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As I write this article most of Rochester's students are back to school either with a hybrid or full distance-learning version. This school year will be very different for students and parents. I hope that you and your families are doing well during this unusual time and are staying safe.

Recently, our lodge board was able to meet in Soldiers Field park. The outside location was very different from our normal boardroom but it was a very welcome meeting. We were able to enjoy the outdoors as well as visiting. The meeting gave us the opportunity to discuss how things have been going for the lodge this year, like the *Postens* and this year's scholarship program. Thankfully, this year's Scholarship Committee was able to meet virtually under the guidance of Scholarship Director **Curt**Mortenson. And Editor **VJ Anderson** has kept the *Posten* going, first with electronic versions and recently starting the paper versions up again.

As we start the planning for the rest of the year, we look forward to getting together soon (fingers crossed). Until then, we will look forward to a lefse giveaway (see article in *Posten*) for the members in place of the bake sale, which has been cancelled. We will have information forthcoming regarding the plans for the Julefest.

Until our next meeting, I hope you are able to connect with others online, through email, on the phone, or while remaining safe and socially distant.

If you know someone from the lodge who is not receiving the *Posten* by email or paper, please let them know about the option. They can join the mailing list either through the option on our website, www.kristiania1-47.org or by emailing our Social Director **Lisa Fenton** at list-enton789@gmail.com. Please let any of the board members know if you would like to join the board or volunteer to help out.

—**Erica Ward**, President

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KRISTIANIA BOARD MEETING IN PARK

The Kristiania board met on Thursday, August 27 in Soldiers Field Park to catch up on lodge business and to plan for the remainder of 2020.

It was decided to cancel all events through the end of November, with the exception of the Lefse Giveaway to be held in place of the Bake and Craft Sale. *Please see Lisa Fenton's article (page 2) for details*. Later this fall the board will assess the feasibility of hosting Julefest. Many of the speakers who were not able to entertain us this year have expressed interest in rebooking for 2021, and the board remains optimistic that we will be able to enjoy the presentations in the coming year.

Members may have noticed the insert in the August *Posten* listing our 2020 scholarship winners. **Curt Mortenson** graciously agreed to help chair the Scholarship Committee during the most stressful time in recent memory. Curt collected applications and modified the selection process to make it function during the time of lockdown and great uncertainty. He also wrote all the student biographies for the insert. The board wishes to express its gratitude to Curt for his amazing effort. We hope the process can return to a more normal schedule next year, and that Curt is willing to continue his role on the Scholarship Committee. —**Kristi Simmons**, Secretary



Trustee **Bob** and Hospitality Director **Kathy Rosedahl**leave the meeting in the park in their 1960

Chevy Impala, which was restored by Bob.

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 Member Appreciation Day!

We appreciate you and miss our social meetings! To demonstrate how we feel, we will give you lefse!

Please come to Our Savior's Church for curbside lefse delivery on Nov. 14 from 10 am—2 pm. Two packages of lefse will be distributed to each member household.

If you are unable to drive to the pick-up, we can deliver it to you. Please call **Lisa Fenton** to be placed on the delivery list, #507-202-1811.

We will provide the lefse, but the butter and sugar are up to you! Lisa Fenton, Social Director

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Kristiania's Cultural Director, **Judy Davis**, shares her rosemaling talents with us:

My style of rosemaling is Rogaland, which is the area in southwestern Norway, form which my maternal great-grandparents immigrated. I began ro-

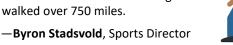
semaling classes in 1988 living in Wisconsin, while being off work due to being treated for cancer and in grief due to my older brother's death. It gave me great enjoyment in a time of exceptional stress. My teacher attended my church and had trained in Madison, WI and Decorah, IA with well-known artists such as Gary Albrecht and Ruth Green. I started with oil paints and have eventually transferred to acrylic paints. In retirement from a counseling career now, I am enjoying my talents in art, music, baking, and volunteer work with special projects. I feel blessed and grateful. I love my Norwegian heritage! Judy Davis

In-Person Meetings Remain on Hold

Our meetings will remain on hold through November because of the pandemic. The Bake and Craft Sale in November has also been cancelled. In the fall the board will address the feasibility of December and early 2021 events.—**Lisa Fenton**, Social Director

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Through the pandemic **Carol Rogelstad** completed requirements for the Silver, Gold, and Enamel Medals for walking. Carol walked over 750 miles.



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From our Financial Benefits Counselor, Len Carlson

I know it's still summer, but we all know what's coming—fall, winter, and the holiday season. For you grandparents reading this, I encourage you to start your Christmas shopping for your grandchildren early. What better gift than a life insurance policy for them, a gift they will remember for a long time that came from Grandma and Grandpa. One popular product is called the Viking Voyager; it's a single premium, and provides coverage until the grandchild is age 26. You can purchase a \$10,000, \$15,000, or \$25,000 policy. For example, for a child age 0, you can purchase a \$25,000 policy for \$504. A ONE-TIME payment! That's it! For a 5-year-old it's a ONE-TIME payment of \$471!

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We have it all. Don't be bashful—feel free to contact me to discuss how Sons of Norway's plans can fit into your financial goals.

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Please continue to watch for updates in lodge emails, on the website (www.kristiania1-47.org), or on the Facebook page (@sonsofnorwaykristiania). If you know fellow members who do not have access to electronic media, please pass information to them by phone. You may phone any of the lodge officers if you have questions. Their contact information can be found on pages 3-5 of your 2020 Kristiania yearbook.

Norwegian Culture Quiz

How much do you know about the culture of Norway? There is Nor-way you won't enjoy this quiz.

- 1. Which famous Norwegian work of art is known locally as "Skrik?"
 - "Interior" by Kitty Lange Kielland "Leif Eriksson Discovers America" by Christian Krohg
 - "Self Portrait" by Harald Sohlberg "The Scream" by Edvard Munch
- "In the Hall of the Mountain King" is a piece of music written by famous Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg for which Henrik Ibsen play?
 - Peer Gynt Ghosts Hedda Gabler A Doll's House
- 3. Gravlax or gravlaks is a traditional Norwegian dish made from what kind of fish?
 - Arctic char Cod Salmon Shark
- Which form of traditional Norwegian art gets its name from the Norwegian word for decorative painting? Lusekofte Selburose Rosemaling Lopapevsa
- Norwegian journalist Asne Seierstad is known internationally for her books on what subject?
 - Women's reproductive rights Criminal iustice Life in war zones Climate change
- Ole Einar-Bjorndalen, Emil Hegle Svendssen, Tora Berger and Tiril Eckhoff were the first ever Olympic gold medalists in which discipline that had its debut at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia?
- Team ski jumping Mixed relay biathlon Dog sledding
- 7. What claim to fame belongs to Tancred Ibsen, the grandson of playwright Henrik Ibsen?
 - He was an accomplished concert pianist. He directed Norway's first feature length film.
 - He was a playwright like his grandfather. He was the world's first male model.
- 8. On June 23 Norwegians celebrate a holiday called *Jonsok*, which is called what in the English-speaking world?
 - Flag Day Easter Midsummer Independence Day
- 9. Which controversial activity is still practiced in some parts of Norway despite global efforts to stop the practice?
 - Foot binding Self-immolation Wearing neck rings Whaling
- 10. Which Norwegian painter is known as the father of landscape painting?
 - August Cappelen C.W. Eckersberg J.C. Dahl Hans Gude
 - -www.funtrivia.com/playquiz

(Submitted by Judy Davis)

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TUBFRIM Stamps

A reminder to all to cut off your used postage stamps to send to Norway for the TUBFRIM program. Leave a ¼ to ½ inch border around all sides. Please bring to a chapter meeting to deposit in our TUBFRIM container. The stamps are sold (to collectors), and the profits are used to help children and youth with disabilities, and children and youth with handicaps, in Norway and to finance the efforts to eradicate tuberculosis. —-Ann Romo, Volunteer for TUBFRIM

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/sonsofnorwavkristiania/

Weather-related announcements will be communicated -Lisa Fenton, Webmaster through Facebook.

You Have Mail!

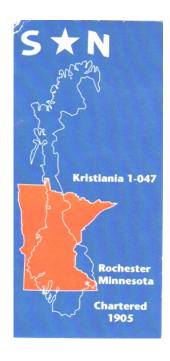
Send us an Email!

We would like to update the Lodge Email and telephone contact list. Please send us an email at

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