



# LOYAL LETTER



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**The next meeting**  
April 2, 2022

**Deadline for next**  
**Newsletter is**  
April 15, 2022



## Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Following the St. James St. Patrick's Parade on **Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**, members will assemble at Loyal Lodge to enjoy lapskaus and pizza followed by our monthly meeting. Members are encouraged to march in the parade and join everyone back at the lodge and if unable to march in the parade, no worries, relax at the lodge until we return. Bring drinks and outdoor chairs and enjoy our beautiful grounds.

How wonderful it was to have Brothers Eve at the lodge! I am very grateful to all the Brothers who cooked (Barry and Mike D.) and cleaned. Leif and sons, Ken Olsen, and I am sure I missed others while upstairs at the meeting.

The Town of Smithtown will be installing new curbs, reinstalling our fence, and grading/seeding the affected area along 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue where they installed new storm drains. Shortly thereafter they will pave the parking lot on 7<sup>th</sup> Street to complete

At our last meeting we had five names submitted for four open positions as board members of the corporation who along with the three lodge trustees are the seven corporation members. We will have a balloted election at the April meeting and good luck to all. The Corporation By-Laws, last written nearly 30-years ago are sorely in need of updating and I wish to thank the By-Laws committee who have volunteered to review and update.

Unique to our District 3. Its existence parallels the origins of the Sons of Norway whose purposes and goals were to protect members of Sons of Norway and their families from the financial hardships experienced during times of sickness or death in the family. As reported in the spring 1971 Sons of Norway Bulletin [1], a motion made at the 1936 District Convention to start an old age fund became a reality in 1938. Over time, the old age fund became known as the Benevolent Fund. To qualify, a recipient must be a District 3 SON member at least five years, be recommended for a helping hand by a member and complete an application form. These criteria are then reviewed by the Trustees which include the District Counselor, and a President appointed Financial Administrator and three District members at large. The application process and results are confidential for privacy reasons.

The Counselor manages the day-to-day business of administering the Charitable Trust and communicates monthly with the beneficiaries who continuously express their gratitude and heartfelt appreciation.

**Supporting funds come from the members and lodges of District Three as well as the dividends and interest earned from our investment portfolio at Morgan Stanley dedicated to the Charitable Trust. Donations can be made online at <http://3dsofn.org/wp-content/uploads/DonationForm2016.pdf>**

**Fraternally, Eric**



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

We welcomed three of Loyal's newest members to our March meeting. Michael Damato & Julie & John Wolf. Velkommen to Loyal Lodge & Sons of Norway.

**Upcoming Lodge Events**

**St. James's St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1PM with the Lodge meeting following.**

**Zone 1 Memorial Service on Sunday, May 1st at 3PM** at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Islip.

**May Cultural Dinner on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM.**

**The Sunshine Committee (GOD BEDRING)**

Andrew Gai has had three brain surgeries since May. He had an infection in his brain so he had his brainwashed. Currently getting chemo at home. He tires easily but has a good attitude. Randi Kuveke had knee replacement surgery. She is currently doing physical therapy & doing well. Karin Dutra had a knee replacement. She is doing well. We send our get well wishes to Andrew, Randi & Karin. 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 April 28th. 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.

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April Birthdays**



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| 1-Andrew Gai       | 4-Judy Regulinski |
| 6-Michael Pedersen | 7-Inger Saren     |
| 7-Liz Skadberg     | 7-Jim Tewes       |
| 8-Lou Sandhop      | 11-Inga Johansson |
| 12-James Folk      | 12-Toril Stevens  |
| 16-James Baxley    | 16-Violet Olsen   |
| 21-Joann Pignataro | 21-Don Reinertsen |
| 27-Sally Dingsoyr  | 28-Lori Mahoney   |

**Loyal Lodge's Scandinavian Authors Book Club is now reading "The Sacrament" by Olaf Olafsson. The next meeting will be on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 2PM. Please RSVP to Kim Lakeman at (631) 509-0392 or [klakeman27@gmail.com](mailto:klakeman27@gmail.com). Refreshments will be served.**



### *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.



#### *April Coffee Committee Members*

<b>Shelly Albrechtsen (Chairperson)</b>	<b>631-736-5371</b>
<b>Nancy Baxley</b>	<b>631-584-2095</b>
<b>Torhild Boughal</b>	<b>631-472-9407</b>
<b>Barbara Brownworth</b>	<b>631-681-4726</b>
<b>Monica Carlsen</b>	<b>631-724-4057</b>
<b>Diane Cavallaro</b>	<b>516-997-2096</b>
<b>Anne Marie Davis</b>	<b>516-987-8690</b>
<b>Liv Dillahunt</b>	<b>631-289-7940</b>
<b>Karin Dutra</b>	<b>631-467-3367</b>
<b>Kathleen Easterson</b>	<b>631-471-2448</b>
<b>Kirsten Easterson</b>	<b>631-471-2448</b>

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#### *May Coffee Committee Members*

<b>Bonnie Gai (Chairperson)</b>	<b>516-270-6733</b>
<b>Brenda Flaherty</b>	<b>631-734-7554</b>
<b>Natasha Folk</b>	<b>631-767-2004</b>
<b>Suzanne Foschino</b>	<b>516-672-9497</b>
<b>Ernestine Gabrielsen</b>	<b>631-698-4137</b>
<b>Barbara Hagen</b>	<b>631-342-1998</b>
<b>Arlene Holm</b>	<b>631-737-0466</b>
<b>Lillian Hull</b>	<b>631-929-1994</b>
<b>Meredith Johansson</b>	<b>631-366-3539</b>
<b>Barbara Johnsen</b>	<b>229-436-2659</b>
<b>Kirsten Johnsen</b>	<b>229-395-1036</b>

**Loyal Lodge Cultural Arts Heritage Club will have its inaugural meeting at Norway Hall on March 30th at 6PM.**

Scandinavia has a rich tradition of Arts reflecting our unique culture and wonderful traditions. The mission of the Loyal Lodge Cultural Arts Heritage Club is to discover and dabble in our unique cultural arts. All are welcome to explore Scandinavian art and fellowship.

Please consider joining and those with talents are encouraged to share. We plan to begin work on Viking Ship center pieces for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We will need people to decorate the tiny shields to go on the Viking Ships. Meanwhile the brew crew will start another master craft beer for another event. We hope everyone enjoyed the Irish Ale brewed by our members.

Please also consider bringing a food item to share. Coffee, soda, water, and libations will be provided for a small fee to replenish the stock.

Please RSVP via an email to Thom Brownworth at [thomatsbs@gmail.com](mailto:thomatsbs@gmail.com) or call to 631-681-1293.

# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Loyal Lodge will be marching in the St. James Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, April 2nd at 1PM. This is the reschedule date as the March 12<sup>th</sup> date was rained out.

We will be meeting on the corner of Jackson Ave. & Woodlawn Ave. at 12:15PM. Please wear your Loyal Lodge t-shirt & a Norwegian sweater if you plan on marching.

Please join us at the Lodge for pizza & lapskaus after the parade. Contact Torun Reduto at (631) 862-8017 by Thursday, March 31st if you would like to join us even if you don't march in the parade. There will be a \$5 fee per person which is payable at the door with a call ahead reservation.

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS-VIKING SHIP DRAKEN MAINTENANCE

We can finally send some of our crew members over to Mystic Seaport this spring to do some well-needed maintenance on the Drakken. We need some volunteers to help us out. If you are interested in doing that, please fill out the volunteer application for on our website:<https://www.drakenhk.com/volunteer>

Dates: April 25-May 13, 2022

Place: Mystic, CT USA

We will, in general, provide volunteers with meals & accommodations. Volunteers are responsible for their transportation to/from Mystic.



## LOYAL LODGE BUS TO BROOKLYN

Loyal will once again be having a bus to take us into Brooklyn for the 17<sup>th</sup> of Mai Parade.

Parade will take place on Sunday, May 15th. Any Loyal member who would like to march in this parade will receive a **FREE** seat on the bus. **Reservations are required by Loyal members by April 30<sup>th</sup>.**

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, any available seats left on the bus will be offered to the other Long Island lodge members on a first come first serve basis at \$20 a seat.

If a Loyal member does NOT march in the parade there will be a \$20 charge for each seat. Any guest who is not a member will also be charged \$20 for their seat.

The bus will be leaving Norway Hall at 11:30AM and then on to Brooklyn where the marchers will be dropped off at the start of the parade & the non-marchers will be dropped off at the end of the parade. Bus will leave Brooklyn at 6PM.

Please contact Karin Ryan at 631-862-8017 to reserve your seat on the bus.

A list of restaurants to go after the parade will be provided in our next newsletter.

# 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	06/22	31 A & C Chuliver	02/23	59	
4		32 Liz & Oddvar Skadberg	03/23	60	
5 Donna & Bill Monsen	10/22	33		61 Joan & Don Reinertsen	10/22
6 Kim Lakeman	02/23	34 <b>C &amp; M Thomassen</b>	<b>02/22*</b>	62 Bonnie Gai	09/22
7 Rick Bates	12/22	35 Solveig Ording	06/22	63 Gordon Fidje	10/22
8 <b>Betty Stokke</b>	<b>04/22*</b>	36		64 Ken Holm	02/23
9 <b>The Stokke Family</b>	<b>04/22*</b>	37 Tarina Beck	01/23	65 Elly Supinsky	05/22
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		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	05/22	46 Joan & Don Reinertsen	10/22	74 <b>Jackie Rose &amp; Katie Reduto</b>	<b>04/22*</b>
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 <b>Joanne Verdi</b>	<b>04/22*</b>	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	09/22

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. No winners were drawn at the March meeting.



**Please remember to visit  
Loyal's Facebook page**

## TIL MINNE

**We send our condolences to  
the Johnsen family on the  
passing of Loyal member  
Janet Johnsen**

# **LOYAL LETTER**

## **Loyal Lodge #252, Sons of Norway**

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### **Upcoming Event**

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on Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1PM-  
followed by our meeting at 3PM**

### **Future Lodge Events**

**Ladies Auxiliary Meeting  
on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7PM**

**Zone Memorial Service  
on Sunday, May 1st**

#### **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.*