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You miss 100% of the shots you don't take. Wayne Gretzky



I just got back from a week-long road trip South. It was a great mental health break, I walked along the beach or within sight or smell of the ocean most of the time. The flowers were blooming, the birds were singing, ahhhh, it was great. I was able to join Southern Star Lodge for their corned beef and cabbage dinner and listened to a fascinating presentation on security from someone who served over seas and on Presidential body guard details.

I came home to see some of my daffodils beginning to bloom. I walked around the house and then I said, oh say it isn't so. I think the red tulip on this letter may be the only red tulip I see by my house this Spring. It appears that something has been having a feast on my tulip bulbs!!!!!!! Normally, I spray deer away and it seems to do the trick but this year I told myself I would spray when I get back – the shots not taken – and I may have lost big time as it relates to tulips. I will wait until after our third Nor'easter leaves us and drown whatever I think I may have left with deer away.

How many times have you wondered about trying something with your lodge and then decided against it? The shot not taken. We all have them. But what if you tried something new, like the security presentation at Southern Star, where it was different and well received.

Think about your usual lodge activities, the activities that worked and those that don't appear to work as well as they have in the past. Is it time to spring into action (I couldn't resist) and take a "shot" at something new? You may score a goal!!!

Finally, as we have come to learn, Easter is the time when Norwegians read mysteries. How about planning a mystery event? Do something different, you could be pleasantly surprised!!

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All the best,

Mary