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Feb. 14—Mother's Day in



Norway

COMING KRISTIANIA EVENTS

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

Feb. 10	Board meeting. Via Zoom	6:00 pm
Feb. 19	Speaker from Norway via Zoom: Dr. Ole O. Moen Register at erling@noramtours.com by Feb. 17. See page 3.	10:00 am
March 10	Board meeting (tentative)	6:00 pm
March 10	Chapter meeting (tentative)	7:00 pm

Plan for Kristiania Meetings

Our board met and made the decision to cancel the January and February meetings. We all felt strongly that this is in our best interest to withhold meetings during this time of swelling Omicron COVID cases. At this time no decision has been made regarding the March meeting. We will discuss and make this decision when the board meets virtually in February.

We feel confident that we made the best decision for January and February. The board is seeking ways to replace canceled activities with safe alternatives. We promoted a Rick Steves webinar sponsored by Vesterheim. Also **Erling Hansen** is planning a special speaker for February using Zoom. Thanks for sticking with us as we keep everyone's best interests in mind.

Kristiania Event Calendar:

For the most up-to-date information on meeting events and cancellations status, you should check these places!

- 1) Our website Kristiania1-47.org Click on the calendar.
- 2) Facebook at our Kristiania page at www.facebook.com/sonsofnorwaykristiania
- 3) Email announcements from the Lodge Secretary, **Kristi Simmons**.

—Lisa Fenton, Social Director



Snowbirds!

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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.

SUMMARY OF KRISTIANIA BOARD MEETING,

January 13, 2022

The Kristiania board met via Zoom on January 13, 2022. The budget for 2022 was adopted. The board moved to cancel the February program with musical ventriloquist Kevin Doely; however, **Lisa Fenton** is working to reschedule both the Pickney family and Mr. Doely at the earliest possible date. The yearbook has been delayed due to continued uncertainty with scheduled events. **Erling Hansen**, Cultural Committee, is pursuing a Zoom presentation by Dr. Ole Moen, Professor Emeritus in American Civilization at the University of Oslo.

The lodge will continue to offer scholarships to 2022 graduating seniors. The board voted in October to raise the amount of the individual college scholarship from \$500 to \$1,000.

The board moved in December to disconnect the lodge internet and will be transferring the lodge telephone number to a more affordable, and more accessible, cell phone option. —**Kristi Simmons**, Secretary

(The official minutes of this meeting are on file with the secretary pending approval at the Feb. 10 board meeting. —Editor)

Charitable Support

Kristiania Lodge 47 contributed \$4,975 to the following organizations in 2021:

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

—**David Anderson**, Treasurer



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

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT —2022



Our lodge will be granting \$1,000 scholarships to students enrolling in a college, university, community college, or technical school for the fall term beginning in September. To be eligible, you must be a graduating high school senior from a public high school in Olmsted County (Dover-Eyota, Chatfield, Stewartville, Byron, Century, Mayo, John Marshall, or ALC) or a son, daughter, grandchild, or great-grandchild of a current Kristiania Lodge member, regardless of the school you attend or the county/state where you live.

The 2022 application form is now available on our website, Kristiania1-47.org.

—**Carol Lucido**, Scholarship Chair

DOES COVID HAVE YOU DOWN? Try learning a new Norwegian skill!

Through the Sons of Norway Cultural Skills Program members can earn medals or pins for learning about different Norwegian cultural skills. This program hopes to encourage active participation in the traditional and contemporary Norwegian-American pursuits, enrich the lives of our members, and provide new reasons for people to join Sons of Norway.

To get started, you can contact **Shelly Hansen**, Cultural Director at 1-715-828-1144 or hansens@uwstout.edu and/or go to the Sons of Norway website and look under Cultural Skills.

Cultural Skills Medals Currently Available

- 1—Traditional Norwegian Cooking
- 2—Reading Norwegian and Norwegian-American Authors
- 3—Collecting Norwegian and North American Stamps
- 4—Norwegian Rosemaling
- 5—Genealogy—Family History
- 6—Hand Knitting
- 7—Norwegian Language and Culture
- 8—Hardanger Embroidery
- 9—Figure Carving
- 10—Weaving
- 11—Ornamental Woodcarving
- 12—Chip Carving
- 13—Folk Dancing
- 14—Music and Musicians of Norway

In each of the 14 categories there are three different levels that can be attained. Please contact me if you're interested! —**Shelly Hansen**, Cultural Director



DR. OLE O. MOEN SPEAKS TO KRISTIANIA LODGE VIA ZOOM FROM NORWAY: Join us for a digital presentation!

We invite everybody to join us on a Zoom meeting on **Saturday, February 19 at 10 a.m. (CST)** for a presentation by Dr. Ole O. Moen. He is a Professor Emeritus and is well known in Norway as an expert on American civilization. He will speak about the impact the United States Constitution had on the founding fathers of Norway when they wrote the Norwegian Constitution in 1814. Many will know that the American Constitution is the oldest in the world that is still the “law of the land.” But it is probably not that well known that the second oldest is the Norwegian Constitution.

In order to join the meeting, please send an email to erling@noramtours.com by Feb. 17, and we will send you a link to the meeting on Feb 18. The lecture will start at 10 a.m., and will last about one hour.

After the lecture it will be possible to ask questions.

— — Erling Hansen, Cultural Director



Dr. Ole O. Moen was professor of American Civilization at the University of Oslo, 1979-2010. He holds a Ph.D. in American Studies from the University of Minnesota. He has held leadership positions in several academic associa-

tions dealing with Norwegian-American studies.

Dr. Moen has been a visiting professor at several American universities, has had two Fulbright Fellowships, and has served as an advisor to universities in Beirut, Lebanon, and Belgrade, Serbia. His main field is American Constitutional History, the US Supreme court in particular. He has written a number of articles for international journals, and among his academic books is *Race, Color, and Partial Blindness: Affirmative Action under the Law* (2001), which has been used as a textbook at several European universities. In retirement he has written several books on American culture and politics in Norwegian for the general Norwegian reader.

For more than 30 years he has been the most frequently-used academic commentator on American affairs on Norwegian radio and television and newspapers. In 2010 he was awarded the Royal Medal of Merit, First Class, for his public service. He was also elected to the American merit organization Phi Kappa Phi. Trained as a NATO fighter pilot, Dr. Moen has also been an authorized flying and skiing instructor and a recipient of the Award for Safe Flying by the Aero Club of Norway. He is also a former university soccer champion at the University of Trondheim.

Lodge's Liability Insurance

Kristiania lodge is covered by a liability insurance policy from Aon Risk Services Central through Sons of Norway International.

STRIKKEKOS: The Cozy Norwegian Mitten Knitting Showcase

Exhibit open until February 20 at

NORWAY HOUSE, 913 E. Franklin, Minneapolis

FROM OUR FINANCIAL BENEFITS COUNSELOR

Guaranteed Issue Life Insurance is fast, easy, and affordable. Sons of Norway offers a life insurance policy that is permanent and guaranteed. I know it is important to you that the coverage is in place. With this coverage you are guaranteed to be accepted; you don't need to wait to hear back about acceptance. I can also help you determine how much coverage is best for you and help you select your beneficiaries.

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This coverage is available to ages 0 to 85. Coverage amounts are between \$5,000 and \$25,000.

Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions

— Len Carlson, 1-651-253-2943,

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Send us an Email!







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