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Hilsen fra Presidenten—

This summer seems to be speeding past. Thankfully, it has been filled with good weather, making it easy to get outside and enjoy the season.

Recently, my family has been watching some of the Olympic games, especially the USA and Norway events. A noticeable difference from past years is the lack of crowds watching. Despite that change, it has been really nice to watch the great athleticism and commitment demonstrated by all the athletes.

As a lodge, we have not been able to meet for over a year now. Recently, we were able to have a very limited gathering, due to the COVID capacity restrictions, at Little Thistle Brewery. I hear, from those in attendance, that it was a lovely time though everyone missed the larger group. We continue to investigate other opportunities for the larger group to gather and will let you know as soon as we can either start gathering at the church or find a venue with a larger capacity. If you have any ideas, please contact our Social Director, **Lisa Fenton**.

Several people have recently asked when we might be able to start meeting for our chapter and social events at the church. Our Savior's Lutheran Church has taken a more conservative approach to the COVID restrictions in an effort to protect its staff and congregation. Right now, we are unable meet in the church as a whole group. We continue to communicate regularly with the church to ensure we are aware of any changes to their facility use restrictions.

If you would like to attend a virtual board meeting, please send us an email at info@kristiania1-47.org or president@kristiania1-47.org so we can send you the log-in information.

—Erica Ward, *Presidenten*

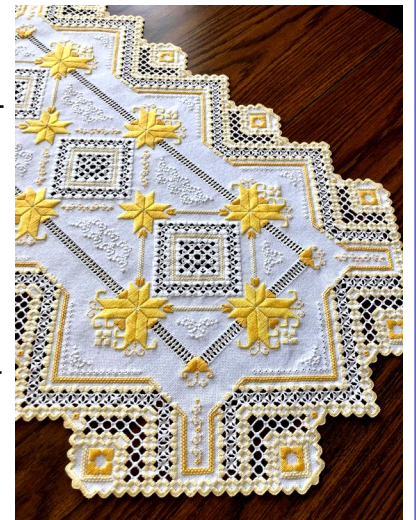
RENEE THORESON'S HARDANGER ON DISPLAY AT VESTERHEIM MUSEUM IN DECORAH

Kristiania member **Renee Thoreson's** Hardanger table runner is being featured in a Vesterheim Folk Art Special Exhibit. The exhibit features folk art projects created during the pandemic. With the social and activity restrictions, Renee suddenly had more time to dedicate to her hobbies. She comments that Hardanger needlework is her "happy place"; also it provided comfort and predictability during the pandemic. The embroidery was something that COVID couldn't affect. Renee chose yellow as her thread color, and later she learned that yellow expresses HOPE.

If you get a chance, please view Renee's runner on display at the Vesterheim exhibit titled "Socially Distanced, Creatively Connected."

The special exhibit runs now through December 2, 2021. Renee's project is titled "Happy" because it gave her such joy during the pandemic.

—Lisa Fenton



Open Board Positions: Vice-President, Librarian, Trustee, Publicity / Marketing Director. To volunteer, contact Erica or another current board member. Your help is needed!

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.

WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER

Welcome to our newest member, **Tammie Jo Olson**. She is the daughter of member **Don Olson**.

Welcome, Tammie!

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Delores J. Clough Wogen

21 July 1930—19 May 2021

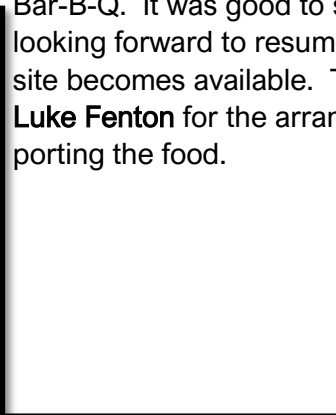
She was a former Kristiania Lodge librarian.

CONGRATULATIONS...

...to **Barry Dahl**, our historian and genealogy expert, who has achieved Golden Member status.

Kristiania Members enjoyed being together again at the Little Thistle Brewery.

After more than a year of canceled lodge meetings, Kristiania members were thrilled to get together for an informal evening at the Little Thistle Brewery in Rochester. The lodge provided the meal from John Hardy's Bar-B-Q. It was good to see many members again, and everyone is looking forward to resuming regular programs when our meeting site becomes available. Thanks to Social Director **Lisa Fenton** and **Luke Fenton** for the arrangements at the Little Thistle and for transporting the food.



Please continue to watch for updates in lodge emails, on the website (www.kristiania1-47.org), or on the Facebook page (@sonsofnorwaykristiania). If you know fellow members who do not have access to electronic media, please pass information to them by phone. You may phone any of the lodge officers if you have questions. Their contact information can be found on pages 3-5 of your 2020 Kristiania yearbook.

The 2021 Kristiania Yearbook will be published and mailed when it is possible to plan to hold meetings at Our Savior's again.

From our Financial Benefits Counselor

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These are just a sample of what Sons of Norway has to offer. Please give me a call for a complimentary review to find out more of what we have to offer. I can be reached by phone or by email.

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Tubfrim Report by Ann Romo

At this point I am not collecting stamps for Tubfrim. I took a couple boxes of stamps to a Mr. Haugen in Burnsville. I talked to him recently, and he said he is no longer collecting boxes of stamps. An organization in Norway had paid for shipping a half truckload of stamps to Norway, but that has stopped. If someone is found to collect and ship them again, I will again collect stamps to send to Norway.

A Norwegian to watch in the Olympics—

Two-time world champion Karsten Warholm broke a 29-year-old world record in the 400 meter hurdles July 1 in the Diamond League meet in Oslo. The 25-year-old Norwegian finished in a 46.70 seconds to break the mark of 46.78 set by American Kevin Young in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. Warholm's previous best was 46.87 in Stockholm last August. —AP News

More Norwegian Olympic news—

Kristian Blummenfelt of Bergen won the gold medal in the Olympic Triathlon in a time of 1 hour, 45 minutes, 4 seconds.

The Norwegian women's beach handball team made the news with their objection to wearing bikini-bottom uniforms.

HOST FAMILY SOUGHT FOR NORWEGIAN EXCHANGE STUDENT

We have received a request from the Marketing and Communications Coordinator of the STS Foundation, Morgan Tondreault, asking for a host family for the coming school year for a Norwegian girl named Filippa. She will be turning 17 soon and loves soccer, skiing, snowboarding, and design. She has taken ten years of English and three years of French, and she has wonderful references from her teachers, who describe her as self-disciplined, having a strong work ethic, and positive.

If you or anyone you know might be interested, the contact information is found below:

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Check us out on Facebook

Lodge event photos, interesting articles, and meeting reminders are on Facebook! Our lodge page is public, which means **you don't have to have a Facebook account** to view our posts. Go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/sonsofnorwaykristiania/>

Weather-related announcements will be communicated through Facebook. —Lisa Fenton, Webmaster

You Have Mail!

Send us an Email!

We would like to update the Lodge Email and telephone contact list. **Please send us an email** at : info@kristiania1-47.org and include your name and phone number. Please tell us if we can send text messages to that number. *Takk!*



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