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President's Brev

Godt Nytt År Til Deg (Good New Year to you)
Mild weather made for a great Christmas Holiday
in Bismarck. Steve Olson put together a great
program for the social.

Our lodge received a big grant from the
Scandinavian Foundation to finance a Vinterfest
celebration in January together with other
community organizations. I put a link to our website for this festival on
our home page. We are hoping for more snow for some of the
outdoor activities such as ski luminary and kick sledding.

Our family is especially looking forward to the Hardanger Fiddle
Performance at 1st Lutheran Church on Jan. 28th at 2 PM as I have 3
granddaughters taking violin lessons.

Our lodge approved Mark Holkup to replace retiring Trustee Susan
Hammer Schneider for the three-year 2024-2026 term, Gary
Halvorson to fill the Trustee position for the remainder of the 2023-
2025 term of Dave Phillips and Richard Hanson to fill the remainder of
the term of the Marshal position of Margaret Phillips. The Phillips have
moved to Iowa. These 3 officers will be installed at the January social.

Our Lodge is hosting the biannual District 4 Sons of Norway
Convention at the Radisson Hotel downtown on Thursday thru
Saturday June 27 – 29, 2024. We are organizing a governing committee
at present. I will chair the committee, Joyce Harden will be in charge of
registration, Rachelle Degner will be in charge of publicity and Tom
Marple is temporary treasurer until we find a permanent treasurer.
Other positions such as someone to be in charge of advertising sales,
vendor contact and registration, cultural skills display and contest and a
food committee remain to be filled. If you would like to help out,
contact me at 701-850-0370..

Our social this month is Piper Bloomquist on Dalmaling.
Ha der godt (Have it good)

Ken Lien



Susan Hammer Schneider is managing the
lodge's donations to the Bismarck and
Mandan schools. Over the last several
months school supplies were
donated. Starting in January please consider
donating personal hygiene products, soaps,
shampoo, deodorant, lotions, and the
like. The donations will be collected at each
social and delivered to both school districts.
For the January social, you are also asked to
donate socks.

Kalendar

January

- 19 Social Meeting 6:15 p.m. Eagles
Program Pieper Bloomquist, a
presentation on Dalmaling art work.
Menu: Chicken
- 25 Business Meeting—1st Luth 7 p.m.

Wear your Sverdrup nametag to our
lodge events!

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

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

This is now being strictly enforced by the Eagles.

***Make your reservations no later than the
SUNDAY prior to the social.***

February

- 16 Social, Bismarck Eagles
- 17 Strategy Meeting. 1st Lutheran, Bis
- 22 Business Meeting, 1st Lutheran, Bis

Take advantage of all the Vinterfest activities
occurring in Mandan/Bismarck during January.

Check vinterfest.org regularly for updates and
additions.

Evergreen Crown Workshop - Rosemaling - Hardanger Fiddles - Chip Carving - Fika - Sauna Days - "The Perfect Sweat"

vinterfest

An Entire Month of Winter Activities
January 1 - 31, 2024

Vinterfest seeks to promote educational,
recreational, and cultural heritage
programming throughout central North
Dakota. From artisan workshops to cross-
country skiing, Vinterfest invites you to learn
new hobbies and share in time-honored
traditions.



vinterfest.org



Rosettes - "Tenne Bål" Bon Fire - Winter Games - Dalmaling - Luminary Ski - Lefse - Moccasin Workshop - Learn to Curl



Januar Bursdager

Catherine M Bergan	1
Daryl Gronfur	2
Julie C Schwartz	5
Conrad Jordheim	11
Robert Mc Callum	12
Erik M Hjemvik	16
Karen L Fenster	17
Ronald E Fox	21
Alice O Falkenstein	23
Elisha Placek	27
Karen A Vossler	27
Steven K Hamar	28
Keira R Knight	29
Shirley J Nelson	30
Duane C Svanes	30
Cassius Placek	31



Our second lefse sale was held on Dec. 16th at Gateway Mall. Sverdrup volunteers included l to r, Claudia Berg, Gary Halvorson, Lefse Chairperson Jim Skaret, Susan Hammer Schneider, Bob McCallum, and Judith Hammer.



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Enjoying the December social were l to r, Bob and Susan Wefald and Myrna and Matt Dahl. Susan is wearing a handmade Norwegian sweater gifted to her during her school years.



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Current Membership 282 youth and adults



In Memory Earl Aune. Wilton

New Member (Transfer)

Donna Rae Pretzen, Bismarck

Transfers from the Bowman-Hettinger Lodge 4-557

Ronald and Rose Larson—Bowman

Curtis Krinke—Bowman

Francie Berg—Hettinger

Sandra Staaheim, Downs, KS

Leroy Siverson—Bowman

Norma Spima—Hettinger

Van Honeyman—Reeder

Robert and Vicki Anderson—Bowman

On behalf of our entire Lodge, I extend a warm welcome to the members transferred to our Lodge due to the Bowman/Hettinger-Små Fjell 4-557 lodge closure.
President Lien

Emily Sakariassen and Tory Jackson pose for a photo at the December social. Emily, Project Manager for the Northern Plains Heritage Area and Sverdrup member, presented additional information about the upcoming Vinterfest.



She was instrumental in writing the Scandinavian American Foundation grant that will underwrite the Nordic-related activities during the month-long winter festival.

Tom Marple, Shelly Doyle and guest Jo Krabbenhoft posed for a photo at the December social. Jo and Shelly have been good friends since attending grade school in Fargo.



Cultural Director Steve Olson provided another fun and entertaining quiz, "Name That Carol", as part of the Christmas social.



Enjoying a conversation over a cup of coffee and homemade treats were Julie Roe, Vern Monger and Howard Blackstead.

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Jim and Barb Wright enjoyed an evening of singing Christmas carols and chatting with friends



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