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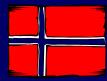
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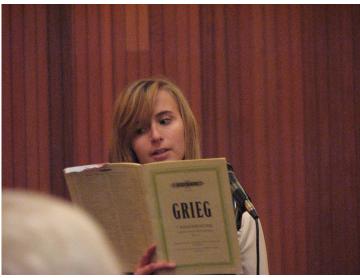
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From the Editor



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.



Christmas Service

Fra presidenten

I hope that all of our members and their families had a great holiday season and are ready to get back to Sons of Norway business, fun and learning! Brubyen Lodge had an interesting 2015 and we look forward to 2016.

A big thank you to all of the chefs and workers at the December Lutefisk and Meatball supper! The food was delicious and enjoyed by 82 guests. We also enjoyed the SNCS Adult folk dance group who performed several dances and also invited guests to dance with them. The supper was a successful fundraiser once again.

Attached to this newsletter is the preliminary information regarding the District IV Sports Weekend to be held in Edmonton June 10-12, 2016. They are planning an interesting weekend. Please let Kathy Fenton [306-373-4505] or Ellwood Jones [306-373-1618] know if you are interested in attending so we can arrange car pooling.

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Gratulerer med dagen!

- 1 Elizabeth Groves
- 1 Kevin Moore
- 2 Scott T. Fenton
- 7 Ryan Groves
- 8 Alisha O'Brian
- 11 Brock Marzolf
- 14 Myrtle C Dixon
- 17 Myrna R. Kennedy



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Another event to consider is the District IV Biennual Convention to be held in Helena, Montana June 16-18, 2016. Brubyen Lodge is eligible to have two delegates attend the convention. We usually have to know by March who our delegates will be.

February 7, 2016 is the annual Heritage Festival at the Western Development Museum. There is free admission to the WDM and the festival runs from 12 noon to 5:00 pm. It starts with a parade down Main Street, Boom Town. There are at least 50 displays to see, people from many organizations to talk to, and entertainment. Brubyen Lodge will have a display. Come out and enjoy the afternoon.

January 16 is Founder's Day. It is now 121 years since 18 young Norwegians in Minnesota started the Sons of Norway. I'm sure that they would be amazed at how the organization grew in membership, in services provided to members, and in the technology available to disseminate information. So plan to do something on January 16 to celebrate our birthday.

Our first meeting of 2016 will be on Thursday, January 21 at the Fairfield Seniors Centre. Planning Group 3 will be hosting and coordinators Nancy Iverson & Kevin Moore have an interesting program planned. If you haven't submitted your 2015 volunteer hours to Bjorn Hunter, our secretary, please do so at the meeting. You can also e-mail Bjorn at bjrnhunter2@gmail.com with your hours. NOTE: Bjorn is going to have a reminder in this newsletter of events, etc. that are eligible to be counted.

If you are interested in working on your genealogy cultural pin, Phyllis will be setting up a time to meet later in January. As a lodge we need to be setting some Lodge goals for 2016 – lodge membership growth, retaining members, volunteerism, promoting our heritage and culture, etc. Please put some thought into what goals you would like to see the lodge work on in 2016 and we'll discuss them at the January meeting.

Our Sports Directors decided to cancel the November and December Norwegian Whist nights as there were very few people who intended to attend. This is another issue that we should discuss. Do we have enough interest to continue the monthly game? Some seniors centre members do come on a regular basis.

Don't forget to check out all Sons of Norway websites regularly. You will find interesting information.



Unless otherwise indicated, all events are held at:

Fairfield Senior Citizens
Centre
103 Fairmont Court
Saskatoon

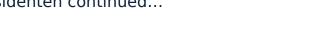
Dead Fish Society
Social Hour
at Smitty's in Market
Mall, 7:00 pm
February 5th
March 4th
April 1st
(1st Friday each month)

Norwegian Whist (tentatively)
Feb. 10th, 7:30 pm
Mar. 6th, 7:30 pm
(2nd Wed each month)

Lodge Monthly Meeting Jan. 21st, 7:30 pm Feb. 18th, 7:30 pm Mar. 17th, 7:30 pm (3rd Thurs each month)

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Reminders of things to come:

- 1) January Board of Directors Meeting, Thursday, Jan 14 at 7:30 pm. Location is Kathy's place [Legion Manor].
- 2) January 21, 2016 General Meeting, Group 3 hosting
- 3) February 18, 2016 Social/Cultural night Group 2 with Mildred, Eldon & Kathy coordinating
- 4) March 17, 2016 Unge Venner & Young Adults hosting
- 5) April 21, 2016 Membership Dinner hosted by Group 3, coordinated by Diane & Alice start thinking about family members and/or friends who may be interested in becoming lodge members and invite them to join us for dinner.
- 6) The monthly Board of Directors meetings are held on the Thursday before the general meeting date. If you have any concerns, ideas, issues, etc. for the Board to discuss, research, etc. please contact Diane by phone or e-mail or any Board member.

This year's Sports Weekend slogan is "We Are Keen for 2016". I think that is an excellent thought for all lodges. Let's get excited about our future endeavours!

Fraternally,

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Fra sekretæren

Volunteer Hours

Any time spent with Sons of Norway outside of a general meeting can be recorded towards volunteer work with the lodge. These volunteer hours are collected from all of the members by the Secretary for submitting the lodge achievement of the year form. The more



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volunteer hours that we do, the better it looks for our lodge. All volunteer hours are due before the end of the year.

Volunteer hours are recorded on the Individual Support Hours worksheet. The Secretary will bring a set of these to every meeting so that members can pick one up for filing out. The Individual Support Hours worksheet can also be downloaded from the Resources page of the lodge website at http://sonsaskatoon.wix.com/brubyenlodge (see also attached. ed)

Volunteer hours fall under two categories: fraternal and community. Fraternal events fall under anything you do by yourself that supports the lodge. Examples of this can be buying treats for the general meeting, or organizing books at the library. Community events are anything that you do with the lodge in the public. Examples of this are completing cultural pins, or running the lodge pavilion at Folkfest.

When you fill out your hours, just bring them to the Secretary at the next meeting so that he can upload them to the http://www.fraternalsgive.org/Fraternals-Give.htm website. If you like, you can also record it on your own form or spreadsheet, as long as the date, name of event, hours, and fraternal or community type is listed. If you are recording on excel, you can also just email your hours to Bjorn at bjrnhunter2@gmail.com.

Thanks, Bjorn

Sympathy extended to



Notify Dorothy if sunshine required at 306-373-6478.



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Norway aims to have world's most environmentally friendly ships



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Norway relies on ships as the backbone of its national and international trade. With a coastline of 15,500 miles (25,000 km), the country also depends on ferries to shuttle people, vehicles and goods over rivers, harbors and fjords. Norway is increasingly looking to greener energy sources, and over the past two decades has built up a system of hydro, solar and wind sources to produce up to 90% of its electricity. Much like the car industry, the shipping industry faces tough emission regulations. Similarly, ship manufacturers are turning toward plug-in hybrid technology and ships that run on electricity.

In September 2015, the Green Coastal Shipping Program was rolled out by the Norwegian government, in conjunction with Oslo-based company DNV GL and 25 collaborators from the Norwegian maritime industry. The program unveiled five projects in an effort to promote efficient, green ships, with the goal of having the most environmentally friendly ships in the world. Program Director Narve Mjøs says "The pilot projects include several different ship types, and infrastructure with an emphasis on alternative fuel concepts. When we launched the Green Coastal Shipping Program, we said we wanted to make Norway a world showcase for green coastal shipping. With these five pioneering pilot projects we are well on our way."

The initiative proposes expansion of shore power infrastructure to support electric-propelled vessels, and to explore other options such as battery- and LNG (liquid natural gas)-powered or plug-in hybrid ships. According to DNV GL, 40 hybrid vessels are on order by Norwegian shipping companies and an additional 40 plug-in hybrid ships will be in use within a few years.

"We envision a fleet of offshore vessels, tankers, cargo, container, bulk and passenger ships, ferries, fishing and aquaculture vessels, tugs and other coastal vessels, run entirely or partly using batteries, LNG or other green fuels," says Mjøs. "This can contribute to exports of good, future-oriented and environmentally friendly solutions."

The first pilot project will be a CargoFerry Plug-in Hybrid, a hybrid LNG/battery-propelled container ship for short ocean voyages. The next will be a battery-powered coastal shuttle tanker. This will be the first vessel of its kind to use battery technology. The third project is an ocean vessel for fishing operations that aims to find a more energy efficient hybrid system. The fourth project will aim to convert a cargo carrier into a battery-LNG hybrid carrier. This may be a more cost- effective option for small operators. Lastly, the program seeks to pioneer a green port facility in Stavanger with a lower carbon footprint through use of electric cranes and vehicles. Hybrid ships will have the ability to charge at special dockside stations. Each of these projects will undertake a cost/benefit analysis to weigh the environmental benefits against the price tag of the conversions and development.





Fra redaktøren

Welcome to 2016!

2015 was a busy year for me. Along with my other volunteer activities (including Folkfest) and norsk classes I took over the Brubyen Lodge newsletter from Warren. I still have a **lot** to learn about putting a newsletter together. I find myself looking at some of Warren's old newsletters from time to time for ideas on presentation. I look forward to learning new "tricks of the trade" in the coming year.

I attended the Ellestad Wiik duo performance at the Bassment on January 6th. It was a wonderful concert and I hope they put on another performance in Saskatoon in the near future.

We said good-bye to a long time friend in December. Marie Hartz passed on to a life where she can continue to dance under the stars. From her obituary "To honour Marie's life, volunteer some time, donate to the food bank, take a dog for a walk, or make a child's wish come true." Good words to live by.

I look forward to another busy year. The Sports Weekend is coming up in June as is the District IV Convention. I also intend to make more time to go to the lake this summer. I hope each and every one of you has a great year with lots of time for fun and family.

Ellwood Jones -Assistant Sports Director

Mildred Norum - Counselor

Dorothy Haroldson - Sunshine

Myrna Kennedy - Greeter **Caroline Tradal** - Assistant Greeter

Eldon Norum - Foundation

Lyla Dalen - Historian

Nancy Iverson - Librarian Myrtle Dixon - Assistant Librarian

Wanda Fowler - Assistant Librarian

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Deadline for the next newsletter

Feb 7th

At the Lodge





SNCS Dancers



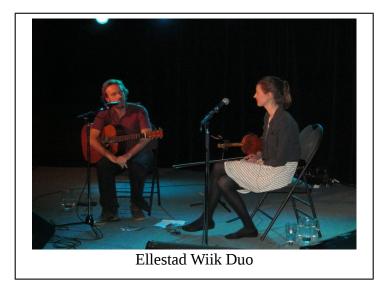
Norwegian Jokes



Door Prize



Door Prize





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Litt på norsk...

Lager ølflasker av papir

Danske forskere og bryggere har utviklet ølflasker av papir. Men går det an å produsere dem raskt nok?

I dag får du det i emballasje av glass, metall eller plast. Kunne ølet i stedet selges på nedbrytbare flasker av papir, kan det bli bra for mijløet. Ved Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (DTU) har emballasjeforskere begynt et samarbeide med Carlsberg, et av verdens største ølbryggerier. Også emballasjefirmaet Ecoxpac deltar i forskningen. Den nye bionedbrytbare papirflasken skal kunne brukes til mye. Men vi har lagt lista høyt. Derfor er ambisjonen at den også skal kunne brukes til øl, sier forsker Thomas J. Howard ved DTU.

Må lages på seks sekunder

Å helle appelsinjuice på pappkartonger bød også i sin tid på utfordringer. Dem klarte forskerne å løse. Men skal en papirflaske brukes til øl, må den for det første ha et lokk som holder kullsyren på plass. Papirølet må også kunne stables, transporteres og håndteres uten at flasken går i stykker.

Ifølge DTU-forskeren er den største utfordringen ikke lenger å kunne lage selve papirølflasken, men å lage den fort nok. Den må kunne produseres i stort antall på svært kort tid. Akkurat det er nemlig et krav fra ølbryggeriene om de skal bruke denne innovasjonen.

Den kritiske tiden er seks sekunder. Så fort må det nemlig gå å lage en flaske, om bryggeriene skal være interesserte i å bruke den. Samtidig er det også et krav at papirølflasker faktisk er mer miljøvennlige å bruke til øl enn glass, metall eller plast. Det er heller ikke opplagt.

Drikker øl av papir om tre år

Prototypen for de nye ølflaskene lages av resirkulert avispapir. Inntil videre tar det mye lenger tid enn seks sekunder å lage en slik flaske. Derfor prøver forskerne seg nå fram med vakuum, for å få presset vannet ut av papiret på få sekunder. Det kan kutte produksjonstiden.

Tre år og 28 millioner danske kroner har forskerne fått til å forsøke å lage noe helt nytt. Thomas Howard sier til nettavisen ved DTU at han er overbevist om at han om tre år drikker øl av en papirflaske.

Source:

http://forskning.no/2015/03/vil-lage-olflasker-av-papir

and a little in English

Making Bottles Out of Paper

Danish scientists and brewers have developed beer bottles out of paper. But is it possible to produce them quickly enough?

The current beer packaging is made from glass, metal or plastic. If beer could instead be sold in biodegradable bottles made of paper, it could be good for the environment. At the Technical University of Denmark (DTU), packaging researchers have started to collaborate with Carlsberg, one of the largest beer breweries in the world. The packaging company Ecoxpac is also participating in the research. The new biodegradable paper bottle could hypothetically be used for many things. "We have aimed high, so the goal is to also use paper bottles for beer as well," says Thomas J. Howard, a scientist at DTU.

Must be made in six seconds

Pouring orange juice into paper cartons also posed a challenge in its time, which scientists were able to solve. Using a paper bottle for beer requires a cap that can maintain the carbonation, for starters. Paper beer bottles must be stacked, transported and handled without breaking the bottles.

According to the DTU researcher, the biggest challenge no longer lies in making the paper beer bottle, but in making it quickly enough. It needs to be produced in a very short time. This is something that breweries would require in order to use this innovation.

The critical time is six seconds--the speed required to make one bottle--for brewers to be interested in using it. At the same time, paper beer bottles need to be more environmentally friendly than the glass, metal or plastic currently used to bottle beer, which is not a given.

Drinking beer from paper bottles within three years

The prototype for the new beer bottle is made from recycled newspaper. For now, these bottles take much more than six seconds to produce. The scientists are testing out using a vacuum to squeeze out the water from the paper in just seconds. This could cut down the production time.

The scientists have been given three years and almost 28 million Danish kroner (4 million US dollars) to make something completely new. Thomas Howard tells the DTU online newspaper that he is convinced that he will be drinking beer from a paper bottle in three years.