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Anna Czarnik Neimeyer Awarded Sons of Norway Foundation's Astrid G. Cates Scholarship

Minneapolis, June 26, 2007 – Anna Czarnik-Neimeyer of Appleton, WI, was awarded a Sons of Norway's Astrid G. Cates scholarship, given to Sons of Norway members and their families.

Czarnik-Neimeyer is a graduate of Appleton North High school in Appleton Wisconsin, whose family has been involved in Sons of Norway for over 30 years, and grandparents helped found the Appleton, Wisconsin lodge. In school she has been involved in several activities, most actively in Choir, HOPE (Help Our Planet Earth) Club, National Honor Society, and German Club. In the fall she will attend Saint Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin, where she plans to study Communications, German, or Psychology.

Sons of Norway Foundation Director Cindy Olson said, “The Sons of Norway Foundation has proudly awarded educational scholarships for over 40 years. Astrid Cates and Myrtle Beinhauer, Sons of Norway members, left the Foundation bequests to be used to further improve our

communities through education. The Foundation believes in providing these opportunities to strengthen our communities and help us protect Norwegian heritage and culture for future generations. The 2007 recipient Anna Czarnik-Neimeyer embodies these goals.”

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Astrid G. Cates remembered Sons of Norway youth with a special bequest in her will to the Sons of Norway Foundation. The Sons of Norway Foundation established the Astrid G. Cates Scholarship Fund in 1984. The goal of this scholarship is to help Sons of Norway members, their children and grandchildren obtain post-secondary training or education.

The Sons of Norway Foundation celebrates culture and expands the horizons of our members by awarding scholarships and grants to promote the heritage and culture of Norway, and provides assistance to our members, lodges and their communities. Since 1966 we have awarded over 2,000 scholarships and more than 400 grants totaling over \$1 million. For more information on this scholarship and the Sons of Norway Foundation, visit

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