



# Sons of Norway

Kristiania Lodge #1-47, Rochester, MN

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## AUGUST 2013

### AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER EVENTS

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

August 8	Picnic meeting at Oxbox Park and Zoo picnic area at 3 <sup>rd</sup> bridge Bring a dish to pass and your own dishes and tableware.	6:00 p.m.
August 17	District 1 Uff Da Golf Event, Eastwood Golf Course, Rochester Details below.	8:30 a.m.
Sept. 12	Board meeting	6:00 p.,m.
Sept. 12	Lodge meeting      Speaker: Kari Tauring Participant in the Norwegian reality show “Alt for Norge”	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Potluck      Speaker: Randy Chapman Publisher of the <i>Post-Bulletin</i>	6:00 p.m.

### **HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN** (Greetings from the President)

Are you ready for another good year of fellowship and interesting programs? We start with the August picnic at Oxbox Park at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bridge Picnic Shelter. A number of our members took some very interesting trips this summer, so you will be able to have some good visits. We will try real hard to do some “Norwegian good weather dances” for the occasion, and I would like to take you on a tour of the new Oxbox Park “Cat House.” Please feel free to invite a non-member friend to join in the fellowship, both for the picnic and for other meetings. The fall programs look very interesting.

*Ha det bra, Byron*



### District 1 UFF DA GOLF EVENT

Saturday, August 17      Eastwood Golf Course, Rochester

Registration: 8 a.m.      Tee times start at 8:30.

18 holes, cart and lunch, \$46; 9 holes, cart and lunch, \$36; lunch only, \$10.50. Prices do not include beverage. Send list of players and check to: Sons of Norway Golf, Kristiania 1-47; 2124 Viola Road NE; Rochester, MN 55906. For lunch only, send name and check to same address. Registration deadline: August 5. Entry form available at [www.kristiania1-47.org](http://www.kristiania1-47.org)

## KRISTIANIA SOCIAL MEETING----JUNE 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President **Ann Romo**. The national anthems of Canada, Norway, and the US were sung, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. **Beth Haaland** accompanied on the piano. Guests introduced were Joyce and Sherman Benson from Kenyon, Ann's sister and husband; Judy and Tom Hugget from Medford WI; and Ian Wright.

Ann presented 2012 Recruitment Awards to **Judy Stevens** and **Sharon Barsness**. Ann noted that we need more volunteers to serve at meetings, and that we should be sure to say "yes" when called.

Kristiania will have the "New Land, New Life" exhibit in Rochester. Bethel Lutheran Church, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, and the Rochester Art Center will each host the exhibit for two weeks in the fall. If your church or organization is interested in hosting, call **Byron Stadvold**. More information on the exhibit is in the May issue of the [Viking](#) magazine.

Ann Romo had maps for the June 15 social trip to their farm. **Lars** and his other brother **Lars** told a couple of stories.

Pastor Ron and Frieda Nowland presented a very interesting and entertaining program on "Vikings' Influence in Ireland." The meeting was adjourned for fellowship and lunch.

Respectfully submitted, **Sharon Barsness**,  
Acting Secretary

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### FRA BIBLIOTHEKET

There is a high demand for Scandinavian cookbooks, and we have purchased many beautiful books. We hope those of you who have borrowed them and still have them in your homes will return them for others to use, or if you own some you do not use, you might donate them to our library. Thanks!

----**Sharon Barsness**, Librarian

### TUSEN TAKK !

Thank you to **Lois Graif, Roger and Joan Olson**, and **Pat and John Lynaugh** for serving lunch at the June 13 meeting. Also thanks to **Ann and Lars Romo** for hosting the picnic and sawmill demo at their farm on June 15.

----**Kathy Rosedahl**, Hospitality Director

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## Sons of Norway Summer Tour to the Romo farm near Wanamingo

Twenty-five to thirty people attended the farm tour at the home of **Ann and Lars Romo** on June 15. They met at 12 noon and enjoyed a potluck dinner. Shortly thereafter Lars started up his portable saw mill and proceeded to show how a log is cut into boards. He cut up an eight-foot-plus walnut log that had recently been cut down. He had cut the trunk into three eight-foot sections. **Bob Rosedahl** brought a 26-inch chunk of oak that he asked to be cut into slabs to use for the bases of lamps that he makes.



**Lars Romo and Bob Rosedahl**

Three door prizes were given, including a Suzanne Toftey trivet and two rosemaled items. Guests were shown Lars' fretwork clocks that he has made from cherry wood with about 2,000 decorative holes cut into each of them. Many are replicas of the clocks at the Bily Brothers' museum in Spillville, IA. Lars has 14 clocks, some of which are 52-54 inches tall. Guests were also shown Norwegian trunks, a *kubbestol* carved by Phillip Derass, and other Norwegian artifacts.

The group then proceeded to the Enzenhauer Christmas Tree Farm southeast of the Romo farm. Scott and his wife Donna showed us how they take the cones off the trees to allow more water to go to the needles and promote growth, and how they trim the trees to make them branch out more. They showed us how a machine wraps the trees in twine to make it

easier to transport them. They make 500-700 wreaths each year to sell, and they showed us how they make the wreaths. The Enzenhauers have a gift shop where guests can buy Christmas ornaments and other gifts. They presented coupons for discounts for members to buy merchandise this fall.

---by **Ann Romo**



**Lars Romo and one of his fretwork clocks**

--photos by **Roger Olson**

## FROM OUR SOCIAL DIRECTOR---

Hei hei, members,

I hope you are having a wonderful summer. The following are upcoming events. Invite prospective members.

August 8, 6 p.m., PICNIC at Oxbow Park and Zoo. The picnic area is at 3<sup>rd</sup> bridge. Bring a dish to pass and YOUR OWN DISHES AND FLATWARE. This is a very nice picnic area. The tables are sheltered. Even if it rains, come and enjoy.

August 17, District Golf Event at Eastwood Golf Course. This should be a fun day. See details elsewhere in the newsletter.

September speakers will be Kari Tauring (regular meeting) and Randy Chapman (potluck).

If you have any ideas or suggestions for programs in 2014, please contact me.

The New Member Dinner will be on October 15. Try to recruit prospective members to bring to the dinner.

*Ha det bra!*

-----**Barbara Chase**, Social Director