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Katie Parent Awarded the Sons of Norway Foundation's King Olav V Norwegian- American Scholarship

Minneapolis, June 26, 2007 – Katie Parent of Port Ludlow, WA,. was awarded a Sons of Norway Foundation King Olav V Norwegian-American Scholarship, given to students with a plan of study focusing on Norwegian heritage or modern Norway at an institution of higher learning.

Parent will be a junior at St. Olaf College, where she studies Norwegian, Art and International Relations. She will also be spending the summer as a State Department intern at the US embassy in Oslo. “I am very excited to use my Norwegian skills, learn about Norway's place in international relations, and experience life at a US Embassy abroad” said Parent.

Sons of Norway Foundation Director Cindy Olson said, “The Sons of Norway Foundation has proudly awarded educational scholarships since 1966. We strive to improve our communities through education while preserving our

Norwegian culture and heritage for future generations. The King Olav V Norwegian-American scholarship program ensures this, while promoting global citizenship, by encouraging American students to study Norwegian culture and Norwegian citizens to study American culture. We are proud to have 2007 recipient Katie Parent as one of our scholars.”

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His Royal Majesty, King Olav V of Norway, allowed the Sons of Norway Foundation to use his name in establishing a fund to promote cultural exchange between Norway and North America. The fund welcomes both Norwegian and North American applicants, 18 years of age or older.

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 <http://www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation>.

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