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FEBRUARY 2012 Third District Today 3D-100 years young



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



Fra Presidenten, Ralph Peterson

Hei alle sammen! Most of us have put our Christmas decorations away and hopefully we can remember which box we put them in so next year's decorating will be easier.

While some lodges have held installations there still are several more that will happen shortly. I hope that we have large turnouts for these most important events.

While our overall membership has shrunk over the past year, the number of allotted local lodge delegates only dropped by 6. While the total number has dropped we expect a larger delegate turnout at the upcoming convention due to commitments by several lodges who have not attended previous conventions to attend this convention.

The number of visitors to our web site <http://www.3dsofn.org/home.html> continues to grow. In December of 2011 we had 7,889 visitors compared to 5,865 in December 2010.

That is a daily average of 258. The same sections continue to draw large crowds i.e. 3D

today, the blog, LOV and the schedule of events. We need your help in providing new material to the site. We especially, your local lodge and Zone events to be posted

The District board could use a little help. If any of you are working with or are familiar with "cloud" storage of files would you please contact me. With one hundred years of files we are having a problem finding a home for all our District documents.

Speaking of being 100 years old there are over thirty 3D members listed as being over 100 years old. We may have a couple members in that group but not this many. If each lodge would check their lodge on the SON web site and correct these obvious errors it would help us out.

But one group that is 100 years old, District Three, is still going strong. We have added more information to the Convention section of the web site <http://www.3dsofn.org/convention/index.html>. In addition to the clothing currently on sale, your lodge should have received several of the convention pins that are for sale at the customary SON rate of \$5. I have to admit that they are among the nicer pins we have seen in a long time so look for them. I am wearing mine today. If you can't find the pin contact the convention chair.

We did make a slight comeback in membership the last quarter of 2011 as did the rest of the SON but we still need to see much more growth. Please take it upon yourself to sign up a member this year and sooner rather than latter.

I will be looking forward to meeting you this spring on my travels through the District.

Fraternally

Ralph Peterson President

District Three Sons of Norway



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Vice President Gail Ekloff



February the month of LOVE !

We are fortunate in the Third District! Aside from being the "tremendous third" we have Land of the Vikings and the Third District Charitable trust. We have lots of things to LOVE!

The charitable trust is a special fund used to help members in need with either a one-time grant or a monthly siphon. All information is confidential. Members in good standing for 5 years or more can apply. This fund shows how much The Third District follows in our forefathers endeavors to help our fellow members. Please consider Counselor Mary Andersen's request for sponsorship --- a dollar a meeting from each member. Returned

bottles can be used to help donate monies or have a fifty/fifty for the Charitable trust fund. Help keep the fund strong so that we can continue to help others in our district for many years to come.

Land of the Vikings (LOV) has been a place of gathering of our membership for over 35 years. Plans about LOV are always changing. We are continually asking ourselves, how best can we use this facility? At one time Sons of Norway members used it faithfully, but as times passes and the newer generation becomes busier with work and children's school activities... lodge support has waned. Creative workshops seem to be the future of LOV.

Cooking classes, genealogy, rosemaling and woodcarving attract more people. In the future, dance lessons, language camps, knitting, hardanger and weaving workshops along with orienteering will inspire us to return to using Land of the Vikings. Opening Land of the Vikings to all organizations will help us keep LOV alive. If you haven't visited LOV lately, go for a relaxing time away from the hustle and bustle of daily life. As one guest recently stated "if you don't relax here, you can't relax."

So this month of LOVE, cherish those who have come into our lives and look forward to meeting and helping more in years to come!

Alt for denne gangen, Gail

**Remember: 2 A's - Ask & Advertise - to get a member.
2 M's - Mentor and Mingle to keep a member.**

Kristin Stone Cultural Director

Do you or your lodge have any Norwegian cultural goals for 2012? I'm hoping many of you plan to enter the Cultural Skills Exhibition at the District Convention in June. There is still time for you to complete projects that demonstrate your achievements toward mastering one or more of the Sons of Norway Cultural Skills. Items that have not been entered into the competition for judging previously may be submitted in any of the eligible areas. In addition, this year we are allowing members to submit digital photos which will be compiled into a slide show for delegate viewing at the convention. Digital photos will not be judged and will not be returned to entrants. Entry forms must be submitted for all entries submitted for judging. Forms will be mailed to lodge presidents and will also be available on the District Convention website.

This is a great time of year to be exploring ideas to submit to the Sons of Norway Foundation requesting a **General Heritage and Culture Grant**. The General Heritage and Culture Grants are awarded to individuals, groups or organizations that promote the heritage and culture of traditional or modern Norway. The maximum award is \$3,000. Examples of activities which have received past grants include community festivals, cultural exchange programs, research projects, instructional videos and books, etc. Dream a bit about what you or your lodge could do and apply to make your dream become a reality. The deadline for the General Heritage and Culture Grants is April 1st. This year applications can be made online.





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[Publicity by Kathy Dollymore, 3D Public Relations](#)

Welcome, New Board Members!

Congratulations on being elected to your local lodge board. There is no greater contribution than serving as a member of the leadership team of your lodge! Please visit the SON website and sign on at the member login. There you will find a wealth of valuable online resources. These are designed to acquaint you with SON, its history, its services, and its officers and staff. Under the heading management you will find the Guide for Leadership link where you can learn about your new position or a refresher for those continuing in their position.

This is an exciting year to be part of the Sons of Norway- especially for the Third District- A Century-Ten Decades-100 years. These are some of the events that took place in the year those who were actively engaged in bringing the Third District to realization.

Federal spending: \$0.69 billion--Unemployment: 4.6%--Cost of a first-class stamp: \$0.02

1912- Brother O.C. Christopher, of Færder Lodge, was known as the Father of the Third District, Sons of Norway

Jan 1st - The Republic of China is established.

Jan 6th - New Mexico becomes 47th state:

Jan 18th - English explorer Robert F Scott & his expedition reach South Pole, only to discover that Roald Amundsen had gotten there before

Feb 8th - 1st eastbound US transcontinental flight lands in Jacksonville, Fla

Feb 15th - Fram reaches latitude 78° 41' S, farthest south ever by ship

Mar 23rd - Dixie Cup invented

Apr 10th - RMS Titanic sets sail for its 1st & last voyage

May 5th - 5th Olympic games open at Stockholm, Sweden

Aug 24th - NYC ticker tape parade for Jim Thorpe & victorious US Olympians

Aug 27th - Edgar Rice Burroughs' publishes "Tarzan of the Apes

Nov 5th - Woodrow Wilson (D) defeats Theodore Roosevelt (Prog) & Pres Taft (R)

Dec 21st – Declaration of Rules of Neutrality signed by Denmark, Norway & Sweden

NEED SOME HELP posting your lodge's newsletter? Our web master Jim Dunagan will be able to assist you in getting your newsletter or event issues on the web. More and more lodges are using this option.

Going forward, those interested in publishing to the blog email Jim at webmaster@3dsofn.org. send name, the name of the lodge, and role (officer, newsletter editor, etc). Jim can quickly create a new account and temporary password and acknowledge that. You can communicate directly with Jim in the future with any questions. The website Event Calendar is another place lodges have to specifically promote upcoming events.

[How To Upload And Publish Your Newsletter!](#) April 7, 2011 by Jim Dunagan

We're getting more and more wonderful content posted to our blog, which is great. But I know there are some people who are having a little difficulty in getting lodge newsletters on the blog. Here are some (hopefully!) easy steps to follow. I suggest that you print out these instructions and have them near the computer when you're ready to go!

First, make sure that your newsletter is in PDF (Adobe Acrobat) format. Newer (2007/2010) versions of Microsoft Word will allow you to save as a PDF. A search for "PDF Converters" will return a number of free and easy-to-use tools that can do the job as well.

Now, with your PDF newsletter saved, log in to the "admin" side of the blog with your username and password. You can actually do it from this page by clicking the "Site Admin" link near the lower right-hand corner of the page.



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If you don't have a username or password for the blog yet, please email your Zone Director and I can get you set up.

Once you are logged in, you will be at what is called the "Dashboard" page—it's kind of a launching pad for working behind the scenes with the blog. You will have access to anything you have created there. You'll start by clicking the "Add New" link from the "Posts" box near the upper left-hand corner of the page. You'll be taken to the "Add New Post" page.

First, I'd like you to enter a title for your post ("post" is basically blog terminology for whatever content you'll be publishing). It needs to be short and descriptive (like, "April 2011 Oslo Lodge Newsletter"). The cursor should already be positioned to enter the title; otherwise, it's the box marked "Enter Title Here". Next, find the "Categories" box on the right-hand side of the page and make sure "Lodge Newsletters" is checked and anything else is not checked. This part is pretty important, so please don't forget, OK?

Next, I'd like you to put the cursor in the large box beneath the tool bar and type a sentence or maybe two about your newsletter. It doesn't have to be much ("Here's the April 2011 edition of the Oslo Lodge Newsletter. We hope you enjoy it!"). Then, hit the "Enter" or "Return" key so that the cursor skips to the next line.

Next, look above the tool bar for 4 icons next to the words "Upload/Insert". Choose the far-right icon (kind of looks like the sun). If you hover over it, it will say "Add Media". Click that icon, which opens a new window with the same name. Click the "Select Files" button, which will open a dialog box for you to navigate to the location on your computer where the PDF file is located. Click on it, and then click "Open". Your file will be uploaded in a few seconds, and then the box will change to show a thumbnail of your newsletter file. Scroll down this window and look for a button that says "Insert Into Post". Click that button, and the new window will close and a link with your newsletter should now be where the cursor is/was blinking. If everything looks OK, click the "Publish" button just to your right, and you are done!

If something doesn't look right, feel free to delete what's been typed and start again. Remember that the link will display whatever file name you gave your newsletter. This might be a good time to make sure your newsletter file has a simple name—like whatever you plan to be the title, perhaps? If you uploaded something else by mistake, or you decided you should rename the file, you can delete the file you uploaded quite easily. Click the "Add Media" button, then click the "Media Library" tab. Your upload should be at the top of the list. If there is a "Show" link next to it, click the link. Scroll down the window and find the "Delete" link. Click it, and then confirm your deletion.

I hope this has answered all your questions without getting you bogged down in details. If you have any questions, please email me and I'll be happy to help if I can. Jim 3D Webmaster

Did you know you can find out what is going on in other lodges by clicking on About Us and then lodges on the 3D website. This will take you to the Sons of Norway page which contains all of our lodges. Lodge names highlighted in blue means they have their own website; check out what they are doing and if you are travelling in the area, drop in and say hello!!



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TUBFRIM: Please remember to save used postage stamps for Tubfrim. Please cut the stamps from envelopes with scissors, leaving a 1/4 inch margin of paper around the stamp for ease of handling. Picture post cards should be left whole. Tubfrim also collects used telephone cards. The money realized from the sale of stamps benefits disabled children and youth in Norway.

Gene Olson Sports/Recreational Director

Gene Olson – mais@comcast.net

The bowling Tournament 2012 is on and I hope you have all heard this from your Local Lodge President and your Zone Director. I have sent particulars to them all some time ago.

The Sports Metal Challenge Program is also on.

I need every ones help in organizing bowling teams at ALL local Lodges. We need this information in **ALL** Lodge Newsletters. Each team consists of 5/five bowlers and you can have as many times you can mustard up. Each team is to submit a check for \$25.00 which is used to help the District "Kitty" and to purchase the trophies. Score Sheets are to be sent to me. Be sure to let me know the team make up as; men's team, women's team, or mixed team. Print so names are legible and please let me know if "F" or "M". Last year I received such names as "Sam" or "Phil" and did not know if M or F.

Bowling Tournament entries until 3/31/12 and Sports Medal Program until 5/31/12.

I know there have been Lodge members participating however have not been sending me copies of the form when ordering metals.

Gene Olson

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717-569-1747- leave message and I will return call.

Counselor's Corner

By Mary B. Andersen, 3D Counselor

I hope you had a safe, happy and healthy holiday season!

Tusen takk to the lodges who regularly donate a portion of their holiday fest proceeds to the Charitable Trust; it is greatly appreciated! As always, thank you to the lodges who fondly remember our fraternal brothers and sisters who have gone to lodge eternal with memorial donations. Your donations enable the Charitable Trust to help our distressed members in their time of need; it is what fraternal organizations like ours are all about.

February includes Valentine's Day and the first thing that generally comes to mind is a heart (and chocolate!). Many of us make and display juleherter during the holiday season. I see a great connection with the juleherter and the Sons of Norway (even if it may have started in Denmark!). We are all woven together in fraternalism. We open our hearts to each other by extending helping hands and even just a smile at a lodge event. Your donations to the Charitable Trust exemplify the depth of the 3D heart.

Thank you for keeping the Charitable Trust in your heart.

Med vennlig hilsen, Mary





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From the Secretary Marci Larson

Please make a note that several activities are underway in the next few weeks with a time line that may need your action or that of your lodge. Here is an outline.

- The **District Membership Directory** is being updated and will be available for distribution about March 1. Each lodge receives one complimentary copy and additional copies are \$6 apiece. This is a \$1 increase from last year because of increased postal rates. The order form has been sent to the lodge presidents and secretaries, but if you would like a copy please let me know. I base the quantity printed on the number of orders received by Friday, Feb. 10. Orders received after that date will be available on a first come basis as quantity remains.
- **Lodge Delegates** - Lodges are entitled to elect delegates, based on membership as of Dec. 31, to represent them at the District Convention June 20 - 23. The District Board highly encourages lodges to elect delegates so your lodge voice is heard at the Convention where our district business is conducted every two years. The delegate reporting form and the list with the individual lodge delegate counts have been sent to the lodge presidents and secretaries. The delegate registration is \$299 and the non-delegate rate \$240. Hotel rooms are \$105 per night plus tax. Please access the District website/convention information for further details www.3dsofn.org. For further information re: delegates please read Article III of the District Bylaws found on the website.
- **Resolutions** – Resolutions will be considered at the District Convention so if you wish to submit one, please read. Local lodges or the District Board must submit all proposals to change the District Bylaws to the District Secretary in writing at least four (4) months before the District Convention is held. An affirmative vote of two-thirds is needed to effect a change. Resolutions are also considered and require only a simple majority for adoption. As District Secretary, I will need your proposed resolution(s) no later than Friday, February 24. If you propose a resolution which includes the explicit or implicit expenditure of funds, include an estimate amount of the expenditure and the means by which the necessary funds are to be obtained. Please refer to Article IX of the District Bylaws for additional information.
- It is that time again for District 3 lodges or individuals to nominate an individual for the **District's prestigious Leif Erikson Citation Award** which is presented to a recipient who promotes the ideals of Norwegian culture and heritage. Many dedicated and deserving persons could be honored by this award and certainly have been since its origination in 1967 by the Hartford Lodge. The criteria is as follows: Candidates may be any person or persons who has/have made major or significant contributions

ü As humanitarians

ü In public or charitable services

ü In the fields of sports, education, medicine or the sciences

ü For cultural advancement

Any District 3 member can nominate an individual or individuals for this award. The nominee(s) does not have to be a SON member. The nominator must describe the reasons for the nomination and provide support material such as photos, newspaper or other new media articles. The District President will appoint a



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committee to review the submissions and select a list of three nominees to be considered. The Cultural Director chairs the committee. The District Board will select the winner, by a ballot vote, and first and second alternates. This information has been sent to the lodge secretaries and presidents. Because the spring board meeting is March 2-4, it is necessary for lodges and individuals to submit nomination(s) to the District Secretary by Feb. 24. The District Board will make the final selection. The 2010 recipient was SON member Bjarne Livollen from Delancey, NY.

If you have questions about any of this information please contact the District Secretary by email at mlarson@northfloridatpo.com or by phone at 904-306-7513.

Sons of Norway celebrates 117 years



Did your lodge celebrate Sons of Norway Founders Day Jan 16th? It may have passed by unnoticed to many. It is pretty amazing when you think about what was started way back then as a way to help out fellow immigrants and how it has evolved to what we know and enjoy today. Those founding fathers would probably be amazed at the way we provide financial security to our members with sound life insurance products and stable annuities. They might be impressed at our cultural programs keeping alive customs of the old country. The foundation would really help them appreciate how we help our children with education and members dealing with natural

disaster. It would be interesting if they were looking in on a social and saw how many women were there and how terrific the food is.

To keep us going and growing strong for another 117 years, we rely on you, our members to support Sons of Norway with your membership and purchase of our financial products. Happy Birthday
Ann Krause, FIC, LUTCF Financial Benefits Counselor Sons of Norway
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ZONE NEWS

ZONE 1: Kris Rasmussen Director

ZONE 2: Judy Mack Director

Zone 2 Doings

Norumbega and Maine Nordmenn Lodges have held their Installation of Officers programs.

The February program for Maine Nordmenn is February 2, 2012, will be Charles Kaufmann, Director of the Longfellow Chorus, Portland, ME, who will give a preview of "Ole Bull, Longfellow, & Elgar: Scenes from Saga of King Olaf." This program will be presented the first weekend in March.

Norumbega Lodge held a luncheon for prospective new members on January 16, 2012. On February 5, 2012, their meeting program will feature the DVD, "Finding Thea." Think Tugboat Annie!!!

Morgensolen Lodge is attempting to set up a program for the year.

Plans are underway for the Zone Memorial Service which will be held April 22, 2012.

ZONE 3: Barbara Bensen Director

ZONE 3 TIDBITS

The best part of Winter, to-date, is the absence of snow piles stories high, and frigid weather. It's certainly easier for members to attend Lodge functions. 3D International Director, Barbara Berntsen, installed Noreg Lodge Officers on January 6th. They had 52 members in attendance and served a wonder array of open-faced sandwiches and desserts. February 19th is their Valentine Dinner Social, with music provided by their Music Sunday musicians. The group happens to be quite good. Nor-Bu is really hoping for snow at LOV. Their Family weekend is in February, and snow enhances their outdoor activities, so they say!! On January 13th, I had the



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pleasure of installing the Officers for Pleasant Point Lodge. Originally, their Installation date was February 10th but it had to be changed. Nansen's Chorus just finished their holiday singing commitments. The Choir Director is their Lodge President. Most of the Lodges are still working on their 2012 Lodge Calendar and I am confident, there will be some great programs scheduled in 2012. We'll share the details as we get them. Don't forget this year is Leap Year.... we get an extra day this month!

Zone 4 - Karin Gudbranson McCadam, Director

Winter has finally arrived, although fashionably late, in upstate New York. We've had our first snow days with school closings but no rush on grocery stores for bread and milk just in case of a blizzard. Many of us are praying for enough snow to keep winter sports enthusiasts happy, but not so much that we hear the snow plows all night long!

The good news is that the snow does not keep Zone 4 lodges from their activities. FRAM lodge had new Officer Installation on January 10th, with Vice President Gail Ekloff officiating. The new leadership is excited and looking forward to the next two years. We also have new Officer Installations happening in TROLL and in NORSEMEN lodges in early March.

SCANDINAVIAN HERITAGE SOCIETY had their annual lutefisk and meatball dinner January 21st, which is well attended by the greater Rochester community. (Curiosity about lutefisk is one way to fish for new members!)

NORRONA LODGE has great programs through the winter months and it is always a fun group to visit!

OSLO LODGE celebrated its 5th birthday as a reborn lodge on January 15th and commemorated that day in January 2007 when it started again with just 7 members and 5 guests. Congratulations Oslo Lodge - you have come a long way baby!

HUDSON VALLEY LODGE is very active each month and you will find them bowling in February: they welcome members and friends to come out and bowl as well. Oslo Lodge will once again sponsor 1-2 youth bowling teams for the Third District Bowling Tournament. Both lodges challenge other lodges to participate in this fun event. So, if you want to fit in some great cross-country or downhill skiing and a Nordic cultural event, each of the 7 lodges in Zone 4 wish you "Velkommen".

ZONE 5: Gail Martinsen, Director

Out of the 13 lodges in Zone 5, nine had installations in January. Four of the lodges installed their president for another year. They are Gateway to FL, Kent Larson, Gulfstream, Ingrid Hammen, Sarasota, Mary Larsen and Sun Viking, Nellie Larson. The other 5 lodges installed new presidents. They are Gulf Coast Vikings, Harriet McCarthy, Lauderdale, Liva Willemsen, Scandia, Pat Rush, Suncoast, Phil Nelsen and Tampa Bay, John Hlivyak. CONGRATULATIONS to you all! I wish you all a very calm and productive year! Gulf Coast Vikings members, Shelly Cooper, Maxine Batrawi and Donna Clothier were featured in the December 18th issue of the Fort Meyers News-Press with a picture of them making lefse at their December meeting. What an honor! Congratulations to Gulfstream's President, Ingrid Hammen. She is the proud Grandmother of a little girl, Audrey June born on December 2, 2011. At Tampa Bay's installation meeting their Norwegian Smorgasbord was not only delicious, but also, the most beautiful table display! You would have thought that it was designed by professional caterers. After 6 terms as Scandia's President, Don Rush is stepping down. Their new President is his daughter, Pat Rush! Their lodge is busy restoring their Viking longboat and in the process of getting a rowing crew together. I'm very proud of Port Orange! Their younger members are picking up their senior members to bring them to the meetings. Helping your fellow members is an important part of being a Sons of Norway member! And, what more can we say about Gateway to Florida's President, Kent Larson? He just signed up 5 more members in January and the month isn't even over yet!!! His recruiting ability is amazing!!! Sun Viking was honored to have visitors from 9 different lodges at their installation meeting, including 2 members from Saint Paul, Minnesota. It was wonderful meeting



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the members of all these various lodges. The children of Sun Viking's "Sma Vikingar Barnklubben" gave a wonderful presentation on Tvendagen (Saint Knut's Day) at the meeting. This month Vikingworld Orlando served pizza and showed a video "Christmas Concert from Norway". It was recorded by Oslo Center and featured Princess Martha Louise plus many Norwegian winter scenes. The Norsemen Harbour members enjoyed a fun pajama party at their last meeting. They all dressed in their favorite nighties or PJs and brought their favorite breakfast food to share. It sounds like a good time was had by all! Suncoast will be hosting Zone 5's Annual Memorial Service on January 29th. This service is always such a warm and beautiful ceremony honoring all of the departed Zone 5 members from the previous year. Ha en fin Valentinsdag! Happy Valentine's Day!

ZONE 6: Carol Goral, Director

Zone 6 is looking forward to a prosperous 2012. Our lodges have been busy planning activities for this year as well as installing officers at their January meetings.. I was fortunate to install the officers at Washington Lodge on Saturday, January 14. The gathering was held at their cultural center starting with a pot luck luncheon and cultural program. The installation of officers followed. I awarded a Past President's Pin to Kristen Stone It was wonderful to see so many in attendance. I especially enjoyed sharing a table with Ardis Morton and Queenie Sheldal, two grand ladies of our zone.

On Friday evening, January 20, I was privileged to install the officers of Bondlandet Lodge. There evening began with their annual Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner. The food was great and the sweet table would be the envy of the best bake shop. The turnout was wonderful and the lodge managed to plan its night before the snow which blanketed the area on Saturday. A Past President's Pin was awarded to Nalda Olson for her work as President.

Restauration Lodge will have their installation with Kathy Dollymore, District Publicity Director as the installing officer. Fredriksten will have their installation on Friday, January 27th with Gail Eckloff, District Vice President as the Installing Officer. Nordkap will have Kristin Stone, District Cultural Director.

I brought district greetings to all the lodges as well as an update for the convention in June and Zone activities as well. It was a pleasure to do some traveling this year and to see the wonderful programs each lodge has available to members. I am very proud of our one!

ZONE 7: Edward McCarthy, Director

Southern Star Lodge # 630 in Myrtle Beach will be having their installation of new officers at the January meeting. Barbara Bernsten will preside. They will also be having a soup dinner and then a program presented by one of their members on his trip to Iceland and Denmark.

Norsk Carolina Lodge #679 in Charlotte will be having a program on Viking Runstones for their January meeting. Hampton Roads Lodge #522 in Virginia Beach had a program on "The Building of the Flag" presented by the National Sojourners for their January meeting. The book club continues to meet monthly. The lodge has plans for a fellowship lunch in February as well as a new members breakfast.

Drammen Lodge # 862 in New Bern has a dynamic program for their January meeting. The program will feature speakers from the Family History Society of Eastern North Carolina who will both speak and act out the story of the Styron family in that state. In addition, their will be a dance performance from Scandinavian dancers, a display of Scandinavian arts and crafts, a discussion of the problems of tracing a Scandinavian family tree and a display of holiday crafts, foods and traditions. It sounds like a great program and a lot to fit into one meeting!





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Don't forget to.....

The SON Foundation has given out multiple awards and grants this year to individual Lodges for special events, activities and for the Communities they are in. The SON Foundation also helps with hardship and other special needs after disasters or crisis.



LAND OF THE VIKINGS

This land is your land, this land is my land. Come and enjoy, bring your family & friends. You don't have to be a member to enjoy all that LOV has to offer. Be sure to check out LOV on the 3d web site www.3dsofn.org or www.Landofthevikings.org



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Session 1 March 12-16 Telemark roses
Session 2 March 19-23 Gudbrandsdal
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District 3 Board Meeting March 1st—4th

Basket Social

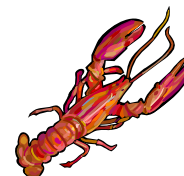
Our December basket Social was moved to April 22nd.



We are looking for donations from all the 3rd District Lodges and /or individuals. Baskets of goodies or any unwanted **new** item or a donation of money would be appreciated. Please send your donation to Lov with your Zone Director or any Board member by the end of February. (They will be attending the Board meeting the first of March) after that, items can be delivered or sent to LOV directly. If your lodge has already sent a basket or donation for the December Basket Social you don't need to send another. We appreciate your support.

Save the date - June 8th Lobsterfest at LOV

Come for the weekend or just the day. Silent Auction donations accepted
Fun, games and good food Make your Reservation early
Call - 570-461-3500 Or E-mail to:- vikingland@tds.net <http://lov.3dsofn.org>



Thanks you for supporting LOV this past year. We are hoping to bring you lots of fun happenings at LOV in 2012 Let us know if there is something you would like to do and we will try to make it happen. We are talking to Vesterheim on bringing some of their classes to LOV. How about Knife making, basket making, weaving, woodcarving more rosemaling, or Quilting. What would you like to do? E-mail Sally Uffdamobile@yahoo.com