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President's Brev

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

Winter came early this year with the big storm just before the Social, but we had great fall weather before that, so we don't have cause for complaint.

Mange tusen takk (many thousand thanks) to all our lodge members who helped with serving our annual Lutfisk Dinner at the Mandan Eagles Club. Thanks to all who attended this event also. Special thanks to Dave Phillips for being in charge of this event. About 440 tickets (\$11,000) were sold and expenses will probably come in around the \$6000-\$7000 range, so the dinner was a financial success. Everyone I have spoken to seemed pleased with how well the event went.

Thanks also to those who contributed items for or made purchases at the live and silent auctions at the October social to support the Sons of Norway Foundation. It was a fun evening with the auctioneer and so many bidding. Proceeds given to the foundation are about \$1500.

Norwegian language classes started again on October 9th with both beginner and advanced classes. Classes can be attended in person or virtual via zoom. The classes are free for our lodge members and a nominal fee is required for non-members or members of other lodges. Contact our instructor Tom Marple at 701-663-1147 for more details. Tom reports about a dozen students this year. You can still join the class. Thanks, Tom for all your hard work on teaching this class.

School supply donations to the districts are continuing. For the November social, continue donating #2 pencils, notebooks and paper folders.

It is lefse season again in Nordic culture. Our lodge will again be having lefse sales on Saturday, November 18th, and Saturday, December 16th, at the Gateway Mall from 10 to 4 PM. We need volunteers to help. Call Jim Skaret at 258-4703 to sign up for a shift.

We are still looking for ways to provide more opportunities for members to learn or improve cultural skills like rosemaling, knitting, hardanger, folk dancing and so forth. If you have a particular skill you would either like to learn or teach others, please make it known. Ha der godt (Have it good)

Ken Lien



Thanks Dave and Margaret!

Dave and Margaret Phillips are the Lutfisk dinner chairpersons. Dave Phillips took the opportunity at the social to thank all those lodge members who made the lutfisk dinner a success.

Kalendar November

- 04 Lutfisk Dinner—Almont
- 06 Language Class, First Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.
- 13 Language Class, First Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.
- 16 Business Meeting - 7 p.m. First Lutheran Church
- 17 Social - Program "An Awesome Park in Oslo—Frogner Park" by Jerry and Karen Anderson
Meal: Turkey and Dressing
- 18 Lefse Sale—Gateway Mall
- 20 Language Class, First Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.
- 27 Language Class, First Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.

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

December

- 4, 11, 18 Language classes
- 14 Business Meeting
- 15 Social Meeting
- 16 Lefse Sale - Gateway Mall





November Bursdager

Evelyn E Cowell	1
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Notices

If you have moved, either for the winter or permanently, please contact the editor so your mail continues to reach you. The PO now charges 66 cents to return your newsletter to me. Audrey

Lutefisk Committee

Chairmen—Please return

your report indicating workers, names, their contact # as well as job description for the committee.

Dave and Margaret Phillips
310 S Anderson, Bismarck

Høstfest Style Show



Each morning the Bunad Show featured beautiful traditional and festival wear. Far left are Claudia Berg and Joyce Harnden, far right in white is lodge member Susan Lundberg, 4th from right is Stephanie Delmore. Susan Lundberg made both her and her sister Stephanie's bunads.

Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign 2023

If you can help Ring the Bells at any of the Salvation Army Red Kettle locations this season and would like to register under the Sons of Norway group, please go to: www.registertoring.com Search under the GROUPS, type in Bismarck ND and then Sons of Norway. Two options will come up. Select a time and location that suits your time, or you can call LeeAnn at (701) 223-1889 or email her at leeann.knoll@usc.salvationarmy.org.



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Current Membership 274 youth and adults



Lutefisk Dinner

The lutefisk dinner was served on October 21st at the Mandan Eagles Club. A nice crowd enjoyed 450 lbs of lutefisk, 150 lbs. of meatballs along with mashed potatoes, lefse, cranberries and homemade sweets for dessert.



Several men from the lodge spent a morning cutting the lutefisk fillets into serving sizes. The lutefisk comes in 50 lbs. boxes.

Several lodge members, including Susan Hammer Schneider, Joyce Harnden and Margaret Phillips, assisted by a few ladies from the Mandan Eagles, spent a morning making meatballs for the dinner.



Nanc Skaret handled the to-go orders for the dinner.



To raise funds for a matching District 4 Charitable Cause Matching Grant of \$100, Jerry Saude provided a hat to collect fund that would go towards the Cops and Kids Christmas Shopping event to be held December 9th.



This event will benefit children in Bismarck and Mandan who otherwise would not have a Merry Christmas.



The annual Foundation auction was held at the October social. As a member of the Sons of Norway Foundation Board of Governors, a sincere thank you for the donation of \$1500 raised at the live and silent auction. A special thank you to Steve and Stephanie Olson for their organization of the auction and to lodge members for their donations to and support of the fundraising event. Claudia Berg

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