



## WE WANT YOU!!

### Who? Those of you who have not sent in your

The cookbook committee thanks those of you who have already responded. However, we have received recipes from fewer than 20% of our members. We need recipes from the rest of you if the cookbook project is to continue. Please share your favorites with us by May 15. We want to have all our lodge members represented in our cookbook. Send recipes, Scandinavian and family favorites, to Sons of Norway, PO Box 1091, Mankato, MN 56002 or email them to [mickelsoni@aol.com](mailto:mickelsoni@aol.com).

**Lodge Meeting: Saturday, May 12, 5:30pm- Bethlehem Lutheran Church**

Program: Pictures of Mickelsons' trip to Norway

Serving Committee: Dale and Gail Mikkalson and Members (N-R)

**Transportation Available for non- night time drivers: call Audrey Morken 387-2223.**

**Hilsen Fra Presidenten - Linda Stelter:** Thanks to Daryl Lawrence for his presentation on Medieval Norwegian Kings. Also thanks to Duane and Janice Ahlness and Nordeene and Marylou Haldorson and their serving committee for excellent food and to Kris Norland for her piano accompaniment. The Lins-Hans-Rud Sons of Norway Lodge # 479 in Hanska hosted Ted Fosberg, the Sons of Norway International President Saturday, April 21. He spoke about several of the goals of the Sons of Norway. One goal he spoke about was to achieve a **net increase in lodge membership**. At our last meeting I awarded pins to fourteen members representing 20 new members. I would like to thank our members who have recruited new members for our lodge. Keep up the good work.

**May Meeting:** We are asking everyone to bring canned foods or personal hygiene products for the Minnesota Foodshare Campaign. There will be a box for the items near the info booth in the Heritage Room. Cash donations will be accepted as well. The donations will be dropped off at ECHO Food Shelf directly after the meeting. Let's all rally to help those less fortunate than us.

**Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser a success!-** Thanks to all those who supported our fundraising endeavors Mar. 31 at Applebee's. We raised \$ 465!! . Now that we know how it works, we are planning to have another fundraiser at Applebee's sometime this fall. We had many willing and able volunteers who helped seat and serve about 90 people. We know we can do better next time selling more tickets and spreading the word!!

### **Join us at Hanska's 23rd Annual Syttende Mai Festival - May 19**

Hanska's Business Association presents its 23rd Annual Syttende Mai with: Haugeland- the Magical - Musical Hill of the Norske Huldras and the Hanska Homefolk. This promises to be a fun and exciting springtime romp following Ole and the trolls thru Hanska looking for the mystical Huldras. Of course, all of your favorite Hanska entertainers will wrap this up in the music you know and love. A professional band from the Twin Cities along with directing and choreographing from the "Norvold Sisters" plus performing from these young women will give us an incredible production.

We are carpooling to Hanska on Saturday, May 19, to attend the 2pm matinee. Meet at Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 12:30 pm. If interested, call Clancy Olson before **May 7** at 345-7818. Send a \$17.00 check - made payable to Sons of Norway , P O Box 1091, Mankato, MN 56002.



## *Sons of Norway- Flvesvingen Lodge*

**2008 Convention Planning Committee update** - We are finalizing the logo design for the Convention and researching entertainment. For those who have volunteered for various committees, mange takk! **You will be contacted with specific details - sometime between Fall 2007 and Spring 2008!**

**Hot dog stand at Cub Foods East**- Once again our lodge will be asking for volunteers to help out with the hot dog stand at Cub Foods on Madison Avenue during the week of **May 21-24**. The stand will be open from 11am-7pm Monday through Thursday. We need workers for 2 hour shifts. We worked the stand last year during the same week and found it was very profitable for us. Call Audrey at 387-2223 if you would like to volunteer. We appreciate all the help we can get. Thank you!

**Book Club**- Anyone interested in forming a book club based on Norwegian literature please contact Linda Stelter.

**Upcoming Summer Bus Trip – June 16:** The American Swedish Institute in Minneapolis is celebrating midsommar with music, folk costumes, folk dances, food, games, and other outdoor activities plus offering open admission to the 100-year-old Turnblad mansion, museum, gift shop and bookstore. Scandinavian and local musicians will perform throughout the day. A mid-afternoon highlight includes the raising of the midsommar pole. Visitors can make flowered head wreaths, learn folk dances and songs, or just sit back and enjoy the festivity. A great way to celebrate the return of daylight after a long dark winter – a great way to celebrate the beginning of summer!

We have reserved a bus for Saturday, June 16. If interested, call Clancy Olson by **June 7** – 345-7818. Send a \$30 check - made payable to Sons of Norway – to P O Box 1091, Mankato MN 56002. Meet in the Madison East parking lot for an 8:30am departure. We will spend about 3 hours at the American Swedish Institute and then travel to Ingebretsen's Scandinavian Gifts and Foods for a short shopping spree. Bring a cooler if you anticipate purchasing food products. Approximate return time to Mankato is 4:00 pm.

**Welcome Mark De Garneau as our new Cultural/Social Director**

**Who's the Norse member that will serve our lodge as vice-president?! The lodge needs you!! Would a co-position work better for some of you?**

Check out the Information Table at our monthly meetings - pick up information on area events, travel, or SON financial products; sign up for lodge events/volunteer opportunities; view a copy of recent lodge minutes/treasurer's report; check out the SON magazine for children under 15; purchase gift items offered by the District One Sons of Norway fundraising committee; or simply ask questions.

Visit us on the web - [www.sonsofnorwaymankato.org](http://www.sonsofnorwaymankato.org) or [www.sonsofnorway.com](http://www.sonsofnorway.com)



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Minnesota River

## SONS OF NORWAY ELVESVINGEN LODGE 1-582 May, 2007 CALENDAR

- **May 12- Lodge Meeting- 5:30pm, Bethlehem Lutheran Church- Bring canned goods for Echo Food Shelf.**
- May 17 - Syttende Mai Smorgasbord at Norseland Lutheran Church, Rural St Peter 4:30pm to 8pm
- May 19 - Hanska's Syttende Mai Celebration- call Clancy Olson if interested.
- **May 21 -24 Hot dog stand at Cub Foods- we need volunteers- Call Audrey at 387-2223.**
- **June 10 - Midsommar's Eve Picnic and Games, Sunday 5:30 pm at Land of Memories**
- June 16 – Bus trip to The American Swedish Institute & Ingebretsen's store
- June 22-24 Hjemkomst Festival- Fargo-Moorhead- visit [www.scandinavianhjemkomstfestival.org](http://www.scandinavianhjemkomstfestival.org)
- July 26-28 Nordic Fest- Decorah- visit website at [www.nordicfest.com](http://www.nordicfest.com)