

FEBRUARY 2019



# VIKINGS OF THE SMOKIES

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February may be the shortest month - but there are plenty of opportunities to get involved in Sons of Norway in the upcoming weeks.

Get out the crockpot and dazzle your fellow lodge members with your favorite chili recipe on February 17th! There are no rules on ingredients - simply put, the tastiest chili wins bragging rights and a gift card!

The Lodge will again be participating in the Oak Ridge Children's Museum International Festival on Saturday, February 23rd. This is a great opportunity to introduce the public to Sons of Norway and Scandinavian traditions.

Volunteers are needed to help set up and staff the booth, as well as assist in demonstrating lefse baking and providing samples. In addition, the Trollkretsen Dancers, led by our very own Meg Mabbs and Bill Gooch will be performing at the Festival!

Remember also that Viking Volunteers are also needed to help set up and clean up after each lodge event. There will be sign up sheets for assisting at upcoming lodge events.



Finally, our Vikings of the Smokies Lodge has been recognized by Sons of Norway International for membership recruitment for 2018.

Thanks to all who have continued to recruit new members and help our Lodge grow!

# **Join Lodge Members on Sunday, February 17th, when one Viking will be named Lodge Chili Champion!**

**Members are invited to enter their favorite chili and enjoy some friendly competition and earn bragging rights!**

**If you would like to participate in the cook off, please contact Linda Turmo at [turmolat@charter.net](mailto:turmolat@charter.net) before February 15th. In addition to the crockpot of chili, the participants are asked to bring a written copy of the recipe.**



**Chili entries will be judged by the consensus of the Lodge members in a secret ballot.**

**The Lodge members who are not participating in the chili competition are asked to provide an a dessert, appetizer or accompanying side topping for the chili such as cornbread, tortilla chips, grated cheese, sour cream, etc.**

**There are no guidelines - red bean, white bean, no bean, turkey, beef or veggie or chicken...just make your favorite!**

# **ADOPT A MILE CLEAN UP DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 9**

**Viking volunteers are needed on March 9th as VOTS continues the tradition of participating in the Farragut “Adopt A Mile” program. VOTS is responsible for a section of Boring Road, located in Farragut just off Kingston Pike, next to the Ingles Shopping Center.**

**To learn more about the program and how you can help, please contact Laura Larsen at [tntanker@hotmail.com](mailto:tntanker@hotmail.com) or 865-983-3808**



## **OAK RIDGE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

The Lodge is again participating in the annual International Festival with an information booth and a demonstration of Scandinavian foods again this year.

This is a great opportunity for the public to learn more about the Sons of Norway and the Vikings of the Smokies. Volunteers are needed- especially those who have bunads or Norwegian sweaters!

Contact [Dee Bumpers](#) if you would like to help.

We need 4-6 volunteers to commit to a minimum three hour shift (either am or pm). Volunteers may also help with set up on Friday afternoon. All volunteers will receive free admission to the Festival, which runs from 10-4 at the Oak Ridge Children’s Museum.

# JANUARY WELCOMED NEW LODGE LEADERSHIP



Tusen Takk to Dee Bumpers, Darla Berdal, Kari Kinney, Laura Larsen, Linda Turmo, Elizabeth Myhre, Trygve Myhre, Bonnie Pederson and Olaf Storaasli, who have agreed to serve the Lodge in various leadership capacities during the year.



## From the Treasurer

Our net income for 12 months ending January 2019 is \$105 compared to a net loss of \$744 for the previous 12 months. Membership dues income of \$607 was \$242 more than the previous 12 months.

There was a net loss of \$400 for Lodge events (chili cook off, July 4 picnic, lefse sale, syttende Mai, torsk dinner, and Juletrefest.) compares to \$90 net loss for the previous year's lodge events (chili cook off, lodge refreshments, July 4 picnic, lefse sale, Syttende Mai, torsk dinner, baking badge, and Juletrefest).

Additional expenses of \$542 for District 5 Convention, and \$82 for insurance, point of sale fees, and bank balance error correction.

Our current assets are \$4399 compared to \$4722 for January 2018. Our \$294 liabilities are \$264 for the 2020 SON District 5 Convention and \$30 for the SON friendship pins.

Respectfully submitted,

**Trygve Myhre**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

## FEBRUARY 17

4PM - FAITH LUTHERAN  
LODGE MEETING WITH CHILI COOK OFF

## FEBRUARY 23

OAK RIDGE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

## MARCH 9

8:30 AM ADOPT A MILE CLEAN UP

## MARCH 17

4PM - FAITH LUTHERAN

## APRIL 21

4PM - FAITH LUTHERAN

## MAY 19

SYTTENDE MAI CELEBRATION

## JULY 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE & PICNIC