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Kristiania Lodge 1-047



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## COMING KRISTIANIA EVENTS

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

Oct. 9	Leif Erikson Day	
Oct. 13	Board meeting, Boardroom	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 13	Chapter meeting. Speaker: Glen Borreson "Lindesfarne 9/11 Moment: 793 Viking Attack That Changed the World" (See p. 2)	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 12	<b>Bake/Craft Sale and Soup Luncheon</b>	10 a.m– 1:00 p.m.
Dec. 3	<b>Julefest.</b> Catered Meal. Hardanger Fiddle Group. Dessert smorgasbord.	12:00—2:00 p.m.

CRAFT AND  
BAKE SALE &  
SOUP AND  
SANDWICH  
LUNCHEON  
are back!

Nov. 12, 10-1

Mark your  
calendar!

Start baking!

Prepare to vol-  
unteer! (p.3)



## **HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN, Erica Ward**

I have some wonderful news. We have had two members volunteer for board positions. **Susan Blood** has agreed to be the Social Director, and **Lisa Fenton** will become our Cultural Director. **Betty Danielson** has volunteered and will serve as our Foundation Director. I am grateful for our new board members as well as for our board members who will continue to serve.

We are still looking for volunteers to serve as the Vice-President, Librarian, Sports Director, and Youth Director. Please let me or any of the other board members know if you are willing to volunteer for one of these positions.

September's chapter meeting was a good time for fellowship and an interesting program on Scandinavian altar art. We were able to enjoy the time visiting, hearing about lodge news, and learning about the history of altar art that we see in many Lutheran churches, particularly in the Midwest. I hope to see you at our next event.

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.

## KRISTIANIA CHAPTER MEETING—Sept. 8, 2022

### Minutes

Kristiania Lodge gathered in the fellowship hall of Our Savior's with **Erica Ward** presiding. **Betty Danielson** played piano for the three national anthems, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Tonight's treats were provided by **Marilyn Pewowaruk, Judy Stevens, and Ed and Gloria Rosencrants**.

Erica thanked the members who have stepped forward to fill positions on the board: **Susan Blood** will take on the job of Social Director; **Lisa Fenton** will move to Cultural Director; and **Betty Danielson** has accepted the job of Foundation Director. Positions that remain open are:

- Vice President
- Publicity / Marketing
- Sports
- Youth
- Librarian.

**Lisa Fenton** invited members to a showing of the movie "The Lutefisk Wars" on Saturday, September 24. The program will start at 6:00 p.m.; popcorn will be provided.

The Bake and Craft Sale will return on Saturday, Nov. 12, starting at 10:00 a.m. This undertaking will require all the member help and support we can get; please start baking now! Please also consider helping in person; there are many jobs to fill but much camaraderie to enjoy.

Julefest will take place on December 3 at Our Savior's. Lisa has booked a trio of Hardanger fiddlers for entertainment.

Monica VanKirk encouraged members to bring aluminum tabs to future chapter meetings, where she will collect them.

Lisa introduced the evening's speaker, Dr. Kristin Anderson. Kristin is Professor of Art History at Augsburg University in Minneapolis and has a particular interest in Scandinavian immigrant folk art and the altar paintings tradition of the Norwegian-Americans. Tonight's talk focused on the life and work of Herbjørn Gausta. Born in Telemark, Norway, Herbjørn Gausta came with his family as a young man to southeastern Minnesota. His talent for art became clear while studying at Luther College in Decorah, IA, and local benefactors helped make it possible for him to study in Oslo and Munich. Back in the United States, Gausta became a successful artist, completing more than 400 altar paintings during his lifetime.

Respectfully submitted, **Kristi Simmons**

*Til Minne*

**Roger E. Olson**, Golden Member  
(April 16, 1934--September 8, 2022)

### Program on Vikings scheduled for October 13

Glen Borreson will speak on "The Lindisfarne 9/11 Moment: a 793 Viking Attack That Changed the World."

Do you remember where you were on 9/11? Some dates are forever fixed in the memory. Such was the day the Northmen (Vikings) violently attacked a Christian monastery off the northeast coast of England. This program explores the impact of that attack and the reasons it was a world-changer, both for the Vikings themselves and for the people and place they plundered and beyond.

### TUSEN TAKK....

To the good Norwegian gnomes who did their magic baking tricks and provided the delicious treats at the September 8 chapter meeting! Those gnomes are: **Gloria and Ed Rosencrants, Judy Stevens, and Marilyn Pewowaruk**. Another *Tusen Takk* to **Sharon Kingsley and Lucy Phelps**, who volunteered to be the October gnomes. If you would be willing to be a "baking gnome" in the future, please call me. Thanks!

—**Kathy Rosedahl**, Hospitality Director  
507-289-8621



POP TABS will be collected again.

Kristiania Lodge will once again collect aluminum can tabs for our local Ronald McDonald House. A collection box will be available at each lodge meeting. Look for the box at the October gathering. —**Monica Van Kirk**

## Christmas is coming!



Christmas is right around the corner, and that means it's time for Salvation Army Bell-Ringing. The date we have scheduled is Thursday, November 17, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. We will be located at the JC Penney's north door (inside the north entry). It's best to have two people for each 1-hour shift. The sign-up sheet will be at the October and November meetings. If you have any questions, please email me. Thank you for considering this opportunity to help Salvation Army.

—Carol Rogelstad, Volunteer Coordinator

### From our Financial Benefits Counselor

Christmas in October!! What am I thinking? I am thinking of a Christmas gift of life insurance for your grandchild or great-grandchild. I know, it's not a flashy gift like an I-phone, but it's a gift for them to remember Grandma and Grandpa. It's called the Viking Voyager. Here are the particulars:

Issue ages: 0-17

Face amounts of \$10,000, \$15,000 \$25,000

Mode of payment: Annual or single pay

Conversion options: This starts as term insurance and can be converted up to 3 times the face amount, thus protecting their insurability if they were to have medical issues later on in life.

Sample single pay rate for \$25,000:

Age 0—\$504

Age 5—\$477

Age 10-\$475

These are a single, one-time premium that covers them until age 26. Please contact me for more information.

**Len Carlson** 651-253-1943 len.carlson253@gmail.com

## BAKE/CRAFT SALE and SOUP/ SANDWICH LUNCHEON

November 12 10 am — 1 pm

- ◆ Mark your calendars for one of our biggest events of the year! The event brings many people to us and is an opportunity to welcome new members.
- ◆ Please help by baking your favorite specialty Norwegian treats to sell at the bake sale.
- ◆ We need a few volunteers to help with tasks on the day before and on the day of the bake sale.
- ◆ The soup / sandwich luncheon will be back this year selling soup, sandwiches, bars and *lefse kling*.
- ◆ We have a few spaces left for the craft sale. If you know of anyone interested, please contact **Betty Ronningen** by email at ronningenb@charter.net or call 507-254-3717

We are so thankful for your help and couldn't do it without you!

— Lisa Fenton

*Kristiania will  
participate in the  
Festival of Trees again*



Our theme is "Nordic Sweet Treats." This year the Festival of Trees will be held November 22, 25, and 26 at a new location: downtown at the Hilton (the corner building where Pittsburg Blue restaurant is located). Stay tuned for more info!

—Renee Thoreson

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