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Kristiania Lodge 1-047



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## KRISTIANIA NOVEMBER and DECEMBER 2018 EVENTS

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

Nov. 8	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 8	Chapter meeting. Norwegian sweater night. Program: <b>Film on the Saami.</b>	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 10	<b>Bake and Craft Sale with Soup and Sandwich Luncheon</b>	10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Dec. 1	<b>Julefest.</b> Catered Christmas Dinner (Details, below) 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.	12:00 p.m.
Dec. 13	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 24	<i>Julaften</i> <b>God Jul!</b>	
Dec. 25	<i>1. juledag</i>	

**Fra Presidenten:** The Demonstration/Membership Night had more than a dozen gifted and talented presenters, and the food was very good. A big "Thank you" to the trustees for a well-done evening. We had a good turnout of members but many forgot to bring a potential new member, which is the main purpose of this time together.

I was visiting with a fairly new member some months ago, and I asked what caused him/her to become a member at the time. The reply was: "No one asked me before!"

So my friends, let us each take it upon ourselves to ask one or more friends to come to our meeting/programs and give us a try. Remember, everyone is welcome, no matter what background they have.

Be bold and invite! —Byron Stadvold, President

### Julefest—December 1, 2018

#### Festive Menu:

Pork roast

*Julepølse* (pork sausages)

Boiled new potatoes and gravy

Green beans

Tossed green salad, vinaigrette or ranch dressing

Slices of white bread with butter

Various Norwegian cookies and caramel pudding



Cost: **Members: free**, as a result of rebates from new membership fees. **Guests: \$12**

Reservations to **Erica Ward** before Nov. 25 at

[emaie44@gmail.com](mailto:emaie44@gmail.com) or 507-884-0392

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.

## Cultural News—Judy Davis, Cultural Director

We had a successful work group for the Kristiania Flatbread Baking Event on Saturday, Oct. 20. Eight women attended: **Mary Beard, Lori**



**Conklin, Mairlyn Pewowaruk, Jean Mortenson, Diann Renaas, Sarabeth Watson, Ann Romo, and Judy Davis,** leader. Recipes will be available at upcoming lodge meetings. We enjoyed baking three batches of Flatbread, consisting of graham flour with white and wheat flour. We will be selling these at our Bake and Craft Sale on Sat., Nov. 10.



**Yuli and Erica Ward,** who together with father/grandfather **Carl Nilsen,** took a 3-generation trip of a lifetime to Norway, spoke at the September 22 potluck. They visited Bergen and Oslo, **Carl's** birthplace, but of special interest was their trip to

Svalbard. There they drove dogsleds and explored ice caves.

—Photo by **Barry Dahl**



## Julefest Music

Attention Nordic Singers and any members interested in singing Norwegian Christmas songs: We will meet after the meeting/lunch on Thursday Nov. 8, to practice a few songs. If we have enough singers, we will lead the audience in these songs as the Julefest on December 1.—**Judy Davis,** Cultural Director

## DEMONSTRATION/MEMBERSHIP NIGHT

A huge thanks to everyone involved in our Membership event. We had 13 fantastic tables done by members demonstrating their skills and interests, a table overflowing with delicious snacks, and a room full of members enjoying our Scandinavian heritage. What was missing? We had only a handful of guests to make the evening complete. However, it was a fun-filled evening, and thanks to all who participated. —**Bob Rosedahl,** Trustee

## Tusen takk!

The October lodge meeting was once again a great gathering with another fabulous lunch provided by Norwegian *nisser* **Ed and Gloria Rosencrants, Judy Stevens, and Marilyn Pewowaruk.** They were the *nisser* who so willingly did what all *nisser* do! They made tasty sandwiches, baked goodies, served, and cleaned up. We the recipients, really appreciated it. *Tusen takk* again!



—**Kathy Rosedahl,** Hospitality Director

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## Kristiania Chapter Meeting Minutes-

Vice-President **Erica Ward** presided over the meeting. The national anthems were sung, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Announcements

**Bob Rosedahl** encouraged everyone to attend Demonstration/Membership Night at 6:00 p.m. on Oct. 27, and asked that members bring food to share and to invite friends and acquaintances. Several members will be demonstrating cultural skills.

**Bake and Craft Sale** on Nov. 10, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. **Betty Ronningen**, Chairperson, announced that all vendor tables have been filled. **Susan Hanson**, luncheon chair, asked members to sign up to supply food items and to help serve lunch.

Sign-up sheets for the flatbread cooking class and Norwegian language classes were also circulated.

**Kathy Rosedahl** announced that the evening's refreshments were prepared by **Gloria** and **Ed Rosencrants**, **Judy Stevens**, and **Marilyn Pewowaruk**.



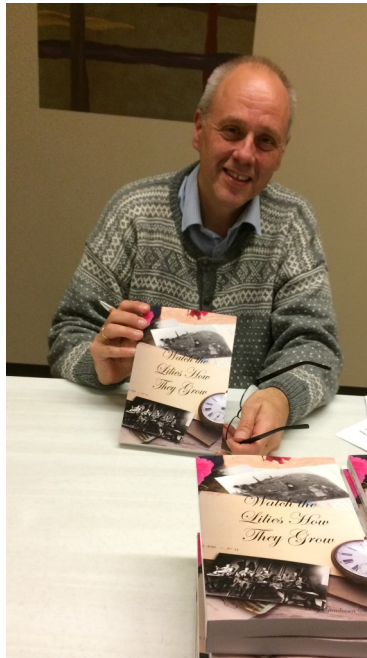
### Program

The evening's first speaker was Dr. John Haugo, who spoke about the Norwegian resistance to Nazi occupation with a particular focus on attempts to disable the hydro-electric "heavy water" plant in Rjukan, Telemark. With extensive family ties to Norway and stories of relatives who participated in the resistance, Dr. Haugo brought a personal touch to one of the most significant actions of World War II.

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—October 11, 2018

The second speaker was Dag Gustav Gundersen Storla.



Dr. Storla is a Norwegian physician and a former medical missionary to Bangladesh who has a special interest in the local history of his hometown, Stavanger, as well as in the Norwegian pioneers of the American West. He has written three historical novels tracing the life of a Norwegian family, beginning in the 1870s, and is currently on a book tour through the United States.

The evening closed with the singing of the Table Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

**Kristi Simmons**, Secretary

(Photos by Barry Dahl)

## NORWEGIAN CLASSES SCHEDULED FOR FALL

by Hanne Lucier, teacher ([hannelucier@gmail.com](mailto:hannelucier@gmail.com))

### **Introduction to Norwegian for Children (\$10 per session)**

Saturdays, 10-11 a.m. This class will use fun music and activities to introduce your child to Norwegian. Choose between the following topics and dates:

Sat., Oct. 13—Alphabet and numbers

Sat., Nov. 10—Colors and animals

Sat., Dec. 8—Scandinavian Christmas

Please register by contacting Hanne Lucier. Kristiania members may apply for a 20% refund upon completion of a class.

### **Norwegian drop-in conversation sessions**

If you would like to work on your Norwegian conversation skills, please send me a note. I am hoping to set up drop-in sessions on a regular basis on Sunday evenings.

## PROGRAM FOR NOVEMBER 8 : A film on the Saami






Inghilda Tapio is one of the last generation of Indigenous children born into a nomadic Saami reindeer herding family in the Arctic Circle, and is now an inspirational poet and performer. Born into a nomadic Saami reindeer herding family after WWII, Inghilda is a member of Sweden's own 'stolen generation,' forced by the Swedish government to attend residential boarding schools in the early 1950s. At the age of seven, Inghilda was removed from her teepee home, reindeer herds and Saami parents for months at a time, isolated and confused by the difficult Swedish language, intimidated by the unfamiliar school environment and foreign customs. Despite these challenges, Inghilda continued on to university to become a poet, performer, teacher and international representative for Saami writers. She lives most of the year in Karesuando, on the border between Sweden and Finland, over two hundred kilometres north of the Arctic Circle. Her extended family members continue their herding traditions in Saapmi, which is their preferred name for the northern regions of Sweden, Norway, Finland, and Russia, previously referred to as Lapland. This innovative documentary by award-winning director Janet Merewether blends English and Northern Saami languages to present the life of a woman who is passionate about preserving her Northern Saami language and culture for future generations.

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