

Sverdrup 4-107 Sons of Norway Bismarck, ND



Spring 2026

Congratulations on being selected as a Delegate to represent your lodge at the District Convention June 18-20! So much has changed in our community since we last hosted the District IV Convention and we are looking forward to showing off "yusta little". The Bismarck Mandan community has grown tremendously with the energy boom that our state has experienced.

The convention will kick off on Thursday night June 18th at 5:15 with a bus loading at the Radisson. The bus will return for a second departure at 6 PM. We will gather at historic Fort Abraham Lincoln for a buffet meal and guided tours of the Gen. George and Libby Custer House. The fort gift shop will be open and buses will begin returns at 8 PM.

The convention headquarters are at the downtown Radisson Hotel on Broadway and you can make your own reservations from a block of rooms reserved for us under "Sons of Norway". They are available to you until May 15th. After that you will not get the convention rate. Book soon! There are rooms with one or two beds in the block. If sharing a room, please specify. Three parking ramps are available in downtown Bismarck and one is attached to the hotel complex. All are free parking for registered Radisson guests. Phone **701-255-6000**

Your delegate and guest registration forms are enclosed and you may make additional copies as needed. The forms will also be on the District IV website at www.sofndistrict4.com. Lodges are encouraged to send in all forms and payment by the due date. If you have any questions about the convention, please do not hesitate to contact your

District IV Secretary Tolly Erikssen at **(406) 274-7534** or by email at dsecretary04@gmail.com.

Your presence at this District Convention is important to us. We look forward to meeting you and sharing our community and hospitality with you. Lodges are asked to bring a Lodge Marker from past conventions to identify their delegates seating. Lodge banners are also welcomed in the convention hall. Lodges and delegates should also consider an item for the convention auction to benefit the District IV Scholarship Fund.

Sincerely,

2026 Convention Committee and the members of Sverdrup Lodge www.sofnbismarck.com

LOCAL ACTIVITIES IN Bismarck Mandan area:

The Dakota ZOO Upper Midwest's premier Zoo. www.dakotazoo.org Historic

Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park. Admission is \$7 per vehicle.

Raging Rivers Family Waterpark. Open all summer.

Lewis & Clark Museum at Washburn, just 30 miles North of Bismarck.

Historic MEDORA NORTH DAKOTA - In the Heart of the Wild West. A family destination. Check out their website at www.medorand.com.

Gateway to Science Center. Challenging experiences for children.

North Dakota Heritage Center – Admission is free. Four exhibit areas – Adaptation Gallery; Geologic Time; Innovation Gallery: Early Peoples; Inspiration Gallery: Yesterday and Today; Governors Gallery.

Craft Brewery's. Bismarck-Mandan have several artisan beer locations.

Check out this website for events and info about Bismarck-Mandan
www.NoBoundariesND.com

Your host lodge will work with guests to provide transportation to and
from these local activities.

Individual event fees are your own responsibility.

Cultural Workshops

To be announced later on the District IV Website and Newsletter.

Convention Headquarters: RADISSON HOTEL, 605 East Broadway Ave., BISMARCK, ND 58501
701-255-6000 "Sons of Norway" block of rooms held until May 15th.

Sverdrup Lodge, PO BOX 1912, BISMARCK, ND 58502



Nordic Foundations to New Horizons
Velkommen DELEGATE til Bismarck!

Sverdrup Lodge 4-107

Your Host for the 2026 District Convention June 18-20

Delegate Registration DUE MAY 10th, from Lodge 4- _____ \$280 each delegate

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St/Prov _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Email _____

and/or Cell Phone for Text Messages (_____) _____

EMERGENCY Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Phone (_____) _____

Delegate registration includes the following:

- President's Reception Thursday
- Friday and Saturday
 - o Friday and Saturday Luncheons
 - o Cultural Skills Workshops
- Breakfast
- Saturday Grand Banquet

Dietary Restrictions _____

Banquet Selection: Choice of 2 Meat Entrees served in a buffet.

Please complete one registration per Delegate. Make additional copies as needed. Payment can be for multiple Delegates.

Checks payable to: Sons of Norway - by May 10th

Mail to: Sons of Norway Convention, PO Box 1912, Bismarck ND 58502

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Velkommen GUEST til Bismarck!

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Guest Registration (Non-delegates) DUE MAY 15th, from Lodge 4- _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Email _____

and/or Cell Phone for Text Messages (_____) _____

EMERGENCY Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Phone (_____) _____

For Guest Registration Only * please complete the name and address above and selected items below. Please make additional copies as needed.

Dietary Restrictions _____

Guest Attending Requests the Following: Select from options below.

(Join delegates at President's Reception, Breaks, Sessions, Transportation, all meals and Banquet)

All encompassing Guest Registration for Adults - \$185.00 ----- _____

Or Individual Options

Saturday Grand Banquet ONLY - \$50.00 USD _____

Thursday Night Presidents Reception ONLY - \$40.00 ----- _____

Grand Total \$ _____

There is a full-service hotel restaurant and others nearby.

Please complete one registration per Guest. Make additional copies as needed.

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