

Item of the Month April 2013

Since this is the first 'Item of the Month,' I will start it with some pictures of the Sons of Norway District 5 Traveling Viking Chest.



These two pictures also appear in the following article on the Traveling Viking Chest. Please read the article , which describes the program, and please contact your Zone Director to schedule a visit of the chest to your lodge.

The chest is a Viking Age 6 board chest. Unlike modern chests with corner supports, these chests are built upon the bottom board. The sides are all inclined or sloped inward to add strength. This chest is inspired by the Mastermyr Chest, a Viking Age tool chest from Gotland, discovered in 1936.

To start the Traveling Chest program I have added a Viking Age bowl and cup, and a Vinland/Greenland drop spindle. More complete written descriptions are included in the chest.