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*Kristiania Lodge 1-047*



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## KRISTIANIA DECEMBER 2018 and JANUARY 2019 EVENTS

(All events are held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 2124 Viola Road NE, unless otherwise indicated.)

Dec. 1	<b>Julefest.</b> Catered Christmas Dinner	12:00 noon
	Members are <u>free</u> ; guests, \$12. Reservations to <b>Erica Ward</b> by Nov. 25 <a href="mailto:emaie44@gmail.com">emaie44@gmail.com</a> or 507-884-0392. Music by Root River Jam and Kristiania's Nordic Singers.	
Dec. 13	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 24	<i>Julaften</i> <b>God Jul!</b>	
Dec. 25	<i>1. juledag</i>	
Dec. 31	<i>Nyttårsaften</i> <b>Godt nyttår!</b>	
Jan. 1	<i>Nyttårsdag</i>	
Jan. 10	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 10	Chapter meeting. Program: <b>Housing Alternatives</b> . Speaker: Jim Miner, Rochester realtor and computer instructor	7:00 p.m.
	Separate activities for kids	
Jan. 19	Social meeting. Potluck. Program: JoAnne Lower. <b>Scandinavian stories</b>	12:00 noon
TBA	Honk/Squeak/Scratch/Boom      Volunteer opportunity	TBA

### HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN—

Greetings to all our members! A great new year is developing. A few changes are happening with the officers of Kristiania. **Dean Vigeland** has retired from the board as a trustee. He served many years, and we thank him for his leadership. **Bob Ronningen** is serving in Dean's place. **Kristi Simmons** has taken the Secretary position and is doing a great job. **Erica Ward** is serving as Vice President and will be President in 2019. I personally thank each for the past and future good work. Please give them your personal "thank you."

Kristiania needs to fill the position of Volunteer Coordinator (volunteering for community projects and exposure in the community). This could be a committee that would coordinate such activities as: Honk/Squeak/Scratch/Boom for the Rochester Symphony, Festival of Trees, bell ringing for Salvation Army, Sons of Norway Tubfrim stamp program, can tabs for Ronald McDonald House, Education Box Tops for Jefferson School, delivering left-over food after our events to community organizations, etc. Other ideas could be developed to increase our community involvement and exposure to the public. —**Byron Stadsvold**, President

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

## KRISTIANIA CHAPTER MEETING—Nov. 8, 2018

**Byron Stadsvold** presided over the meeting. **Judy Davis** accompanied the singing of the three national anthems, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Past member **Howard Helland** was remembered.

### Announcements

**Judy Davis** asked for volunteers to join the Nordic Singers in presenting two or three traditional songs at Julefest.

**Kathy Rosedahl** thanked tonight's servers, **Jan and Ted Thorson, Diann Renaas, and Lisa and Lucas Fenton**. She also thanked **Joan Olson** and her bank of phone volunteers who worked to ensure a successful Bake Sale.

**VJ Anderson**, editor of the *Posten*, asked those going away for the winter to report their address changes to her. This will save money on postage and return fees.

**Erik Fenton, Keeley Whetten, and Yuli Ward** expressed their thanks for the scholarships they received to attend Norwegian language and cultural camps this past summer.

**Byron** is looking for someone to fill the vacant Volunteer Coordinator position. He will provide a list of responsibilities to those who are interested.

**Lars** and his other brother **Lars** put in an appearance just before breaking for the evening's program.

### Program

The invited speaker for the evening was unable to attend, so members watched the first half of a documentary titled, "Reindeer in My Saami Heart." The film highlights the life of Inghilda Tapio, a woman who was born into a nomadic Saami family, but at a young age was forced to leave her family and attend residential boarding schools for many months each year.

The evening closed with the singing of the table prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

**Kristi Simmons**, Secretary

### **SNOWBIRDS AND WINTER TRAVELERS!**



Keep the *Posten* editor advised of your winter address and the effective dates! Bulk mail is not forwarded, and Kristiania is required to pay postage on the returned copies. *Takk!*

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## Takk skal du ha!

\*From **Kathy Rosedahl**, Hospitality Director:

*Tusen takk* to another great team of *nisser*, who provided lunch at the Nov. 8 chapter meeting. **Jan and Ted Thorson, Diann Renaas, and Lisa and Lucas Fenton**, we thank you and appreciate the fabulous food.

\*From **Betty and Bob Ronningen**:

We would like to thank all the craft vendors who exhibited at our Bake and Craft Sale. You helped make our annual event a great success.

\*From **Joan Olson**:

Thanks to all the callers who contacted all members and helped make the Bake Sale a great success: **Arona Schuck, Lucy Phelps, Sarabeth Watson, Mildred Lilleskov, Sue Foss, Connie Deobold, Mary Beard, Dorothy Satre**.

\*From **Kathy Rosedahl**, Bake Sale Chair:

The event was over the top in 2017 and even better in 2018. Congratulations to the generous members of Kristiania Lodge 1-47! You outdid yourselves once again. Six long tables piled high with Norwegian goodies, refilled many times, and almost all gone in an hour! To **Joan Olson** and her team of callers, to **Jan Kaehler, Sarabeth Watson, Sharon Barsness, and Joan Olson**, who have been faithful pricers and helpers for years—a huge Norwegian *Tusen Takk!* To **Dave Anderson, Bob Ronningen, Wayne Rogelstad, and VJ Anderson**, who are the financial wizards, to **Betty Ronningen and Larry Barsness**, who bagged

about 100 boxes of goodies, another big Norwegian "Thanks!" It was a fun and successful event.



**Sharon Barsness and Jan Kaehler** wait for the opening of the sale after arranging all the baked goods.

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Servers at Nov. 8 meeting: **Ted and Jan Thorson, Diann Renaas, Lisa Fenton;** and **Erik Fenton** who reported on camp.

## Kultur

Thank you to everyone who participated in our cultural events this past year. I have agreed to stay on as Cultural Director for next year. In January I will again request your “wish list” of cultural topics and wants for plans in 2019. Happy holidays!

—**Judy Davis**, Cultural Director

## From the Social Director

The past couple of months have been busy with the upcoming holidays, *Julefest* dinner plans, and planning for the 2019 lodge programs. With Christmas and the new year just around the corner, I want to extend a thank you to the Social Planning Committee: **Ann Romo, Kathy Rosedahl, Kristi Simmons, Lisa Fenton, and Bob Rosedahl.** They have worked tirelessly to plan the wonderful 2019 programs, making the job of Social Director fun and much easier. *Tusen Takk*, 2018 Social Planning Committee!

I am excited to give you an overview of the upcoming 2019 programs. We have a diverse range of topics lined up. The 2019 programs will include talks on Norwegian folk dress, an Iditarod dog sled race experience, the Civil War Wisconsin Scandinavian regiment, housing alternatives for seniors, stories of Norway, and wool spinning. Next year will also feature entertainment focused on a musical comedy act, history of the American song, Nordic customs and traditions, Swedish *nyckelharpa* and accordion act, Scandinavian storytelling, a viewing of the family-friendly movie “Magic Silver,” Victrola act, and viewing of the documentary about the Stavik letters.

In January we will hear from Jim Miner on housing options for seniors who are considering a move from their current homes, and from JoAnne Lower, storyteller, who weaves word pictures of ordinary people and places. —**Erica Ward**, Social Director



Glad Jul fra Nissene

## Call for Recipes

Do you have a delicious Norwegian recipe or two you’d like to share—maybe a seasonal favorite, or one that’s been in your family for generations? Whether sweet or savory, we’d love to hear about it! **Sons of Norway** invites all members to submit their favorite Norwegian or Nordic-inspired recipe to be considered for our online **Recipe Box**

For a chance to be featured in the **Recipe Box** and possibly in **EPost**, simply email your recipe to:

**[jkohlhofer@sofn.com](mailto:jkohlhofer@sofn.com)**. Feel free to include a high quality photo of your dish or dessert if you have one, as well as a brief description explaining its history or family connection. We’ll make sure all entries receive full credit if posted.






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