

# MellomVenner



*Brubyen Lodge 4-576, Saskatoon  
Saskatchewan, Canada*



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Smørbrød

## *Fra presidenten*

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

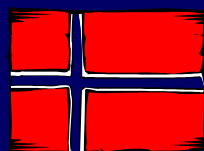
March 2019



We need T-shirts that say “I Survived February!” That certainly was one of the coldest on record with basically no relief. However, I remember much more snow with big drifts in the farm yard and my dad plowing roads through the field because he couldn’t clear the road anymore. What are your memories of snow in your earlier years?

Brubyen Lodge had our usual display table at the Heritage Festival on Feb 2 in the Western Development Museum. A big tusen takk to my son Andrew who came to help me set everything up. Sharon and Marcel came around 2:30 pm to help at the table and to pack everything up at 5:00 pm. Thanks to Sharon and Marcel for their help. It was a cold day but there was a very good turnout – no final figures yet. We see many of the same people every year and it is fun talking to fellow Norwegians who stop at the table.

A dozen hardy Norwegians braved the cold on February 21 to attend our Smorgasbord Supper and Games Night. The menu was



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.



Gratulerer  
med  
dagen!



- 2 Ralph Johnson
- 10 Murray Willoughby
- 17 Sarah Anderson
- 19 Ava Schick
- 26 Ellwood Jones



- 15 Deanne & Sheldon  
Dowling

Fra presidenten continued...

“smorbrod” – open faced sandwiches. The planning group supplied bread, butter, cream cheese, lettuce – the base – and everyone brought something for a topping. We each made our own sandwiches. Inger tried her best to get us being creative to make more traditional sandwiches but, alas, most of us didn’t bring any creativeness with us. The sandwiches, traditional or not, were delicious! The meal was topped off with bread pudding and various slices. The idea was a hit and we will probably do it again.

The meal was followed by games such as sticks and Norwegian whist. Everyone declared that it had been a fun night. P.S. There was no business meeting that evening so no minutes.

**INVITATION:** Nisse Lodge, North Battleford will be holding their annual Bowling and Cards day on **March 19** at the bowling alley in North Battleford beginning with a lunch at noon. We are invited to join them for that event. We’ll hope for good weather and see if we can fill a vehicle to go.

Moving on to the **March 21 general meeting**, we hope the weather will cooperate so we can have a good turnout. LUNCH – each member attending is asked to bring a bag lunch for ONE. The bags will be numbered and you will draw a number to determine which lunch will be yours to enjoy. Group 1 is the host. Story telling will make up the program – tales of your childhood or tales about ancestors. These could be parents, grandparents, great-grands, etc.

### ZONE 4 SPORTS WEEKEND

June 7, 8, 9, 2019

The weekend is hosted by Nisse Lodge, North Battleford with the events taking place in Meota. Hotels are available in North Battleford. You can choose to bowl, golf, play cards and there will be pontoon sailing!

It’s not too early to get these dates on your calendar and make plans to attend a fun weekend with Sons of Norway members from other Lodges.



Fra presidenten continued...

**NEW MEMBER DINNER**

6:00 pm Thursday, April 18, 2019

The menu will include ham, a variety of salads, bread/buns, Norwegian desserts. Your Board of Directors will be the host.

We will be presenting "Gee, We're Glad You're Norwegian" certificates. If you know of someone in the community who deserves one of these "awards", please let Diane or Sharon know.

Entertainment TBA.

INVITE family members, friends, neighbours, etc. to join us for that evening. Please let Diane [306-373-3156 or [edberg@sasktel.net](mailto:edberg@sasktel.net)] know who and how many are coming to join us that night.

We hope that some people may find us interesting and decide to join us!

Brubyen Lodge is hosting the Syttende Mai [May 17] celebration this spring. Tentative plans are to have a picnic at the Snowmobile Club's club house which is north of the city but not far. More information to come.

Just a note with information to ponder: we approached the Saskatoon Norwegian Cultural Society to see if they would be interested in working with us on the annual Lutefisk & Meatball Supper on December 1, 2019. They did express interest. Details will have to be worked out. This would give us added "manpower" to be able to hold the dinner.

We cancelled the March 1 **Dead Fish Society** as no one was available to participate. For your information we are now gathering in a corner in Smitty's Restaurant. Buggy's pub is very busy on Friday nights and it is difficult to be able to talk or to find a table. You can still order a drink if you wish. Most attendees arrive by 6:30 pm and some people go earlier to eat their supper there. **Come out and join us on Friday, April 5!**

So, in closing, invite people to join us on April 18 but be sure to let me know numbers. Also let me know ASAP if you are interested in going to North Battleford on March 19.

Fraternally

Diane

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Unless otherwise indicated, all events are held at:

Fairfield Senior Citizens Centre  
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Dead Fish Society  
Social Hour  
at Buggy's Pub in  
Market Mall, 6:45 pm  
April 5<sup>th</sup>  
May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
(1<sup>st</sup> Friday each month)

Norwegian Whist  
Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm  
Apr. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Wed each month)

Lodge Monthly Meeting  
Mar. 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:30 pm  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs each month)

Monthly Event  
New Member Dinner  
Apr. 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs each month)



*Fra sekretæren*

*There was no report from the Secretary this month. <sup>ed</sup>*

### **Oslo Ranked 2nd Healthiest City in the World**



Oslo was recently named the world's second healthiest city. Using key metrics like life expectancy at birth and work-life balance, the online home rental company, Spotahome, created a healthy index to rank 89 global cities. Of the global cities analyzed, Oslo and Helsinki were the only two Scandinavian countries to make the top 10.

While it's no secret that Norway continues to top lists for work-life balance and happiness, Oslo also scored particularly high in green space, life expectancy and air/water quality. Since the city has already unveiled plans to go green by 2025, it's easy to see why it ranked so high. The initiative includes making the city center car-free, and adding more pedestrian and bike friendly areas.

Additionally, the life expectancy in Norway is 84 years for women and 81 years for men, which is among the highest in the world. In total, Oslo scored an average of 6.61 points out of 10. Amsterdam took the number one spot on the list with an average of 6.97 points. To view the full list, visit [spotahome.com/healthiest-cities-world](http://spotahome.com/healthiest-cities-world).

*Montreal ranked 21<sup>st</sup>, Vancouver ranked 31<sup>st</sup>, and Toronto ranked 47<sup>th</sup>. <sup>ed</sup>*

**Condolences**  
Sympathy extended to

**GET WELL!**

A small, stylized yellow sun icon with rays, located at the bottom right of the blue vertical banner.



## Norwegian Cheese Claims Top Prize in 2018 International Competition

The annual World Cheese Awards—known as the largest cheese-only competition on the planet—has been bringing together cheese lovers around the globe for over three decades. The recent 2018 competition was particularly exciting for Norwegians as it not only took place in Norway for the first time ever, but was also a home win for the local Norwegian cheese producer Ostegården.



Out of the record breaking 3,472 cheeses from 41 countries that participated in the past year's competition, Fanaost, an aged Gouda-style cheese, came out on top. This champion cheese took nearly 12 years to produce and was made on a small Norwegian farm of just 12 cows.

The event took place in Bergen in partnership with Hanen, a local organization promoting the best that the Norwegian countryside has to offer. With the increasing popularity, pride and knowledge in Norwegian food culture and traditions, timing played a wonderful role in this year's win.

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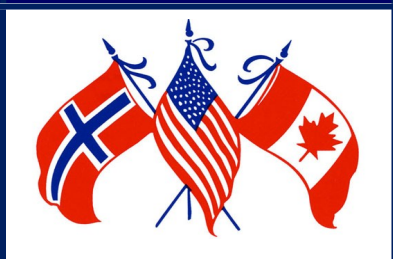
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Notices – March Social/Cultural Event

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- Ellwood Jones** - Assistant Sports Director
- Mildred Norum** - Counselor
- Vacant** - Sunshine
- Myrna Kennedy** - Greeter
- Graham Begg** - Foundation
- Vacant** - Historian
- Nancy Iverson** - Librarian
- Myrtle Dixon** - Assistant Librarian
- Vacant** - Assistant Librarian
- Marcel Voyer** - Marshall
- Chris Byers** - Marshall
- Natasha Tripp** - Marshall
- Marcel Voyer** - Trustee
- Kayla Ingram** - Trustee
- Inger Anderson** - Auditor
- Dennis Akins** - Auditor
- Alfred Hovdestad** - Auditor
- Eunice Begg** - Volunteer Coordinator

*Fra redaktøren*

Kjære venner,

I hope that you kept warm this winter. It has been a long, cold winter and it doesn't help that the weather forecast keeps saying that warm weather is just around the corner! I seem to remember that spring was late last year as well. Let's hope that since March came in like a lion that it goes out like a lamb.

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Deadline for the next newsletter

Mar 29th



At the Lodge



Sandwich bar



Tasty



What's for dessert?



Card sharks



Counting cards



Sorting the hand



## Litt på norsk...

### Liv Ullmann hylles på 80-årsdagen

Skuespiller og regissør Liv Ullmann er kjent i hele verden. Søndag blir hun 80 år gammel. Det feires skikkelig. Statsminister Erna Solberg er blant dem som skal hylle Ullmann.

Liv Ullmann er en av Norges virkelige verdensstjerner. Som skuespiller har hun vært nominert til filmprisen Oscar to ganger. Hun har ikke vunnet den gjeve statuette. Men hun har fått mange andre priser, både som skuespiller og regissør.

Liv Ullmann har bodd i utlandet i årevis. Men det har aldri vært noen tvil om hvor hun hører hjemme hen. Nylig besøkte avisa Dagbladet henne i Florida i USA. Journalisten spurte henne om hun fremdeles føler seg norsk.

– Å, ja! Jeg har i perioder reist mye rundt. Men Norge vil alltid være hjemmet mitt. Alltid, sa Liv Ullmann da.

Ullmann spilte sin første rolle på Rogaland Teater i 1957. Da spilte hun jenta Anne Frank. Hun ble kjent gjennom rollen som Nora i stykket «Et dukkehjem» Men så ble hun filmskuespiller. Ullmann spilte i ti filmer som Ingmar Bergman regisserte.

Ullmann er også svært populær i USA. Hun spilte i flere show på teatergaten Broadway i New York. Senere har hun spilt i enda flere internasjonale filmer. Hun regisserte sin første film i 1992. Den het «Sofie»

## and a little in English

### Liv Ullmann Celebrated on Her 80th birthday

Actor and director Liv Ullmann is known throughout the world. Sunday she turns 80 years old. She'll be given a proper celebration. Prime Minister Erna Solberg is among those who will pay tribute.

Liv Ullmann is one of Norway's international stars. As an actor she has been nominated for an Oscar twice. She has not won the highly regarded statuette, but she has received many other awards, both as an actor and director.

Liv Ullmann has lived abroad for years. But there has never been any doubt about her home turf. The newspaper Dagbladet recently visited her in Florida in the U.S. The journalist asked her if she still feels Norwegian.

“Oh, yes! I have traveled a lot, at times. But Norway will always be my home. Always,” she said.

Ullmann played her first role in the Rogaland Theater in 1957. Then she played the girl Anne Frank. She became known through the role of Nora in the play "A Doll's House," but then she became a film actor. Ullmann played in 10 films directed by Ingmar Bergman.

Ullmann is also very popular in the United States. She played in several shows on Broadway, the theater street in New York. Later she has played in even more international films. She directed her first film in 1992. It was called "Sofie."