



Denmark 1. may 2010

*Dear Brothers and Sisters throughout the world*

2010 is already 4 months old - we, IGLDs leadership, hope all is well all over - among others the challenges of the continuing financial crisis. We also hope that the challenges we have nationally and internationally with our lodges and IGLD will be looked after.

As you probably all have noticed, this newsletter is a little late - exactly one month - and there are several reasons:

- one of them is that there is not much new to tell - unfortunately, we hear very little from each member and each country - so we urge you again to send to us news of any kind
- a second and more personal reason is that I have bought a new computer - it has been a little more difficult than anticipated to get it started and get things transferred
- a third and very good reason is, that we would be sure which logo we would promote the upcoming World Congress in - it has been difficult - but now has been chosen as one can see here on the top.

### **"The Little Mermaid"**

The Danish Druids has as the logo of the World Congress in Copenhagen 2012 chosen "The Little Mermaid".

The Little Mermaid is a sculpture in bronze placed on a stone at Langelinie offering travelers welcome to the Copenhagen harbour.

It will illustrate the world famous Danish writer Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale of the same name.

The Little Mermaid was a gift to Copenhagen, donated by brewer Carl Jacobsen (Carlsberg beer) and is executed by sculptor Edvard Eriksen. As a model for the sculpture Edvard Eriksen used his wife Eline Eriksen.

The statue was set permanently at Langelinie 23th August 1913 and is one of Denmark's biggest tourist attractions.

In 2010, the statue is temporarily relocated to Shanghai in China for half a year in connection with Expo 2010.

The 20`th March a large number of spectators watched the Little Mermaid being lifted onto a truck and transported away.

"Moving The Little Mermaid is helping to put Copenhagen on the world map," said Copenhagen's Lord Mayor Frank Jensen in his farewell speech, while Copenhagen Boys sang: In Denmark I was born "!

Do not worry - when you all come to Copenhagen in 2012 the little mermaid is back into place - and you will all have the opportunity to see her.

### **Program 2012**

In the July 2009 newsletter we told that we would reduce the number of sitting days for the World Congress in 2012 - but among other things based on responses from Germany, we will not reduce the program quite so much - we will now start on Tuesday 29`th of May 2012 and end on Sunday the 3`rd of June 2012.

The program is about to be planned in details, and will - besides the intended meeting activities - include a proper lodge-meeting in "Scandinavian style", official welcome at Copenhagen City Hall and an outing for all.

We look forward to sending an actual bulletin on Congress in the coming months - with pricing and location, etc. We hope, of course, of great support - but are also very conscious that Copenhagen is one of most expensive cities in the world to visit.

### **Economy**

As we already told in the last newsletter, we would publish the result until the end of 2009.

I currently have received no new information about debts being paid - but they hopefully have.

In any event, the result is that we have some money to spend on activities in new countries - and that only little expenses have been held of the current leadership - in full conformity with the decisions in Munich.

We are obviously very interested in proposals for the use of funds for activities to new audiences and new countries - so if you have any suggestions please do not hesitate to contact us!!!

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# International Grand Lodge of Druidism

## BALANCE SHEET in EUR

Account name	31-12-2009		
Current account Norway NOK			32.388
Current account Norway EUR			13.560
Current account England GBP			59
Deposit account England GBP			15.599
Deposit savings account England GBP			1.590
Creditors			-4.655
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>58.542</b>

## GENERAL FUND

Balance Brought forward from 01-01-2007			-58.290
Net result of the period before the congress			9.449
Balance Brought forward old equity capital			-48.841
Balance Brought forward covering operating expenses			-7.452
Balance Brought forward extending druidism to new countries			-2.249
<b>Total equity capital</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-58.542</b>

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT in EUR

Account name	Before congress	After congress	2008-2009
Denmark, subscription	-783	-231	-1.014
New Zealand North Island, subscription	-145		-145
Norway, subscription	-7.072	-990	-8.062
Sweden, subscription	-6.030	-946	-6.976
USA California, subscription	-283	-109	-392
Germany, subscription	-2.369	-473	-2.842
Audit and Accountancy	592		592
World congress	6.627		6.627
Postages	44		44
Traveling, President	1.633	1.569	3.202
Traveling, Treasurer	1.790		1.790
Traveling, Past President	1.428		1.428
Webpage		363	363
Sundries	61		61
Interest incom	-644	-165	-810
Interest expenditures	46	55	100
Currency expenditures	14.555	-8.772	5.783
<b>Net result of the period</b>	<b>9.449</b>	<b>-9.701</b>	<b>-251</b>
Net result of the period before the congress	-9.449		-9.449
Net result of the period after the congress to:			0
Cover operating expenses		7.452	7.452
Extending druidism to new countries		2.249	2.249
<b>Net result of the period</b>	<b>-9.449</b>	<b>9.701</b>	<b>251</b>