



Kristiania Lodge 1-047



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COMING KRISTIANIA EVENTS

(All events held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church unless otherwise noted.)

Saturday, November 8	Bake Sale, Craft Sale & Luncheon	10 am — 1 pm
Thursday, November 13	Board meeting via ZOOM	5 pm
Thursday, November 27	Thanksgiving Day	
Saturday, December 6	Julefest Social Event and Meal	12 pm
RSVP by <u>Nov. 28</u> to Sue Walch via email (tsreinke1@yahoo.com) or phone/text 507-273-4025. Other details on page 2.		

Hilsen fra Presidenten

Last year I attended the Sons of Norway Bake Sale for the first time! (It seems I have always been out of town on that weekend.) What an amazing event! It was heartwarming to see all the foods from my childhood and so many new culinary delights. The most fun was seeing members working together to make it all happen. If you have a chance to participate in any way, I know you will also love it! **Lefse and krumkake and rosettes, oh my!**



my!

—**Carol Lucido,**
President

Sons of Norway Annual Bake Sale/Luncheon and Craft Sale

Saturday, November 8, 10 am—1 pm

Your baking keeps our traditions alive. Thank you for being part of it!

Drop off your baked goods at Our Savior's from 4-6 pm on Friday, Nov. 7, or on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 8-10.

Please package your goodies in clear containers or on plates covered with clear plastic wrap or in baggies. Please package in 1/2 dozen increments. We will price the items.

Luncheon Menu—Enjoy *pølse med lømpe* (frankfurter wrapped in lefse), served with chips and carrot sticks. For dessert, choose between *rømme-grøt* or *lefse kling*—or treat yourself to both!

—**Lisa Fenton,** Chairperson

The mission of Sons of Norway is to provide quality insurance and financial products to our members, promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, and celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries. (Updated mission statement, 2025).

Julefest—Dec. 6

Julefest is approaching fast!

When: Dec. 6, 2025, Noon

Where: Our Savior's Lutheran Church (as usual)

Who: Kristiania Lodge members and guests

Cost: Members are free, guests \$20

RSVP by Nov. 28 (day after Thanksgiving) to Sue Walch via email (tsreinke1@yahoo.com) or phone/text 507-273-4025.

Menu: Chicken breast with wild rice and pork loin, parsley potatoes, tossed salad, ambrosia salad, green bean casserole, rolls, butter, lefse.

Scandinavian dessert selections provided by members.

Entertainment by Pati Katchel, storyteller, who shares stories about her heritage as a Norwegian Lutheran, with songs, humor, and historical information, including tales of her ancestors' immigration from Norway to a homestead near Paynesville, MN.

Tusen Takk!

It's *Tusen Takk* time again for our October *nisser* (gnomes), who generously provided treats perfect to accompany a program on that Norwegian delicacy, Lutefisk. We thank **Kaye Johnson, Lisa Fenton, and June Lee-Cahoon** for sharing their time and treats. Along with herring provided by the speaker, it was a great fellowship time! There are no opportunities to be *nisser* in November or December, but January is program and fellowship time again, as we dive into 2026. Please call **Kathy Rosedahl** at 507-289-8621 for your chance to serve. It is never too early to get on the list! *Tusen takk* to all the *nisser* of 2025!

—**Kathy Rosedahl**, Hospitality Director.



40th Anniversary of the Festival of Trees

Once again our lodge is participating in the beloved Rochester tradition of Hiawatha Homes' Festival of Trees. This year marks 40 magical years of making a difference and will light up the season with stunning holiday displays. This year our tree's theme is "Simply Nordic."

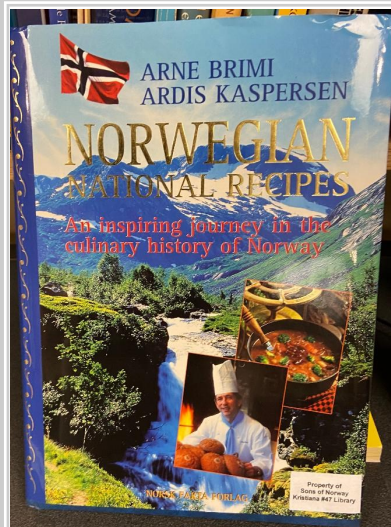
Location: Kahler Grand Hotel (lower level)

Dates: Fri Nov 28 10 am-7 pm

Sat Nov 29 10 am-6 pm

Sun Nov 30 10 am- 2 pm

—**Renee Thoreson**



LIBRARY NEWS

It is time to check out our holiday books on cooking and folklore. The library will be open at all our meetings. I can help you get books

when you're at the Craft and Bake Sale, if you wish.

—**Sharon Barsness**, Librarian

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NOTE—Please notify **Kristi Simmons** (ssimmons10@aol.com) or **Lisa Fenton** (lj.fenton789@gmail.com) if you know of a Kristiania member who should receive a get-well or sympathy card with greetings from the lodge.

Til Minne

Andrea Liv Thomte Phillipson (7 April 1943– 4 October 2025). Member since 2001.

O, Lutefisk!

The October 9 program featured Chris Dorff, manager of Olsen Fish Company in Minneapolis. Chris reviewed the history of the company (no longer owned by the Olsen family) and the present-day operations. He described how lutefisk is made and admitted that the factory is as odiferous as one would expect! Chris was accompanied by his daughter Hannah and her fiancé, who helped serve a delicious variety of herring in traditional flavors, as well as the new Cajun spice flavor. Olsen Fish herring is available in all the HyVees as well as most other grocery stores and may be labeled differently.

—**Sue Walch**, Social Director

From our Financial Benefits Counselor

In my last article I talked about a Christmas gift of a life insurance policy for your grand– and great-grandkids and the reasons why it's a good idea to do so. I referred to a Viking Voyager and a Single Premium Whole Life policy. Here is a sample of what the cost is.

Viking Voyager, issues age 0 to 17:

Age	Face Amt.	Premium	Age	Face Amt.	Premium
0	\$10,000	\$362	0	\$25,000	\$504
5	\$10,000	\$341	5	\$25,000	\$477
10	\$10,000	\$326	10	\$25,000	\$475

These are one-time premiums, and coverage goes until age 26, at which time they can convert to a Whole Life policy.

For the Single Premium policy, the minimum premium is \$2,000, payable one time. Here are two examples:

Age	Face Amt.	Premium (male)	Age	Face Amt.	Prem. (female)
0	\$12,022	\$2,000	0	\$13,096	\$2,000
5	\$10,840	\$2,000	5	\$11,692	\$2,000

This policy accumulates cash values, and the face amount increases.

For more details, please give me a call.

—**Len Carlson** 651-253-1943

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Picture on left:

Kristiania members **Betty Ann Danielson** and **Louise Hanson** are shown on Oct. 6 in Decorah, IA, as they were part of the welcome of Norwegian Crown Prince Haakon at Vesterheim to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the first organized immigration from Norway to the USA. Betty helped in a booth selling lefse for the occasion.



Pop Tabs—

Kristiania lodge will continue to collect aluminum can tabs for our local Ronald McDonald House. A marked collection box will be available at each lodge meeting on the table located on the side wall.—**Monica VanKirk**

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