



# LOYAL LETTER



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## Dear Brothers and Sisters,

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*The next meeting*  
*January 8, 2023*

*Deadline for next*  
*Newsletter is*  
*January 13, 2023*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Happy New Year! I hope everyone was able to enjoy the Christmas and New Year Holidays with their loved ones. I would like to thank Eric for his service and dedication to the Lodge as president of Loyal Lodge for the past 4 years.

Our January meeting will be held on Sunday, January 8th. A soup lunch will be served at 1pm, (more information in the newsletter) and the meeting following at 2pm which will include the installation of our new officers. It has been an honor to be selected as the new president.

I would like to thank all of the members for their support and dedication as we continue to make Loyal Lodge an enjoyable club for all members. I look forward to working with Michael Pedersen at my side as Vice President along with all of the many wonderful, dedicated officers and members, all of whom volunteer tirelessly for the good of the order.

On Saturday, December 3rd, members of Loyal Lodge along with some friends gathered for the Glogg Party which was chaired by Kim Lakeman. Tusen Takk for your hard work to make this event enjoyable. Lots of laughter and merriment along with some tasty Glogg, good food and desserts were enjoyed by all.

Don't forget to check the Schedule of Events in this newsletter and mark your calendar for a year of fun filled activities and fellowship. Please volunteer when possible to help make our Lodge events successful. Any and all help is always appreciated from preparation to clean up and anything in between.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the January meeting and a great year at Loyal Lodge!

Fraternally, Marty

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

We welcome new members: Donna & Scott Gianelli, Michelle Faulkner, James Lillie, Stacey Ferrington & Jennifer Mintz. Velkommen to Loyal Lodge & Sons of Norway.

**Upcoming Lodge Events**

**“SOUP”er Lunch on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 1PM.** Meeting to follow at 2PM  
**International Pot Luck on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 1PM.** Meeting to follow at 2PM.

**The Sunshine Committee (GOD BEDRING)**

Kim Lakeman fell & hurt her toes & wrist. She is feeling ok. Toril Stevens was back in the hospital with complications from a cyst on her pituitary gland surgery. She had a leakage of spinal fluid & had a drain put in. She is home now & in good spirits. We send our get well wishes to Kim & Toril. 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 no more meetings until March. 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.

**Little Vikings**

Please look for our announcement for our next meeting happening in the spring of 2023. We look forward to seeing your children & grandchildren at our meeting. Bring along some friends!!! Appropriate for ages 3-11, but all are welcome!

Any questions please contact our Lodge Youth Director, Michelle Faulkner at (347) 886-3679.

### 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.



#### January Coffee Committee Members

**Bonnie Gai (Chairperson) 516-270-6733**  
Lee Grosskreutz 631-987-2524  
Barbara Hagen 631-342-1998  
Arlene Holm 631-737-0466  
Lillian Hull 631-929-1994  
Meredith Johansson 631-366-3539  
Barbara Johnsen 229-395-6390  
Kirsten Johnsen 229-395-1036  
Jeanne Kovacs 631-331-5580  
Alicia Krebs 631-576-9485  
Randi Kuveke 631-585-0005

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#### February Coffee Committee Members

**Kim Lakeman (Chairperson) 631-509-0392**  
Megan Larsen 631-320-6485  
Lori Mahoney 631-862-7132  
Turid Mann 631-289-2386  
Norma Marriott 631-584-5510  
Karla Mattern 631-724-4866  
Debbie McMaster 631-379-3396  
Kim Mokarry 631-286-5947  
Donna Monsen 631-862-8185  
Melissa Musumeci 631-584-7528

### Gratulerer Med Dagen January Birthdays



1-Charlene Abrahamsen 2-Namcy Bradley  
3-Norman Nilsen 5-Stan Albrechtsen  
5-Bob Retnauer 6-George Sandberg  
8-Betty Stokke 10-Richard Eiseland  
13-Liam Baxley 21-Michael McMaster  
21-Donna Monsen 21-Deborah Pettersen  
21-Nancy Reuter 22-Barbara Hagen  
22-Ted Mann 24-Scott McMaster  
25-Stephen Baxley 27-Kim Lakeman

**Loyal Lodge's Scandinavian Authors Book Club will be taking a break for Christmas. Book Club will start up again after the New Year. Look for the January book & meeting date in next month's newsletter.**

**Please RSVP to Kim Lakeman at (631) 509-0392 or [klakeman27@gmail.com](mailto:klakeman27@gmail.com). Refreshments will be served.**



**Loyal Lodge Proposed  
Calendar for 2023**

**Jan 8<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-"Soup"er Supper

**Feb 5<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-International Pot Luck Dinner-Officer Installation

**Mar 5<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-Brother's Eve

**Mar 19<sup>th</sup>**-Loyal Cod Fish Dinner

**Apr 14<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-Ham Dinner

**Apr 21<sup>st</sup>**-Viking Auction

**May 5<sup>th</sup>**-Cultural Dinner

**May 7<sup>th</sup>**-Zone 1 Memorial Service

**May 21<sup>st</sup>**-17<sup>th</sup> Mai Parade-Brooklyn

**Jun 2<sup>nd</sup>**-Meeting-BBQ Dinner

**Jun 11<sup>th</sup>**-Midsommer Event w/Vasa

**Jul**-No Events

**Aug**-No Events

**Sept 8<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-Sister's Eve

**Sept 28<sup>th</sup>**-Ladies Auxiliary

**Oct 1<sup>st</sup>**-St. James Day Fair

**Oct 6<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-Leif Ericson

**Oct 15<sup>th</sup>**-LoyalOktberfest Event

**Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>**-Bazaar Baking Day

**Oct 28<sup>th</sup>**-Bazaar Baking Day

**Oct 29<sup>th</sup>**-Bazaar Baking Day

**Nov 4<sup>th</sup>**-Bazaar

**Nov 9<sup>th</sup>**-Ladies Auxiliary

**Nov 10<sup>th</sup>**-Meeting-Thanksgiving

**Dec 1<sup>st</sup>**-Meeting

**Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>**-Deck the Halls Glogg Party

**Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>**-Children's Christmas Party

**Dec 10<sup>th</sup>**-Ornament Exchange

**Dec 17<sup>th</sup>**-Christmas Party w/Vasa

**Loyal Lodge's "SOUP"er Lunch which will be held on Sunday, January 8th at 1:00PM. This meal will consist of soups, salad & rolls.**

**We need soup makers!! If you would like to make a soup, please call Rosemarie Sandhop.**

**The cost of this dinner is \$10 per person which is payable at the door.**

**If you would like to attend this dinner please call Rosemarie Sandhop at (631) 585-4882 by Thursday, January 5th (no exceptions) so you can reserve your seat.**

**During our January meeting the officers of Loyal Lodge for the 2023/2024 term will be installed by Past International Director, Barbara Berntsen.**

**We ask that all outgoing & incoming officers be present at this meeting. The meeting will be on Sunday, January 8th at 2PM.**

**A soup lunch will be available at 1PM.**

**See blurb above on how to attend this event.**

**Looking forward to seeing you all on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Book Club Happenings**

**For those members who have Netflix-a film called “Against the Ice” is a tie in to the book that the book club is currently reading.**

**A new movie called “A Man called Otto” starring Tom Hanks is coming to the theater. It is based on the book “A Man called Ove” which the book club has read. For those of you who have not read the book here is a description of it:**

**When a lively young family moves in next door, grumpy widower Otto Anderson meets his match in a quick-witted, pregnant woman named Marisol, leading to an unlikely friendship that turns his world upside down.**

**Did you need any of the following non-perishable items left from the Bazaar?**

**We have Nokkelost, lingonberry tubs, Husmor plain fish balls, Surkal, fish balls in shrimp sauce, Vestelands lefse, red cabbage, porridge rice, milk chocolate bars, milk chocolate with hazelnut bars, daim bars & raspberry saft**

**If you would like to purchase any of these items please contact Torun Reduto at 631-862-8017.**



**International Pot Luck Lunch to be held on Sunday, February 5th@ 1:00PM.**

**A sign-up sheet will be passed around during our January meeting for those members who would like to attend this lunch.**

**More information on how to attend this event will be available in our next newsletter.**

## **SAVE THE DATE**

**Greetings everyone!! I hope you are all well after a most joyful holiday season.**

**Loyal lodge is planning a Cod Fish/Meatball dinner on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

**Pricing & more details to be announced in the next newsletter.**

**Fraternally, Kirsten Johnsen**

## ***Bazaar Raffle Winners***

| <b><u>Item</u></b>            | <b><u>Donated By</u></b> | <b><u>Won By</u></b> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Handmade Kub Chair            | Edd Fleming              | Gail Petersen        |
| Blue Dale Sweater             | Liv Dillahunt            | Bonnie Gai           |
| Jim Shore Santa               | Ken Lakeman              | Vanessa              |
| A Christmas with Nissen       | Ada & Barb Wikoren       | Kitson Family        |
| Norse Viking Dwarf Gnome      | Elly Supinsky            | Nancy G              |
| Scandinavian Food Basket      | Ladies Auxiliary         | Stacy Ferrington     |
| Scandinavian Christmas Basket | Gwen Thompson            | Only a # listed      |
| Krumkake Iron                 | Edd Fleming              | Kari Mygland         |
| Gnome Basket                  | Ladies Auxiliary         | Mary                 |
| Pair of Viking Nutcrackers    | Bonnie Gai               | Ellen Zavala         |
| Red/White Ceramic Gnomes      | Torun Reduto             | Norm Nilsen          |
| Waffle Iron                   | Kim Lakeman              | Lori Mahoney         |
| Lenox Norwegian Santa         | Ken Lakeman              | Nancy Baxley         |
| Rosemaled Twin Comforter      | Christine Rasmussen      | Norm & Nancy         |
| Klokkestreng                  | Reidun Rasmussen         | David Wallman        |
| Set of Dala Horses            | Reidun Rasmussen         | Gunnar Johansson     |
| Bottle of Aquavit             | Ken Lakeman              | Evelyn Bracka        |
| Swedish Wood Figures          | Kim Lakeman              | Kim Lakeman          |

We were in our new venue for the third time & it was great to have all of the space for people to walk around. Everyone that came had nothing but great positive things to say about the size of the space. People were able to shop & look at all we had to purchase. We sold out of baked goods again this year. Our popular food items sold out as well. Looks like we will need to increase our baked goods & food items for next year.

Our Viking Ship outside of the building drew a large crowd as well.

Thank you (Tusen Takk) to all of the members, who made cookies, cakes etc. and helped the day of the Bazaar.

We could not do it without all of you. Let's see if we can do better next year!!

# 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            | 03/23         | 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           | 10/24         | 33                                  |               | 61 Joan & Don Reinertsen             | 10/23         |
| 6 Kim Lakeman                   | 02/23         | 34 C & M Thomassen                  | 04/23         | 62 <b>Bonnie Gai</b>                 | <b>09/22*</b> |
| 7 Rick Bates                    | 12/23         | 35 Solveig Ordning                  | 09/23         | 63 <b>Gordon Fidge</b>               | <b>10/22*</b> |
| 8 Betty Stokke                  | 04/23         | 36                                  |               | 64 Ken Holm                          | 02/23         |
| 9 The Stokke Family             | 04/23         | 37 <b>Tarina Beck</b>               | <b>01/23*</b> | 65 Elly Supinsky                     | 05/24         |
| 10 Liv Dillahunt                | 03/23         | 38                                  |               | 66                                   |               |
| 11 <b>Turid &amp; Ted Mann</b>  | <b>01/23*</b> | 39 <b>Nina &amp; Ron Olszewski</b>  | <b>10/22*</b> | 67 Joan & Fred Bjorkgren             | 1/24          |
| 12 Meredith & Eric Johansson    | 02/23         | 40 John Barnett                     | 05/25         | 68 <b>Karin Ryan</b>                 | <b>11/22*</b> |
| 13 Borgny Berger                | 12/23         | 41 Ken Lakeman                      | 02/23         | 69 B & K Johnsen                     | 02/23         |
| 14                              |               | 42 Torun Reduto                     | 03/23         | 70 Arlene Holm                       | 02/23         |
| 15 <b>Anna Christensen</b>      | <b>01/23*</b> | 43                                  |               | 71 <b>Tanya Mastaglio</b>            | <b>12/22*</b> |
| 16 Audrey Nilsen                | 12/23         | 44 Violet Olsen                     | 10/23         | 72                                   |               |
| 17 <b>Tarina &amp; Ken Beck</b> | <b>01/23*</b> | 45 John Johnsen                     | 03/23         | 73                                   |               |
| 18 Samantha & Harrison Reduto   | 05/23         | 46 Joan & Don Reinertsen            | 10/23         | 74 Jackie Rose & Katie Reduto        | 04/23         |
| 19 S & S Albrechtsen            | 05/23         | 47 Toril Stevens                    | 09/23         | 75 Margaret Zavala                   | 03/23         |
| 20 Ray Hansen                   | 10/23         | 48 Arnold Linden                    | 09/23         | 76 Kari Elfers                       | 09/23         |
| 21 Lucinda Berninger            | 02/23         | 49                                  |               | 77                                   |               |
| 22                              |               | 50 Norm Nilsen                      | 12/23         | 78                                   |               |
| 23                              |               | 51                                  |               | 79 <b>Ada Wikoren</b>                | <b>12/22*</b> |
| 24                              |               | 52 In memory of Anton & Nini Nilsen | 12/23         | 80                                   |               |
| 25 <b>Anne &amp; Greg Davis</b> | <b>10/22*</b> | 53                                  |               | 81                                   |               |
| 26 Dolores & Frank Ruby         | 02/23         | 54                                  |               | 82                                   |               |
| 27 Kari Elfers                  | 09/23         | 55 Edd Fleming                      | 09/23         | 83                                   |               |
| 28 Lori Mahoney                 | 10/24         | 56 Ethel Thomassen                  | 11/23         | 84 <b>Monica &amp; Barry Carlsen</b> | <b>09/22*</b> |

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 Christina Thomassen. The Booster winner was Dolores & Frank Ruby.



**Please remember to visit Loyals Facebook page to see all of our upcoming events**

# **LOYAL LETTER**

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### **Upcoming Event**

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**International Pot Luck  
on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 1PM**

### **Future Lodge Events**

**Brother’s Eve Lunch on  
Sunday, March 5th at 1:00PM**

**Cod Fish & Meatball Dinner  
on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 1PM**

**Note:**

*Persons who were using the street address of the Lodge for mailing now must use the address  
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