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KRISTIANIA SEPTEMBER 2019 EVENTS

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

Sept. 12	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 12	Chapter meeting. Speaker: Dr. Beverly Nagel. "Courtship and Marriage Customs in 1850's Norway"	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 19	Library Committee	1:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Potluck. Bring your own tableware and a dish to share. Family-friendly movie viewing: "Magic Silver"	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 10	Board meeting	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 10	Chapter meeting. Speaker: Laurann Gilbertson , Vesterheim. "Norwegian Folk Costumes: A Living Tradition"	7:00 p.m.
Oct 26	Demonstration/Membership Night. Bring appetizers. Invite prospective members.	6:00 p.m.

HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN

Labor Day is upon us, and that means the new start of our friendships and great programs in a Norwegian setting. We also have to start thinking about attending the District 1 convention next summer. If you have an interest or know someone who would be a good delegate, please let me or a board member know. Next year's programs are going to be planned very soon, so if you have some suggestions, let **Erica Ward** or me know. I feel that if some of these things get planned early, our life becomes easier this fall. The most important thing is to come and have a good time enjoying each other.

—**Byron Stadvold**, President

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. Minimum of 8 participants needed to hold class. Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

For those brand new to the language or for those who wish for a review. We will focus on basic sentence structure, build vocabulary, and learn important words and phrases. Registration/payment due by Tuesday, Oct. 8, as books need to be ordered. Please contact Hanne at hannelucier@gmail.com with any questions.

Intermediate/Advanced Norwegian (\$100)

8 weeks beginning Oct 15. Minimum of 8 students needed to hold class. Tuesdays 7:30-9:00 pm.

For those who feel comfortable speaking Norwegian and want to delve deeper into the structure and idiomatic expressions. Heavy focus on speaking the language and building vocabulary further through conversations and a larger special interest project. Registration due by Tuesday, Oct. 8. Contact Hanne (see above).

Children's Beginning Norwegian (\$50)

4 weekly sessions beginning Saturday, Oct. 12. Minimum of 8 students needed for class. Saturdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

We will practice basic Norwegian language for children—colors, songs, food, pets, and other words that will allow your child to leave the class with experience and knowledge. No previous experience needed. Preferred ages: 3 and up. Contact Hanne.

Norwegian Language for Youth (\$50)

4 weekly sessions beginning Saturday, Oct. 12. Minimum of 8 students needed for the class. Saturdays, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

For youth who wish to learn to speak, read, and understand Norwegian. No previous experience is needed. We will be working from a workbook provided by the teacher. We will learn basic introductions, common phrases, numbers, and alphabet. Preferred ages: 10 and up. Contact Hanne.

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

New in the Kristiania Library—

Return to the Future by Sigrid Undset, winner of the 1928 Nobel Prize for Literature.



This book, based on Sigrid Undset's journals and translated from Norwegian, records Sigrid's flight to freedom from Norway, through Sweden, Russia, and Japan to the United States at the beginning of World War II. Her writings reflect what the history books don't tell us about the average Norwegian citizens' reactions to the beginning of Hitler's advances. I was surprised and impressed by her

insights into the thoughts, feelings, and actions of the Norwegians as the Germans threatened, bombed, and then occupied their country. Her observations about the political and personal relationships between Norway, Sweden, Finland, England, and Germany historically and at the time of her writing surprised me. Her descriptions of Russia and Japan at the time are fascinating. If you like history, travel, and Norwegian culture, I'm sure you will find her observations interesting and easy reading in this book.

—**Sarabeth Watson**, Librarian

Kultur —Judy Davis, Cultural Director

The library committee will resume meeting monthly, each third Thursday from 1-3 p.m. in our board room. The next meeting is September 19, and we welcome anyone interested in Norwegian literature to attend. Also feel free to stop to check out books while you are at other Sons of Norway events.

Stay tuned for a Norwegian baking event this fall!

Note from our Hospitality Director:

It's lunch time again!! September means chapter meetings begin again. Time for awesome programs, wonderful lunches, and great fellowship. These events happen most months from September through June. If you have never helped as a lunch host or hostess, or if you haven't had an opportunity to participate for a while, call 289-8621, and the Lunch Lady can assist you. So many willing hands have made the lunch fellowship happen for lots of years. We need you! *Tusen Takk* from The LUNCH LADY, **Kathy Rosedahl**

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

September Program Notes

September 12—“Courtship and Marriage Customs in 1850’s Norway”



In the mid-1800’s clergymen and other leaders in Norway raised concerns about immorality in sexual customs among the rural population. Their concerns focused especially on the custom of “night courtship” common in some rural areas, and on the high number of births outside of marriage. This presentation looks at these patterns, their social and cultural context, and the ways in which immigration and social change affected these practices in Norway and the US.

Dr. Beverly Nagel is Dean of the College and Professor of Sociology at Carleton College in Northfield, MN. She is a native of Montevideo, MN, with family roots in Telemark, Sigdal, and several other areas of Norway.

September 28— Potluck at 6:00 p.m. Join us for a potluck followed by a family-friendly movie screening and Carroll’s popcorn! All ages invited! If you want to cheer your favorite gnomes, bring your blue or red gnome hat.

“**Magic Silver**” Princes Fjellrose has never been outside the safe mountain, until her father is sick and dying. Only humans down in the valley can save him. She goes on a dangerous journey and puts their world in danger in spite of her good intentions.

“**Magic Silver**” (Norwegian: *Julenatt in Blåfjell*, “Christmas Night on Blue Mountain”) is a Norwegian Christmas film from 2009, directed by Katarina Launing and Roar Uthaug. The film is based on the television series *Jul i Blåfjell* (“Christmas on Blue Mountain”) and *Jul på Månetoppen* (“Christmas on Moon Peak”), but the film is set 100 years before this and portrays the first dramatic encounter between the red gnomes and the blue gnomes, as well as the pursuit of the magical blue silver.

Seating available, but if you’d prefer to sit on the floor, feel free to bring blankets.

—Erica Ward, Social Director



Explore Your Heritage

Are you curious about the unique story of your family? Then get inspiration to begin exploring using our newly updated guide, ***Genealogy Tips and Hints*** — ***Connecting with your family history***. This handy 10-page introduction will help you get your research off to a quick start with information about Norwegian names and places. Exclusively for Sons of Norway members, you’ll find the guide online at www.sofn.com in the Member Resources area under genealogy.



Norway House features Bundt Cake Exhibit

Norway House Exhibit, Sept. 14– Nov. 3

“Nordic Ware: The Art and Science of the Bundt Cake”

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