



# Sverdrup Nyheter

**Sverdrup 4-107  
Bismarck, ND**

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## President's Brev

Hei og god dag til deg. Hi and good day to you.

Velkommen to you from your newly installed president. Some background information for those of you who don't know me. I grew up on a farm in Brookings County, SD. I have a BS in Electrical Engineering from SDSU. I worked in the Twin Cities for a quarter century as a computer Logician at Unisys Corp and a control engineer at 3M. Then we moved to Fergus Falls for another quarter century where I semi-retired from Imation in Wahpeton, ND as a control engineer. We moved to Bismarck in 2019 to be closer to our daughter. Previous organization leadership experience is being president of the Red River Valley section of the IEEE and Fergus Falls Sons of Norway for 1 term each. My wife Kathryn is a retired teacher who grew up in Fargo, ND.



Tusen takk to our outgoing president Dave Phillips for shepherding us thru the last two years. He did a great job. He also did an excellent job of managing the Lutfisk Dinner for the last two years. Also, thanks to all the others who helped run our Lodge for the last two years.

December was not a good month for our lodge what with the storm cancellation of our social, business meeting and the rescheduling of our lefse sale from Sat. to Sunday. We lost some income, but we are storing 200 packages of frozen lefse at \$12 /package for next year's lutfisk dinner. Tusen takk to Jim Skaret for heading up this sale. If you want to buy lefse talk to Jim and if you want to buy lutfisk, talk to Vern Monger.

At 10 AM on Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> at First Lutheran Church we will conduct a strategic planning/brainstorming session. This is a chance for lodge members to get ideas, set goals and plan activities for our lodge. When finished, we will order in pizza for lunch.

Ta vare på deg og Guds velsignelse til deg Take care and God's blessing to you  
Ken Lien

### Youth and Recreation Directors Announce Family Night

The Lodge is going to plan a family bowling party for **Sunday, March 19th at 3 PM** at Midway Lanes in Mandan. Bowlers will be responsible for the \$3.75 shoe rental and the lodge will pay for bowling lines and a pizza party. This is an opportunity for your family to get together and show your skills. This could be a new member recruitment event also. Next month we will ask you to express your interest so that we can have enough lanes reserved for bowling. We don't need an exact count, but your input would be much appreciated.

Elisha Placek and Jerry Saude, Directors

## Kalender

### February 2023

- 6 Language Class , 1st Lutheran, Bismarck
- 13 Language Class
- 17 Social—Eagles 6:00 p.m.  
Menu—Swiss Steak—\$15  
Program —The Devils Instrument-the Hardanger Fiddle”  
Recognition of Past Presidents  
Norwegian Sweater Night
- 18 Strategic Planning, 1st Lutheran, Bismarck, 10 a.m.
- 20 Language Class
- 23 Business Meeting 1st Lutheran, Bismarck, 7 p.m.
- 27 Language Class

*If you have food allergies let Nanc know when you make your reservation.*

***This is now being strictly enforced by the Eagles.  
Make your reservations no later than the  
SUNDAY prior to the social.***

For reservations, unless you are on the “regular” list, contact Nanc at 258-4703 or [skaret@bis.midco.net](mailto:skaret@bis.midco.net)

**Wear your Sverdrup name tag to our social meetings!**

### March 2023

- 17 Social
- 23 Business Meeting

### Past Presidents to be Recognized in February

Eugene Weekes	Cathy Bergan
Jeannette Radig	Robert Johnson
Dennis Wang	Marcia Hansen
Lowell Jensen	Jerry Saude
Audrey Solheim	Susan Hammer
Vern Monger	Schneider
Louise Benz	David Phillips



## Februar Bursdager

Keara E Telshaw	1
Ann J Schwartz	3
Valerie J Otto	4
Jenell Loftesnes	8
Helen R Tollerud	11
Eugene D Weekes	11
Michael Liudahl	12
Esther M Anderson	14
Thomas J Dahle	14
James Soiseth	14
Shirley E Svanes	14
Delores Soiseth	16
Diane Gronfur	17
Robert L Turner	17
Audrey H Solheim	18
Karen I Halldorson	20
Kevin Tengesdal	21
Ivadell J Larson	22
Jessica M Rossow	22
James R Lang	23
Howard Blackstead	24
Audrey Gehringer	24
Laken G Porter	24
Tracy M Leetun	27



## Hjelpe Vår Ungdom

Thanks to all who donated items for the children of the Bismarck and Mandan Schools. There were

98 pairs of socks  
22 pairs gloves and mittens  
7 headbands  
44 caps

Good Work!

Passing of the Gavel from Dave Phillips to Ken Lien—Ruth Olson did the installation of officers.



Steve Schilling presenting program on Apollo Moon Mission Recovery at January social!

## Gratulerer med dagen

### Hjelpe Vår Ungdom” (helping our youth)

Our lodge's new campaign to donate items for our community youth is continuing.

Plan to bring items for donation to our social meeting.

If you have questions, Sue Hammer Schneider, chair, can be contacted at 701-220-8559.

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## Welcome to New Members

Annika Plummer, Dickinson, Transfer In  
and  
Michael Liudahl, Bismarck

## Membership Pins Awarded At The January Social



### 30Year Member Awards

Mary Jean Hanson, Bob McCallum, Jerry Saude,  
with Judith Hammer presenting awards



### 20 Year Member Award

Mark Swartz  
Presented by Judith Hammer



### 10 Year Member Awards

James and Delores Soiseth



### 5 Year Member Awards

Margaret and Dave Phillips,  
Judy and Tom Johnson and  
Mary Odegard



Installation of the 2023-2024 Officers was held at the  
January Social Meeting. (pictured above)

On January 17<sup>th</sup> the Lodge served the Banquet  
dinner at the Dream Center. About 100 meals  
were served. Lodge members serving were  
Jerry Saude, Sue Hammer-Schneider, Joyce  
Harden, Mike Nickel and Ken Lien



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**February 2023**



**Norwegian  
Sweater Night!  
February Social**



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