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KRISTIANIA OCTOBER and NOVEMBER 2019 EVENTS

(All events are held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 2124 Viola Road NE, unless otherwise indicated.)

Oct. 9	Leif Erikson Day	
Oct. 10	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 10	Chapter meeting. Speaker: Laurann Gilbertson, Vesterheim. "Norwegian	7:00 p.m.
	Folk Costumes: A Living Tradition"	
Oct. 15	Library Committee (note: this is a Tuesday meeting)	1:00-3:00 p.m.
Oct. 24	Sandbakkel baking event. Our Savior's Church kitchen	1:00-3:30 p.m.
Oct 26	Membership Night. Bring appetizers, finger food, ethnic food, desserts, et	с.
	Invite prospective members!	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 9	Bake and Craft Sale. Soup and sandwich lunch available. Details, p. 3.	10 a.m1 p.m.
Nov. 14	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 14	Chapter meeting. Speaker: Marilyn McGriff. "Swedish Nyckelharpa and	7:00 p.m.
	Comedy"	
Nov. 21	Library Committee	1:00-3:00 p.m.
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day	

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Now is the time. The start of our great get-together produced visiting with laughter, smiles, and good times. We should share these great moments we have with new friends. October 26 would be the special time to invite friends, relatives, or someone you just know to the New Membership Night. It is the responsibility of all of us to try to build up our membership to maintain the great organization far into the future. So please bring people to visit our chapter.

Byron Stadsvold, President

October 10 Program: Norwegian Folk Costumes: A Living Tradition

Norway's tradition of colorful folk costumes is as old as the Middle Ages and as young as the 1940s. Learn about the history of costumes from Hardanger, Telemark, Hallingdal, and many other regions of Norway. The forces of politics, fashion, and imagination have left their mark on this important part of Norwegian and Norwegian-American folk culture. Speaker Laurann Gilbertson is Chief Curator at Vesterheim Museum in Decorah.—Erica Ward, Social Director

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.

New Norwegian Language Classes Offered

Beginning Norwegian for youth and adults (\$100)

8 weeks starting Oct. 15 . Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Registration/payment due by Tuesday, Oct. 8,

Intermediate/Advanced Norwegian (\$100)

8 weeks beginning Oct 15. Tuesdays 7:30-9:00 pm. Registration due by Tuesday, Oct. 8.

Children's Beginning Norwegian (\$50)

4 weekly sessions beginning Saturday, Oct. 12 Saturdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Preferred ages: 3 and up.

Norwegian Language for Youth (\$50)

4 weekly sessions beginning Saturday, Oct. 12. Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. . Preferred ages: 10 and up. Contact Hanne at hannelucier@gmail.com

Kristiania members receive a 20% refund from the class fee, when the class is completed. This does not include book fees.

Tusen takk! For the chapter meeting on Thursday,

September 12, the Autumn *Nisser* **Bob** and **Betty Ronningen**, **Ed** and **Linda Manthei**, and **Violet Helland**, were very busy preparing and serving the food all Norwegians enjoy: open face sandwiches and sweet treats. The fruit of their labor was fabulous and very much appreciated.—**Kathy Rosedahl**, Hospitality Director

Kultur—Sandbakkel baking We will have a sandbakkel baking class on Thursday, Oct. 24 from 1-3:30 pm in Our Savior's Church kitchen. The ingredients will be provided. Bring sandbakkel tins, if you have them. No need to register—just come and enjoy! The sandbakkels will be saved to sell at our Craft and Bake Sale November 9.

Library Committee The Library Committee will meet Tuesday, Oct. 15, 1-3 pm. Any members interested in Norwegian literature are welcome to join us. We meet at Our Savior's Church in our SON board room.

—Judy Davis. Cultural Director

Library Committee Change

The SON Library Committee will be changing the day of the week for meeting. They will next meet on TUES-DAY, Oct. 15, 1-3 p.m. We will soon complete the library reorganization! We are planning a library open house for members to see if there is interest in a SON Book Club. —Sarabeth Watson, Librarian

Minutes of Kristiania Chapter Meeting, September 12, 2019

Byron Stadsvold welcomed those in attendance to an evening of fellowship. **Beth Haaland** played piano for the three national anthems, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were many guests in attendance—more than this note taker could record. Thank you!

Announcements

The program committee will hold their first meeting of the fall on September 17, and **Erica Ward** invited anyone who might like to participate in future meetings to contact her. Signup sheets were passed to solicit ideas for social programming and also for volunteers to set up the hall before Sons of Norway events. Erica encouraged members to invite families and children to the potluck on September 28, which will include popcorn and a showing of the movie "Magic Silver." Finally, persons interested in filling the Vice-President role in 2020 are encouraged to talk to **Erica, Byron**, or other members of the board.

Kathy Rosedahl introduced tonight's servers. **Judy Davis** announced that the library committee will be meeting on the 3rd Thursday of September, October, and November, and that Norwegian language classes will again be offered. More information can be found in the September *Posten* or in the left-hand column.

Bob Rosedahl reminded the group about Membership Night on October 26. Members are asked to bring two things: appetizers (Norwegian style if possible) and friends and acquaintances who might enjoy the fellowship and cultural programming the rest of us enjoy at our lodge meetings.



Dr Beverly Nagel, photo: B. Dahl

Tonight's program, titled "Courtship and Marriage Customs in 1850's Norway," was presented by Dr. Beverly Nagel, Dean of Carleton College and also Professor of Sociology. While the focus of her academic work is primarily in South America, her Norwegian heritage piqued her interest in historical social customs of Norway. Her talk was based on the research of Eilert Sundt, Norway's first sociologist, and his examination of the high rate of births outside of marriage in rural areas and its con-

tribution to poverty in 19th century Norway. — Respectfully submitted, **Kristi Simmons**, Secretary

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INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL BENEFITS COUNSELOR—Our new Financial Benefits Counselor with Sons of Norway will be announced in the near future.

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Craft & Bake Sale and Soup & Sandwich Luncheon

Saturday, November 9

10 a.m.—1 p.m.

Kringla Rosettes Krumkake Lefse Flatbread Sandbakkels Spritz Almond Cake Fancy Cookies



Soon you will receive a call requesting **baked goods**. Please respond to this call and bake some of those Norwegian delicacies. Bring your goodies to Our Savior's Friday, Nov. 8, from 4-6 p.m. or Saturday, Nov. 9 from 8-10 a.m. No early sales permitted.

Packaging tips: Pack your treats in <u>clear</u> containers, or on plates covered with <u>plain</u> Saran wrap or baggies. <u>Please</u> package them in ½ dozen or 1 dozen amounts for ease in pricing. No uneven numbers! **Baked goods** are preferred rather than donations. There is a strong demand for them!

Membership Night at Kristiania

Every year we set aside one meeting to let non-members know about us and to give them an opportunity to join Sons of Norway. That event is fast approaching and will be here on Saturday, October 26. The time is here to start preparing for the event. The format will be different this year: the demonstration night is gone from the plan, but the success of the event will depend on YOU, our members. There are three things you need to do to make it a success. Number 1: you all need to attend. Number 2: you need to bring prospective members as your quests. Number 3: you still need to bring a treat to serve to show our culinary skills. Please begin planning.

—Bob Rosedahl, Trustee

SONS OF NORWAY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS



The Foundation awards 35 scholarships each year. Five applications are due Jan. 15. The scholarships in this category are for travel or studies in Norway. Two are for adults over the age of 40. These are Helen Tronvold scholarships.

Six applications in other categories are due March 1. Please check the website for the requirements for each scholarship. Www.sofn.com/foundation/scholarships/

—Jan Heusinkveld, Foundation Director

Kristiania's Campers



Dahlia and Otto Ward and Erik Fenton attended

Masse Morro Camp in Eau Claire, WI in July. They received Kristiania Lodge scholarship support. The camp is managed by District Five of Sons of Norway. The camp focuses on instruction in Norwegian language, culture, and leisure activities. The camp is well-regarded, and the young people approve!

-Lisa Fenton



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