

Form **990-EZ**

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No. 1545-1150

2017Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions). All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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A Check if applicable:

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C **SONS OF NORWAY**
LODSEN LODGE 4-138
PO BOX 1307
GREAT FALLS, MT 59403-1307

D Employer identification number
81-6033521

E Telephone number
406-454-3753

F Group Exemption Number **0108**

G Accounting Method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual Other (specify) _____

H Check ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: **N/A**

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) (8) (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

K Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. **\$ 94,099.**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	300.
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	645.
4	Investment income	4	18,957.
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
6	Gaming and fundraising events		
6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	74,197.
6c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	33,380.
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	40,817.
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
7b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	60,719.
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	8,086.
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	17,447.
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	1,713.
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	12,143.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	39,389.
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	21,330.
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	377,530.
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	398,860.

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in SEE SCHEDULE O the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V ☒

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		X
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	X	
b If 'Yes,' to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.		X
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III.		X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions.	37a	0.
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a	X
b If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	N/A
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	N/A
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	N/A
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under:		
section 4911	N/A	
section 4912	N/A	
section 4955	N/A	
b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	
c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		0.
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		0.
e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T	40e	X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed	NONE	

42a The organization's books are in care of LORETTA KEITH Telephone no. 406-454-3753
 Located at 1314 7 ST S GREAT FALLS MT ZIP + 4 59405

	Yes	No
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country.	42b	X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country.	42c	X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here ☐ N/A and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year. 43 N/A

	Yes	No
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a	X
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b	X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	X
d If 'Yes' to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.	44d	
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	X
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions).	45b	X

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI. ☐

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II

	Yes	No
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48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E.

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49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

49 a		
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b If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49 b		
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50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None'

(a) Name and title of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A

☐ Yes ☐ No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer <u>Loretta Keith</u>		Date <u>May 8, 2018</u>	
	Type or print name and title <u>LORETTA KEITH</u>		<u>TREASURER</u>	
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed
	Firm's name	<u>NON-PAID PREPARER</u>		PTIN
	Firm's address		Firm's EIN	Phone no

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions.

☐ Yes ☐ No

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Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Employer identification number
81-6033521

Part I

Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- a ☐ Mail solicitations
b ☐ Internet and email solicitations
c ☐ Phone solicitations
d ☐ In-person solicitations
e ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants
f ☐ Solicitation of government grants
g ☐ Special fundraising events

- ☐ Yes ☒ No

- b If 'Yes,' list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in column (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

- 3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1 <u>ETHNIC FOODS</u> (event type)	(b) Event #2 <u>LUTEFISK, BAKE</u> (event type)	(c) Other events <u>NONE</u> (total number)	(d) Total events (add column (a) through column (c))
REVENUE	1 Gross receipts ..	64,013.	10,184.		74,197.
	2 Less: Charitable contributions ..				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) .	64,013.	10,184.		74,197.
DIRECT EXPENSES	4 Cash prizes ..				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs .				
	7 Food and beverages . .	17,941.	3,272.		21,213.
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses .	12,167.			12,167.
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ..				33,380.
	11 Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10.				40,817.

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add column (a) through column (c))
REVENUE	1 Gross revenue				
	2 Cash prizes				
DIRECT EXPENSES	3 Non-cash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs.				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	
	7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				
	8 Net gaming income summary. Combine lines 1, column (d) and line 7.				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____

a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If 'No,' explain: _____

10 a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If 'Yes,' explain: _____

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- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☒ No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:

- a The organization's facility 13a %
- b An outside facility 13b %

- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶

Address ▶

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶

Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____

Description of services provided ▶

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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SONS OF NORWAY
LODSEN LODGE 4-138

Employer identification number

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FORM 990-EZ, PART III - ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE

THE ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE IS TO PROMOTE AND MAINTAIN KNOWLEDGE OF
NORWEGIAN HERITAGE TO THE MEMBERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THE LODGE PRESENTS
CLASSES IN NORWEGIAN HANDCRAFTS, SUCH AS HARDANGER EMBROIDERY AND WOODCARVING. IT
PRESENTS DEMONSTRATIONS FOR MAKING NORWEGIAN FOODS; SUCH AS LEFSE, LUTEFISK,
RUMIGROT AND PASTRIES. THE LODGE HAS AN ETHNIC BOOTH AT THE STATE FAIR WHERE
VOLUNTEER MEMBERS SELL NORWEGIAN MEATBALLS (AKA "VIKINGS") AND LEFSE. THE LODGE
SUPPORTS THE SONS OF NORWAY FOUNDATION, NORWEGIAN CENT-A-DAY FOUNDATION AND
VINLAND REHABILITATION WITH BOTH TIME AND MONEY. IT CONTRIBUTES TO VARIOUS LOCAL
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. THE LODGE SUPPORTS INDIVIDUALS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE.
THE LODGE MEMBERS CELEBRATE THEIR NORWEGIAN HERITAGE BY INVITING THE GENERAL
PUBLIC TO AN OPEN HOUSE FOR PURPOSES OF IMPARTING NORWEGIAN INFORMATION TO THE
PUBLIC.

FORM 990-EZ, PART III, LINE 28 - STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

THE FOLLOWING IS PROVIDED IN ADDITION TO THE DESCRIPTIONS PROVIDED ABOVE:

THE LODGE PAID THREE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS TOTALING \$1,500, \$500 EACH. ALSO,
THE LODGE MADE CASH CONTRIBUTIONS TO VARIOUS OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE LOCAL AREA
TOTALING \$6586.

FORM 990-EZ, PART V - REGARDING TRANSFERS ASSOCIATED WITH PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACTS

(A) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY OR
INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT? NO

(B) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, PAY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY OR
INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT? NO