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President's Brev

Hei Alle Sammen

I'm looking forward to the start up of our Socials again at the Bismarck Eagles on September 19th. Several of our members traveled to Norway this year. I'm looking forward to hearing their stories of travel. My wife and I also went to Norway in July and it was everything we had hoped it would be. I have a story about the 100 year anniversary of the Norwegian cheese slicer, church bells, a stave church and a young woman named Astrid. If you've read the book "The Bell in the Lake" you may know what I'm hinting at.



We will have a New Membership Dinner at our October social. I encourage you to bring potential members to this dinner. Also make sure you have renewed your own membership in the Sons of Norway. Your continued membership is vital in maintaining the health and strength of the Sons of Norway both nationally and locally. I recently sent my renewal in, please do the same.

In partnership with the Bismarck Public Library, Sverdrup Lodge co-sponsored Johan Stenslie on August 13th at a well-attended event at the library. Stenslie presented stories and songs based on his genealogy research in Norway.

A big Tusen Takk to all the Lodge Members who helped out with Sverdrup's Crossings Event at the Former Governors' Mansion August Ice Cream Social. A wonderful event that over 350 people attended. Who can say no to a hotdog wrapped in lefse?

We will be partnering with the Three Crowns Swedish American Association to help with the Santa Lucia Festival on December 14th. Consider volunteering. We need young members to be part of this event to make it successful. Norwegians also observe this event.

We will be reaching out to members to help with the Annual Lutefisk Dinner on October 18th. I will have a sign-up sheet at the September Social.

We have put this off for a very long time, but by the October Social we will have to raise the price for meals. We will post that increase in the October newsletter.

There is a great display of chip carving at the Bismarck Public Library make sure you check it out. Lastly, do not forget to take a day or two to travel to Minot for Norsk Høstfest. Maybe I'll see you there.

Hilsen

Tom Marple

Kalendar September

- 18 Business Meeting (adjusted for Høstfest) 7 p.m. First Lutheran Church (identify Nominating Committee)
- 19 Social - Bismarck Eagles
Time: 6:15 p.m.
Menu: stuffed pork chops, mashed potatoes, gravy; peas, dessert
Program: Immigrant Experience, Amy Boxrud, Exec. Dir. of the Norwegian American Historical Association, St. Olaf College
Bring School Supplies to Donate
- 20 Autumnfest Parade, lodge float
- 24-27 Høstfest in Minot, District IV Booth

October

- 17 Social Meeting - Bismarck Eagles Membership Dinner
Program: The Norwegian Resistance During WW II and the Cold War, Steve Schilling
- 18 Sverdrup Lutefisk Dinner - Mandan Eagles
- 23 Business Meeting - First Lutheran

November

- 01 Almost Lutefisk Dinner
- 20 Business Meeting
- 21 Social: Program: Silent Auction for Foundation

If you have food allergies or will have a child with you needing a child's meal, 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



September

Candace Christianson	01
Lowell L Jensen	01
Orlin J Larson	04
Francie M Berg	06
Eric E Franklund	08
Harmony Sarenpa	10
Tom M Tuntland	11
Gearl R Fenster	13
Bjorn A Saude	13
Michelle M Svanes	13
Brady Knous	14
Scott Woodham	14
Amelea Caldwell	15
Sandra Dahl	17
McKenna Weber	17
Shari Doe	23
Caleb Mc Donald	23
David Lee	24
Derrick Placek	27
Shirley M Boger	28
Alexander M Svanes	28
Camden J Brew	30
Vernon Monger	30
Steven D Olson	30



Cheri Schulz poses with her lefse-wrapped hotdog and lingonberry topped ice cream; true Norwegian delicacies.

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Stenslie Presentations



Johan Stenslie presented a second program on August 15 at Charity Lutheran Church. Norwegian hymns dating from the 1500s to the early 1900s were performed.

Professional genealogist Johan Stenslie, grew up in Mandan, ND. He operates his business, Stone Hill Genealogy and Family History, from his home in Bergan, Norway. Stenslie told stories based on his genealogical research and sang related songs accompanied on his accordion and his grandfather's banjo.



Ice Cream Social (below)

Sverdrup Lodge members provided the first hour of musical entertainment at the Ice Cream Social Aug 10. Our talented musicians included Orlin Larson on the violin, and l to r, Molly McLain playing the piano, Susan Wefald playing the violin, Annika Plummer singing.



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In partnership with the Society for the Preservation of the Former Governors' Mansion, Sverdrup Lodge provide a Norwegian theme at their annual Ice Cream Social in celebration of Crossings 200, the anniversary of Norwegian immigration.



Becoming a Viking can be fun! Jim Wright and Tom Marple assisted visitors with photo opportunities.

Molly McLain showed the young artists rosemaling techniques. Theo Art School provided face painting in Rosemaled patterns.



The Flickertail Woodcarvers demonstrated carving at the social. They have a very impressive chip carving exhibit at the entrance to Bismarck Public Library. The exhibit runs through October.



Nanc Skaret presented Hardanger embroidery and Greta Bradley explained Norwegian knitting.

Todd Hanson brought pieces from his collection of Norwegian artifacts to share with visitors.



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