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Fra Presidente

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And what I can do, I ought to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I shall do." **Edward Everett Hale**

I saw the above quote in a Blafjell newsletter and said wow, how powerful. As I reflect on my four years as your District President, I think of how much we were able to accomplish because of fabulous supportive Boards and because of all of you. Thank you for your support during these past four years, your smiles, your kind words, your encouragement. You unselfishly give your time to Sons of Norway and the Third District. You are all amazing.

Life seems to have hit the Third District hard recently, but we continue to weather through it. Whether it is the loss of dear fraternal brother or sister or the stressors of everyday life, illness, new joints (not the kind you smoke), work and family. We keep moving forward. You never lose your enthusiasm for the work you do for Sons of Norway. You are the reason your lodge and our District thrive. Don't ever underestimate the value and impact of your contributions. You may be only one, but to your lodge you are ***the*** one.

Ralph Waldo Emerson said – "Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success. When you do a thing, do it with all your might. Put your whole soul into it. Stamp it with your own personality. Be active, be energetic, be enthusiastic and faithful, and you will accomplish your object. Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."

Your enthusiasm shows, and I thank you for it.

Have a happy, healthy and safe summer!!!!

Jeg ønsker dere alt godt,

Mary