

## Fra Presidenten Jon Tehven



# The Friendly First Posten

“Capture Your Culture” is this year’s District 1 theme, and from reading your Lodge newsletters, our Lodges are conducting great programs on our heritage and culture.

The District Convention is in Mankato on June 12 – 14, and, as of this writing, we have 206 delegates registered. On Thursday afternoon, June 12 we will have a variety of cultural and informational sessions, starting at 1:30 and again at 2:45. More information will be provided in the Delegate Packet, sent to in mid-May.



I’ve been going through a report on all the District 1 members who completed a Cultural Skills medal program during the past 3 years. I am amazed at the number and variety of activities and the cultural focus of many of our Lodges. Congratulations to all of you who continue to ‘Capture Your Culture . . . and Your Heritage’.

Thanks to all who completed their Lodge of the Year Report. We have 84 Lodges in District 1 and we received 72 LOY Reports and 42 Family LOY Reports. The Family LOY significantly increased over 2006. This year the LOY Report asked for your 2008 Goals and Membership Committee. Frankly, I was overwhelmed by the response:

- 66 Lodges reported 2008 Goals
- 68 Lodges reported their Membership Committee

Your goals reflect the “Capture Your Culture” theme. Here is a suggestion for you: Publish your goals and the activities you have planned to achieve them in your newsletter and periodically, have newsletter articles that tell how your plans are working.

We had a nice increase in the number of youth attending Skogfjorden Language Village and Masse Moro Heritage Camp (District 5). I want to thank those Lodge members who did the paperwork. Your cooperation and that of Concordia Language Village meant a smooth and easily managed process. Tusen Takk

On March 29, Norsfold Lodge, Morris, MN celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!  
On May 17, Snorre Lodge, Thief River Falls, MN will celebrate it’s 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!  
On April 7, Krakeelva Lodge, Hutchinson, MN was instituted!

Congratulations to these District 1 TOP RECRUITERS for 2007: Randy Ice, Oklahoma City with 42; Garry Grorud, Brookings with 29; Ricki Sattre, Oklahoma City with 19; Nichole Neuman, Minneapolis with 12, Leroy Hansen, Oklahoma City with 11, and Bob Hoover, Detroit Lakes and Marilyn Syverson, Morris with each 10.

What do they do in Oklahoma City that we should know about? They also had a 101% increase in membership in 2007!

Have a great summer.

Jon Tehven



# SONS OF NORWAY

# Fra International Direktor, Marge Grorud



Spring brings renewed interest in outdoor activities and usually adds to our schedules. The Sons of Norway web site could save you time organizing what you and your Lodge are interested in. Celebrations and Activities are highlighted, we could call it "One Stop Shopping", if your Lodge is doing something special please send in your information to share, others will appreciate it. The Viking Resource is my favorite on the site. It helps me stay informed.



New retainment are important to our organization; good programs can help obtain both objectives. The home office works hard to provide interesting

information that can be used for planning Lodge Programs. There is so much available - Music CD's, Videos, DVD's, Information Bank programs, Mini Presentations, Slide Presentations and much more available to be checked out from the Lending Library. You have the option to use them as they are presented or as resources in planning and designing your own program. If you are aware of information or programs we do not have available contact Colin at Sons of Norway.

Another document that Sons of Norway sends out to Youth Directors or to a lodge that requests it is the "Barnas Norsk Klubb information. If you have not seen this material, request it. It contains activities for the youth in your Lodge and some could be used in a Lodge presentation.

Don't pass up the chance to share with your members the "Norwegian Experience" a recruitment contest offered again this year. I'm excited about the new Sons of Norway window clings! Why not order enough for all your lodge members.

We soon will be gathering for the District 1 Convention in Mankato, MN June 12-14, and the International Convention August 27-30 in San Diego, California. Have a safe journey.

Marge Grorud

## District 1—2008 Convention

**When:** June 12 – 14, 2008  
**Where:** Alltel Center, Mankato MN  
1 Civic Center Plaza,  
Mankato, MN 56001  
507/389-3000

**Hotel Info:** Holiday Inn  
101 E. Main Street  
Mankato, MN 56001

**Registration:** \$150

**Heritage/Vendor Fair Forms:** See [www.sofn-1.com](http://www.sofn-1.com)

**For more details contact us at** [son2008convention@yahoo.com](mailto:son2008convention@yahoo.com)

**For Convention Website:** [sonsofnorwaymankato.org/2008district1convention.htm](http://sonsofnorwaymankato.org/2008district1convention.htm)



## Fra Vise Presidenten—Joel Brude



My how the time went fast as we approach yet another District Convention June 12-14. My own home lodge Elvesvingen in Manakato is honored to be hosting the 2008 convention. We are blessed with a talented and dedicated convention committee. This convention is planned to be a showcase event for the surrounding area and a model for future conventions. We will focus on how to engage the community and excite them about joining the Sons of Norway.

Over the last 6 months we have kept the focus on membership by launching a pilot program in six of the eight Zones which focused on our theme of "Capture Your Culture" and children of members who are not yet members themselves. It also focuses on the 24-50 year olds. We must engage them in our lodges to bring our demographics on age down. It is too early for me to say just how successful this pilot program will be, however, the focus on younger members will remain a high prior-

ity so Sons of Norway remains a viable organization.

2007 brought us as close to a breakeven in membership than we have been for many years. Membership dropped 67 members when compared to the much larger losses in 2005 and 2006. Where we have weaknesses in District 1 are lodges who do not have membership events or have not established a Membership Committee to plan year around activities for membership growth. With our MAP and the Marketing Departments New Member Seminar Dinner programs, every lodge should take advantage of the financial incentives available in these programs

It is very evident that lodges that have not prioritized membership and membership growth as its #1 issue, as it is throughout the Order, are or will face viability issues. Some we can help revitalize, and others may be destined to cease to exist if they

choose to not accept help. Our District 1 Membership Committee and Zone Directors are going over every aspect from A to Z the next two months evaluating the whole yearly process. Everything from Membership Committee to Nominating Committee to the next years programs. We want to formulate ideas that will simplify district lodge operations and bring consistency of operations in our lodges.

We continue to bring forward new ideas to help our lodges run more smoothly and to grow for the future.

Hilsen fra,  
Joel Brude



## Fra District Secretary—Karl Hella

The theme for District 1 in 2008 is **Capture Your Culture**. In Nordmarka Lodge, we are emphasizing that theme by telling our own stories. Co-President Jon Rondesvedt suggested this idea by pointing out that our stories are dying with the people who know them and we should discover and tell them now! At each Lodge meeting a member will tell part of his or her family's immigration/emigration story.

At the April meeting I had the opportunity to revisit my grandfather, Johan Hella's, writing of his personal history. A notebook containing the writing was discovered after his death. He had worked on it for a year and then put it aside. I am including a few paragraphs [the grammar and spelling are Johan's] here of an event you will recognize so you can understand how important it is to capture stories from you history and **write your own!**

### Sunday, January 1 1956

Have for a long time thought about writing down a few things about my self from birth and on the first of course as told by Mother and Father then later as I remem-

ber it. In a few days I will reach the age of 71 and probly won't be able to finish it- as I am a poor writer and gramer I never could master so it will be slow going and probly I will be giving it up. I should have liked to written in Norse but then my children wouldn't probly understand it so here it goes- the best I can.

1905 was both a interesting and tough year for Norway and probly more so in Kristiania where the Starting was in session all the time that year Remember specially the last visit of Crown prince Gustaf before the break with Sweden- His Father Oscar the 2nd sent his son to try and meddle and usually when some of the Royal Family arrived there was some waving and shouting but not this time - I happened to be out on Karl Johans gate when Gustaf went by but not a hat lifted all quiet and he didn't stay long either This must have been the later part of May and we all know about 7 and 9th of June that year It was most exciting and I spent most of my dinner hrs- down on old Ak-erhus where they were cleaning and fixing canons and parading and exersing men and even horses as they were the drawpower in those days- Twice that

summer my Father had to go and vote and the place was the Church quite a distance about 5 miles to be walked but they did it gladly The first time it was about parting with Sweden and it went over big; the second time it was about getting Haakon for King and that went just as easy. I did go along with dad both times tho I was too young to vote The firm I worked for got the job packing King Oscars art-paintings and sculptor and we had to do that on overtime as fall was a busv time in that kind of business and time was short before the new King would arrive. We packed it in the basement of the Palace and think we even worked 2 Sundays with it as the old fellow had stocked up perty good.

In late November 1905 the new King. Queen and Son Olav was to arrive and all the Clubs and Lodges with banners was to act as honorable gards and lined solid on both sides of streets Lodge Vaarblomsten was to be in Kirkegaten close to corner of Karl Johans gate; it was a long wait on a gray and misty but finally they came and Olav standing in the seat between his parents. This fall was the 25th of Nov. 1905.

Karl Hella

## Fra District Sosial Direktor—David Susag

On June 12th, the District 1 Convention will begin in Mankato, MN and we are again planning for a FOLK ART EXHIBIT and COMPETITION. Three judges will be judging the entries and awarding a blue, red, and white ribbon in each category. There will also be one "BEST OF SHOW" award, and one "PEOPLE'S CHOICE" award.

During the three days of the Convention, delegates will be able to enjoy seeing all the beautiful Norwegian Folk Arts on display at the Exhibit. Lodge members may bring their Folk Art to the Convention, or send it with a delegate. They will choose to Exhibit only, or to enter it for Competition.

### Glitne Sioux Viking 1-167 Dancers in River Cade Parade



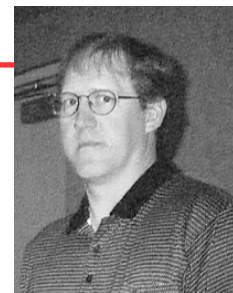
District 1 lodges have been asking for program ideas. One good place to start is the Sons of Norway web site in the members section. There are the mini presentations, idea bank, lending library, info banks and Norwegian language. Another good source is other lodges in the District. I asked lodges to send me their programs for the year. The lodges that sent me program listing will be posted on the District 1 web site. The District also has a cultural presenter book. The District will pay the mileage for Cultural Presenters to come to lodges to give programs or teach a cultural skill. Contact me for more information or check out the District 1 web site. The Cultural Presenters

book is available online at [www.soft-1.com](http://www.soft-1.com). I am also looking for people to be Cultural Presenters. If you know of someone or if you have any questions about the Cultural Presenters please contact me.

I know from reading lodge newsletters there are lots of well qualified people out there to be Cultural Presenters.

On a final note, at the next convention I will have completed my second term as District Social/Cultural Director. Would you be interested in running for the position or do you know someone that would be a good candidate? Remember, they have to be a delegate to the convention. I have enjoyed my last two terms meeting other lodge members and talking about the cultural skills.

David Susag



## Fra District Kasseereren—Arleen Field

The memorable and harsh winter is now history and we're enjoying a beautiful spring. It is so refreshing, as Mother Nature comes to life again. I've enjoyed serving the District as treasurer for this biennium although it was a challenge in the beginning. The new accounting system is working very well and we're now in compliance with all government regulations. The leadership challenge workshops for 2008 are nearly complete as many lodges wanted to have theirs last fall in order to have their programs in place when starting the new year. It has been well received.

The District Convention is coming soon, 12-14 June, in Mankato, MN. The theme is "Capture Your Culture".

The Executive committee wishes to emphasize the cultural skills in connection with the theme.

I would encourage you to pick out one of the available skills and get started. Once started, the interest increases and the more you will want to do. Teach your children and grandchildren as you learn to do your project. It will give them great pride in working with you and to look at their finished work when completed. This is one way to teach them heritage. I personally have completed 3 levels in 11 of the 14 cultural skills and am willing to share information about them to everyone that is interested.

The District Board has been very diligent in keeping our expenses within our budget.

It has been a privilege to have served as your District Treasurer this past Biennium and I shall cherish the memories for many years. The District Board has worked well together as a cohesive unit. Thanks to all of you for this opportunity. I'm looking forward to meeting many of you again at the District Convention in Mankato.

Till we meet again.

Arlene M. Field



## Fra Rekreasjon Direktor—Earl Evenstad

On Nov. 17, 2007, Norskfødt 1-590, Morris, MN, hosted a very successful dance workshop. Forty-seven participants plus three spectators enjoyed the event which was partly video taped and may be used as a possible cultural skills program. Marilyn Syverson was instrumental in organizing and promoting the workshop.

A children's skiing event took place in St. Cloud on Jan. 27, 2008. Committee members were from Trollheim 1-511, Vennekretsen 1-559 and FjellSyn 1-667. Bibs and medallions were given out to over 60 participants as well as cookies and hot chocolate. Membership material, cooking demonstrations by lodge members from St. Cloud, accordion music, and the Viking Age Club from Syttende Mai 1-517 provided information and entertainment during the event. Taileiv

Vollen and Stan Severson were co-chairmen.

Several lodge members worked at the Minneløpet in Minneapolis in the cookie booth and also distributed Vikings for Kids and other literature about the Sons of Norway. Area lodges provided cookies and I started the barneløpet race with a count-down in Norwegian!

Bemidji Lodge 1-500, Bemidji, MN, held a youth skiing event in Jan. 2008. The Lodge has been doing this for several years and donates \$100 each year for awards and treats. Don Anderson and Vickie Brown presented a skit of a re-enactment of the 1206 Birkebeiner rescue in Norway.

Fjordland Lodge 1-508, Brookings, SD, planned a Barneløpet on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> at Oakwood Lakes State Park and Valdres Lodge 1-503 and Valheim Lodge 1-364 held a

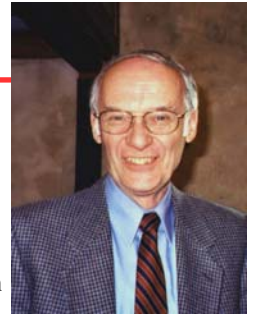
Barneløpet in Decorah, Iowa, on Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The 1st District Bowling Jamboree will be held in Austin, MN on May 3, 2008.

Ramona Swenson is the contact person from Storting Lodge 1-519. The 1st District Golf outing will be held at Brooktree Golf Course in Owatonna, MN, on Sunday, July 20, 2008. Nina Zak of the Owatonna Lodge, Nortonna 1-638 is the contact person.

Several lodges are participating in the Sports Medal Program. Please go on line to the Sons of Norway web page for necessary forms.

Earl Evenstad



## Fra Publicity Direktor—Wendy Winkelman

Since this is the last First Friendly Posten I will coordinate for District 1 (as my term ends), I hope that you feel you have been well informed over the last two years and that Publicity in the District has improved.

I have forwarded your photographs onto Headquarters for the Viking Magazine each month and tried to get in as many photos as I could. With so

many photos submitted and only four displayed each month, it was not an easy task.

As you all know, I have moved into District 6 and am now becoming fairly active in SON, in Mesa, Arizona. My plug for this new lodge is for all snowbirds every where! — please come visit our lodge while you are here! We would love to see you!

My last task for the District is to find out if you really do read this publication. I am putting a “funny” somewhere in this publication to see if anyone finds it. If you do, please email me back with what it says!!

Thanks and see you again! Wendy  
(wendyatheland@yahoo.com)



## Attention All Lodge Officers: Convention Silent Auction

We would like to request all Lodges to participate in a Silent Auction at the District 1 2008 Convention in Mankato, Minnesota on June 12-14, 2008. So, please start to think about what your lodge would like to donate for the auction.

All proceeds from the auction will go to the District 1 Scholarship Trust fund.

Some examples of items we would appreciate included in the auction are:

Scandinavian items, rosemaling, hardinger, pewter, jewelry, lefsa griddles, quilts, gift certificates from national chain stores/restaurants, time shares, hotel stays, Norwegian cd's, books, and the list could go on...

We want nice items that many people will bid on. So, think hard and provide the District with one or more items for our Scholarship fund! If your Lodge would like to make a cash donation to the Scholarship fund, that would be much appreciated as well.

The delegates from each lodge can bring the items with them to the convention. If special arrangements are needed, call Audrey at 507/387-2223 approximately 2 months before the convention.

Let's get started thinking, creating and doing!

## Adopt A School Coordinator—Marilyn Syverson



At the present time there are 55 lodges involved in the Adopt A School program. There is a new addition to the list of lodges and coordinators since the last board meeting. In Zone 2 – Nordmarka Lodge #585, Northfield, MN reported their coordinator as Pamela K Nerhus.

Congratulations to Storting Lodge 1-519, Austin, MN for being selected one of the Adopt A School All Stars featured in the March Viking magazine. Coordinators Ramona Swenson and David Dahlquist and other lodge volunteers have done a terrific job as they presented the music, art, and history of Norway to eighth grade students for a new program called Art EX at Ellis Middle School in Austin. Plus, they have given monthly presentations at Lyle Public School and have volunteered for the last ten years as crossing guards during the first few days of class at Banfield Elementary School. They certainly are to be commended for their involvement in the Adopt A School program.

Heimsyn Lodge 1-015, Cloquet, MN – Rita Baresh has kept me informed of their lodge activities in Moose Lake with the Adopt A School program sponsoring the

Kids Plus after school program. It was a definite hit as the kids are so energetic and willing to learn. They even asked if the volunteers could do the second session which started after Christmas. Some of the activities they have done are talking about Norway, and the other Scandinavian countries giving them maps and flags; showed them the Runic alphabet; had them sample Norwegian food; talked about Tubfrim; had an individual play the Kantele and sang along with it; and a lady from Moose Lake dressed up as Saint Lucia. This is just a short summary of everything they have done. They have used the Barnas Norsk Book as a reference. She said it is wonderful to follow and so impressive as she has showed others what they can do in the future. Lately, they have been working on knitting and received Sons of Norway cloth bags in which to carry their knitting. They were thrilled and personalized each one. Just recently, they received a grant from Sons of Norway for the Kids Plus program.

Fjordland Lodge 1-508, Brookings, SD – The lodge donated 15 copies of the book

“Why Kings and Queens Don’t Wear Crowns,” to elementary school libraries in the area and the public library. A picture was sent to me of Signe Anderson of Brookings reading the book to second-grade students at Lake Preston Elementary and lodge member Marge Grorud donating the book to the Estelline School Library. Pictures of other lodge members were included as well. The book was written by Princess Martha Louise of Norway and is based on the childhood of her grandfather, King Olav V of Norway. They were donated as part of the Adopt A School program.

Leif Erikson Lodge 1-32, Vining, MN – Adopt A School volunteers, Chuck and Barbara Olson, were among the judges of the speech contest at Battle Lake School recently. The event was well organized with many participants from Battle Lake and the surrounding schools. They participated as an Adopt A School activity.

Marilyn Syverson

### Vonheim 1-108 Adopt-A-School event at St. John’s the Baptist Catholic School





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Nortun #16 - Duluth, MN - Bente Soderlind  
Terje Viken #17 - Two Harbors, MN - Lucille Hansen  
Sagatun #18 - Brainerd, MN - Sharon Carlson  
Haarfager #40 - Virginia, MN - Janet Nelson  
Nordstjernen #563 - Grand Rapids, MN - Carmen Solem  
Skogvannet #658 - Walker, MN - Alice Groth  
Tusevann #659 - Isle, MN - Susi Lyback-Dahl

### Zone 2

Nidaros #1 - Minneapolis, MN - Jim Townsend  
Oslo #2 - Minneapolis, MN - Herbert Morgenthaler  
Synnove-Nordkap #8 - St. Paul, MN - Ruth Gibson  
Vonheim #108 - Minneapolis, MN - Carol Gillespie  
Trollheim #511 - St. Cloud, MN - Debbie Backus  
Syttende Mai #517 - Minneapolis, MN - Dennis Rusinko  
Nordmarka #585—Northfield, MN—Pam Nerhus  
Vennekretsen #559 - Anoka, MN - Chester Tollefson  
Nordmarka #585—Northfield, MN—Pam Nerhus  
Norsota #602 - Lakeville, MN - Kenneth Brandt

### Zone 3

Snorre #70 - Thief River Falls, MN - Elody Olson  
Vikingsland #495 - Detroit Lakes, MN - Lyle Dahl & Joan Taylor  
Nordsko- gen #626 - Park Rapids, MN - Sissel Brandon

### Zone 4

Bjorgvin #10 - Benson, MN - Mary Ann Larson & Gaye Klyve  
Heimskringla #12 - Fergus Falls, MN - Bob & Joyce Bruns  
Leif Erickson #32 - Vining, MN—Carol Pagel  
Nornen #41 - Madison, MN - Camey Maland  
Fedraheimen #59 - Willmar, MN - Jean Eddy, Millie Buer, Barb Anderson  
Mjosen #175 - Glenwood, MN - Marlene Nelson  
Jaabeck #264 - Montevideo, MN - Eileen Nokleby  
Elvidal #509 - Granite Falls, MN - Larry Stensrud  
Runic Venenskap #530 - Alexandria, MN - Dale Braunschweig  
Venenskap #554 - Canby, MN - Ruth Leppke  
Norskfodt #590 - Morris, MN - Marilyn Syverson

### Zone 5

Normanna #52 - Albert Lea, MN - Roger Lonning  
Vallheim Lodge #364 - Spring Grove, MN - Emma Landsome  
Heimbygda #376 - Lanesboro, MN - Lynn Susag  
Lin-Hans-Rud #479 - Hanska, MN - Shirley Olson  
Kenyon Viking #487 - Kenyon, MN - Carol Lozon  
Nor-Win #505 - Winona, MN - Joan Klagge  
Storting #519 - Austin, MN - David Dahlquist, Ramona Swenson  
Stavanger #538 - Windom, MN - Tom Wickie  
Elvesvingen #582 - Mankato, MN - Kris Norland

### Zone 6

Viking #463 - Watertown, SD - Geri Mahlen & Shirley Stormo  
Fjordland #508 - Brookings, SD - Mary Fiedler  
Greig #578 - Aberdeen, SD - Luella Lampert  
Vakre Vann #619 - Madison, SD - Nancy Sabbe  
Granittdahlen #651 - Milbank, SD - Norm Shelsta

### Zone 7

Glitne Sioux Viking #167 - Sioux City, IA - Janet Gross  
Kong Sverre #482 - Story City, IA - Diana Erickson  
Valdres #503—Decorah, IA—Jean Iverson  
Solglimt #547 - Cedar Falls, IA - Joyce Spande  
Restauration #548 - Cedar Rapids, IA - Lois McCormick  
Marsteinen #596 - Des Moines, IA - Roger & Arlene Field  
Elveby #604 - Omaha, NE - Larry & Carol Johnson  
Storelva #655 - Davenport, IA - Cindy Bleich  
Mailhaugen #665—Overland Park, KS—Diane Adamson

### Zone 8

Cleng Peerson #645 - Austin, TX - Leila Tackett

Membership by Lodge

		12/31/2007			03/31/2008			Change in Membership					
Ldg	Zone	Adults	Juve-niles	Adults & Juv	Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Adults	Adults & Juv				
								Num-ber	%	Number	%		
0	0	759	129	888	746	125	871	-13	-1.7%	-17	-1.9%		
999	0	652	4	656	676	4	680	24	3.7%	24	3.7%		
	sub-total	1,411	133	1,544	1,422	129	1,551	11	0.8%	7	0.5%		
15	1	88	8	96	91	8	99	3	3.4%	3	3.1%		
16	1	283	5	288	285	5	290	2	0.7%	2	0.7%		
17	1	92	10	102	90	9	99	-2	-2.2%	-3	-2.9%		
18	1	206	10	216	206	10	216	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
40	1	137	5	142	130	4	134	-7	-5.1%	-8	-5.6%		
58	1	168	6	174	169	9	178	1	0.6%	4	2.3%		
193	1	42	3	45	41	3	44	-1	-2.4%	-1	-2.2%		
563	1	115	1	116	118	1	119	3	2.6%	3	2.6%		
658	1	70	2	72	69	2	71	-1	-1.4%	-1	-1.4%		
659	1	69	2	71	68	2	70	-1	-1.4%	-1	-1.4%		
	sub-total	1,270	52	1,322	1,267	53	1,320	-3	-0.2%	-2	-0.2%		
1	2	236	32	268	232	30	262	-4	-1.7%	-6	-2.2%		
2	2	480	51	531	473	49	522	-7	-1.5%	-9	-1.7%		
8	2	268	27	295	264	27	291	-4	-1.5%	-4	-1.4%		
108	2	507	97	604	500	93	593	-7	-1.4%	-11	-1.8%		
464	2	77	3	80	77	2	79	0	0.0%	-1	-1.3%		
511	2	192	21	213	187	20	207	-5	-2.6%	-6	-2.8%		
517	2	74	1	75	75	1	76	1	1.4%	1	1.3%		
546	2	89	5	94	87	5	92	-2	-2.2%	-2	-2.1%		
559	2	218	12	230	215	11	226	-3	-1.4%	-4	-1.7%		
585	2	131	5	136	136	5	141	5	3.8%	5	3.7%		
599	2	76	1	77	72	1	73	-4	-5.3%	-4	-5.2%		
601	2	207	14	221	207	14	221	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
602	2	150	21	171	152	21	173	2	1.3%	2	1.2%		
667	2	56	0	56	56	0	56	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
676	2	41	0	41	43	0	43	2	4.9%	2	4.9%		
	sub-total	2,802	290	3,092	2,776	279	3,055	-26	-0.9%	-37	-1.2%		
55	3	31	1	32	31	1	32	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
70	3	78	0	78	74	0	74	-4	-5.1%	-4	-5.1%		
240	3	59	1	60	56	1	57	-3	-5.1%	-3	-5.0%		
458	3	56	2	58	54	2	56	-2	-3.6%	-2	-3.4%		
492	3	17	0	17	17	0	17	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
495	3	138	12	150	139	12	151	1	0.7%	1	0.7%		
498	3	36	0	36	32	0	32	-4	-11.1%	-4	-11.1%		
500	3	140	0	140	139	0	139	-1	-0.7%	-1	-0.7%		
626	3	118	0	118	109	0	109	-9	-7.6%	-9	-7.6%		
	sub-total	673	16	689	651	16	667	-22	-3.3%	-22	-3.2%		

Wendy Winkelman is 1/2 Swede!

Membership by Lodge

		12/31/2007			03/31/2008			Change in Membership			
Ldg	Zone	Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Adults		Adults & Juv	
								Number	%	Number	%
10	4	82	0	82	86	0	86	4	4.9%	4	4.9%
12	4	197	9	206	186	9	195	-11	-5.6%	-11	-5.3%
32	4	135	2	137	141	2	143	6	4.4%	6	4.4%
41	4	36	5	41	42	5	47	6	16.7%	6	14.6%
59	4	244	5	249	235	5	240	-9	-3.7%	-9	-3.6%
175	4	89	3	92	94	3	97	5	5.6%	5	5.4%
264	4	48	3	51	46	3	49	-2	-4.2%	-2	-3.9%
509	4	94	17	111	92	14	106	-2	-2.1%	-5	-4.5%
530	4	129	6	135	129	5	134	0	0.0%	-1	-0.7%
554	4	81	13	94	78	12	90	-3	-3.7%	-4	-4.3%
590	4	119	21	140	114	21	135	-5	-4.2%	-5	-3.6%
	sub-total	1,254	84	1,338	1,243	79	1,322	-11	-0.9%	-16	-1.2%
47	5	272	21	293	267	21	288	-5	-1.8%	-5	-1.7%
52	5	185	10	195	185	10	195	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
364	5	87	2	89	90	1	91	3	3.4%	2	2.2%
376	5	73	0	73	73	0	73	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
479	5	83	10	93	82	10	92	-1	-1.2%	-1	-1.1%
487	5	81	4	85	78	4	82	-3	-3.7%	-3	-3.5%
505	5	104	1	105	105	3	108	1	1.0%	3	2.9%
519	5	233	4	237	230	4	234	-3	-1.3%	-3	-1.3%
538	5	115	1	116	114	1	115	-1	-0.9%	-1	-0.9%
558	5	108	5	113	104	5	109	-4	-3.7%	-4	-3.5%
582	5	186	9	195	182	9	191	-4	-2.2%	-4	-2.1%
638	5	179	1	180	183	1	184	4	2.2%	4	2.2%
	sub-total	1,706	68	1,774	1,693	69	1,762	-13	-0.8%	-12	-0.7%
65	6	235	13	248	238	15	253	3	1.3%	5	2.0%
368	6	43	7	50	43	7	50	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
463	6	73	20	93	72	20	92	-1	-1.4%	-1	-1.1%
483	6	94	3	97	93	3	96	-1	-1.1%	-1	-1.0%
508	6	232	66	298	227	66	293	-5	-2.2%	-5	-1.7%
532	6	282	10	292	280	8	288	-2	-0.7%	-4	-1.4%
550	6	65	11	76	66	10	76	1	1.5%	0	0.0%
578	6	73	10	83	71	10	81	-2	-2.7%	-2	-2.4%
579	6	23	0	23	22	0	22	-1	-4.3%	-1	-4.3%
619	6	92	5	97	90	5	95	-2	-2.2%	-2	-2.1%
633	6	83	6	89	80	6	86	-3	-3.6%	-3	-3.4%
651	6	27	2	29	27	2	29	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
	sub-total	1,322	153	1,475	1,309	152	1,461	-13	-1.0%	-14	-0.9%

Membership by Lodge

Membership by Lodge					Change in Membership							
Ldg	Zone	12/31/2007			03/31/2008			Adults		Adults & Juv		
		Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Number	%	Number	%	
167	7	61	4	65	55	4	59	-6	-9.8%	-6	-9.2%	
482	7	138	24	162	132	23	155	-6	-4.3%	-7	-4.3%	
494	7	33	0	33	32	0	32	-1	-3.0%	-1	-3.0%	
502	7	57	0	57	55	0	55	-2	-3.5%	-2	-3.5%	
503	7	100	6	106	99	6	105	-1	-1.0%	-1	-0.9%	
526	7	34	4	38	34	4	38	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
547	7	182	7	189	181	9	190	-1	-0.5%	1	0.5%	
548	7	141	9	150	145	9	154	4	2.8%	4	2.7%	
596	7	163	18	181	159	17	176	-4	-2.5%	-5	-2.8%	
604	7	178	23	201	179	22	201	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	
655	7	88	2	90	87	2	89	-1	-1.1%	-1	-1.1%	
665	7	82	5	87	77	5	82	-5	-6.1%	-5	-5.7%	
	sub-total	1,257	102	1,359	1,235	101	1,336	-22	-1.8%	-23	-1.7%	
594	8	43	2	45	43	2	45	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
644	8	22	2	24	22	2	24	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
645	8	51	6	57	52	6	58	1	2.0%	1	1.8%	
653	8	9	0	9	6	0	6	-3	-33.3%	-3	-33.3%	
660	8	35	4	39	33	4	37	-2	-5.7%	-2	-5.1%	
671	8	199	0	199	196	0	196	-3	-1.5%	-3	-1.5%	
672	8	11	0	11	17	0	17	6	54.5%	6	54.5%	
673	8	26	0	26	25	0	25	-1	-3.8%	-1	-3.8%	
	sub-total	396	14	410	394	14	408	-2	-0.5%	-2	-0.5%	
Total District	1	12,091	912	13,003	11,990	892	12,882	-101	-0.8%	-121	-0.9%	