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CHRISTMAS MEETING

Our next meeting and Christmas party will be on Saturday, December 10, at HARVEY and ILA STEEN’s home at 735 E 6th Avenue at 5:30 P.M. STEENS will furnish the meat and the other members are asked to bring the rest of the food for this potluck meal. Also, bring \$5.00 to give to the Friendship Center in lieu of a gift for a gift exchange.

BELL RINGING

We will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army on Saturday, December 3rd, at Van’s Thriftway from 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. HARVEY and ILA will take the first shift from 9:00 to 11:00. BILLYE VINCENT will call the other members, so be prepared to sign up to work a shift when she calls.

REGIONAL CONVENTION

If you have signed up to solicit businesses for door prizes or silent auction items, please make your contacts in December. The businesses will be setting their budgets and setting their amounts of donations at the beginning of the New Year.

Several businesses have been contacted already and have agreed to donate.

YMCA NEWS

Signups for winter basketball are going on now and will end Dec. 16. The season runs from Jan. 2 -Feb.18.

Signups for swim lessons ends Dec. 2 and the session runs from December 5 -15.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 22-24, 2012 – PNWR Convention
Helena, Montana
August 2-5, 2012 – International Convention
Stavanger, Norway

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!



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TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH

The answer for last month’s question is:

A. The Elmer Crowe award honors outstanding District Governors.

Q. Who was the first International President of Y’s dom?

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We received Christmas greetings from our Brother Club in Arendal, Norway, and they encourage our members to attend the International Convention in Stavanger, Norway.

NEWS FROM NEAR AND FAR

Egil Odd Halvorsen and Leif Walle, members of the Arendal Club in Norway, are involved in a new Time Of Fast project in Barents “Kirovsk Youth Centre – Junior” – Healthy, Educated, and Well-brought up Youth. The project is approved by ICM for 2011/2012 TOF. Remember when Egil Odd Halvorsen visited our club with other members of his club a few years ago?

The Arendal Club will be visiting the Aars Club in Denmark next weekend. The Aars Club is also one of our Brother Clubs.

The Great Falls Club members will be working at St. Ann’s Soup Kitchen on December 2.

MEMBER HAPPENINGS

HARVEY and **ILA STEEN** drove to Longmont, Colorado, early in November to attend the funeral of **ILA**’s brother.

CHUCK MICKLEWRIGHT drove to Fort Collins, Colorado, to spend Thanksgiving with his daughter and her family. He also took some furniture down to them as they are now setting up their home there after returning from several years in Pakistan.

TIM and **RAYE VINCENT** drove to Nevada to spend Thanksgiving with relatives there.

RAY ROBERTS spent Thanksgiving with his family in Missoula.

BILLYE and **VIC VINCENT** spent a week at their son, Travis’, home in Washington before Thanksgiving. They took care of their grandchildren while Travis and his wife, Kendra, were on a trip.



Christian Emphasis

That First Christmas

*That First Christmas long ago
Had no cards, nor mistletoe.
Just a tiny, Holy Child
And His Mother, sweet and mild.
... That was Christmas long ago.
Gifts they brought with joy and love
While a bright star shone above.
Angels, too, were there to sing
Tidings of the new-born King.
That was Christmas long ago.
... Christmas, O, so long ago.
- Dorothy D. Warner*

*“And she brought forth her firstborn son,
and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and
laid him in a manger; because there was
no room for them in the inn.*

*And there were in the same country
shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping
watch over their flock by night, And, lo,
the angel of the Lord came upon them, and
the glory of the Lord shone round about
them: and they were sore afraid.*

*And the angel said unto them, Fear not:
for, behold, I bring you good tidings of
great joy, which shall be to all people. For
unto you is born this day in the city of
David a saviour, which is Christ the Lord.”*

- Luke 2: 7-11



**MERRY CHRISTMAS!
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**