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Grue Church to host ‘Lefse & Lemonade’ event Sunday

The Historic Grue Church in rural Buxton, North Dakota, is hosting its third annual “Lefse & Lemonade” event from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 25.

The event is free and open to the public; donations are appreciated.

Featured guests include Jeremy Jackson and Frayne Olson, of the NDSU Challey Institute, who will talk about the contributions of Mancur Olson, a renowned global economist who grew up in rural Buxton and graduated from NDSU in 1954. The professors’ talk will begin at 1 p.m.

Jackson is founder and director of NDSU’s Center for Public Choice and Private Enterprise. Olson, NDSU professor of agricultural economics, is Mancur Olson’s nephew, according to Sally Hoffman, an event organizer.

Mancur Olson is known for studying questions such as, why some countries are rich and others poor? And why are only a few parts of the world prosperous?

After Olson’s unexpected death in 1998, the Economist magazine noted that, “had he lived ... his theories might well have won him a Nobel Prize,” Hoffman said.

Artwork commissioned by the Historic Grue Church will be on display. Pieper Bloomquist, of Grand Forks, has created a Scandinavian “bonadsmalning” painting; Jeff Malm, of Kulm, North Dakota, crafted a wrought iron piece; and James Paulson, of Leeds, North Dakota, created a Norwegian wood carving. Each of their artworks will be prominently and permanently installed after completion of the next stage of renovation of the church building, Hoffman said.

A hotdish lunch will be served, along with lefse and lemonade, for a free will donation. A silent auction is planned, and the Hot Tub Brass will perform.

The church is located five miles east of Buxton and one mile north, at 168th Avenue N.E. and 14th Street N.E., Buxton, N.D.

For more information, visit www.HistoricGrueChurch.org.

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