

International Grand Lodge of Druidism

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Letter is already very delayed - but we hope it will be better in the future - have a great Eastern all of You.

Next we want to thank our German Brothers for an outstanding arrangement in Munich in August 2008 - we all know there was very many challenges - but we think our German Brothers with Br. Dieter Hennecke and Br. Frank Graffenberger have done a great job and have succeeded to solve most of the problems that always will occur under such a big arrangement.

We all know that the brotherhood was not as such at high stage as wanted when we closed the session - someone has of course been very disappointed - and therefore the executive committee with Grand President, Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary have quite a lot to do, to make sure that all of us feel better in the future, and want to continue all the good work within our Order and within the International Grand Lodge of Druidism.

Therefore we want to start up a newsletter every 3rd month.

The letter will directly be sent by e-mail to every member of the IGLD, and of course to the national orders - but this demands, that we know E-mail-addresses of all IGLD members.

So please, dear Grand Vice-Presidents send those addresses to Grand Secretary.

The news-letter will be with 3 sections:

1. What has happened since last?
2. What will happen the next year or so
3. How is the financial situation?

What has happened since last?

Iceland became - as you all remember from Munich - a new Country in the IGLD - and in October there was build a new Grand-Lodge up there.

We are very proud on behalf of the Icelandic lodges that they within a few years have done so much and so well - and we also think it is natural to thank our Norwegian Brothers and the leadership in Norway for their hard work through many years.

The 5th of October last year a celebration was created in view of the new Grand Lodge. Many brothers from all over participated in the celebration - and also IGLD (World President) was represented. (Although we have to beware of our money we decided that the leadership of IGLD should participate in one of the few occasions where a new country became member of the IGLD. So our Grand President visited Iceland and we all had that very special experience. It is not every day a new Grand Lodge is established - and the Financial Crises that started up just at those days made of course a bit of influence of the situation.

It was a very beautiful and wonderful experience and we want to thank you very much to our new IGLD brothers from Iceland.

The GVP of Germany, Br. Dieter Hennecke, has had his 40 years anniversary as a member of the Order - Congratulation, dear Brother Dieter - we know you had a great day and evening.

Finance

2008 is the last year where we all pay the "old" amount per IGLD members - from 2009 a generally smaller amount is to be paid - and the income will normally only be paid to ensure that the next world congress can be held, and that stamps and telephone bills can be paid.

The Grand Treasurer will as normally send out the annual bill.

Just in these days the last bills from the arrangement at Munich have been paid - and when you receive the next news-letter we will tell more about the financial status.

What will happen?

As mentioned above in this letter the situation after Munich 2008 was not as good as hoped between the members of the IGLD. Therefore the World President will ensure that a meeting with our brothers in Great Britain, New Zealand, and in Australia should be held.

In accordance with our new economical budget, we are not sure how such a meeting can take place, but we will find a way so all problems can be discussed and hopefully be solved.

We will directly contact the Grand Vice-Presidents in these countries.

Also an effort in the United States would be naturally - but just now we actually do not know how to get on.

What would we like?

Remember it is not - only - our Newsletter - it is yours, so:

1. If you have questions or matters you would like to comment or would like that we comment - please send it to us
2. If you do send out your own local News letters please send those to us (Thank you very much, Helen and Warner).

(Mogens Petersson, GP)

(Rolf Strøm, GT)

(Flemming Pedersen, GS)