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President's Report

Greetings, One and All -

I hope you had a enjoyable spring, despite the cool weather and nearly 7" of accumulated rain. The weather is predicted to be much warmer and conducive to yard work and planting as we move into the heat of summer.

We had a very nice turnout for our Syttende Mai party at Shannondale of Maryville. A big thank you to Trygve and Elizabeth Myhre who coordinated the arrangements to use the facility and to all the ladies working behind the scenes in the kitchen to make the meal and the event a big success, THANK YOU!

We are now directing our efforts towards the Town of Farragut Independence Day parade, with our Viking Ship Float.. If you would like to participate by either walking or riding on the float, please contact me at paulabelquist@gmail.com.

The parade begins in the Farragut High School parking lot and is a one mile route along Kingston Pike, ending in the parking lot of the the Ingles Grocery store. Plan to be in the parking lot no later than 8:15 as the roads will close at 8:30am.

Following the parade, the Lodge will again be hosting a picnic catered by Buddy's BBQ, beginning at noon at at Faith Lutheran Church.

I hope you took the opportunity to celebrate the Summer Solstice and Father's Day this June. And to those whose plans include a summer vacation, we wish you a safe and enjoyable travel.

I look forward to seeing everyone on July 4th for the parade and/or picnic. And, please don't forget to r.s.v.p. to info@tnvikings.org so we can get an accurate headcount!

Fraternally yours,

Paul W. Abelquist

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THE SMOKIES LODGE
FOR THE ANNUAL

**INDEPENDENCE DAY
PARADE & PICNIC**

Lodge members are encouraged to
participate in the annual town of
Farragut Parade beginning at 9am.

This will be followed by a BBQ lunch
picnic at Faith Lutheran Church
beginning at noon.

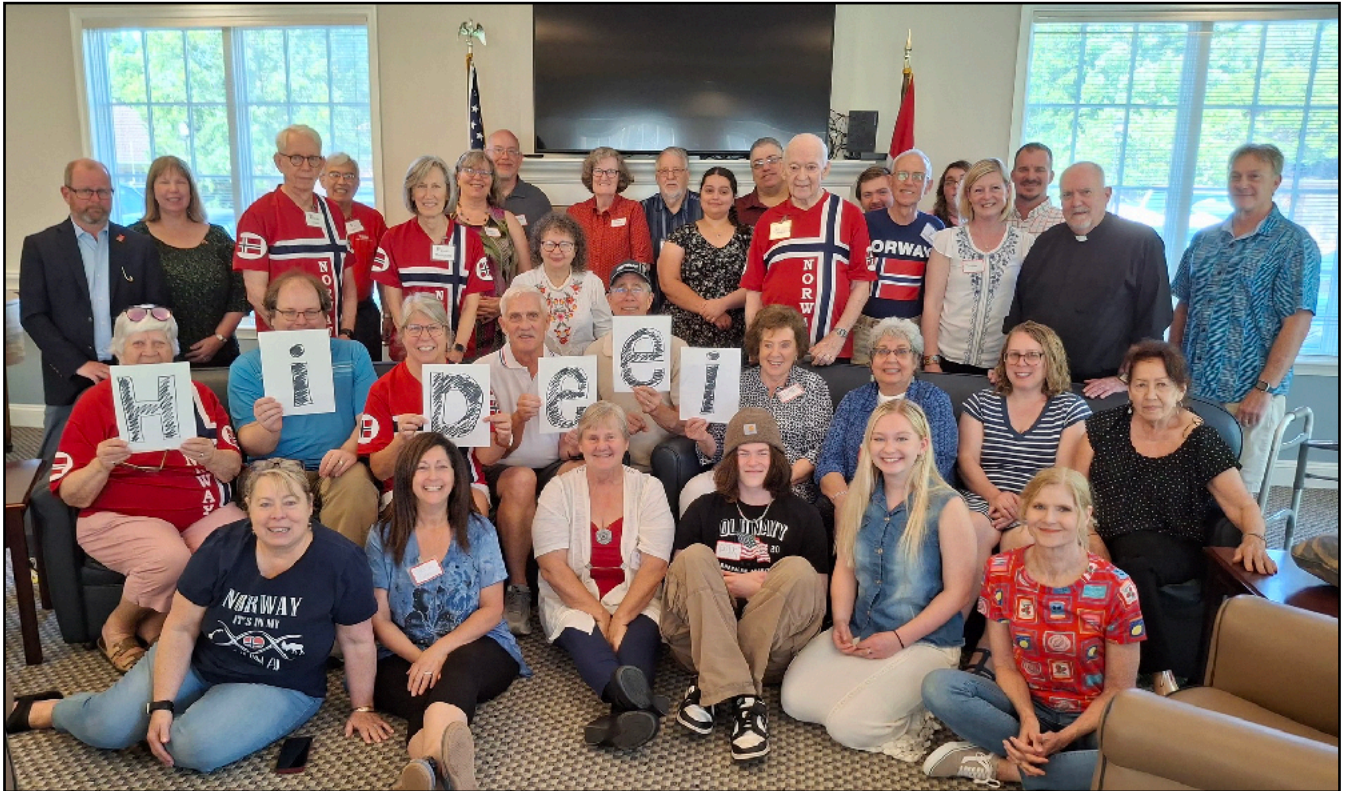
\$10 per person

FRIDAY, JULY 4TH



For more information and to rsvp
please email: info@tnvikings.org

SYTTENDE MAI LUN(HE)ON 2025



Vikings of the Smokies Lodge members and their guests gathered in Maryville on Saturday, May 17th to celebrate Syttende Mai with a festive meal, and fellowship.

Baked torsk and meatballs were the centerpiece of the meal, which also included traditional favorites such as buttered potatoes, open faced sandwiches, smoked salmon, cucumber salad, creamed herring and lefse. Thanks to all who attended!

