



REBUILD NATIONAL PARK SOCIETY



The 4th

Monthly Email for Rebuild Members

September 4, 2021

Perspectives from both Rebild Vice Presidents

Lars Nygaard in Denmark, and Bruce Bro in the U.S.

From the U.S.

First of all, thank you to all who attended the August 14th U.S. Chapter Leadership meeting. We reviewed the July 4th Rebild celebration in Denmark, and previewed the upcoming October meeting in Arizona, as well as the April 2022 meeting planned for Chicago. Our next Chapter leadership zoom meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2021.

I would like to write a few lines concerning the October Arizona meeting, with full transparency about the current Covid situation. At the present time, **we have every intention of going forward with the Arizona meeting.** We will take every precaution to make sure it is a safe event. This may include making changes in the published schedule of events if previously planned events are deemed unsafe.

Thank you to all who have registered! We already have a nice sized group who have registered and plan to attend. Unfortunately due to current travel restrictions, it is unlikely that Danish citizens will be able to travel to the U.S., and we will greatly miss our Danish members and friends.

We are asking all who plan to attend to register by September 15. If we have a dangerous spike in the Covid threat in Arizona, we will make a decision to cancel the event by October 1. Likewise, if we see a sudden dangerous spike in cases anytime in October, we will cancel the event. **If we decide to cancel, all registrations will be fully refunded.** Of course, we hope this will not be the case, and this would be the worst-case scenario.

Due to the recent Delta variant, there has been a rise in Covid cases in Arizona, as there has been across the U.S. However, the rate of vaccinations in Arizona is over 50%, and there has been a recent increase in the rate of vaccinations across the state. We are hopeful that this will lead to fewer cases in Arizona by the end of October. You can see the current Arizona Covid statistics (*Maricopa County includes the greater Phoenix area*) on the website listed below.

Health authorities say masks are recommended and indoor events should only be attended by vaccinated individuals. **We highly recommend all Rebild attendees be fully vaccinated!** We will also strongly urge attendees to wear masks during indoor events and on all bus transportation. Our home hotel, the *Tempe Embassy Suites*, is doing a good job with the precautions they have in place, as well as the outside venues we plan to visit. In addition, we hope to offer free rapid result Covid testing at the hotel during the conference.

We will continue to remain optimistic, as the trends are actually showing the threat to be leveling off, and hopefully soon it will be in decline. I will continue to keep you updated, and please send me an email if you have any questions at all.

*Tusind Tak,
Bruce*

Please send me an email with questions and comments

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October in Phoenix

Here are some important links for the October meeting:

[Arizona Itinerary and Schedule](#)

[Registration Form](#)

[Rebild Arizona Covid Policies and Procedures](#)

[Tempe Embassy Suites Covid Protocols](#)

[Arizona \(Phoenix/Maricopa County\) Covid Site](#)





Rebild Vice Presidents Lars Nygaard (Denmark) and Bruce Bro (U.S.)

From Denmark

Unfortunately, I was unable to participate in the August 14th U.S. Chapter meeting, but I understand that it was a very constructive and positive meeting with focus on the coming events in the U.S. Phoenix and Chicago. We regret very much that because of American restrictions we shall not be able to participate in October, but do hope and pray that the situation is so much under control, when we reach the spring that we shall all be able to go to Chicago. I agree 100% with Bruce's Corona recommendations for the Phoenix meeting and I am completely confident that no effort will be spared to make the meeting a safe event. We are extremely sorry for not being able to be there in person, but knowing the positive response we had to the streaming from July 4th, we hope it will be possible to let us in on parts of the meeting in Phoenix, by way of modern communications.

We also hope that Americans in general will listen to the recommendation of getting vaccinated. The medical evaluation over here is that a major reason for American restrictions is the fact that the percentage of vaccinated Americans is still pretty low and therefore there is a risk that people being possible carriers of the virus can spread it to a large number of Americans, and that is one of the reasons for current American restrictions. Let us think positive and plan for Chicago.

We hope you have noticed that all issues of The 4th are finally available on the website. Our ambition is still that the website should be the place, where you can find all the information you need and want about the Rebild Society and its chapters. We are still not there unfortunately, but it does have high priority, so do keep us posted with ideas and suggestions to make it even better than it is today.

The planning of July 4th 2022 has started and has our highest priority, so do help us with your suggestions for how to make it a fantastic celebration of the 110th Anniversary of the society. All ideas regarding key-note speakers, entertainment or suggestions for new events will be welcomed. We promise to take all suggestions into consideration in the planning process. Our goal is to be ready by February 2022 to present the program and communicate it to a larger proportion of the population in the US and Denmark than we are reaching today, hoping that it will make it interesting for a lot more people to participate in Rebild next year. Besides that we are working with the organization, our bylaws and the economy. We think it is fair to say that we are making progress and will come back to you with more information as we go along.

Lars Nygaard-Pedersen

Dansk Oversættelse af Vibeke Lybro

Fra USA

Allerførst vil vi sige tak til alle jer, der deltog i Chapter Leadership mødet den 14. august. Vi gennemgik 4. juli fejringen i Danmark, og det kommende årsmøde i Arizona i oktober, såvel som årsmødet i april 2022 mødet, som er planlagt til at være i Chicago. Vores næste Chapter Leadership zoom-møde er sat til at blive afholdt 13. november 2021.

Jeg vil gerne fortælle jer ærligt om den nuværende Covid situation med henblik på oktobermødet i Arizona. Lige nu **forventer vi at gennemføre årsmødet o Arizona**. Vi vil tage alle forholdsregler i brug for at sikre, at begivenheden afholdes på forsvarlig vis. Dette kan bevirke, at der må ændres i det trykte program, hvis det skulle ske, at de planlagte arrangementer ikke kan afholdes helbredsmæssigt forsvarligt.

Tak til alle jer, der har tilmeldt jer! Vi har allerede et pænt antal deltagere i den gruppe, som har tilmeldt sig og planlægger at deltage. Desværre er det på grund af de nuværende rejserestriktioner, usandsynligt, at danske statsborgere vil have mulighed for at rejse til USA og vi vil savne vore danske medlemmer og venner meget.

Vi beder alle jer, som ønsker at deltage, om at tilmelde jer senest den 15. september. Hvis vi skulle opleve et farligt udbrud af Covid i Arizona, vil vi aflyse arrangementet senest 1. oktober. Ligeledes aflyser vi, hvis vi ser et pludseligt farligt udbrud i oktober måned. **Hvis vi beslutter os for at aflyse, vil alle tilmeldinger blive refunderet fuldt ud.** Vi håber naturligvis ikke, det skulle ske, og det ville være i værste fald.

På grund af den nye Delta variant, har der været en stigning i Covid tilfælde i Arizona, ligesom der har været det over hele USA. Men vaccinationsraten i Arizona er over 50%, og der har for nylig været en stigning i antallet af vaccinationer i hele staten. Vi håber, at dette vil føre til færre tilfælde i Arizona hen imod slutningen af oktober. Du har mulighed for at se statistik over den nuværende Covid situation på websiden nedenfor (Maricopa County omfatter Phoenix området).

Sundhedsmyndighederne anbefaler brug af mundbind og de arrangementer, der afholdes inden døre, bør kun deltages af personer, som er fuld vaccineret. **Vi anbefaler på det kraftigste, at alle Rebilddeltagere vaccineres fuldt ud.** Vi vil også stærkt opfordre til, at deltagere bruger mundbind ved deltagelse i arrangementer inden døre og på al bustransport. Vores hotelbase, The Tempe Embassy Suites, gør sig umage med hensyn til at sikre, at der tages hensyn til alle forholdsregler, hvilket også er tilfældet på de steder, vi har planer om at besøge. Vi håber ydermere at kunne tilbyde gratis Covid lyntest på hotellet under konferencen.

Vi vil være optimistiske, eftersom tendensen nu synes at vise en nedgang i infektionstruslen, og vi håber, at den snart må være på tilbagegang. Jeg vil fortsat holde jer opdateret og send mig gerne en e-mail, hvis du har spørgsmål.

Fra Danmark

Jeg kunne desværre ikke deltage i Chapter Leadership mødet den 14. august, men har forstået, at det blev et meget konstruktivt og positivt møde med fokus på kommende begivenheder i USA; Phoenix og Chicago. Vi beklager meget, at vi [fra dansk side] ikke vil kunne deltage i oktober på grund af de amerikanske restriktioner, men vi håber og beder til, at situationen kommer så meget under kontrol når vi når til foråret igen, at vi alle vil have mulighed for at deltage i Chicago. Jeg er 100% enig med Bruce Bros anbefalinger vedrørende Corona angående årsmødet i Phoenix og jeg er helt sikker på, at der ikke vil blive sparet på noget, for at gøre arrangementet sundhedsmæssigt sikkert.

Vi er meget kede af, at vi ikke kan deltage personligt, men efter at have set den positive tilbagemelding fra 4. juli streamingen, håber vi det vil blive muligt at give os adgang til noget af mødet i Phoenix via nutidens kommunikationsmidler. Vi håber også, at amerikanerne generelt vil lytte til anbefalingen om at blive vaccineret. Her [i Danmark] er vurderingen fra sundhedsfaglig side, at den største grund til de amerikanske restriktioner er det faktum, at procentdelen af vaccinerede amerikanere er stadig meget lav, og at der derfor er en risiko for, at folk kan blive smittebærere og sprede

virus til et større antal amerikanere, og at dette er en af grundene til de nuværende amerikanske restriktioner. Lad os tænke positivt og se frem til Chicago.

Vi håber, I har lagt mærke til, at alle udgaver af The 4th nu endelig er tilgængelige på hjemmesiden. Det er stadig vores mål at gøre websiden til det sted, hvor alle de oplysninger, som du måtte ønske og have brug for vedrørende Rebildselskabet og dets chapters vi være at finde. Vi er dog ikke helt nået dertil endnu, men det har høj prioritet, så hold os gerne orienteret om idéer og forslag til forbedringer.

Planlægningen af 4. juli 2022 er startet og har vores højeste prioritet, så hjælp os gerne med dine forslag til, hvordan det bliver en fantastisk fejring af 110 års jubilæet for Rebildfesten. Alle ideer vedrørende talere, underholdning eller forslag til nye begivenheder modtages gerne. Vi lover at tage alle forslag i betragtning i planlægningsprocessen.

Vores mål er at være klar til i februar 2022 at præsentere programmet og kommunikere det til en større andel af befolkningen i USA og Danmark, end tidligere, i håb om at det vil gøre det interessant for mange flere mennesker at deltage i Rebild næste år. Udover det arbejder vi med organisationen, vores vedtægter og økonomien. Vi synes, det er rimeligt at sige, at vi gør positive fremskridt og vi vender tilbage med mere nyt løbende.

Lars Nygaard-Pedersen



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