



Elvesvingen Lodge 1-582 P.O. Box 1091 Mankato, Mn 56002

Lodge Meeting: Saturday, Sept. 8, 5:30pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.
Program: "Heritage Show-and-Tell" – Bring a heritage item to share with us.
Serving Committee: Serving Chairs Dick and Kris Norland and members (S-SK)
 If you need a ride, please call Audrey at 387-2223.

Hilsen Fra Presidenten - Linda Stelter: Welcome back! I sure hope everyone had a wonderful summer and was able to get away for a while! We have a busy lineup for Sons of Norway activities and programs ending with the 2008 District Convention in June! **If you are reading this as a non-member, we would certainly like to have you as part of our lodge.** The Sons of Norway is a fun group with great programs. We generally meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on 2nd Street Mankato. A light dinner is served at 5:30pm followed by the program. Please join us today!

June Picnic- The picnic in June was successful despite a change of location. Sibley Park was close in, no bugs, quiet, and plenty of room to play Kubb. Thanks to all who brought the delicious food and reserved the shelter for us!

SEPTEMBER MEETING: "Heritage Show-and-Tell" - Bring a heritage item with you to the meeting and share a story with us. These can be inherited items, items purchased on a trip, or items with some other Scandinavian connection. Examples: an old book, a piece of jewelry, some *hardanger*, a *fattigmann* cutter. If you have a larger item (a trunk, a spinning wheel), you could bring a picture, or just tell us about it. **We need your help to make this a success! It should be great fun.**

Welcome Mark De Garmeaux as our new Cultural/Social Director

Board Vacancies - We need someone to fill the vacancies of President, Secretary and Editor for next year. Are you the one? We believe that our lodge is successful today because of the continual flow of new leadership, new ideas and great programs. Nothing is ever done just by one person in Elvesvingen Lodge. Many people offer their talents and are often working behind the scenes to make things happen. It takes volunteers, time, and money to have a successful lodge. If you are interested, please speak to any one of the board members. We need you.

Orville Sampson's 80th Birthday – Saturday, September 8, 2007 from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm at Mt Olive Lutheran Church, 1123 Marsh Street, Mankato, MN 56001. Please respond by August 31, 2007 to Dianne (612)374-5482 or Sandy (507)243-4123. No gifts please. Just bring your memories. Orville was a past President of Elvesvingen Lodge

Applebees- Flapiack Fundraiser- Sept. 22 Did you miss us last April when we had our first pancake breakfast fundraiser at Applebees? Well, you won't want to miss this one. Tickets are pre sold and cost ONLY \$5 for all you can eat- pancakes, sausages, and coffee/orange juice. Please feel free to invite the whole family. Breakfast will be served by our very own Elvesvingen Lodge members from 8am-10am. Get your tickets at September's lodge meeting. If you'd like to help out serving or have any questions, please call Clancy at 345-7818 or Audrey at 387-2223.

October Membership Banquet - Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 13 and join us for our Membership Banquet at Applewood Restaurant 5:30 – 8:30. The program will be the "Immigrant Trunk" by Ole Oleson, aka Roger Hellesvig. Ole Oleson, aka Roger Hellesvig, has been sharing his story about 19th Century Norwegian Immigration for the past 15 years. Join the adventure as Ole leaves his Norwegian homeland and travels to America. The audience will help Ole decide what to pack in his trunk as he shares about his Norwegian traditions. To find out more about Ole go to www.geocities.com/Athens/Academy/7920/ or immigranttrunk.blogspot.com Send in the reservation form enclosed with this newsletter to reserve your place. The price is \$15.00 per person. Any current member who brings a prospective new member will receive their dinner at half price (\$7.50). The prospective new member is free. The deadline for reservations is October 3, 2007. See the reservation form enclosed with this newsletter.

Trekkspillklubb – The Lindesnes Accordion club from Norway will be in concert on Sunday, October 14 at 7:00 pm, Lakeville North High School, 19600 Ipava Avenue, Lakeville, MN. The tickets are \$12.00. To order tickets or for information call 612-861-4793 or 952-891-4905.

Adopt-a-School - Our lodge has been volunteering with the Adopt-a-School program at Kennedy Elementary since Fall 2004. If you would like to help first graders with reading & math skills for one hour a week, please contact Kris Norland at 625-6060.

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2008 Convention Planning Committee update - The Convention committee met Aug. 9. We are on target for the convention which will be held mid- June of 2008. A list of local businesses has been created for purchasing ads for our convention souvenir book. We met with the District 1 Exec Committee on August 24 for the Alltel Center/Holiday Inn preconvention walk-through.

Cookbook – Thanks to all members that submitted recipes, typed, proofread, and sorted our first ever cookbook fundraiser. Your hard work is much appreciated! Pam informs us that it should be sent off to the publisher soon.

Recipes: Those of you that submitted recipes for our cookbook; another opportunity knocks for you. The June issue of the “Viking” announced a recipe contest with the deadline for recipe submission extended until 12-31-07. Entering the contest will make you eligible to win the book “Norway: Portrait of a Nation”. Send your recipes to SON Attn: Viking Magazine Contest, 1455 West Lake St. Minneapolis, MN 55408.

Norsk Høstfest, North America’s largest Scandinavian Festival, is celebrating its 30th Anniversary, October 10 – 13.th. Tens of thousands of people attend the event annually to celebrate and partake in the Scandinavian culture and entertainment.

Other highlights of this year's Norsk Høstfest include:

- 30th Anniversary Celebration
- The return of [Princess Astrid](#), who last visited in 1983
- Presentation of Humanitarian Award to [Johan Olav Koss](#)
- [Sissel](#) in concert, Saturday, October 13, 1:00 & 7:00
- Participation of the Norwegian TV-GALA 2007
- Norwegian pianist [Knut Erik Jensen](#) will perform w/Minot Symphony Orchestra, Sat, October 6
- Høstfest Idol

For more information about this event, go to <http://www.hostfest.com/>.

SONS OF NORWAY ELVESVINGEN LODGE 1-582 CALENDAR

Sept. 4-6 - 10:00am - 7:00pm- Hotdog stand at Cub Foods East

Sept. 8 - Lodge meeting - 5:30pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church – “Heritage Show and Tell”

Sept. 22 - Pancake Fundraiser at Applebees- 8:00am-10:00am – tickets \$5

Oct. 13 - Elvesvingen Lodge Membership Banquet at Applewood Restaurant- 5:00 social hour, followed by dinner and program - “Immigrant Trunk” by Ole Oleson, aka Roger Hellesvig.

Oct 10-13 – Norsk Høstfest, North America’s Largest Scaninavian Festival. 30th Anniversary. For more information about this event, go to <http://www.hostfest.com/>

Oct 14 – Lindesnes Accordion Club – Lakeville High school, Lakeville MN. For info call 612-861-4793 or 952-891-4905.

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 or www.sonsofnorway.com
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**Membership Dinner Reservation Form
Elvesvingen Lodge Membership Banquet Oct. 13, 2007
Authentic Norwegian entertainment & all you can eat!!
Applewood Restaurant 5:30-8:30pm.**

**Please fill out this form and mail with check payable to:
Sons of Norway- P.O. Box 1091, Mankato, MN 56002
Deadline: Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2007
For information call 388-7139**

Current Elvesvingen Lodge Member - Name, Address, Telephone Number

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Interested Prospective New Member - Name, Address, Telephone Number

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**Current member attending without guest - \$15 per person
Current member bringing interested prospective new member- \$7.50
Interested Prospective new member - No cost!**