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Sons of Norway Mission Statement

The mission of the Sons of Norway is to promote & preserve the heritage & culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

MARCH *Calendar of Events*

- **March 12th** Board meeting @ 5 pm
- **Chili Dump @ 6 pm**
- **Lodge meeting @ 7 pm**
- **followed by program**
- *(1st Lutheran Church lower level)*
- **March 17th** St. Patricks Day
- **March 20th** March Equinox
- **March 24th** Palm Sunday
- **March 28th** Maundy Thursday
- **March 29th** Good Friday
- **March 30th** Holy Saturday Easter Eve
- **March 31st** Easter
- **Daylight Savings Time in Norway**



DETROIT LAKES SONS OF NORWAY LODGE 1-495

Fra Presidentan:

ARDYS HORNER

Lodge President

I will briefly tell you about my week in Rome, Italy. We arrived the afternoon of February 5 and I left early on February 12. My host had arranged special small group tours of the Vatican Museum, the Sistine Chapel, Basilica of St. Peter's. The largest church in the world. We were told it would take six months if we wanted to see all the treasures of the Vatican, it is filled with paintings, sculptures, statues of all types and sizes from many periods, mosaic floors, sepulchers, coffins, large maps of Italy and islands nearby and mammoth tapestries. The most valuable piece was 2 billion euros Nero's bathtub which is 25 feet in diameter and made of a deep purple marble quarried in Egypt. We walked through gallery after gallery showing different collections of various popes. There have been 266 popes through history starting with St. Peter to Pope Francis. The majority of them were Italian and at one time the pope was also King of Italy, and they acquired great wealth in this role. Some popes were married and had children. Most of the walls and ceilings were painted pictures depicting the history of the church and Bible characters.

We were fortunate to be a small group to see the Sistine Chapel painted by Michelangelo in four years from 1508-1512. He worked on scaffolding six stories up craning his neck while he painted on wet plaster (fresco). The ceiling includes the history of Genesis from Creation to Jonah with the 10 prophets on either side and insets of the ancestor's. The center piece is the creation of Adam. But I loved his depiction of the prophets.

The altar wall painted later is the Last Judgment which Michelangelo returned to paint 25 years later (1535-1541). Christ is the powerful figure in the center and the lost souls are at the bottom with the redeemed going to the glory of heaven. It has 300 twisted figures shown from every imaginable angle.

St. Peter's is so large and awesome it is hard to describe. There are many side chapels and areas to worship, near

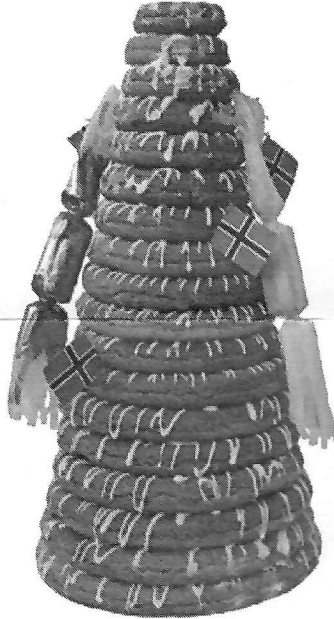
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

March/mars 2024

- 1st Dianne Bailey
- 10th Sharon Jacobson
Robert Jernberg
- 11th Kris Nelson
Barbara Olson
- 12th Kristi Pederson
- 14th Karen Bimberg
- 15th Henrik Josephson
Christopher Mohs
- 17th Patricia Johnson
- 19th Brook Hamann
- 21st Nathan Johnson
- 22nd Timothy Larson
- 24th Earl Johnson
Gordon Henrikson
- 25th Glenice Hall
- 26th Bette Wammer
- 28th David Asleson
- 29th Atticus Mills



Make your own Almond Cake for your Birthday! Get the recipe at:
<https://sonsofnorwaydl.org/kransakake>

Greetings from your Social Director

Are we there yet? Are we there yet? Are we ready to have our annual "chili dump?" Yes we are. The famous chili dump where each one of us brings a pot of chili (temperature hot), then it is dumped into our large roaster along with everyone else's contribution. Wow, what a recipe that turns out to be! Some of the best chili you have ever tasted. If you would rather bring cheese, sour cream or crackers call Pat Johnson 952 334 2169.

March 12, First Lutheran church. 6pm chili, 7pm meeting with program to follow. Roger Josephson will talk to us about Syttende Mai in Norway and here.

Also that night we will have a bake sale with proceeds going to Foundation. So bake up one of your favorite recipes, and take home a favorite from someone else.

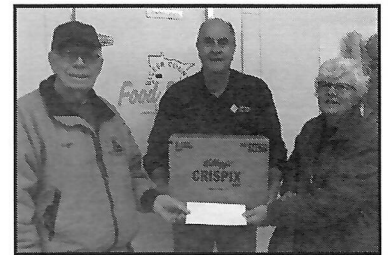
Looking ahead to the April program, it will be a Thailand presentation and May will be Jerry Ness, story teller and wood carver from Nome, ND.

I hope you enjoyed February Bingo. Lots of fun prizes. Thanks to all who contributed!

Dorothy Hoover, Social Director

Becker County Food Pantry

Roger and Jan Lee delivering the Thrivent credit card for \$250 from Sons of Norway to the Becker County Food Pantry.



Receiving the gift is Dale Storey, President of food pantry board of directors.

jumbo Screens so we could see him speak.

I also enjoyed a tour of the ancient Coliseum built in only 6 years where the gladiators entertained the Roman crowds for 400 years, the Roman Forum from the Palatine Hill above we could look down on the areas of the Curia (Senate House) area where Vestal Virgins live and the Roman market place. The area contained the ruins of ancient temples and houses.

Another favorite place was the Pantheon with 40 foot granite columns in front and a building so perfectly designed that 142 ft diameter ball would fit perfectly inside. The dome is constructed of concrete, a Roman invention. It has an open hole (oculus) at the top to let the light in.

My artist soul was blessed with visit to the Borghese Gallery and park. There was a Rubens exhibit there plus many pieces of Bernini sculpture. I think I got my walking medal in 6 days in Rome, but we did learn to use the city bus system when we needed to be someplace early. The food was good, the Italians helpful and friendly, but if you sat down to eat it cost more than to carry it away.

Ardys Horner, President

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the enormous brass front doors is the Michelangelo's Pieta, Mary holding the dead body of Christ which he sculpted at the age of 24 years. The altar area is over the tomb of St. Peter who was martyred nearby in the South Transept which is where we sat on Sunday for worship service in line with the main altar.

The Apse has Bernini's dove window shining gold; from the back of the church it looks small but it is 7 feet wide. He also designed the 7 story high bronze canopy which is above the main altar. The church is full of marble, mosaics, paintings, sculptures of Christ, St. Peter and many saints. The ceilings are so high you can barely see them and the Dome soars above it all you can take an elevator up and then climb about 300 steps to the top. St. Peter's Square has double set of columns along the sides, welcoming the world to the church. The crowds gathered after mass on Sunday to view the pope from the window of a tall building, This was broadcast on



SONS OF NORWAY VIKINGLAND LODGE 1-495 General Meeting - February 13, 2024

President Ardys Horner called the meeting to order with the mission statement, national anthems, and pledge. There were 26 in attendance.

Dotz Johnson read the secretary's report.
A Thank you card from Sue Sorenson was also read.

Treasurer's report which had been submitted by Beth, was read by Ardys.
There is currently \$8793 available to the lodge.

President: Ardys, presented some fund raising ideas:

- Lefse - Anyone who would like to be on a committee to work on a lefse making fundraiser was invited to contact one of the board members
- Bake sale - The question was raised, if members would be willing to bring baked goods to our March meeting, which is also the "Chili Dump" dinner. Several people said they would be willing to do so. A bake sale will be part of the March meeting.

Foundation: Carol

- A total of \$2150 was given to community organizations in 2023.
- Linda Bohn (a guest) won the traveling gift. Bonnie offered to bring a gift to the next meeting.

District Convention delegates are: Ardys Horner, Beth Tinjum, and Roger Lee. Roger Josephson and Dorothy Hoover are alternate delegates

Social Director: Dorothy Hoover

- Next month (March) is the chili dump. Each person is to bring a small amount of chili and it will all get "dumped" into a roaster to combine and serve.
- February Birthday was acknowledged
- The door prize of \$5.00 was won by David Reiten
- Guest, Linda Bohn was recognized and welcomed.
- Dorothy will be teaching a rosmaling class if there is enough interest. A sign up sheet was made available.
- A sign up sheet was also made available for anyone interested in a "Barn Quilt" painting class.

Linda Briard gave some updates on financial products.
Lunch was served by Dorothy Poffenberger and Jan Lee.
Program was BINGO.

Respectfully submitted
Dotz Johnson, Secretary



RECIPE CORNER *Pistachio Bread*

Combine well:

- ½ cup white sugar
- 2 tblsp cinnamon

Pour cinnamon sugar into 2 greased bread pans, gently shake it all around coating the bottom and sides of pans.

Combine:

- 1 yellow cake mix
- 2 (3.5 oz.) boxes instant pistachio pudding mix (dry)
- 4 eggs
- ¼ cup vegetable oil
- 1/8 cup water
- 1 cup sourcream
- 1 tsp green food coloring
(opt. if you want a greener bread)

Batter will be very thick. Pour half the batter into each pan. Spread smoothly on top. Bake 45 minutes in 350* oven. Let bread rest 5 minutes before removing from pan. Allow to fully cool, once cool make icing.

Icing:

- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 tsp almond extract
- 3 tbsp milk
- 1-1/2 cups powdered sugar

With a hand whisk, combine extracts, and milk. Mix well. Add powdered sugar ½ cup at a time, mixing well. After icing is mixed pour over bread. Top immediately with ½ cup chopped shelled pistachios.
Enjoy!!



There will be a Bake Sale during Chili Dump on Tuesday, March 12th.

Proceeds to benefit Foundation for charities. Bake anything and bring to SON Meeting. Go home with different goodies than what you BROUGHT.

Members serving for March 12th SON meeting: Betty Carlisle, Faye Johnson, and Dorothy Hoover. *Thank you for your help. Its very much appreciated.*



Solskinn Hjørne - Sunshine Corner -

Cards sent to: Carl Hagen - Get Well
Dean/Pat Johnson - Thinking of you
JoAnn Schott - Sympathy

If you know of anyone having or recovering from surgery or illness, has a death in the family or has any great news to tell.

Please get in touch with
Dorothy P. at dndpoff@arvig.net or call 218-841-5177

Ole & Lena Joke

Lena told Ole, "Vill you please eat up dat broccoli? It's really healthand vill put some color in your cheeks.


Ole replied,
"Do you really tink I vant to have green cheeks?"




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