

Norwegian Commercial Club of Seattle



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From our gathering April 13th, 2023



Norwegian Commercial Club (NCC) held its April joint meeting with members of the Norwegian American Chamber of Commerce with over 70 members and guests signed up, it was our largest attendance in years! Of course, the fresh long line cod and all the fixings, with all fish courtesy of Alaskan Leader Fisheries might have had something to do with it. If you weren't able to be with us, don't miss our next meeting May 11th. Fishcakes are rumored to be on the menu then! As usual, there was a jolly cocktail hour, then President Anne-Lise Berger called the meeting to order by inviting members to sit down and chow down on the dandy fine cod, potatoes, vegetables and cream sauce. And you should have heard the oohs and aahs, when this feast was followed by "bløtekake med jordbær" (cream cake with strawberries). Thanks caterers! Anne-Lise then asked all to join in wishing Happy Birthday to long time member, Paul Kaldestad, who turns 90 soon, and NCC board member and NACC chair Deane Motis whose birthday was that very day. Happy birthday, gents! Dinner was followed by Vice-Presidents Ivan and Katrina Svasand introducing the speaker for the evening, Scott Sandvig, Vice President of the value added division of Alaskan Leader Fisheries, (who also happens to be Ivan's boss). Having fed us full of the best cod around, Scott was guaranteed an enthusiastic audience to hear him tell tales of the history of cod fisheries in North America.

A spirited question and answer session followed, culminated by Ivan Svasand presenting the traditional Tusen Takk Troll to his boss as thanks for coming to speak to NCC. A brief business meeting followed along with announcements of coming community events. Our next meeting is May 11th, when NCC will present its annual scholarships. Please note that the deadline for receipt of scholarship applications has been extended to April 26th. David Rice updated us on efforts to update and modernize the NCC website, and to sell advertising on the website, which to date has raised \$2500 in revenue for Club purposes. Further advertising slots are available to members. Planning is well underway for a traditional May 17th Celebration in Ballard. Tickets are now on sale on the 17th May website (www.17thofmay.org) or at Mountain Pacific Bank for the 17th May Luncheon. NCC will have a marching contingent in the Parade and the traditional Happy Hour will occur here at Kaffestua at the Lodge before the Parade. Details to follow in our newsletter and at our next meeting May 11th. Members are also encouraged to plan now to attend the Summer Salmon Barbecue at Pac Fish on June 16th. Members also reminded of the Lodge's weekly Kaffestua gatherings every Wednesday and Friday, 10 am to 2 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

DANIEL NYE
Co-Secretary

Our next meeting is rapidly approaching. On May 11th, co-VP Ivan Svasand will lead a discussion with past recipients of NCC scholarships.

And check out the menu!

Green Salad Fishcakes
Scalloped Potatoes with Roasted Asparagus
Flatbread Butter Apple Crisp & Ice Cream

RSVP BY PHONE on our new number, as Mountain Pacific Bank is now handling phone reservations: **(206) 397-3110**

Or, use our website, www.norwegiancommercialclub.org



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