



# SONS of NORWAY

*Kristiania Lodge 1-047*

# KRISTIANIA *POSTEN*

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## COMING KRISTIANIA EVENTS

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

Sunday, Dec. 31	<i>Nyttårsaften</i> (New Year's Eve)	
Monday, Jan. 1	Nyttårsdag	
Saturday, Jan. 13	<b>Movie "Askeladden"</b>	1 pm
	(Popcorn!) See p. 2	
Tuesday, Feb. 6	Sami People's Day	
Thursday, Feb. 8	Chapter meeting	<b><u>6:30 pm</u></b>
	Skijumping in the USA	

## *Hilsen fra Presidenten*

*Godt nyttår* to all! With the New Year come more adventures with the Sons of Norway. I look forward to serving as your president again this year.

We do have open positions, and we would love to have you join in with the fun. Stay safe and see you at the lodge.

—**Sharon Kingsley**

***Godt Nyttår!***

## Opportunity for Mentorship as Social Director

The Calendar for 2024 schedule of events and meetings has been completed. The [Kristiania 1-47.org/events](http://Kristiania1-47.org/events) page (on our website) has been published through January 2025. The Kristiania 2024 yearbook event schedule will be mailed to members in January.

With that status update, I'd like to note that I have been the interim Social Director for about a year, and I would like to put out another call for a volunteer to take over this position. January would be the perfect time to step into this position since everything is finalized! You would not be on your own, and there would be a period of formal and informal mentorship as long as necessary.

The Social Director has monthly commitments that include: attending board meetings, confirming the speaker, sending the program information to be included in the *Posten*, and introducing the speaker at our meetings. October is when the calendar is set up for the following year, and that is done by committee. I welcome any questions or suggestions.

—**Lisa Fenton**, Cultural Director, 507 202 1811, [info@kristiania1-47.org](mailto:info@kristiania1-47.org)

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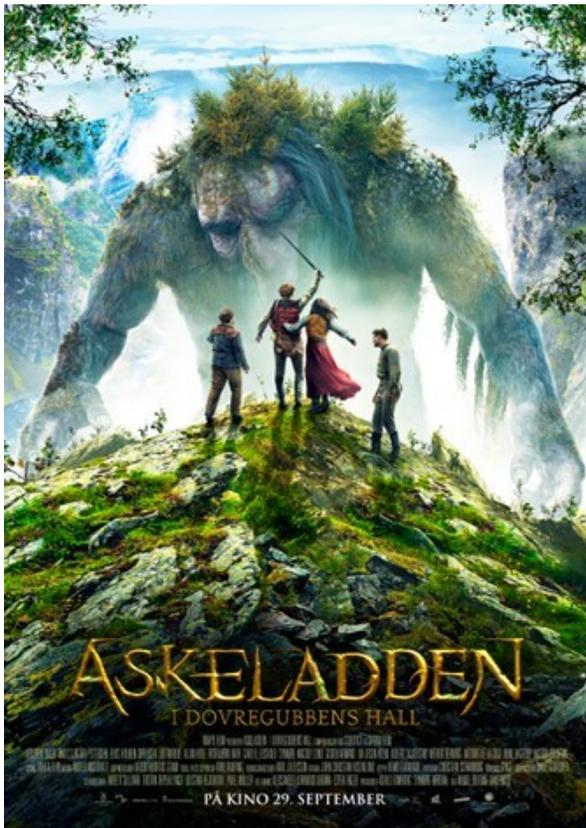
## Velkommen!

Welcome to two new members of Kristiania:

**Tina Fenton**

**Jeanne Coulter Townsend**

We look forward to seeing you at our lodge meetings!



### Movie: Askeladden and the Hall of the Mountain King—January 13, 2024

On **January 13 at 1 pm** we will be screening a family-friendly adventure tale for our lodge movie event. The movie will have spoken English language. It is based on the 18th century Norwegian fairy tales of Askeladden. It was the second highest-grossing film in Norway in 2017.

Princess Kristin turns 18 and is obliged to be married. According to legend, the wedding must happen at once; otherwise a gruesome troll will take her away to the mountain. Prince Fredrik arrives to wed Kristin, but she refuses him and runs away. The king promises his daughter's hand and half the kingdom to whoever can save her. Three poor farm boys, Per, Pål, and Espen, head out to find her and slay the Mountain King in order to claim the reward and save their farm from ruin.

**Carroll's Corn will be served!**

*Til Minne*

**John Gordon Tuseth** (5 March, 1939-16 December), member since 1990.

### Board Meeting Summary

The Kristiania board met over Zoom on December 13, 2023. President Sharon Kingsley called the meeting to order. The minutes from November 9 were accepted, as were the treasurer's report and the financial secretary's report.

Open board positions include Vice-President and Publicity/Marketing committee chair. The meeting/social schedule for 2024 is complete; events for the first half of the year are posted on the website. The yearbook will be printed soon.

Upcoming events include:

Jan. 13 (1 pm): Movie—Askeladden and the Hall of the Mountain King

Feb. 8 (6:30 pm): Skijumping in the USA

March 9 (12 pm): Chili and Pie Lunch

Kristiania Lodge bell-ringers for Salvation Army brought in \$448.92 this year, a significant increase over 2022.

**Carol Lucido** and **Sharon Barsness** continue organizing the library.

**David Anderson** presented a draft budget for 2024. After receiving feedback from the board, updates will be presented in January for review and approval.

The 2024 District I convention will be held August 19-21 (Monday—Wednesday) at the Holiday Inn and Suites, Lake Elmo, MN. If interested in being a delegate, please contact someone on the board.

—**Kristi Simmons**, Secretary

NOTE—Please notify **Kristi Simmons** ([ssimmons10@aol.com](mailto:ssimmons10@aol.com)) or **Lisa Fenton** ([lj.fenton789@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Charitable Support

Kristiania Lodge 1-47 contributed \$5,226.00 to the following organizations in 2023:

Boy Scouts	Girl Scouts
Ski for Light	Hope Lodge
Salvation Army	Norway House
Vesterheim	SON Foundation
Hiawatha Homes	The Landing MN
Channel One Food Bank	Boys and Girls Club
Ronald McDonald House	Mobility Worldwide (PET)
Christmas Anonymous	Vinland National Center
Gift of Life Transplant House	Rochester Nordic Ski Club
Century, JM, Mayo Booster Clubs	
History Center of Olmsted County	
Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge	
Giants of the Earth Heritage Center Language Camp	
Norwegian-American Historical Association	
Norwegian American Genealogical Center	

— **David Anderson**, Treasurer

## Library News

How many of you remember hearing folk tales about trolls and *nisser*? Our library has many books for you to enjoy again. I've been reading one of the *Folke-minnevitenskap* books by Raket Erickson, which is full of short troll stories. They will be out for check-out at our January meeting. —**Sharon Barsness**, Librarian

## KRISTIANIA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Our lodge will be granting \$1,000 Post-High School Scholarships for 2024. To be eligible, a student must be a graduating high school senior from a public high school in Olmsted County or a son/daughter, grandchild, or great-grandchild of a current Kristiania Lodge member—regardless of the school location. The application and information may be downloaded from our website: [www.kristiania1-47.org](http://www.kristiania1-47.org). The deadline for submission is March 31, 2024.

—**Carol Lucido**, Scholarship Chair

## From our Financial Benefits Counselor

Happy New Year!

I thought I would start off the new year addressing a different age group besides seniors. Here is an idea to consider: How about your adult children and grandchildren ages 25-55? People in this age group are just getting started in their careers as well as enjoying their peak earning years. There is a need to replace the breadwinner's income if an unexpected death occurs: income to support the family, pay off mortgages and other debts like credit cards or college loans.

Sons of Norway has competitive term products that offer coverage for the following number of years: 10, 15, 20, or 30 years. Term insurance offers large amounts of insurance at a low reasonable price. Call me for a quote!

Think about referring me to your children or grandchildren; perhaps I can help them plan for a more secure future.

Stay safe.

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**Tubfrim and Pop Tabs**—save your stamps and pop can 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**

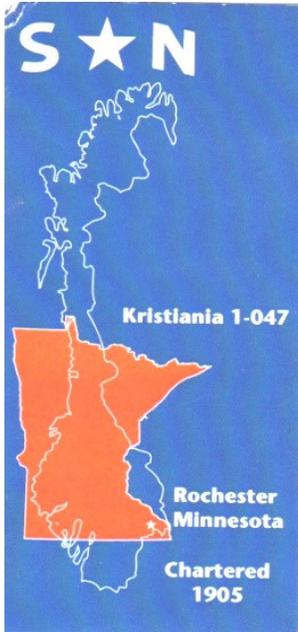
We are still collecting stamps for **Tubfrim** to send to Norway to help children and young people with disabilities and handicaps as well as those with serious illnesses. Please bring used stamps with  $\frac{1}{4}$ — $\frac{1}{2}$  inch border on them to one of our meetings. We will store them in our board room until we take them to the District One office or to a district convention—**Ann Romo**



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