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COMING KRISTIANIA EVENTS

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

Saturday, Dec. 2	Julefest	12 noon
	Catered lunch, Rochester Flute Ensemble	
Thursday, Dec. 14	Board meeting via ZOOM	6 pm
Sunday, Dec. 24`	<i>Julaften</i> (Christmas Eve)	
Monday, Dec 25	<i>Juledag</i> (Christmas Day)	
Sunday, Dec. 31	<i>Nytårsaften</i> (New Year's Eve)	
Saturday, Jan. 13	Movie "Askeladden" (Popcorn!)	1 pm

God Jul og Godt Nyttår!

Hilsen fra Presidenten

December is here! As I am thankful for this opportunity to be a part of the Sons of Norway lodge, it is so interesting to learn of different ways of celebrating, special holiday dinners, and social events that are yearly favorites.

Our lodge really "shines" when we host an event, and our Craft and Bake Sale was enjoyed by many new and returning visitors. The luncheon was a success again, with a great team that made it look so easy.

Julefest is another event that helps set the mood for the holiday season— a time to relax, enjoy a tasty meal, with some of the best musicians to entertain us.

A "thank-you" for all that you do. Your membership, friendship and talents are greatly appreciated.

Have a blessed holiday season!

—Sharon Kingsley

Kristiania's 2023 contribution to the Festival of Trees: "Nordic Frost"



Planned and decorated by **Renee Thoreson** and **Sue Blood**. Purchased by Daniel and Sheila McNallan, Eyota.

From our Financial Benefits Counselor—

I wish all of you a **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**. I hope Santa is good to you. **Len Carlson**, 651-253-1943. Len.carlson253@gmail.com

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.

Velkommen!

Welcome to two new members of Kristiania, **Charlie** and **Kaye Johnson!** We look forward to your participation in our lodge activities.

Kristiania members volunteer for Salvation Army bell-ringing

A big thank-you to our members who rang bells for Salvation Army on November 18. They raised \$448.92 for Salvation Army programs and services. Thanks to **Bob** and **Kathy Rosedahl, Dave** and **VJ Anderson, Renee Thoreson, Kari Richards, Ed** and **Linda Manthei, Sue Dahl, Marilyn Pewowaruk, Lois Eskelson, Carol Volstad, Doris Sneve, Sue Starkson, and Lisa, Leah** and **Laina Felton.**



Laina, Leah, and Lisa Fenton



Kari Richards and Renee Thoreson

—Carol Rogelstad, Volunteer Coordinator

Til Minne

Maxine Paulson Thoreson (Dec. 13, 1930—Nov. 5, 2023), longtime member, mother of **Renee Thoreson.**

Library News

The Kristiania library will be open during our Julefest dinner. Come check it out and get some good holiday reading. —**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. The deadline for submission is March 31, 2024.

—**Carol Lucido, Scholarship Chair**

Movie: Askeladden and the Hall of the Mountain King



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.

Carroll's Corn will be served!

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.

Bake Sale, Craft Sale and Soup Luncheon Event was a success!



By all definitions, our event was a success! Customers entered the hall in large numbers and patiently waited in line for baked goods and craft items. They also ate an early soup lunch beginning in the 10 o'clock hour.

There were Sons of Norway volunteers everywhere! Some were directing traffic, providing membership information to curious patrons, buttering lefse, refilling the bake sale table, serving soup, totaling and bagging



products. There were Boy Scouts volunteering also— in fact, they had the hall and common areas cleaned up and returned to order within 45 minutes after the sale closed.

Bake sale items and soup and sandwiches were nearly all sold out at around 12:30. Several craft vendors nearly sold out of their product, too.

I'd like to send out a very heartfelt "thank you very much" to everyone who helped with the sale. I also want to give a separate heartfelt "thank you" to all the bakers. I have so much pride when looking at the variety, quantity and exceptional quality of the donated bake sale items. This lodge is thankful and proud of your commitment.

—Lisa Fenton, Chair of Sale

(Photos by Sam Simmons, Lisa Fenton, Ann Romo and VJ Anderson. At least a dozen volunteers were busy working and missed the group picture!)



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 ¼—½ 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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