



LOYAL LETTER



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone is still enjoying what is and has been a wonderful summer thus far! There are still many more days to enjoy!

Looking back to June, we had two successful Lodge events:

First, the June 5th LI Midsummer Festival held in collaboration with Vasa's Lindbergh Lodge was truly a family event. The event brought together members from several lodges, as well as festival-goers from the local community and some from as far away as Brooklyn. Festival-goers enjoyed a traditional Swedish meatball dinner, homemade Viking Ales (Oslo and Stockholm), children's fishing game, and the highlight which was dancing around the maypole to the entertaining music and antics of Smorgasbandet. Thank you to the Social and Cultural Directors Monica Carlsen, Meredith Johansson, Reidun Rasmussen and Toril Stevens and Smorgasbandet for bringing this event together for the enjoyment of over 100 people.

Second, the District Convention in Florida from June 10-13 was well-attended by both virtual and in-person delegates. Leif Easterson, Michael and Melissa Pedersen and I attended virtually and actively participated in the meetings. Thank you to our delegates for their time representing our Lodge – you made a difference!

Member and landscape architect **Bob Retnauer**'s Landscape Design Project (Phase II) will soon be completed by Scout Andrew Key. Thank you to the Skadbergs for their redwood picnic table donation for the patio, as well as, Oddvar's excellent skills in repairing the existing three lodge picnic tables for all to enjoy. We look forward to many years of outside social events in this soon-to-be-completed special spot!

Looking ahead to September, two events planned:

First, the Heritage Club (all are welcome to attend) will be meeting on **Thursday, September 8th at 6 pm** for Phase I of II of Beer Making and we'll also be working on our handmade Viking Ships (table decorations for the 2024 100th Celebration). To learn more about the Art of Brewing Beer (Octoberfest and Blonde) and/or to help with the Viking ships, join us!

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The next meeting
September 9, 2022

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Newsletter is
September 15, 2022



Second, our first business meeting is **Friday, September 9th at 7:30 PM** and will **be preceded by an American Hotdog Picnic Dinner (and all the trimmings) at 6pm**, hosted by our Social Directors. Picnic is FREE! AND first glass of previously-made homemade beer is FREE for anyone wearing/adorning their favorite baseball or sports team attire (otherwise, small fee ☺). RSVPs are a must for the picnic by Wed., Sept. 6th by **texting Meredith at 631-766-3142**.

Hope to see you at the Heritage Club meeting, hotdog picnic and business meeting!

Fraternally, Eric



Loyal Lodge Communications, Updates and Activities (DITT OR DATT)

Karen & Steve Helmold have joined Loyal as affiliate members. Velkommen to Loyal Lodge!!

Upcoming Lodge Events

Heritage Club on Thursday, September 8th at 6PM

Hot Dog Picnic on Friday, September 9th at 6PM. Please see the President's message on how to attend this event.

The Sunshine Committee (GOD BEDRING)

Michael Pedersen had sinus surgery & recovery has gone well. Susan Timm is in a rehab facility after a hospital stay to remove part of her colon. Andrew Gai had a seizure the day after our May meeting. He seems to be doing well.

Kirsten Johnsen had neck surgery on level 2 C5-C7 with a disk fusion & is getting therapy. We send our get well wishes to Michael, Susan, Andrew & Kirsten. If you know of someone who is ill, please contact Torun Reduto at (631) 862-8017 and she will address. It is also nice to be remembered so we are asking all members to send thinking of you cards to those members who are not feeling well.

Ladies Auxiliary

There will be a meeting on Thursday, September 22nd at 7PM. Our meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00PM unless otherwise stated.

Corporation

We need members to sign-up to clean the Hall. If you can help with cleaning the Hall please contact Don Reinertsen at (631) 584-8987. The project by Boy Scout, Andrew Key is almost completed. Please take a look at it the next time you are in the backyard of the Lodge. Thank you Andrew!!!

The Coffee Committee

The coffee committee will be made up from the membership list. **The first name highlighted in black is the chairperson. The chairperson is to call the members listed on the committee below to find out what they will be bringing to the meeting.** The new procedures require the coffee committee to do the set-up & the clean-up. Your name may come up more than once a year, so we hope that you will be able to help. Thank you for your cooperation.



September Coffee Committee Members

Susan Olson (Chairperson)	631-398-2080
Solveig Ording	631-345-0847
Melissa Pedersen	631-946-1581
Liv Peterson	631-588-6938
Reidun Rasmussen	631-589-8698
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Torun Reduto	631-862-8017
Judy Regulinski	631-751-8870
Joan Reinertsen	631-584-8987
Carla Retnauer	631-862-7840
Nancy Reuter	631-467-7570

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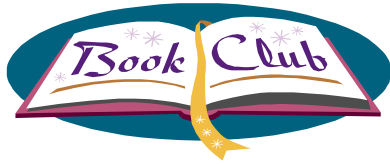
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October Coffee Committee Members

Rosemarie Sandhop (Chairperson)	631-585-4882
Karin Ryan	631-862-8017
Lisa Schreiber	631-979-2718
Liz Skadberg	631-584-5619
Donna Skjeveland	631-580-3178
Carol Slikowski	516-306-7166
Toril Stevens	631-880-8820
Elly Supinsky	631-654-9353
Christina Thomassen	631-764-1374
Gwen Thompson	631-862-6094

Loyal Lodge's Scandinavian Authors Book Club is now reading "Norse Fields"-A Novel of Southern California's Norwegian Colony by Anne Schroeder. Next meeting is on Sunday, September 18th at 2PM. Please RSVP to Kim Lakeman at (631) 509-0392 or klakeman27@gmail.com. Refreshments will be served.



Saint James Chamber of Commerce's Annual Saint James Day will be held on Sunday, October 2nd from 10AM to 5PM.

Loyal Lodge will be having a booth for this event. In the past our booth has been on Lake Avenue across from Spage's Pharmacy with our backs facing King Kullen.

We will need help with set up & take down for this event. Set-up will start at 8AM & take down will need to be started at 5PM when the event is over. If you would like to lend a hand with the set-up or take down please contact, Torun Reduto at 631-862-8017.

We will be selling last year's items from the Bazaar. Bring your family & friends & stop by our Loyal Lodge booth.

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September Birthdays

1-Elaine Olsen 5-Michael Damato
 6-Torun Reduto 7-Kenneth Skjeveland
 8-John Gillin 8-Robert Johnson
 12-Brendan Busick 12-Karin Elfers
 13-Kirsten Easterson
 14-Karin Thomassen 16-Elly Suinsky
 16-Lucinda Berninger
 20-Christina Thomassen
 21-Monica Carlsen 22-Joanne Verdi
 25-Paricia Baxley 27-Dan Tewes

Loyal Lodge Proposed 2022 Calendar

Sept 8th-Heritage Club Meeting
 9th-Meeting-HotDog Picnic
 22nd-Ladies Auxiliary

Oct 2nd-St. James Day Fair
 7th-Meeting
 16th-Lodge Oktoberfest
 22nd-Lodge Baking Day
 23rd-Lodge Baking Day
 29th-Lodge Baking Day
 30th-Lodge Baking Day

Nov 5th-Bazaar
 10th-Ladies Auxiliary
 11th-Meeting-Thanksgiving Dinner

Dec 2nd-Meeting
 3rd-Deck the Halls Glogg Party
 18th-Ornament Exchange



Loyal Lodge will be hosting an Oktoberfest on Sunday,
October 16th from 1PM to 5PM in the Parish
Hall of St. James Lutheran Church-230 Second Avenue

Cost is \$40 per person which will include:

German food, homemade Oktoberfest beer, wine, soda,
desserts & entertainment by: The Swedish Meatball
Ellen Lindstrom

RSVP will be required by filling out the attached form.
Deadline for reservations is Sunday, October 9th to Karin Ryan

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!! Bring Friends!!!

RSVP Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number Attending: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____



LOYAL LODGE'S ANNUAL SCANDINAVIAN BAZAAR will be held on Saturday, November 5th from 10AM to 4PM in the Parish Hall of St. James Lutheran Church.

That time of year is here again, for our annual Bazaar. Being that our venue has changed to a much larger location we will need more baked goods.

We will be asking for donations for the ingredients for the sandwiches, so any monetary donations would be greatly appreciated. Any help you can give to get ready for this event would also be helpful, for example, setting up, working tables, baking, baking, baking.

We are also looking for 18 authentic Scandinavian/Nordic raffle items for our raffle table. If you or your family would like to donate an item please let Karin Ryan know by October 15th.

We are all looking forward to a very successful Bazaar & with your help we know it will happen.



SAVE THESE DATES!!!! WE NEED MANY HANDS!!!!

The ladies of the Lodge will be having baking weekends prior to our Bazaar this year. We will be making four different types of baked goods for our baked goods table.

Saturday, October 22nd-Krumkake

Sunday, October 23rd-Lingonberry Bread

Saturday, October 29th-Almond Cakes

Sunday, October 30th-Apple cake

Type of baked goods baked & quantity made could change depending on availability of volunteers.

All of the ingredients will be provided. We will need people to mix the batters, fill forms & pack & tag for selling. More info to follow as the event gets closer. Hope to see many of you there!!!

BOOSTERS

Your donation is \$10 for ten issues (one year). Please make checks payable to LOYAL LODGE #252 and mail to: Karin Ryan, 152 Caldwell Ave., St. James NY 11780 or see her at a meeting.

1 Rose & Lou Sandhop	03/22	29 Karin Dutra	02/23	57 Christine Rasmussen	03/23
2 Robert Johnson	07/32	30 Eleanor Miner	09/23	58	
3 Curt Rومان	06/23	31 A & C Chuliver	02/23	59	
4		32 Liz & Oddvar Skadberg	03/23	60 C & M Thomassen	04/23
5 Donna & Bill Monsen	10/22	33		61 Joan & Don Reinertsen	10/22
6 Kim Lakeman	02/23	34 C & M Thomassen	04/23	62 Bonnie Gai	09/22*
7 Rick Bates	12/22	35 Solveig Ording	06/22*	63 Gordon Fidje	10/22
8 Betty Stokke	04/23	36		64 Ken Holm	02/23
9 The Stokke Family	04/23	37 Tarina Beck	01/23	65 Elly Supinsky	05/24
10 Liv Dillahunt	03/23	38		66	
11 Turid & Ted Mann	01/23	39 Nina & Ron Olszewski	10/22	67 Joan & Fred Bjorkgren	1/24
12 Meredith & Eric Johansson	02/23	40 John Barnett	05/23	68 Karin Ryan	11/22
13 Borgny Berger	12/22	41 Ken Lakeman	02/23	69 B & K Johnsen	02/23
14		42 Torun Reduto	03/23	70 Arlene Holm	02/23
15 Anna Christensen	01/23	43 Kate Losey	05/22*	71 Tanya Mastaglio	12/22
16 Audrey Nilsen	12/22	44 Violet Olsen	10/23	72	
17 Tarina & Ken Beck	01/23	45 John Johnsen	03/23	73	
18 Samantha & Harrison Reduto	05/23	46 Joan & Don Reinertsen	10/22	74 Jackie Rose & Katie Reduto	04/23
19 S & S Albrechtsen	05/23	47 Toril Stevens	09/22*	75 Margaret Zavala	03/23
20 Ray Hansen	10/22	48 Arnold Linden	09/22*	76 Kari Elfers	09/22*
21 Lucinda Berninger	02/23	49		77	
22 Joanne Verdi	04/22*	50 Norm Nilsen	12/22	78	
23		51		79 Ada Wikoren	12/22
24		52 In memory of Anton & Nini Nilsen	12/22	80	
25 Anne & Greg Davis	10/22	53		81	
26 Dolores & Frank Ruby	02/23	54		82	
27 Kari Elfers	09/22*	55 Edd Fleming	09/22*	83	
28 Lori Mahoney	10/22	56 Ethel Thomassen	11/22	84 Monica & Barry Carlsen	9/22*

If there is an **asterisk*** placed next to your name your booster is due. The name drawn at the next meeting will win \$20.00. The 50/50 winner was Barbara Johnsen. The Booster winner was Karin Dutra.

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We send our condolences to Helen Thorgimson & the rest of the Thorgrimson family on the passing of Rich Thorgrimson.

Local Food Pantries need our help.

Please bring in non-perishable items during our Lodge meetings. They will be collected & brought to the local pantry.

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**Heritage Club Meeting on
Thursday, September 8th at 6PM**

**Hot Dog Picnic & Lodge Meeting on
Friday, September 9th at 6PM**

Future Lodge Events

**Ladies Auxiliary Meeting on
Thursday, September 22nd at
7PM**

Note:

*Persons who were using the street address of the Lodge for mailing now must use the address
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If sending your items to the Editor, President or Secretary use their home addresses on the Letter page.