegian artesian water from VOSS Voss provides samples of pure artesian water from Norway Visit the website: <http://www.vosswater.com/>

Moods of Norway The designers in Moods of Norway are present to show how fun and stylish the Norwegian countryside and mountain peaks can be. Visit the website: <http://www.moodsfnorway.com/>

Madcon concert Madcon will be performing on the main stage. Visit the website: <http://www.madcon.no/>

October in Washington DC - Figures in Landscape: Norway & the Cinema



Norway's natural landscape has historically played a role in shaping form, content, and metaphor in the country's cinema. The vicissitudes of a hard climate, dramatic variations of daylight and twilight, dominance of the sea and wilderness, remoteness of rural and urban environments and the traditional struggle to manage them have all played a distinctive role, contributing to a sense of national identity. The series presents a historical perspective on the relevance of natural phenomena and landscape in Norway's cinema, expressing changes over time. This series of 15 features and eight short films screens on most Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays throughout the month of October. Admission free, first come, first seated. Dates: October 2 through 30 (Fridays and Saturdays 2 p.m., Sundays 4:30 pm), National Gallery of Art, East Building Concourse, Auditorium

The Growth of the Soil and A Tale of Harvest

Oct. 2, 4:30PM

The screen adaptation of Knut Hamsun's 1917 Nobel Prize-winning epic *The Growth of the Soil* was a landmark in Norwegian film, shot on location near Hamsun's home, and featuring a musical score by Leif Halvorsen. Homesteaders Isak and Inger, finding a sense of fulfillment working the soil, are suddenly faced with an unspeakable tragedy that alters their relationship to the land. (Gunnar Sommerfeldt, 1921, silent with English intertitles, 117 minutes) A surreal parable about a man's vain attempts to grow crops on his infertile field, *A Tale of Harvest* unearths, in the end, a few surprises. (Aleksandra Niemczyk and Ola Moen, 2010, 35 mm, 12 minutes)



Bridal Party in Hardanger and The Dangers of a Fisherman's Life

Oct. 3, 4:30PM

Introduction by Jan Erik Holst The stunning *Bridal Party in Hardanger* was inspired by an 1869 novel, *Marit Skjølte*, and an 1848 romantic painting, *Bridal Voyage on the Hardanger Fjord*. In choosing his locations, director Breistein recalled his own youth: "I think of all the places...and the unforgettable boat voyage to the Ullensvang church." The Norwegian Film Institute's restoration includes a haunting score for piano and Hardanger fiddle. (Rasmus Breistein, 1926, silent with musical score, 104 minutes). Preceding the feature is the 1954 reconstruction of the first Norwegian short narrative, *The Dangers of a Fisherman's Life* showing the fjord outside Oslo. (1908/1954, 35 mm, Norwegian with subtitles, 5 minutes)

Gypsy and Cold

Oct. 8, 2:00PM

Fierce "gypsy of the sea" Fendrik makes his living by poaching from his boat. When pretty Josefa enters his life, Fendrik is powerless to change his wicked ways. Tancred Ibsen (grandson of Henrik) studied classical narrative structure in Hollywood, and this darkly sensual rendering of Gabriel Scott's novel proved extremely popular when released at home in Norway. (Tancred Ibsen, 1937, 35 mm, Norwegian with subtitles, 95 minutes) Set during the Occupation, a central theme in postwar cinema, *Cold Tracks* is shot in daunting mountain locations in midwinter. An ex-Resistance leader tries to purge the ghosts of past betrayals as an almost unbearable nature presses down on him, a metaphor for his irrational guilt. (Arne Skouen, 1962, 35 mm, Norwegian with subtitles, 96 minutes)

Nine Lives (Ni liv)

Oct. 9, 2:00PM

A harrowing account from the real life of Jan Baalsrud—Norwegian resistance fighter and lone survivor of a Nazi attack in the winter of 1943—is based on his struggle, related in flashback, to escape across northern Norway to Sweden, neutral in the war. Blind from the snow, frostbitten, and dependent on the mercy of strangers, he manages to endure for weeks. (Arne Skouen, 1957, 35 mm, Norwegian with subtitles, 96 minutes)

An-Magritt**Oct. 9, 4:00PM**


Liv Ullmann returned to her native Norway in the late 1960s to play 17th-century heroine *An-Magritt*, from Johan Falkberget's classic novel. Part homage to writer Falkberget (1879–1967)—a champion of the workers from Norway's remote copper mining regions—An-Magritt's resilient persona suffers through a rough life that ultimately leads her to defend the local culture, exploited by capitalism. (Arne Skouen, 1969, Norwegian with subtitles, 100 minutes)

The Hunt and A Year along the**Abandoned Road****Oct. 10, 4:30PM**

In Erik Løchen's moody, modernist film, a romantic triangle unfolds in a remote rural setting with some unusual consequences. The New Wave–influenced *mise-en-scène* and experimental structure (recalling Alain Resnais's *Hiroshima mon amour*, released the same year) bring the past to bear on the present, finally overwhelming it. (Erik Løchen, 1959, Norwegian with subtitles, 94 minutes)

Filmed in 70 mm over the course of 12 months along the remains of an old village path, *A Year along the Abandoned Road* is a stunning tour-de-force of technique, and one of the classic shorts of world cinema. (Morten Skallerud, 1991, 12 minutes)

The Pathfinder**Oct. 15, 2:30PM**

 Director Nils Gaup transformed a 12th-century Sámi legend into a rousing screen adventure. A young boy witnesses the massacre of his family at the hands of the Tsjudes, an intimidating tribe from northwest Russia. Held hostage and forced to act as a scout, the boy manages, against all odds, to outsmart his captors. *Pathfinder*, the first feature made in the indigenous Sámi language, was filmed in Finnmark in the remote northeast of Norway. (Nils Gaup, 1987, subtitles)

Jernanger & To See a Boat in Sail**Oct. 23, 2:00pm**

Jernanger charts the shifting relationships between a world-weary mariner, a younger man bent on acquiring sailing skills, and two very different women. Backed by luminous cinematography of the harbor and waterways around Oslo, the narrative's candor and occasional whimsy make Jernanger "one of the best Norwegian films of the year"—Fredrik Fevang. (Pål Jackman, 2009, Norwegian with subtitles, 92 minutes) Anja Breien's moving, minimalist narrative *To See a Boat in Sail* precedes the feature. (2001, 11 minutes)

An Enemy of the People and Oblique**Oct. 24, 4:30PM**

Updating Henrik Ibsen's drama to the present day, *An Enemy of the People* retains the play's main motifs—a Norwegian coastal town, a tainted water supply, duplicitous officials, irrational townsfolk—but augments the action with contemporary concerns. "[Adjusting] the play works seamlessly, highlighting the timelessness of Ibsen's themes. Both Arthur Miller and Satyajit Ray made their own adaptations, but [this one] succeeds best..."—Jay Weissberg. (Erik Skjoldbjærg, 2005, 35 mm, Norwegian with subtitles, 90 minutes). Media artist Knut Åsdam's short film *Oblique* depicts a suburban landscape, seen largely through a train's windows, and uses actors to focus on what he calls "human spatial identity disorder." (Knut Åsdam, 2008)

Lake of the Dead**Oct. 29 & 30, 2:00PM**

A 1950s ghost story with literary and folkloristic roots, *Lake of the Dead* became a model for subsequent mystery films. Six friends on a weekend outing far from Oslo discover that one member of their party, an early arrival, has disappeared. According to local legend, a phantom with one leg stalks the nearby lakeshore. (Kåre Bergstrøm, 1958, Norwegian with subtitles, 76 minutes)

The Ice Palace**Oct. 30 at 4:00PM**

With lighting, *mise-en-scène*, and color clearly inspired by Edvard Munch's *Puberty* and *The Sick Child*, this nearly wordless expressionistic drama, based on a 1963 novel, explores the emotional bonding between two adolescent girls. The near-mystical force of the secluded, ice-covered setting is rendered through prudent use of symbols and understated detail. (Per Blom, 1987, Norwegian with subtitles, 78 minutes)

Washington, D.C.: National Gallery of Art, East Building Concourse, Auditorium. Fourth St. & Pennsylvania Ave. NW. Free admission, and first come, first served. Fridays and Saturdays 2 p.m., Sundays 4:30 pm. Syr. to DC: 370 miles (6 ½ hours)

**Sons of Norway
Third District
Today
November 2010**



**Fra Presidenten
Ralph Peterson**

Hei alle sammen!

Well summer is over and the fall Sons of Norway programs are in full swing. Checking the District web site I see a lot of activities listed and I know there are a lot more not on the list.

Today I am in North Dakota headed for the "Host Fest". I am sure it will be a great time. Driving across country gives you a great appreciation for the variety of scenery we have in the USA. As pretty as it was I don't think our RV will ever find itself back on WV Highway 73 which is a two lane winding, road that goes up and down much to frequently.

One very important thing that should have happened or will shortly be happening in many of our lodges is that nominating committees will be elected for the purpose of compiling a slate of Officers. This is a most important process for our lodges so please accept any call for office that you may get.

One of the great things about the SON are the members. This was brought home to me again this summer when I attended the District and International conventions, made new friends and met old ones. Lodge visits are good for all of us and fun. We need to do more of it so before you take off on a trip check the events page on the District web site to see what events are taking place in the area where you are visiting. The web site will also list when lodges are meeting so take advantage of these events, go and meet some new friends. This is the time of the year when our membership normally grows. Lets see if we can't help it along. Your bazaars are a great place to find new members. Set up a membership table and spread the word.

While we need more members we need to keep those that we already have. If you haven't seen a member for a while call them. Some of our members no longer drive so perhaps they need a lift to the meeting. That is one way to increase attendance at your meetings.

A last note about reports. Today's Grand Forks Herald has a story about many nonprofits that will lose their tax exempt status because they haven't filed their 990 form. Organizations have until 15 October to file back years or the IRS will take action. Virtually all of our lodges have filed but I believe one or two have not. This will also apply to scholarship funds.

Hopefully I will run into some of you at the Host Fest next week and if not we will meet some where down the line.

Fraternally

Ralph Peterson

International Convention Update



Third District – Zone 4 Lodge winners!

Huge congratulations to Hudson Valley Lodge 3-432, one of the seven lodges in our own Zone 4 in our own Third District! At the Sons of Norway International Convention in August 2010, Hudson Valley Lodge was awarded "International Lodge of the Year 2008".

Third District President Ralph Peterson notified Hudson Valley Officers and Delegate Arnold Johnsen (Hudson Valley member and former Zone 4 Director) accepted the award on behalf of the lodge and brought the award home to Hudson Valley.

Hudson Valley Lodge President Randi Tolfson stated that they are all very proud of their accomplishments and we at Oslo Lodge and in Zone 4 are very proud of them. They have been hard at work for a number of years and the award is well-deserved. Congratulations Hudson Valley Lodge!

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Name Oslo Lodge as the**

**** 2009 Small Lodge of the Year ****



Just in case you missed our summer and September issues check them out at www.oslolodge.org

“Pass the Piggy” funds are for the benefit of Sons of Norway members across North America who have experienced natural disasters or other traumatic events. It is another example of true fraternalism!



Member Services Available to you!
Two new products in Sons of Norway’s Portfolio. **Nordic Whole Life** Traditional Whole Life with guaranteed fixed premiums, guaranteed fixed death benefit, and guaranteed cash values. As long as you pay the scheduled premium, this policy will remain in force as long as you live, no matter how long you live. Along with the cash values, this policy will also earn dividends. **Nordic Single Premium Whole Life.** Also a Traditional Whole Life with the same guarantees as explained above, with one change – you make one single premium payment.

Nordic Whole Life is available in most states, and Nordic Single Premium Whole Life will be available by mid-year 2010. Please feel free to contact our Financial Benefits Counselor, Sverre Aasgaarden for further details.

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