



Sons of Norway

Kristiania Lodge #1-47, Rochester, MN

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JUNE and JULY 2014

KRISTIANIA SUMMER EVENTS

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

June 12	No Board meeting	
June 12	Chapter meeting	7:00 p.m.
	Speaker: Gary Legwold, author: "Lefse, Lutefisk and the Importance of Humor"	
June 12-14	Sons of Norway District One Convention, Duluth Entertainment & Convention Center, Duluth, MN	
June 21	Kristiania booth at Walk Around the World Festival, Peace Plaza, Rochester, MN	11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.
June 28	Kristiania Bus Trip to Houston County, MN	8:00 a.m.
	See details and registration in separate article inside.	
August 9	Uff Da District One Golf Event, Eastwood Golf Course, Rochester	8:00 a.m.
	Registration blank available on Kristiania web page, details inside	
August 14	Kristiania Picnic meeting, Florence Park, Stewartville, MN	6:00 p.m.
	Bring a dish to pass and your own dishes. Afterwards we visit Travis Jorde's tractor collection.	

HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN

As your President of Kristiania Lodge, I will be representing our lodge at the District One Convention in June in Duluth, MN. The other officers who are delegates are **VJ Anderson, Don Olson, and Michael Jones**. I look forward to getting new ideas for our lodge to use.

I am also looking forward to our bus tour to Spring Grove, MN, on June 28th. **Jan Heusinkveld** has arranged several interesting places for us to visit. Remember to call Jan at **285-9483** by **June 15** to make your reservation.

We are also having a booth at the Peace Plaza June 21st during Rochesterfest. We would like to have members demonstrating some Norwegian crafts at our table. If you would like to help out, call **Michael Jones (316-5058)**, who is in charge. We will have brochures and bookmarks to pass out. What a wonderful way to promote Kristiania Lodge!

--Ann Romo, President of Kristiania Lodge

KRISTIANIA GENERAL MEETING—May 8, 2014

President Romo called the meeting to order. We opened by singing the three national anthems and by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests were asked to stand and introduce themselves. We had several guests and scholarship recipients in attendance. **Byron Stadvold** introduced **Mary Ellen Roubik**, wearing a beautiful *bunad*. She is transferring her membership to Kristiania.

April 10 general meeting minutes were in the newsletter. **Darlene Stadvold** reminded members to bring in their Box Tops for Education and stamps for Tubfrim. Further information is coming regarding the District One Uff Da Golf Event, which Kristiania is hosting on August 9.

Social Director **Barbara Chase** announced upcoming events, including the steak fry. An opportunity to participate in the IMAA cultural event at the Peace Plaza on June 21 was announced.

Steve Norvet introduced the scholarship recipients, noting that this is the sixth year of our granting scholarships, and we have given 30 to date. Katherine Aney, Samuel Edge, Alex Long, Mariah Pederson, and Ann Weston received a certificate from **President Romo**. They introduced their parents. Evan Richardson will be introduced in June.

Please track your hours for the year-end report. Sheets are available at the meetings. Servers were recognized with a round of applause. We need members to sign up to help with the Saturday social events. The more members that help, the less burden it is on a few!

President Romo read information on the Masse Moro Norwegian Heritage Camp in Wisconsin; the scheduled representative could not attend as planned. It is a cultural camp rather than strictly a language camp.

Website: www.MasseMoro.org

Jan Heusinkveld gave information on the June 28 bus trip. **Bob Rosedahl** spoke about the fine opportunity, for a donation, to procure any of the fine items (*old cooking utensils and pans*) displayed. **Lars and Lars** entertained briefly, followed by the singing of "America the Beautiful."

Respectfully submitted, **Darlene Stadvold**, Secretary

Velkommen!

Welcome to new members **Jeff Hoag** and **Mary Ellen Roubik** (transfer). We're glad you're part of Kristiania Lodge!

WALK AROUND THE WORLD EVENT



Needed: A few more helpers for June 21 at the Peace Plaza. We will have an 8-foot table with awning. We need folks willing to demonstrate carving, *rosemaling*, paper heart weaving, *hardanger*, knitting or ? from 3-5 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. The duties will be to answer questions about Sons of Norway, hand out brochures, and show display items such as *Viking* magazine and Norwegian pieces. Contact **Mike Jones** at mikejones138@gmail.com or 316-5058, if you can help.

Kristiania Bus Tour---June 28

Registrations accepted until June 15: Call **Jan Heusinkveld, 507-285-9483**.

Cost: \$30. Pay as you board the bus.

Time: Meet at Our Savior's at 7:45 a.m.

Parking: South church lot, away from our usual entrance.

Itinerary: Coffee and treats at the Ballard House in Spring Grove, program on Aarseth murals, included lunch served by Spring Grove Sons of Norway. Gift shop, museum. Elstad Lutheran Church—Established 1855, Gausta altar painting
Stone Church south of Houston, established 1855.

River View Winery at LaCrescent.

Return to Rochester: about 5:30 p.m.

KRISTIANIA AT PLAINVIEW DIVERSITY FEST

On May 2 **Sharon Barsness, Don Olson, and Dean Vigeland** represented Kristiania (and Norway) at the Diversity Fest in Plainview at the high school. The event is for area schools and the community. We displayed and explained the immigrant trunks and tools from the **Barsness** and **Stadvold** collections, many wooden carvings by **Don Olson**, and *rosemaling*, knitting, and *Hardanger* by the **Vigelands**.

Many countries were represented at the Fest by individuals with table displays and a few stage performances by talented individuals presenting music and dances from their ethnic background. American Indian dances, Scottish bagpipes, German accordion, Irish flutes, Spanish dances, etc. were performed. (We needed a *Hardanger* fiddle, a pianist playing Grieg, and/or a soloist singing Norwegian folk songs to compete!)

Students attended during the morning and adults came in the afternoon. Ethnic foods were available to sample. (Sharon brought lefse!) —**Dean Vigeland**



TUSEN TAKK!

Tusen takk to our May servers:
Darlene and Byron Stadvold; Maxine, Orland and Renee Thoreson; and Lois

and Dean Wilkes. All the Norwegian desserts were fabulous! The steak fry helpers on May 17 were **Barb Chase, Byron and Darlene Stadvold, Jan Heusinkveld, Michelle and Steve Evjen,** and Michelle's mom from North Carolina. We say "tusen takk" to all of you! We also thank in advance the June servers: **Curtis and Jean Mortenson, Sonja Galstad, Doris Sneve, and Susan Starkson .** -----**Kathy Rosedahl,** Hospitality Director

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UFF DA GOLF EVENT

District One Sons of Norway,
hosted by Kristiania
Saturday, August 9, 2014

Eastwood Golf Course, Rochester
3905 Eastwood Rd SE

Members and friends invited

Registration starts at 8:00 a.m., Tee times at 8:30 a.m.
18 holes plus cart--\$40, 9 holes plus cart--\$30
Lunch and beverage off the menu, \$7.50—10, or daily special may be less.

See www.kristiania1-47.org for entry form. Send to Sons of Norway Golf

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Contact: **Byron Stadvold**, 507-288-1409,
bdstadvold@msn.com

Deadline: August 1, 2014

KRISTIANIA PROGRAMS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

On April 26 Chad Liedl, RN, Transport Manager, Mayo Clinic Transport, gave a talk titled "What Happens When You Call 911?" He spoke about the history of 911, the present system, and plans for future changes to 911.

On May 8 Professor Emeritus Marv Slind of Luther College presented a talk titled "Norway in 1814: A Moderate Constitution in an Age of Revolution." He gave history and background of the rulers of the Scandinavian countries and the signing of the Norwegian constitution on May 17, 1814.

On *Syttende Mai* we held our annual steak fry. Eighty-one members and guests were present. **John Berquist**, musician and storyteller, entertained us with stories and songs, accompanying himself on guitar or button accordion. He also led us in a sing-along of several Norwegian songs including *Ja, vi elsker dette landet*.

The **program for June 12** should be fun and interesting. Gary Legwold's title is "Lefse, Lutefisk and the Importance of Humor." He has undergraduate and master's degrees from the University of Illinois, and has experience as a high school teacher and coach, as editor of an Edina newspaper and a medical journal, *The Physician and Sportsmedicine*, and as an author. His books include The Last Word on Lutefisk: True Tales of Cod and Tradition, The Last Word on Lefse, and The Last Toast to Lutefisk: 102 Toasts, Tidbits, and Trifles for Your Next Lutefisk Dinner. It sounds like Mr. Legwold will keep us entertained!

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



BICENTENARY
NORWEGIAN CONSTITUTION
1814-2014

BICENTENARY OF NORWEGIAN CONSTITUTION LAUNCHES NEW NATIONAL SONG IN COMMEMORATION

The Norwegian Parliament sponsored a competition for the writing of a song to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. (It does not replace *Ja vi elsker dette landet*.) Below is the text of the first verse. See if you can understand some of it. Underlined words are the same in English; others you may be able to guess. (*Festtog* = festival procession, parade)

*Det går et festtog gjennom landet!
I by og dal, ved fjell og fjord.*

*Vi svinger flagget stolt for Norge,
Med hurrarop ifra syd og til nord.*

Ref:

*Hurra! Vi marsjerer og vi singer
Sanger i rødt, hvitt og blått.*

*Kjenner frihetens rytme i kroppen,
Fult av glede for landet vårt.*

----Grethe Myhre Skottene and Carl-Andreas Næss

You can listen at <https://soundcloud.com/sarpsborg-arbeiderblad/grunnlovsjubileet>

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