

Compass Club

In an ongoing voyage that began over 130 years ago, Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum has carried Norwegian-American history and traditions to other cultures and successive generations, exploring and sharing what ethnicity means in a nation of immigrants. It is a great adventure that is far from over.

Today we need your help charting Vesterheim's future—strategically using the trade wind of planned growth to reach new audiences while navigating the modern rocks and shoals of a changing, sometimes unpredictable economy.

Key to charting a safe course is supporting the museum's Annual Giving Program. This program allows Vesterheim to:

- ★ house, care for, and interpret the artifacts that are central to its mission.
- ★ offer quality folk-art and youth programming.
- ★ create exciting events.
- ★ mount new exhibitions, some of which travel throughout the country.

When the cost of these vital core activities is secured, Vesterheim is better able to sail fearlessly toward new horizons.

One of the best ways to contribute to the museum's Annual Giving program is by joining Vesterheim's Compass Club. Automatic deductions from your checking or savings account are safe, convenient, and tax-deductible. They can be easily monitored through your regular bank statement. And Compass Club members will never receive additional Annual Fund solicitations during the year!

For a monthly donation through the convenience of automatic withdrawal, you can become a Vesterheim Compass Club member, support the museum's vital Annual Giving Program, help chart the museum's future direction, and receive special recognition and a host of benefits, including:

- ★ easy automatic tax-deductible donations.
- ★ a Family Membership to the museum, which includes the full-color magazine *Vesterheim*, catalogs, and regular discounts on classes and purchases.
- ★ recognition in Vesterheim's *Annual Report*.
- ★ 10 guest passes.
- ★ one scheduled "Behind the Scenes" tour each year.
- ★ invitations to Vesterheim receptions, where you can meet other Compass Club members.
- ★ the option of receiving e-mail updates on museum exhibitions, activities, and plans for the future.

Signing Up

Please fill out this form and mail to: **Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum, PO Box 379, Decorah, IA 52101**

Compass Club membership requires a monthly donation. Please fill out this authorization form. If using a checking account, please attach a voided check. If using a savings account, please attach a deposit slip. In order to cancel membership in this giving club, written notice of your intentions must be received by Vesterheim at least 5 business days before the next scheduled withdrawal. If you have questions, please call or e-mail Vesterheim, 563 382-9681, info@vesterheim.org.

Authorization Agreement for Pre-authorized Payments

Donor Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City, State ZIP: _____

☐ Please send me e-mail updates on museum exhibitions, activities, and plans for the future. My e-mail address is: _____

Note: Your e-mail address will not be shared.

Donation Amount: ☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ Other _____

Check a date for the monthly transaction to be initiated:

Type of Account: _____ Checking (voided check) _____ Savings (deposit slip)

_____ the 15th _____ the 30th (the last day of February)

Name on Account: _____ Account Number: _____

Bank Name: _____ Bank Routing Number: _____

I authorize Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum to initiate debit entries in the amount specified above to the account indicated above each month. If necessary, I authorize Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum to initiate credit entries and adjustments for any entries made in error to the same account.

Signature of Authorized Signer to the Account _____ Date _____