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From the President



I truly enjoy the outdoor weather of our fall season, but it's SPRING that warms my heart! Here at Solbakken Farm we are looking forward to the new life that spring brings.

As a hobby farm with sheep, cattle and horses, I love babies!

Is there anything cuter than a barnyard baby? Lambs will be coming any day now, our Viking cow Hilda is expecting her first calf in late May and two of our AQHA mares are showing very nicely for late May and early June foals.

It's that thrill that new life on the farm or in the lodge can bring to lift ones spirits and I can step back and think "it's all worth it!" Lodge membership brings new life to a new member and an old lodge. Sverdrup is now entering year 106. It's a milestone that I'm very proud to be a part of.

A nominating committee will be organizing to recruit good candidates for our fall election of officers and we plan to generate discussion at the next two socials on interest in hosting a District Convention in 2018.

Bismarck-Mandan has so much to offer visitors and we need your help to volunteer for these once-in-lifetime positions. Movers and Shakers are needed to apply. With a little help, we can do this and do it well!

Hadde bra og takk for meg - Jerry Saude



April Calendar

- 04 Norwegian Language Class 1st Lutheran Church - 7 p.m.
- 05 Chorus Practice - Sr Ctr 4 p.m.
- 06 Needlework — 1:30 p.m. at the home of Julie Roe, 2900 N 4th St #110, Bismarck
- 11 Norwegian Language Class - 1st Lutheran Church - 7 p.m.
- 13 Bok Møte - Valley View 7 p.m. Video of Norway
- 15 Social at the Eagles — see notes below
- 18 Norwegian Language Class - 1st Lutheran Church - 7 p.m.
- 19 Chorus Practice 4 p.m. Sr. Ctr
- 20 Needlework — 1:30 p.m. at the home of Lone Leet, 1300 Ridgeview Lane, Bismarck
- 25 Norwegian Language Class - 1st Lutheran Church - 7 p.m.
- 28 Business Meeting — 1st Lutheran 7 p.m.

May

- 15 Picnic in the Park
- 20 Social at the Eagles

Social Date: April 15

Location: Bismarck Eagles Club

Time: 6:15 p.m. - \$15/meal

Menu: Roast Beef, Baked Potato, Vegetable

Program: Foreign Exchange Students
New Member Service

Music: Geiger, Card Games Available

Reservations: By Friday, April 8
Call Nanc Skaret, 258-4703 or e mail skaret@bis.midco.net (unless you have established your "regular" status)



April Birthdays

Earl G Aune	1
Loretta W Roningen	3
Ronald A Wutzke	6
Louise J Benz	6
Deloris P Palmer	6
Milton O Lindvig	7
Bernice R Meyer	9
Evelyn L Conitz	12
Paul T Jacobson	15
John Malsam	16
Dorice M Oynes	17
Evangeline Schultz	18
Bonita Lindgren	19
Maxine D Martin	19
Enid M Monger	20
Kimberly Hemphill	22
Ethel A Thompson	27



*Happy
Birthday*

Gratulerer Med Dagen
{Congratulations on Your Day}

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April is one of the months we are forced to get organized to present our paperwork to Uncle Sam. By now, most of us have prepared for tax season. Let this also be a time for review of your assets and accounts. It may be time to take a good look at how your money has been working for you.

By meeting with your Sons of Norway Financial Benefits Counselor you can get a free second opinion. Our members have trusted Sons of Norway for over 121 years to provide safe and sound financial benefits while supporting the Fraternal Model.

This means money from the insurance operation helps to pay for the Viking Magazine as well as gives revenue to the lodges in the form of a Lodge Revenue Check. We are caring, non-profit, stable and reliable. Maybe that's what you have been looking for all along.

Call your Sons of Norway Financial Benefit Counselor and see if we can help you help yourself.

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Tubfrim

For the past 30 years, members have been clipping canceled postage stamps and sending them to Tubfrim, who then sells them to dealers and collectors. Originally the money raised went to help children afflicted by tuberculosis. Since tuberculosis is no longer the threat to health that it once was, today the proceeds from the resale of stamps helps improve the quality of life for children and youth with disabilities and special needs. Sons of Norway members are the largest contributor outside of Norway to Tubfrim's efforts, sending nearly 30% of all stamps collected.

While helping children is a great motivation for our members to participate, there is a special incentive to say "thank you". For every pound of stamps collected, the member or lodge can enter a drawing, held in mid-January every year, to win a round trip ticket to Norway, worth up to \$1,000.

If you would like to participate in the Tubfrim contest and get a chance to win a free ticket to Norway, bring your stamps to the next social so they may be of benefit to improving the quality of life for children with disabilities and special needs.

April Social Event

We are acting on a suggestion from a few members to include cards and games along with the dance music after our program.

Pinochle, whist and various other favorites can be started. Bring a favorite game and your cards along to enjoy some fellowship after the program.

Coffee and cookies will be available during the games and dancing.

New Member Initiation

We will have a short initiation program during our April Social.

New members who are local are; Kathlyn Rath, Victoria Nelson, Bjorn Saude, Mark Allensworth and David Hanson. We may have more by that night also. Well done to those of you who signed up new members!

Trollfjorden Camp June 16-19

Registration is open for the family camp that teaches language and cultural skills in a Turtle Mt setting. The camp is open to ages 8-88.

Scholarships are available from our lodge for all ages and youth are also eligible for up to 100% of their costs. It's a great weekend for grandparents and grandchildren to bond over Norwegian culture and food. It's a great weekend for any age to experience a group whose goal is to eat, learn, eat, dance, eat and laugh.

If you want to meet new people and learn a new cultural skill, this camp may be just what you are looking for. Details are on the website. This year it happens to fall on convention weekend, though it is normally the 2nd weekend of June each year. Apply soon!

May Picnic/Memorial Service

The annual picnic will be held on Sunday, May 15 at our Sons of Norway Park. There will be a potluck picnic at noon followed by a service in honor of those members who have passed away since last May. Family of those members will be invited as well as you, our members.

In addition two trees will be dedicated to members who will be recognized for their contributions of time and talent .

If the weather is not favorable to an outdoor activity, the Jeannette Myhre School Gym has been reserved as a standby option. The school is adjacent to our park.

This summer will see improvements to our park, as well.

Membership Information

Dues are currently as follows: Primary member \$43 - Spouse \$36 Unge Venner \$23 (unless a parent is a member, in which case there is no fee, just an application for Ages 16-23)

New member applications are turned in to Addie Thiede, Financial Secretary for processing, together with a check for the appropriate amount written to Sons of Norway. Address: 1624 Santa Gertrudis Loop, Bismarck, ND 58503

Our Total Membership to date is 322

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