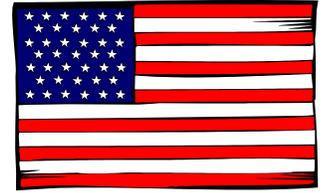




KRISTIANIA POSTEN

SONS OF NORWAY



Kristiania Lodge #1-5-47, Rochester, MN



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FEBRUARY 2015



FEBRUARY AND MARCH EVENTS

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

January 31	Potluck	Entertainment: Members of Rochester Flute Choir Bring a dish to share and your own tableware.	12:00 p.m.
February 12	Board meeting		6:00 p.m.
February 12	Chapter meeting	Speaker: Lise Bjellum-Charles—"Kjell Gilbert Bjellum, A Young Man in the Norwegian Resistance"	7:00 p.m.
February 28	Potluck	Entertainment: John Berquist , storyteller and musician. Bring a dish to share and your own tableware.	12:00 p.m.
March 12	Chili and Pie Supper	\$5 for members, \$7 for non-members Speaker: A representative from AARP. Topic: "Fraud, Scams: Prevention and Reporting"	6:00 p.m.
March 28	Social Meeting	Ethnic dinner: Scottish Dinner \$10 for members, \$13 for non-members. Reservations required by March 23 to Barb Chase, 282-1477 . Entertainment: Mike Watson, bagpipe music and bagpipe information	6:00 p.m.

HILSEN FRA PRESIDENTEN—

It was 120 years ago this month that 18 Norwegian immigrants came together in Minneapolis to form a mutual assistance group that would support their community members in times of tragedy. Since then, Sons of Norway has grown exponentially, and you are now part of an international organization with a network of members and lodges throughout North America and Norway. We have the opportunity to celebrate our founders, show pride in our heritage, and boast about all the great things Sons of Norway does in your community. Hooray for the Sons of Norway!

—**Ann Romo**, Kristiania chapter president

NEW OFFICERS BEGIN TERMS IN 2015

Kristiania Lodge will have three new officers in 2015. **Wayne Rogelstad** will serve as Financial Secretary, **Linda Manthei** will be the Sports/Youth Director, **Sarabeth Watson** will serve as Librarian, and **Darlene Stadvold** will add the new title of Volunteer Coordinator to her present role as Secretary. The lodge recognizes the many years of excellent service by **Ed Schuck** as Financial Secretary, and thanks **Michelle Evjen** and **Michael Jones** for their recent work as Librarian and Sports/Youth Director, respectively.

KRISTIANIA GENERAL MEETING—

January 8, 2015

President Romo called the meeting to order. We opened by singing the national anthems of Canada, Norway, and the US, accompanied by **VJ Anderson**, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no guests present, and only 27 members attended, due to the weather conditions. Our speaker **Lanny Witter** was in attendance.

Minutes of the November meeting were printed in the newsletter. Julefest was well attended on December 6. The secretary mentioned several thank yous received for donations sent, as well as notice of a monetary gift to Rochester Area Foundation from Johnson Printing in appreciation for our business.

Secretary **Darlene Stadsvold** announced that the Kristiania trifold brochures have been updated and are ready for distribution as needed. We will be collecting Box Tops and Labels for Education for refurbishing and adding new playground equipment at Jefferson Elementary School. Reporting of volunteer hours in 2015 will be changing. You will be asked to turn in your hours monthly; further information will be available in February.

Social Director **Barbara Chase** announced that the entertainment at our next potluck will be a flute quartet from the Rochester Flute Choir.

Hospitality Director **Kathy Rosedahl** announced that our servers for the evening canceled due to the weather. She thanked **Darlene Stadsvold** for bringing cookies and sweet bread. Kathy also passed around the sign-up sheet for our Saturday social events.

Lars and Lars entertained us briefly. **I. J. Lewison** received his enamel pin for the Cycling Sports Award. We sang "A Sailor's Greeting" in English and in Norwegian. The meeting was adjourned, and Mr. Witter was introduced as our speaker.

Respectfully submitted, **Darlene Stadsvold**, Secretary

If you want to participate in "Cookies & Soup" for Gift of Life Transplant House, please bring your contribution to the meeting on Feb. 12 in disposable containers. **Kathy** and **Darlene** will deliver on Friday morning.—**DS**

TAKK FOR HJELP!

A big *Tusen Takk* to **Sue Starkson, Judy Stevens, Lois Rink, Carl & Jen Deobald, Susan Hanson, Barb Chase, Arnold Fredriksen, Eileen Hamre, Maxine & Orland Thoreson, Gloria Rosencrants, Jan Heusinkveld, Jan Kaehler, Connie Deobald** and **Carol Volstad** for helping with the Soup 'n Sandwich section of the Bake and Craft Sale. —**Darlene Stadsvold**, Chairperson



BOX TOPS AND LABELS FOR EDUCATION

We are saving Box Tops and Labels for Education this year for Jefferson Elementary School. They are planning to

use them to refurbish and add new playground equipment. A box will be available next to our Tubfrim stamp collection container on the "back table" at each meeting. They should be turned in by mid-May. —**Darlene Stadsvold**, Volunteer Coordinator

Box tops (see above) are located on

Betty Crocker products	Gold Medal flour		
Nestle juices	GM cereals		
Green Giant vegetables	Pillsbury products		
Old El Paso	Hamburger Helper		
Land O'Lakes	Ziploc bags,		
Kleenex	Brita		
Hanes clothing	Boise paper,		
Progresso	Yoplait		
Hefty, etc.			
<u>Labels</u> are on:	Campbells soups		
Bic	Dannon	Pace	V8
Post cereals	Pregos	Pepperidge Farms	
SpaghettiO's	Swanson	Franco-American, etc.	

MEMBERS VOLUNTEER FOR HONK, SQUEAK, SCRATCH AND BOOM

Kristiania members who assisted at the Jan. 10 event helping youngsters try out musical instruments with musicians of the Rochester Symphony were: **Pat Lynaugh, Wayne Rogelstad, Barbara Chase, Darlene Stadsvold, Marilyn Pewowaruk** and her grandson **Ryan Pewowaruk**, who was one of our Kristiania scholarship winners in 2013.

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

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FRA BIBLIOTHEKET (From the Library)



Greetings, Sons of Norway members! I am going to try, for the next year at least, to take care of the library, order new books, and report on them as they arrive. Since I am not a librarian but have always had a love of books, I'm hoping that I will be up to this task. First, I will need to familiarize myself with the current collection and then I can look for some new additions. If anyone has any recommendations, I would be grateful if you would share your suggestions for new books or any other ways the library can be improved.

— **Sarabeth Watson**, Librarian, rosawatson@q.com

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Our Lodge will again offer college scholarships to graduating high school seniors from public high schools in Olmsted County and/or other high schools, regardless of where they live, if they have a parent or grandparent who is a current Kristiania Lodge member. Applications forms and general information will be available in area high schools and on our website www.kristiania1-47.org, by February 1. Applicants will have until March 31 to complete and mail their application. Any questions regarding the process should be forwarded to **Gary Olson**, www.olson.gm33@gmail.com

TAKK FOR MATEN—Thanks to the servers for the January 8 meeting: **Dennis and Judith Stevens, Ed and Gloria Rosenkrants, and Marilyn Pewowaruk**. Unfortunately, due to the weather we didn't get to sample the goodies they had prepared.—**Kathy Rosedahl**, Hospitality

KULTURHØRNET (Cultural Corner)

1. Beginning and Intermediate Norwegian Classes starting March 2. Minimum of 8 students needed for each class. Sign up by Feb. 17. New students as well as returning students are welcome!
2. Interested in a monthly Children's Fairytale and Craft Class? Potential dates are Mondays or Saturdays. At this time I am gauging interest in hopes we can get some fun started for the younger ones. Please contact me by Feb. 17 with any interest.
3. Knitting / Crocheting Gatherings. If you are interested in joining us for knitting and crocheting or have any questions, please contact me. I am creating a contact list of people interested whom I will contact when dates are decided upon.
4. Which cultural activities are you hoping to see at our lodge? Rosemaling? Cooking/baking? Wood carving? Genealogy? Hardanger embroidery? Please contact me with your interest or suggestions, and we can work on getting these activities on the schedule for 2015. —**Hanne Lucier**, Cultural Director, hannelucier@gmail.com or 507-216-8423.

FROM THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR—

Hei, hei, members and friends,

The days are getting longer, so “think spring!”

Thanks to all who attended the January 8 meeting on what was a very cold evening. Approximately 30 attended the meeting. The talk “Dr. Mary Walker, Civil War Surgeon” by Lanny Witter was very interesting.

January 31, Noon Potluck. A quartet from the Rochester Flute Choir directed by Linn Kezer will entertain us. This ensemble was formed by Ms. Kezer in October 2012 with four players and has since grown to 18 players. Bring your own tableware and a dish to pass.

February 12. Lisa Bjellum-Charles will present a talk about her father titled “Kjell Gilbert Bjellum: A Young Man in the Norwegian Resistance.” Lisa graduated from the University of North Dakota. She speaks fluent Norwegian. This will be a very interesting program.

February 28 Noon Potluck. Bring your own tableware and a dish to pass. **John Berquist**, a member of our lodge who is a musician and a storyteller, will entertain us. John has entertained us on other occasions and always provides a fun and interactive program.

Recently I was going through old editions of the journal of Vesterheim Museum. The 2009 Vol. 7 #2 edition contains a folder and a CD titled “That Old Norwegian Song and Dance.” Instruments featured are *lur*, *salmodikon*, Hardanger fiddle, and piano, as well as vocal music. A section of the folder titled “Folk Music of Norwegians in America” discusses some of the history of Norwegian music. If you have a copy of this, I suggest you read it and play the CD.

Ha det!

—**Barbara Chase**, Social Director

VELKOMMEN til ...

.....new member **Isaac Olson**. See you at our meetings!



Thanks to Wayne Rogelstad for editing the 2015 Kristiania yearbook and to Jan Heu-sinkveld for assisting in the mailing. Use the book often!



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