



NEWSLETTER

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LODGE BROOKLYN SUPPORTS A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SOCIETY

LODGE BROOKLYN 3-243

It is the beginning of a new year and a perfect time to turn over a new leaf, or maybe rediscover our roots. If we look at Lodge Brooklyn's history we played an important roll in supporting many within our community. It would be nice if we consider doubling down on our contributions this year to groups and individuals in need of our assistance.

Let us also begin scheduling things in advance. This way our planning will not be haphazard and stressed. We should talk about the 17th of May Parade, possible fundraising thoughts, our Memorial, the Third District Convention, and upcoming meeting programming. Please review all the events that are happening this year within our district so we are planned and organized to join in all the fun.

Be sure to share stories with friends about Lodge Brooklyn and invite them to our meetings or events.

Hope to see you this Sunday,

Kimberly Breiland, President

SAVE THE DATES OF LODGE BROOKLYN FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

NYTTAR

Sunday, January 21, 2024
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sporting Club Gjoa, Brooklyn

FEBRUARY

Sunday, February 18, 2024
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sporting Club Gjoa, Brooklyn

MARCH

Sunday, March 17, 2024
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sporting Club Gjoa, Brooklyn

APRIL

Sunday, April 21, 2024
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sporting Club Gjoa, Brooklyn

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!



FRA PRESIDENTEN, STEPHEN HELMOLD – JANUARY 2024

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and I wish a very happy and healthy new year to all.

2024 is going to be a very busy, productive, and fun-filled year for the Third District.

First however, there are certain business items that must be attended to. Considering the new lodge disbandment policy developed and implemented by the home office, it is imperative that lodges file their paperwork on time. Also, our 2024 District Lodge meeting and convention near Washington DC is shaping up to be an exciting event, so you want to be sure that you register for everything on time. Below are just a few deadlines that you should be aware of.

In **January**, District Secretary Karen Olsen-Helmold will inform lodge secretaries and presidents of the maximum number of delegates that each lodge will be permitted to send to the District Lodge meeting. This is based on the number of members you had on December 31, 2023 and the formula in our bylaws. As soon as Karen gets the official membership numbers from the home office, she will inform lodges of the number of delegates that they are allowed. I hope that all lodges will send the maximum number of delegates they are allowed as well as many nondelegates to participate in the events being planned.

In **February**, lodges should vote on their delegates and alternates and complete the delegate report that must be sent to Karen as District Secretary by **March 1st**. The form will be sent to all lodge secretaries in January.

March 15th is the deadline for lodges to file their D-17 Local Lodge Financial Statement with the home office. The home office is no longer accepting snail mailed or emailed forms, but instead lodge treasurers must sign onto the Sons of Norway website and use

the home office's electronic program.

March 15th is also the deadline for lodges to submit resolutions to be voted on at the district lodge meeting in June. Resolutions must be submitted using the format approved by the home office. Karen will send the template to all lodge secretaries with the January/February District Secretaries letter.

April 15th is the deadline to register delegates and nondelegates with the host committee. Registration forms will also be sent with January/February District Secretaries letter. These forms will also be available on the Third District Website in January.

While all this business is important and must be attended to, it should not be the be all and end all. We are a fraternal organization and should work just as hard to get together and celebrate our Norwegian heritage while spending time together enjoying each other's company. *Washington Lodge*, the host for the 2024 convention, has many fun events planned for all to enjoy. Look for details on the Third District website, www.3dsofn.org.

On **April 20th** the District will host the 3rd District Picnic at Nansen Lodge's picnic grounds.

We will also be holding two family cultural weekends for all to enjoy. The first will be at camp *Koinonia* in New York Thursday, July 25th to Sunday, July 29th and the second will be at *Camp Lutherock* in North Carolina Thursday, August 8 to Sunday August 11th. Details will be sent to lodges in the near future. Let's get together and have some fun!

Fraternally,
Stephen Helmold, *Third District President*



ZONE 1 – SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



SONS OF NORWAY Zone 1 Scholarship Fund Award APPLICATION



NOTE: All information will be held in strict confidence. No application will be considered unless all questions are answered. Please print or type.

ELIGIBILITY: 1) Either the scholarship applicant or his parent/guardian must be a member in good standing of a lodge in **Zone 1** For at least two years prior to the date of application by **March 15, 2024** and remain so for the remainder of the term.
2) All applicants should intend to be **FULL TIME** students seeking post-secondary **UNDERGRADUATE** education.

APPLICATION PROCESS: The following must be in the hands of the Scholarship Committee delegate from your lodge by March 15.

- 1) This Application completed clearly and legibly.
- 2) Most recent Official Transcript of scholastic record. (Student copies will not be acceptable.)
- 3) Two letters of reference from non-relatives, of least one of which must be from a former or present teacher.
- 4) Short essay (no more than 2 pages) introducing yourself and your involvement in the Scandinavian Heritage and /or Sons of Norway
- 5) Copy of current membership card.

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Check box. Applicant is a member of a Sons of Norway lodge ☐ is not a member. ☐

Name of Lodge If member: _____ Date of initiation: _____

Father's or legal Guardian's Name: _____

Name of Lodge If member: _____ Date of initiation: _____

Mother's or legal Guardian's Name: _____

Name of Lodge If member: _____ Date of initiation: _____

Schools attended by Applicant Address Date of Graduation

Indicate Activities, Honors, Other: _____

List any other Grants, Scholarships you will be awarded and amounts: _____

College, University, Institution to be attended (If known) _____

Course of Study: _____ Length of Course: _____ Admission Date (if known): _____

Remarks: _____

Date	Signature	Father, Mother, Guardian's Signature
Date and Sign above and Return this application and additional material requested to:		Barbara Kristiansen 871 70th Street Brooklyn, NY 11228 mormor46@verizon.net



LODGE BROOKLYN HAPPENINGS

Another Jule Fest to remember! A lovely time was had by all and I think the "Unwrap the present quiz" was a great hit. Thank you to all who came and made it wonderfully festive, and to all those that couldn't attend we hope to see you at next years event.

This is the year for the 67th Third District Convention. It is happening near Washington DC, hosted by **Washington Lodge**, June 7-9, 2024. Please let Kimberly know if you are interested in attending the Convention. There will be a Happy Hour Dinner, Great Viking Auction, and a Grand Banquet with Dance. There will also be great opportunities for many other adventures within the DC area and plenty of time to meet and greet Sons of Norway members. The lodge has also created a night bus tour of DC specifically for Convention guests. We will provide more information about the Convention in the coming months as things come together. We do need to know by April 1 if you are interested in participating in this great event, so please check and mark your calendars.

Please make sure to read this newsletter, if you have a child, grandchild, or maybe yourself attending or about to attend college, now is the time to review the sofn.com website for scholarships, as well as to apply for the **Zone 1 Scholarship** if you are a member of SOFN Zone 1.

There is an opportunity for **Miss Norway of Greater New York** which is being sponsored by the **Norwegian-American 17th of May Parade Committee**. Age of 17 - 26 is a requirement.

As you can see we have sent out a few donations to begin the year with giving. If you have any ideas or would like to us to consider a charity that is near and dear to your, like UNICEF for the Children or Zone 1 Scholarship fund, let me know, we will discuss at our meeting January 21, 2024.

General Business

- D-17 has been submitted
- \$100 donated to "Ski for Light"
- \$100 donated to Norwegian Christian Home
- \$100 donated to D3 Charitable Trust

Can You Help?

An individual wrote to Sigrun asking if we can help in finding or sharing any information that we may know or have on Jonas Andreas Refsnes, born April 18, 1917 in Stokksund, Norway, a city near Trondheim. His parents were Martin and Karen Refsnes. He worked on boats and many letters from him were sent to Norway from NY. If you can share any information please email Refsnes Mats: refsnes@gmx.com

If anyone found a pink cosmetic case during the last meeting please inform Kimberly.

We are looking for article and photo submissions. What did you been up to? Anything special? Traveled someplace new, had a celebration, learned a new skill, tried a new dish? What ever it is, we are interested. Send to Kimberly@LodgeBrooklyn.org so we can include it in our next newsletter.

Please remember to save stamps and postcards for the **Tubfrim** program. **Alice Svege** will be collecting all contributions. When cutting the stamps out, leave a 1/4" margin around the stamp.



LODGE BROOKLYN PRESIDENTS MESSAGE AT 100TH





MISS NORWAY OF GREATER NEW YORK CONTEST APPLICATION



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____
 Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ eMail: _____

EDUCATION

Highest level of education completed (high school, undergraduate, etc.): _____
 Name of School: _____ City: _____ State: _____
 Degree/Major/Graduation Year: _____
 Current Employer or School: _____
 Have you been a previous Miss Norway of Greater NY Contestant? ☐ Yes; if Yes, which year(s) _____ ☐ No

NORWEGIAN BACKGROUND

Indicate the closest Norwegian born relative: ☐ Parent ☐ Grandparent ☐ Great Grandparent

Name of relative: _____

Place in Norway where relative was born: _____

BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

Please include a type-written biographical statement. Your statement should demonstrate your knowledge of Norway and experiences with Norwegian culture, family background, traditions, and/or travel in Norway. You should also include your current activities, hobbies, clubs, volunteerism, educational, and professional goals.

I agree that all statements made above are true and to abide by all contest rules. I give permission for the committee to use my name and photographs for the purpose of the Miss Norway Contest of Greater New York. I agree to make scheduled appearances attired properly, or in national dress and displaying the symbols of my office (sash and crown). I understand that I must advise the committee immediately but no later than a week in advance of the appearance. I am not married and will be between 17 and 26 years of age through March 23, 2024.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

If under 18 - Parent's Signature: _____



MISS NORWAY OF GREATER NEW YORK CONTEST APPLICATION

THE NORWEGIAN-AMERICAN 17TH OF MAY COMMITTEE OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

Commemorating the 204th Anniversary of Norway's Constitution
Parade held in Brooklyn on Sunday, May 19, 2024
Parade Theme: "Celebrating Our 70th Parade"

66th Miss Norway of Greater New York Contest

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please return:

- Completed and signed original application
- Recent photo (facial close-up preferred), 4 x 6 or larger
- Application fee: \$30

Mail the completed application, photo, and fee payable to The Norwegian-American 17th of May Parade Committee postmarked **NO LATER** than Friday, March 08, 2024, (only the first 12 will be accepted) to: **George Jensen**, 20 79th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11209.

MISS NORWAY OF GREATER NEW YORK CONTEST AND BANQUET Day Reservations

It is imperative that families wishing to attend make reservations in advance by contacting ArleneRutuelo@gmail.com.

Table seating is limited so it is important to reserve as soon as possible.

The price for the event is \$25 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under.

PRIZES

2024 Miss Norway contest includes a ticket to Norway for the winner.

Prizes awarded will be confirmed at a later date.

Prizes are non-refundable.



LODGE BROOKLYN MEETING DATES



NYTTAR

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1 PM until 5 PM

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EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY



FASTELAVN 2024

Sponsored by Scandinavian East Coast Museum
Saturday, February 10, 2024
1 PM until 5 PM

Vesuvio's Restaurant (Backroom), Brooklyn

- \$65 per person, \$25 children 14 and under
 - Activities, Games, Music, 4 course meal, and fun!
- RSVP Victoria: 347-860-1932



HENRIK IBSEN LODGE 90TH

Sponsored by Henrik Ibsen Lodge 3-393
Sunday, April 14, 2024
12 PM until 4 PM

Marconi Manor, Islip NY

- \$75 per person, children 12 and under Free
 - Buffett with open bar, Raffles, 50/50, and music!
- RSVP: ask Kimberly@lodgebrooklyn.org



CROWNING OF MISS NORWAY

Sponsored by the N-A 17th of May Committee
Saturday, March 23, 2024
2 PM

Norwegian Christian Home, Brooklyn

- \$25 per person, \$10 children 12 and under
 - Light refreshments
- RSVP: ArleneRutuelo@gmail.com



THIRD DISTRICT PICNIC

Hosted by the Third District
Saturday, April 20, 2024
11 AM until 6 PM

Nansen Lodge, Staten Island

- \$40 per person, \$15 per child 4-12, under 4 free
 - Entertainment, games, raffles, and BBQ!
- RSVP Paul: 717-356-8395



EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY



HENRIK IBSEN LODGE 90TH

Sponsored by Norden Lodge

Saturday, June 1, 2024

leaving NY 8 AM; leaving NJ 6 PM

Tropicana, Atlantic City, NJ

- Cost TBD per person (depends on RSVPs)
 - Breakfast, coffee, snacks and games!
- RSVP Charles: CGottilla@hotmail.com



WASHINGTON DC NIGHT TOUR

Sponsored by Washington Lodge

Saturday, June 8, 2024

6:30 PM until 11 PM

From Dulles Hyatt Regency

- \$35 per delegate, \$50 per non-delegate
- Narrated tour of popular Washington DC sites



THIRD DISTRICT CONVENTION

Hosted by Washington Lodge

June 7-9, 2024

Hyatt Regency Dulles

Herndon, VA

- \$319 per delegate
- \$300 per non-delegate with options
- Information can be found on www.3dsofn.org



THIRD DISTRICT WEEKENDS

Hosted by Third District

SAVE THE DATES

North country: July 25-28, 2024

South country: August 8-11, 2024

- More information to come in the coming months
- Questions? eMail Andy Mathisen:
armathisen@gmail.com



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Your donation is a voluntary act which helps pay for the publication and distribution of our Lodge newsletter. We appreciate all your support!

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Arnold Bergman	25.00	11/2023

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This space is available — \$50 for 8 issues

For more information contact
Kimberly@LodgeBrooklyn.org



GRATULERER MED DAGEN

Nicole J Kraft January 2

Andrew Solem January 6

Laila Braaten-Proulx January 23

Adelle Leone Roban January 23

Shannon Barracato February 3

Karin L Holldorf February 11

Dr. Daphne L Davidson February 16

Linda Irene Kvam February 16

Ray Allen Spicer February 24

Olav B Hansen March 8

Stephen Sabaugh March 8

Synnove Froysti March 19

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Ragnhild Wallstedt March 20

Lucas Bourbon March 22



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LODGE BROOKLYN, EST. NOV. 22 1923

Lodge Brooklyn celebrates the traditions and history of the Norwegian and American Norwegian culture. We have a reputation as being fun, down to earth, and lighthearted. We gather and share past memories and create new ones in a warm and welcoming environment. We hope you come to a meeting!

WHIPPED NORWEGIAN RICE CREAM



Rice Cream

- 1-1/4 cups heavy cream
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 tbsp granulated sugar
- 2 cups cold rice pudding

Red Berry Sauce

- 1-1/4 cups frozen red berries
- 2 tbsp water
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tsp potato starch with 2 tsp cold water to thin sauce

- In a large bowl, whip the heavy cream, vanilla, and sugar until stiff peaks form. Gently fold cold rice pudding into the whipped cream. Refrigerate until ready to serve.
- For the red sauce, in a small saucepan, bring the berries, sugar and water to a simmer over medium heat. Cook until the fruit has softened and crush gently as you cook to break up the fruit. Add potato starch slurry and combine until thickened. Set aside to cool slightly then place in a serving jar. Serve alongside the rice cream or drizzle on top.

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