



Kristiania Lodge 1-047



KRISTIANIA *POSTEN*

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COMING KRISTIANIA EVENTS

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

Thursday, August 14	Board meeting.	5:00 pm
	Lodge Meeting. Program: Dr. Lawrence Moe	6:30 pm
	New Land, New Life: 1825-2025 (See below.)	
Thursday, September 11	Board meeting	5:00 pm
	Lodge Meeting. Program: SON Chief	6:30 pm
	Executive Officer Daniel Seyfried	



Commemorate the Bicentennial of Norwegian Migration to America! August 14, 6:30 pm

A new presentation by **Lawrence Moe, PhD**, Professor of English Emeritus, Metropolitan State U, St. Paul.

In this special presentation, Dr. Moe will first overview the remarkably rich history of our migration during these two centuries, giving special attention to the reasons so many Norwegians left their beautiful homeland for America, and then present and discuss a fascinating range of perspectives on our continuing efforts to preserve and appreciate Norwegian culture here in the United States.

Let's have good attendance for this important program and excellent speaker!

The mission of Sons of Norway is to provide quality insurance and financial products to our members, promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, and celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries. (Updated mission statement, 2025).

Hilsen fra Presidenten

Summertime! I hope you have been enjoying the warm weather with friends and family. After coming back to Rochester after a family vacation in England, I was reminded just how beautiful this area is in the summer. Trees, flowers, crops! So much to enjoy. Even so, fall will be arriving, and we have many wonderful activities planned at our lodge. Our August program promises to be very special. Hope to see you there!

--Carol Lucido, President

KRISTIANIA Officer News

We are continuing to recruit a secretary for our lodge. The duties are to record, read, and distribute minutes of our board meetings as well as conduct lodge correspondence. The lodge will pay a bonus, a one-year membership renewal. Please volunteer! Talk to a current board member.

From our Hospitality Director

Summer is flying by fast! Sons of Norway didn't meet in July, but on August 14th we will resume our regular monthly lodge meetings with a great speaker and fellowship time with coffee and treats. *Tusen Takk* to our *nisser* who kindly volunteered to serve treats: **Lisa Fenton, Sharon Kingsley, and Lucy Phelps** will furnish and host. Fellowship wouldn't happen without gracious *nisser*. Please consider volunteering. We need 3 volunteers in September and again in October. Remember, sweet treats, cheese & crackers, etc. are welcome! Contact **Kathy Rosedahl** at 507-289-8621.

Til Minne

Carol D. Vigeland (Feb. 17, 1938-June 12, 2025), spouse of **Dean Vigeland**

Evelyn D.. Oftedahl (March 17, 1933-June 21, 2025), member since 1975, Golden Member.

Edward W. Rosencrants (May 8, 1930—July 9, 2025, member since 2007.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Did you know that you (yes, you!) can apply for a scholarship to take a class at Vesterheim or another folk art school, or even a Concordia Nordic language camp? While youth scholarships are still a primary goal of Sons of Norway, District 1 is now offering adult scholarships for the study of Norwegian (and other Nordic countries) language, culture, and heritage for members of our district who are age 18 or older.

Applications will be accepted between August 1 and September 30, 2025, and more information is available on the District 1 website. Follow these steps:

- www.SofN-1.org
- District Scholarship Forms (lower right)
- New: Adult Scholarship Application
- Click on link ending in pdf.

—**Betty Danielson**, Foundation Director
and Zone 5 Director

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NOTE—Please notify **Kristi Simmons** (ssimmons10@aol.com) or **Lisa Fenton** (lj.fenton789@gmail.com) if you know of a Kristiania member who should receive a get-well or sympathy card with greetings from the lodge.



Social Event: Bingo and Ice Cream! June 12, 2025

Left: **Dave Richards** proudly wears his bingo prize stocking cap.

Right: There were lots of good prizes to choose from



Librarian **Sharon Barsness** led a tour of the Kristiania library during a bingo break. L to R: **Sharon Barsness, Lois Eskelson, Betty Ronningen, Ed Manthei, Susan Starkson, Lori Conklin, Kaye and Charlie Johnson.**

From our Financial Benefits Counselor, Len Carlson

Investing in peace of mind.

Why should I consider Sons of Norway life insurance and annuity products as part of my overall portfolio of retirement assets? If you are a risk-averse investor and don't like the ups and downs of the stock market, consider following those investors who prioritize capital preservation to prevent loss in your portfolio. Tax-deferred investments offer several advantages for long-term financial growth, such as the following:

- Tax-deferred growth
- Protection from market risk
- Guaranteed interest rate
- Access to free withdrawals

As you consider your options when investing your hard-earned money as a risk-averse investor, examine how Sons of Norway's tax-deferred products (fixed annuities and cash value life insurance) may work within your overall portfolio.

Please contact me for information about Sons of Norway's annuity products. We are currently paying 5% in the first year on our Flexible Premium Deferred Annuity product

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Pop Tabs—

Kristiania lodge will continue to collect aluminum can tabs for our local Ronald McDonald House. A marked collection box will be available at each lodge meeting on the table located on the side wall.—**Monica VanKirk**

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