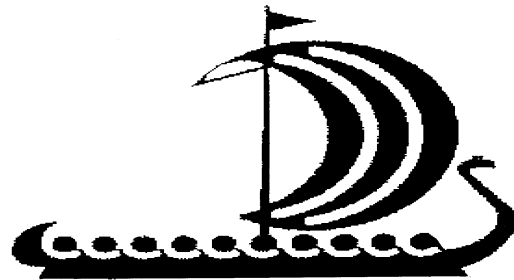


SONS of NORWAY
61st Third District Convention
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
June 9 -13, 2010

Explore Your Heritage



To make the 61st Sons of Norway Third District Convention a success there needs to be a balance between business meetings and fun for everyone. We think that with the combined efforts of the Host Lodges and the Third District Board we will be able to do just that. The host committee has worked hard to make this convention affordable, enjoyable, enlightening, and all encompassing for the delegates, non delegates families and friends.

Convention Schedule

Wednesday night

The plan is to start on Wednesday June 9th, with the Memorial Service at 5 pm followed by conversation and congeniality cash bar, then on to the buffet dinner President's reception.

Thursday

This is the first day of Delegate Assembly Session.

The folk art/cultural skills exhibit will open to delegates. Walking through the exhibition and seeing all the amazing pieces of artwork is always a great way to spend some free time. There will be rosemaling pieces, woodcarvings, woven art and so much more! And remember every piece you see was created by a Sons of Norway member. The high level of artistry and craftsmanship of our members is always a source of pride. This is an opportunity that if you see something you think you'd like to try the Sons of Norway offers a Cultural Skills Program which is free to members.

We have a great group of vendors to patronize. They will be here till Saturday so make sure you visit with them. Don't forget the convention shirts for yourself and the little ones.

Friday

This night brings us together for a great "VIKING AUCTION" There are 25 tickets you were given when you registered /picked up your tote bag and packet. Of course you are welcome to increase your chances of winning a great prize with the purchase of more tickets.

Saturday

After spending three days together, the last evening of a District Convention is a special night and this year is no different. The Installation of new officers is always a meaningful ceremony not to be missed. There will be a banquet and dance held to celebrate our last evening together. There will be a social hour, followed by the banquet, presentations of awards and then the dance. This is always a fun night for everyone as friends, both old and new, to spend one last evening together before going home.

Extend your stay and enjoy local area attractions

(Hotel is located at Highway 83 and PA Turnpike exit 242)

Attractions

- Hershey Park /Chocolate World and Zoo America (20 MI / 32.19 KM)
- City Island-Harrisburg's Playground for the Family (5 MI / 8.05 KM)
- Harrisburg Senators AA Baseball (5 MI / 8.05 KM)
- Harrisburg Capitol Complex (5 MI / 8.05 KM)
- Whitaker Center for the Science and the Arts (5 MI / 8.05 KM)
- Gettysburg Battlefield (40 MI / 64.37 KM)
- Lancaster County, Amish (35 MI / 56.33 KM)
- York Fairgrounds (York, PA) (20 MI / 32.19 KM)
- Harley Davidson Assembly Plant (York, PA) (20 MI / 32.19 KM)
- Carlisle Fairgrounds (Car Shows) (25 MI / 40.23 KM)
- Civil War Museum (6 MI / 9.66 KM)
- Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex (8 MI / 12.87 KM)

Hang around the Hotel

Located near the indoor heated pool next to the beautiful garden atrium, fitness center consists of 1 exercise bike, 1 treadmill, and 1 elliptical. You will find over **21,000 square feet** of flexible conference and catering facilities which provide the ideal setting for many special occasions.

In addition to the catering staff and sizeable banquet facilities that can meet the needs of any group, you can enjoy traditional British foods along with American favorites at Harrisburg's only British pub-style restaurant, **Elephant & Castle Pub & Restaurant**.

In response to the generous offers by some lodges in the Third District:

(1) Yes, we are asking for cookies for our cookie breaks- some lodges are making this an opportunity for the cultural awards.

(2) Yes, we are looking for “Viking Auction Articles” they will be labeled as the generous donation from your lodge or individual lodge member.

(3) Yes, we want you to bring your families making this an extended vacation and enjoy the Harrisburg / Hershey area.

There are a few items that are still in the development stage at this time. But as you can see the Convention Committee has everything on track.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Dollymore, Chairperson
2010 Third District Convention Committee