

Nesbyen, 2006

DEAR FRIEND,

Thank you very much for your recent shipment of canceled stamps to TUBFRIM.
We are happy to tell you that the net amount of the annual sale in 2004 was **NOK 520,000.-**.
The total amount since TUBFRIM was founded is now approx. **15 million kroner!**

This result was made possible only because of our many loyal TUBFRIM-friends, among them are you, who have been collecting canceled stamps for us through years. The stamps come from Sons of Norway members and lodges in USA, the Norwegian Seamen's Churches and some other groups and persons. Most of the stamps are shipped with Star Shipping and DFDS Transport free of charge, or with S AS (Scandinavian Airlines) at very low costs.

Your effort on behalf of TUBFRIM and the handicapped children that we support, is highly appreciated. Please, keep up the good work and we will get a nice surplus this year as well.

Sincerely
yours
TUBFRIM
Arvid Syversen

Do not throw away USED STAMPS or PHONECARDS.

THANK YOU

TUBFRIM is a humanitarian organization owned by the Norwegian Health Association. TUBFRIM collects used postage stamps, packages them and sells them to wholesalers and philatelists' worldwide. When TUBFRIM was founded in 1928, its objective was to finance tuberculosis research and to provide aid for children inflicted by the disease. For decades tuberculosis was almost eradicated so TUBFRIM modified its aim to that of improving health care facilities for handicapped children and youth. Today, cases of tuberculosis are on the increase and TUBFRIM profits are again being used to finance research into and prevention of the disease. TUBFRIM also provides aid to increase the well being of handicapped children and youth in Norway. Profits in 1929 totaled NOK 1,500.- and in 2004 the amount had grown to NOK 520,000.-. The collective sum earned by TUBFRIM since it was founded, is approx. 15 million kroner. This is money (i.e. stamps) rescued from the wastebaskets. Please, never throw away canceled stamps, just cut or tear the stamps off the envelopes, leaving a slight margin (approx. 1/2 inch) **to keep the perforation intact**. Only damaged stamps (damaged perforation, edges etc.) are worthless and are to be thrown away. We are also happy to receive stamp collections, old envelopes, covers and postcards. If envelopes, postcards etc. are **more than 40-50 years old, then please do not cut off the stamp, but send us the whole envelope/postcard!** Stamps from any country in the world can be used, but it would save us a lot of work if you would sort between U.S.-stamps and stamps from other countries. All types of stamps are received with thanks. We give used stamps a «new» value. Most Norwegian Embassies, Consulates, Seamen's Churches and private persons participate in the TUBFRIM program. Outside of Norway, the largest collection takes place in the United States through the organization Sons of Norway. **We sincerely thank those of you who loyally send us stamps, and heartily welcome new collectors.** More information and photos on our web site: www.tubfrim.no.

