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## From the President

Thank you all for trusting me to provide leadership to Sverdrup in the coming two years. I'll expect a report card from time to time though. Please feel free to email or call with anything you have to discuss. The lodge should always be a work in progress and your ideas will be welcomed for debate. Better yet, bring them to a business meeting! They occur the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month and will be held at 800 N 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Bismarck for the immediate future. We have scheduling problems at the library and felt this change would provide continuity for the lodge. First Lutheran Church was happy to open its doors to us.



Our Sverdrup lodge remains one of the largest in our district, but has seen a substantial membership drop in the past 5 years. Our presence in the greater community may be our key to maintaining a healthy and vibrant lodge. Without that, we will see our membership drop through natural forces of aging and relocations by our members. My goal over the next two years is to foster the cultural programs and heritage themes of Sons of Norway. Active groups within the lodge and active Sons of Norway promotion will be the impetus for our membership numbers.

How well we promote ourselves to the public will determine how well Sverdrup Lodge prospers. These ideas can be incubated over the coming months and even years. Change takes time and effort from all who are involved. So bring those ideas to our "Brainstorming Session" in early February. We'll have a date and location by the next social and it will be in the February Nyheter. Put your thinking caps on and plan to attend. I have ideas and that meeting will be the perfect place to "air them out" and start the discussions.

I have been surveying the newsletters from the District 4 lodges and there appears to be about 99 ways to do most any job. "One way is not the only way, it's just a different way".

I'm excited that the lodge has been able to offer a beginning Norwegian language class and rosemary class in the next 2 months. Your support for these projects, demonstrated by your willingness to participate has made all the work worthwhile. It's a start and new beginning for our community outreach.

Until next month...hadde bra!  
Jerry M Saude  
Email: [grammas@bektel.com](mailto:grammas@bektel.com)

## Calendar of Events

### January

- 05 Language Class 7-8:30 at 1st Lutheran
- 07 Needlework - Shirley Grandahl's  
1224 Prospect Pl, Bis. 1:30 p.m.
- 10 Lutefisk Chair Meeting - 10, Trinity
- 11 6 Brothers Documentary - Heritage  
Center, 2 p.m. (free)
- 12 Language (see above Jan 5)
- 16 Social - Eagles - [info below]
- 19 Language (see above 5)
- 20 Chorus Practice - 4 p. m. Sr Ctr
- 21 No Needlework meeting
- 22 Business Meeting -6:30 1st Lutheran
- 24 Lutefisk Supper -Trinity Lutheran  
Church, Bismarck - 3 - 7 p.m.
- 26 Language Class (see above 5)

### February

- 06-07 Rosemary Workshop  
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### Social Date: Friday January 16

**Location:** Bismarck Eagles Club

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

**Menu:** Swedish Meatballs

**Program:** Snippets from Videos of Our  
Members - Jerry Saude

**Music:** Jim Geiger

**Reservations:** By Friday, Jan 9  
Call Nanc Skaret, 258-4703 or e mail  
[skaret@bis.midco.net](mailto:skaret@bis.midco.net) (unless you have  
established your "regular" status)

### Mission Statement

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and to preserve the **heritage** and **culture** of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and provide quality insurance and financial products to our members.



### January Birthdays

Catherine M Bergan	01
Curtiss Lee Odden	01
Daryl Cordell Gronfur	02
Jo Ann B Winistorfer	04
Howard E Hansen	05
Margaret A Hanson	05
Julie C Schwartz	05
Lars Oynes	06
Rodney A Bakke	07
Conrad Jordheim	11
Robert W McCallum	12
Sonna M Anderson	13
Merton A Johnsrud	14
Erik M Hjemvik	16
Karen L Fenster	17
Richard K Bjornson	19
Harold L Loritz	19
June M Sakshaug	19
Ronald E Fox	21
Bernice M Bensen	22
Alice O Falkenstein	23
Susan M Janke	24
Mildred A Nicholson	25
Freeman Mjolsness	26
Elisha Anne Placek	27
Karen A Vossler	27
Steven K Hamar	28
Earl Nelson	29
Shirley J Nelson	30
Duane C Svanes	30

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### Leaving a Legacy for the Next Generation

As we age we become more open to discussions about what happens to our money when we pass. Many people say, "I've got everything in order, it will go to my kids". With the market at all-time highs, retirees are well aware that their gains could be erased by a market correction, leaving them with a diminished estate for their heirs.

Life Insurance has the advantage over other assets such as IRAs and investments in that it is a defined sum of money and passes income tax free to the beneficiaries. It provides cash to more equitably divide non-liquid assets such as a home, business or farm amongst siblings. A policy can be structured providing riders for accelerated benefits like chronic illness or long term care. You have access and use of this if you should need it.

It may be time to look at getting out of the market and into another opportunity for wealth transfer. Call your Sons of Norway Financial Benefits Counselor and see how they can help you reposition gains, leave more money to heirs and minimize the impact of taxes on your legacy.

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# Happy Birthday

## Gratulerer Med Dagen

{Congratulations on Your Day}

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**In Memory of**  
**Alfred Schulz,**  
 Golden Member, Past President

**Rosemaling Class Update**

Our Rosemaling class is set for February 6 and 7th, Friday night and Saturday morning. The class will provide you with 6-8 hours of instruction and you will complete your very own decorative authentic Norwegian Rosemaling craft, one that you will be able to proudly display it in your home. The class is full.

**Wanted: Lodge Officers**

In the next months I will be highlighting a few lodge positions that need to be filled by willing volunteers. But before you offer to help, you should know what is expected. Please review these and give it some thought.

**Publicity Director:** shall build a good public image of our lodge by contributing appropriate news releases to the local media. Shall also submit photos and lodge activities to the District for inclusion in the VIKING magazine. Do you see how important this is to our public outreach? If you have a talent for communications and writing, please consider this job. You can do this one from home and use your phone and computer to alert the world of the good things happening with Sons of Norway.

**Social Director(s):** shall plan and supervise the social activities of the lodge. You will have help from the many committee chairs within the lodge, but you will coordinate and delegate. In the past there has been coffee and cookies at the monthly socials after the dancing, the monthly business meetings any other social event that comes up. You can lighten this load by developing a list of willing bakers to provide the monthly needs and split up the work. Annually, you will set up the dates and meals for the monthly socials. This has usually involved one meeting with the Eagles management to reserve the dates and pick the meals. You will also arrange the small orchestras for the social dances. It's a very visible lodge function and very important to keep the meetings flowing smoothly. Put your organizational skills to work for the lodge and let's visit about this job. It can be split up into 2 or 3 people sharing the job. Call a friend to help and then call me!

Jerry Saude

**Monthly Reminders**

- ◆ Clip your cancelled stamps and bring to the social for Tubfrim
- ◆ Call reservations in for monthly social
- ◆ Return library books checked out from our library
- ◆ Volunteer for Lutefisk Dinner - (need waitresses)
- ◆ Bring cookies for Lutefisk Dinner

**Beginners Norwegian Language Class**

We are pleased to report that former lodge president, Marcia Hanson has agreed to teach the Norwegian Language class. It will begin Monday, January 5 and run from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Classes will be held at weekly.

If you have any interest in this class, please attend at your convenience. Marcia said that you won't get far behind by missing an occasional class. It will move slowly at first until she learns the class levels. It will be geared to the beginner at any age level.

The class will have students from ages 10 years to possibly 80 years+. Don't worry if you didn't sign up. Just show up on Monday nights at 7 p.m. You will be glad you came. The class will be meeting at First Lutheran Church 800 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Call Marcia if you have questions, 663-2728.

**Norwegian Proverb for January**

- Det er håp i hengende snøre.  
 "There is hope as long as your fishing line is in the water."

**New 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. Addie's Address: 1624 Santa Gertrudis Loop, Bismarck, ND 58503-0866.

Current membership number: - 366



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