



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.)

On Saturday Feb. 18th, we held a brainstorming and strategic planning meeting. Among the ideas presented were ones to restart dormant cultural skills groups on knitting and rosemaling. Greta Bradley is heading up efforts on the knitting group and Molly McLean is looking to hold a rosemaling workshop in the fall.

I encourage you all to come out and get some exercise on Family Bowling Afternoon at Midway Lanes. Please invite someone to come. If you are coming, please RSVP Jerry by March 17 at grammas@bektel.com or call/text him at 527-4068. For more info see the February Nyheter, page 1.

There will be a membership dinner on Tuesday April 18th at the Bismarck Eagles. It will start with a social at 6 PM with meal following at 6:30. Since ND does not have a SN financial advisor, a video will be shown on Financial Products, Fraternal Programs, and Foundation – Scholarships and Grants of Sons of Norway. Local Lodge Activities will be covered as part of a program our Vice President Tom Marple is putting together.

I am challenging everyone to bring at least one prospective new member. The meal is free to all prospective new members and to lodge members who invite them.

We will need to provide a head count for the new member event to the Eagles by Tuesday April 11th. RSVP to Nanc Skaret at 400-1371 or skaret@bis.midco.net.

This year's budget contains support for community, District 4 and International Lodge activities. These include Bismarck Arbor Day celebration, sponsorship for eight youth baseball, soccer and softball teams thru Bismarck Park & Recreation and the ND Historical Society's Heritage Center. Also supported are Ski for Light, Trollfjorden Family Camp and supplies for Adopt a School.

Syttende Mai occurs on a Wednesday this year, so to avoid scheduling our celebration on Mother's Day, the Memorial Service, Tree Dedication and Potluck will be on the Sunday, May 21st. The Midsummer Picnic has been changed to an intra-lodge lunch and riverboat tour with the Kringen Lodge from Fargo on Thursday, June 15th. The St. Olaf's picnic is scheduled for Wed. July 26th.

Ha det godt (Have it good)

Ken



Kalendar

March 2023

- 6 Language Class, 1st Lutheran, Bismarck
- 13 Language Class
- 17 Social—Eagles 6:00 p.m.
Menu: Cod \$15
Program: Norway and the Arctic Circle
- 19 Bowling Afternoon 3 p.m.
Midway Lanes, Mandan
- 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

Wear your Sverdrup name tag to our lodge events!

April 2023

- 3, 10, 17, 24 Language Classes
- 18 Membership Dinner, Eagles
- 21 Social. Eagles
- 28 Business Meeting





Mars Bursdager

Harold A Rolfsrud	8
Delores M Johnson	9
Boston H Porter	14
Susan O Lundberg	15
Kayleen Njos	18
Roger K Hagen	19
Kay Joann York	19
Bonnie Hoghaug	21
Myrtrice D Ecklund	22
Jean C Johnson	22
Dennis Wang	23
Brian Bjella	24
Dennis Svanes	26
Paulette A Vetter	26
Bernard W Falkenstein	29
Aaron Barth	30
Janice E Kolding	30
Joan Berlin Onstad	30
Margaret Ann Phillips	30
Jackson T Sommerville	31

Susan Hammer Schneider has volunteered to oversee Hjelpe Vår Ungdom, Helping Our Youth program. Lodge members are asked to donate school and personal supplies for students in both the Bismarck and Mandan school systems.

At the March social, hygiene products will be collected- toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, etc. Individually packaged snacks are also requested. Both school systems are very appreciative of Sverdrup's support, mange takk!



February socials annually recognizes the lodge's Past Presidents. Back row, l to r, Dave Phillips, Jerry Saude, Lowell Jensen, Eugene Weekes, Vern Monger; center, l to r, Susan Hammer Schneider, Audrey Solheim, Robert Johnson; Front, l to r, Louise Benz and Jeannette Radig. Jeannette was the first woman elected as lodge president in 1981.

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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Current Membership 275 youth and adults



Karen Jensen shows off her chocolate bar door prize at the February social.



Thea Gilbertson, in her hand-knit sweater, stayed nice and warm at the February social.



Karen Syvertson won Carl Larsson gift cards in the door prize drawing. Karen and her husband Jerry wore beautiful Norwegian sweaters.



A testament to the February weather, many lodge members wore their Norwegian sweaters to the social. Cultural Director Steve Olson presented a program on the Hardanger fiddle at the February Social. To enhance the program, Todd Hanson brought his Hardanger fiddle and a wooden Rosemaled carrying case for members



The annual strategic planning meeting was held on Saturday, February 18th. With 2023 plans in place, members gathered for a group photo and a little birthday celebration for Audrey Solheim. Pizza, homemade cupcakes and rhubarb cake, and a birthday cake provided a tasty ending to the meeting.

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