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Hurrah Hurrah!

The Lodge will be celebrating Norwegian Independence Day at our annual Syttende Mai Picnic on Sunday, May 19th. We will again be gathering at Asbury Place in Maryville under the coordination of Linda and Francis Turmo.

The picnic will begin at 4pm and everyone is encouraged to bring their Norwegian flags. Details and driving directions for the event are on the next pages of the newsletter.

We need 4-6 "Viking Volunteers" to help with the setup for the event!! If you can arrive early at 3pm and help arrange tables and chairs, place directional signs or offer to assist with the grilling - please contact Linda Turmo. And of course, clean up assistance is always greatly appreciated as well!

As usual, the Lodge will provide the hotdogs and hamburgers with the fixings, along with water, iced tea, lemonade and watermelon. Lodge members are asked provide the sides and desserts based on their last name.

After the Syttende Mai event, our monthly lodge activities will slow down for the summer and the Lodge will not meet in June or August. However, the Lodge plans to again participate in the annual Farragut Independence Day Parade on July 4th, followed by a cookout.

Hope to see everyone on May 19th!

Joleen

SYTTENDE MAI CELEBRATION



Join Lodge members for the annual
Syttende Mai Picnic

Sunday, May 19th from 4pm - 6pm
2648 Sevierville Road, Maryville, TN

**To assist with menu planning, please Rsvp to Linda Turmo at
(865) 233-7411 or email at turmolat@charter.net no later
than Friday, May 17th**

The picnic menu will include hamburgers, hot dogs and buns, and watermelon which will be provided by the Lodge. You are welcome to bring an alternative meat to grill if you prefer.

**Lodge members are asked to
provide a side dish based on
your last name:**

A-G: potato salad, coleslaw, etc

H-N: Dessert

O-Z: Veggies, fruit or chips/dip

**Please let Linda know what you
will be bringing when you reply.**

Provided beverages include
water, iced tea and
lemonade.

Bring your Norwegian
Flags!

The Pavilion is covered, so
this is a rain or shine event!

Driving Directions

Syttende Mai Celebration - Sunday, May 19, 2019

Asbury Place is located at 2648 Sevierville Road, Maryville, TN 37804.
Directions from From I 40 using Pellissippi Pkwy towards Maryville

Go east on Pellissippi Pkwy (TN 140/TN 162)	13.3 Miles
Take exit 14; turn right onto East Broadway Ave (TN-33)	2.1 miles
Turn left onto Lincoln Rd at traffic light	.1 mile
Turn right onto Old Knoxville Highway	3 miles
Turn right at stop sign to stay on Brown School Rd	0.3 mile
Turn left onto Sevierville Road	0.5 miles
Turn right at entrance to Asbury Place	

The pavilion is at the east end of Lake St. Clair. There is a gate on Wilder Chapel Lane that leads to the pavilion. The gate should be open. There are only three spots to park vehicles next to the pavilion. Those spots should be used for handicapped parking or for unloading supplies.

There are several places on the map that show where cars can be parked.

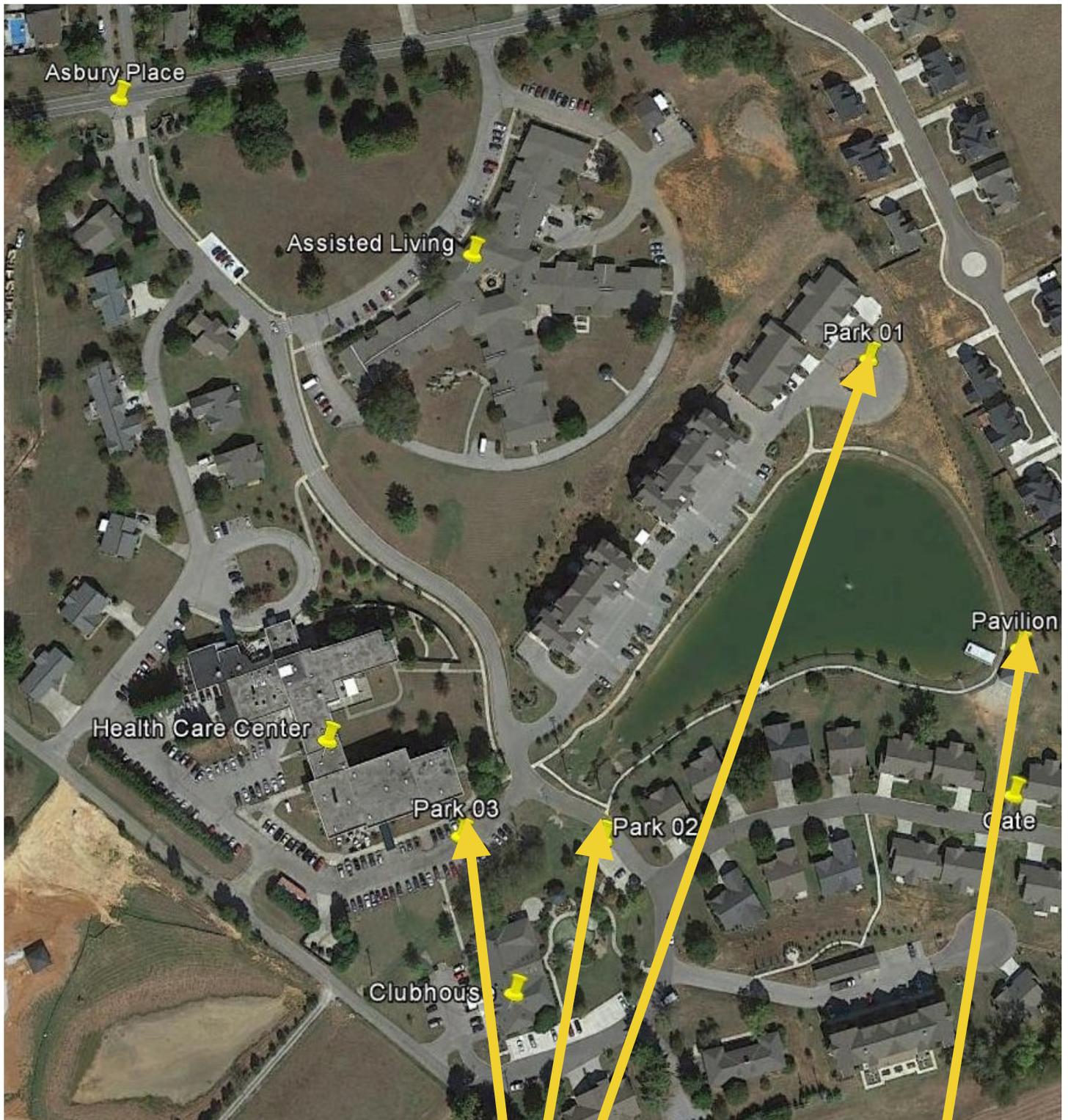
Parking area 1. St. Clair Lane. There are parking places all along St. Clair Lane. The spots closest to the pavilion are farthest in on the circle. It's a short walk around the east end of the lake to the pavilion from here.

Parking area 2. This area is close to the Clubhouse. From here, walk to the pavilion using the sidewalk on the south side of the lake.

Parking area 3. This spot is near the Health Care Center. From here, walk to the pavilion using the sidewalk on the south side of the lake.

REMEMBER
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Map of Asbury Place



Parking

Pavilion

A big tusen takk to Deb and Dan Peterson who coordinated last month's event - and thanks also to our Troll & Leprechaun for their outstanding performance!



Norwegian Constitution Day is the official National Day of Norway, celebrated on the 17th of May. Among Norwegians, the day is referred to simply as "Syttende Mai" (17th of May) or Grunnlovsdagen (The Constitution Day)

A noteworthy aspect of Norwegian Constitution Day is its very non-military nature. All over Norway, children parade with an abundance of flags. Each elementary school district arranges its own parade with marching bands between schools. The parade takes the children through the community, often making stops at homes of senior citizens, war memorials, etc.

The longest parade is in Oslo, where some 100,000 people travel to participate in the festivities. The Oslo parade includes close to 100 schools, marching bands, and passes by the Royal Palace, where the Royal Family greet the people from the main balcony.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!



Recruiting new Sons of Norway Members is vital to the health of our Vikings of the Smokies Lodge!

The annual dues paid by our members supports our lodge programming activities - including facility rentals, special events and sending delegates to SON bi annual conventions.

Each of you are an ambassador for the Vikings of the Smokies!

Tell a nonmember about a lodge cultural skills program they might enjoy. Our most popular topics include genealogy, traditional Norwegian cooking, literature and music.

Mention a fun celebration like an upcoming Syttende Mai picnic, the Independence Day Parade or the Taste of Scandinavia to a friend, neighbor, or even a former co-worker you bump into at the grocery store!

You just never know who may be a Viking in disguise!

Everyone Loves a Parade!



Join fellow Lodge members and celebrate Independence Day 2019 with the annual Farragut 4th of July Parade!

Traditionally, the Lodge represents Sons of Norway in this annual event with a Viking Ship float. Lodge members may participate by either riding on the float or walking along side the float.

After the parade, there will be a picnic and everyone is invited to attend, even if they do not participate in the parade. More details coming soon!

From the Treasurer

Our net gain for the 12 months ending April 2019 is \$50, compared to a net loss of \$500 for the previous 12 months. Income from membership dues of \$650 was \$213 more than the previous 12 months.

The community events (Children's Museum International Festival and Taste of Scandinavia), had an income of \$597, compared to \$56 the previous 12 months (with no Taste of Scandinavia last year). Lodge events had a net loss of \$468 (chili cook off, July 4 picnic, lefse sale, Syttende Mai, Torsk dinner, and Juletefest). This compares to \$133 net loss for the previous year's lodge events (chili cook off, lefse sale, July 4 picnic, refreshments, Syttende Mai, Torsk dinner, baking badge, and, Juletefest). Additional expenses include \$660 for the District 5 Convention, insurance, office expense, and point of sale fees.

Our current assets are \$4514 in the Regions checking account and \$199 SON gift card. This compares to \$5048 for April 2018. Our \$419 liabilities include \$389 accrual for the 2020 SON district 5 biannual conference and \$30 for SON friendship pins.

Respectfully submitted,

Trygve Myhre

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR JUNE 1 ADOPT A MILE CLEAN UP DAY

The next 'Adopt a Mile' clean up day will be Saturday, June 1st, beginning at 8:30 am to approximately 10:30. VOTS is responsible Boring Road in Farragut, which is located next to the Ingles on Kingston Pike

Contact Laura Larsen at tntanker@hotmail.com or 865-983-3808 for more information.

