



Sons of Norway



Kristiania Lodge #1-47, Rochester, MN

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JANUARY 2014-----*Godt Nytt År!*

JANUARY and FEBRUARY EVENTS

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

Jan. 9	Board meeting		6:00 p.m.
Jan 9	Lodge meeting	Speaker: Dr. Timothy Nelson, Mayo Clinic Topic: Stem Cell Research	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 11	Honk, Squeak, Scratch and Boom---Mayo Civic Center, volunteer opportunity		
Jan. 25	Potluck	Entertainment: Norwegian Folk Music: Sarah Myhro and Kathy Gustafson, violinists. Bring a dish to pass and tableware.	12:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	Board meeting		6:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	Lodge meeting	Speaker: Pam Captain, SON member Topic: "Scotland: What is the Connection?"	7:00 p.m.
Feb. 22	Social meeting	Potluck: Bring a dish to pass and your own tableware. Speaker: Byron Stads vold: "Norway Top to Bottom"	12:00 p.m.

HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN—2013 was a great year of fellowship, a very good year of interesting programs, and our community participation feels real satisfying. 2014 promises to be much the same with some new friends to get to know. We will have our new president, **Ann Romo**, to lead us on our path of learning, participating, and enjoying the company of each other. Of course, that includes tasty Norwegian sandwiches, desserts, and meals that we enjoy together. We are looking forward to working with our new Cultural Director, **Hanne Lucier**; Sports/Youth Director, **Mike Jones**; and Librarian, **Michelle Evjen**. A big thank you to all of you for your support and friendship over the past several years. *Ha det bra, Byron*

2013 CHARITABLE GIVING

Kristiania Lodge contributed money, goods, or services to the following organizations in 2013. Total cash contributed was over \$4,150.00.

Ronald McDonald House	Hiawatha Homes	Giants in the Earth Heritage Center
Ski for Light	Salvation Army	Sons of Norway Foundation
PET International	Boys and Girls Club	99 th Infantry Battalion Education Fund
Hope Lodge	Channel One	History Center of Olmsted County
Gift of Life House	Commonweal Theatre	Norwegian-American Historical Association
Nordic Ski Team	Norway House	Norwegian-American Genealogical Center
Oxbow Park	Vesterheim	Norway House Challenge Grant
Home Instead	Vinland Center	----- David Anderson , Treasurer

FROM THE BOARD: MEMBERSHIP LIST TO BE PRINTED

For the convenience of officers, chairpersons, and the membership, the board has decided to print a membership list for Kristiania 47. It will include members' names, phone numbers, and the section of the city in which they reside. Printing such a list will make it easier for members to contact each other and also to be able to offer rides to meetings to those who do not drive.

Anyone who does not wish his/her information to be printed, should contact **Darlene Stadvold** at 288-1409 or bdstadvold@msn.com by January 28, 2014.

BAKE AND CRAFT SALE FOLLOW-UP

At the bake/craft sale held on November 23, we had a full complement of crafters displaying and selling their wares. All 13 of our available tables were in use, and customers were good to patronize them. Sons of Norway does not charge a table fee or a percentage of the sales, but we encourage crafters to come in to add to the festive nature of our sale. This year's crafters expressed that they had "a good day" and enjoyed being there.—**Bob Rosedahl**

A big "Thank You" to the following callers for the Bake and Craft Sale: **Ruth Fiek, Arona Schuck, VJ Anderson, Jean Carlson, Dorothy Haukom, Elva Steffenson, Mildred Lilleskov, Judy Stevens, Lois Eskelson, Mary Beard.** You helped make our sale a great success again this year.—**Joan Olson**

Receipts at the Bake and Craft Sale were:

Bake sale	\$1,207.00
Bake sale donations	\$ 459.28
Soup and sandwich luncheon	\$ 440.50

---**Ed Schuck**, Financial Secretary

Expenses for lefse: \$405

---**David Anderson**, Treasurer

INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL ADVISOR—Our Field Staff Representative is Chuck Holland, PO Box 355, Mabel, MN 55954; phone 507-493-5866; email: Hollandc@mabeltel.coop

NEW OFFICERS and APPOINTEES FOR 2014:

PRESIDENT: **Ann Romo**

CULTURAL DIRECTOR: **Hanne Lucier**

SPORTS/YOUTH DIRECTOR: **Michael Jones**

GREETER: **Dorothy Haukom**

YEARBOOK: **Wayne Rogelstad**

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Our Festival of Trees tree was purchased by the Mc Neilus Company. They have again raffled it to their employees, and the money raised will be donated to the local food shelf. What a win-win! Some years the tree is also donated to a needy family, but this year the winner is keeping it. The person I spoke to said it is so nice to see a few trees that would actually look nice in a home, and encouraged us to keep up the good work!

-----**Darlene Stadvold**, tree coordinator

CULTURE CORNER

My name is **Hanne Lucier**. I am the new Cultural Director. I was born and raised on Karmoy Island in Norway and moved to Rochester and MN in 1999. I have taught Norwegian language classes at Sons of Norway and through Community Education for a few years now. I live here in Rochester with my husband Kevin, and our four children, Michael, Victoria, Madeline and Kaia. I am excited to be getting to know you all and to see what fun cultural activities we can get going.

HONK/SQUEAK/SCRATCH/BOOM is coming on January 11. The shifts are 9-11 am, 1-3 pm, or all day. Lunch is furnished for the all-day workers. Please let me know before the January 9 meeting if you can volunteer, so I can inform the organizers. If you prefer a specific job, I can note that—no guarantees—or if you need to be seated. The Rochester Symphony hosts a day where students in grades 4-6 can try out instruments. We need folks at the registration table, cleaning mouthpieces for wind instruments, taking tickets and each room, etc. The event is held downtown at the Civic Center.

---**Darlene Stadvold**



SNOWBIRDS: Keep the editor advised of your winter address and the effective dates!

VELKOMMEN!

Welcome to the following new members:

Jessica Jones, Michael Jones (transfer from 6-108), **Susan McMahan**. We're glad you joined us. See you at our events!

FRA BIBLIOTHEKET (From the library)



I would like to send out a challenge for 2014...I would like to see how many members would work towards their literature badge this year. (This is one of the Cultural Skills.) If you have one level, work towards the next. I'm going to be working along with everyone to obtain at least one level in this coming year. Look for new books to help reach these goals in the next year.

Two recent acquisitions in our library:

Keeping Christmas: Yuletide Traditions in Norway and the New Land, by Kathleen Stokker. In the 300 section of the library shelves.

Living in Norway, published by Flammarion. An awesome book about Norway with great pictures taken inside homes with some of the things unique to Norway. Found in the 700 section.

---**Michelle Evjen**, *Bibliothekar*,
superfastreader@hotmail.com

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FROM THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Hei, hei, Happy New Year and best wishes always. I hope you have a fabulous and wonderful 2014.

Thank you to all who attended Julefest on December 7. The food was delicious. Laurann Gilbertson, curator at Vesterheim Museum, conducted the "Norwegian Antiques" program. Many members brought antiques for Laurann to describe. I had the privilege of carrying the items around, showing them to the members. One person asked me if I was Vanna White!

On January 9 Dr. Timothy Nelson, Mayo Clinic, will present a program on stem cell research. This will be very interesting and timely.

On January 11 there is a volunteer opportunity with the Honk/Squeak/Scratch/Boom program at the Mayo Civic Center. I enjoy participating in this event by assisting children and their families in meeting a professional musician.



The potluck entertainment on Saturday, Jan. 25 will be two violinists playing a variety of music, including Norwegian folk music.

Check out this beautiful and interesting website: www.norskwoods.com. This is the site of the Oddens of Barronett, WI, who are tour directors and wood carvers. They build furniture and raise Norwegian Fjord Horses.

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

Nytt År i Norge

In Norway and other Scandinavian countries, New Year's Eve is the culmination of *Jul*, the Christmas season. *Romjul*, the week between Christmas and New Year's, is spent entertaining friends and family while sharing leftovers from Christmas Dinner. On New Year's Eve itself, *Nyttår*, friends will traditionally gather at a home and share more food. In some parts of Norway children may participate in *Julebukk*, where youth dress in costumes and go door to door to receive treats like clementines, nuts and candies. Around midnight guests often enjoy a small fireworks display. In some larger communities, cities may have their own fireworks displays. (from *Viking e-post*)

