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# Scandinavian Cultural Center Council

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#### Scandinavian Cultural Center Council Calendar

Fall 2022-Spring 2023

#### September 2022

Council Meeting Wed. 14th, 6pm with light refreshments
OPEN HOUSE event for Council & Docents: Sunday 25th 1pm - 2:30pm
October 2022
Council Meeting Wed. 12th, 6pm with light refreshments
Bjug Harstad Lecture Tues. 18th 6:30pm - 8pm with light refreshments

#### November 2022

• Council Meeting Wed. 9th, 6pm with light refreshments

• Possible Event: Sweater Exchange and Bazaar, Sat. Nov. 19th, 10am - 4:30pm Coffee, tea, water, and cookies served in Room TBD

#### December 2022

• Norwegian Christmas Service in the Rose Window Chapel, Wed. 7th at 7pm with refreshments in Karen Hilly-Phillips 2nd floor room

• Sankta Lucia Fest Sunday Dec.11th 4pm - 6pm in the SCC with refreshments

• Council Meeting Wed 14th, 6pm with light refreshments

• Jul Fest Sat 17th 5pm - 8pm Dinner served

January 2023

- Council Meeting Wed. 11th 6pm with light refreshments
- TBD Movie Night popcorn and light refreshments

February 2023

• Fastelaven Thurs. 2nd time TBD

- Council Meeting Wed. 8th 6pm with light refreshments
- TBD Presentation: "10 Lesser Known Places to Visit in Norway" by Finn Brobakken, Snertingdal, Norway; light refreshments served

March 2023

• Council Meeting Wed. 8th, 6pm with light refreshments

• Guest Lecture TBD

April 2023

- Council Meeting Wed. 12th 6pm with light refreshments
- Norwegian Heritage Festival Sat. 29th 1100-5pm

May 2023

- Council Meeting Wed. 10th, 6pm with light refreshments
- Spring Banquet Sat.13th 5p-8p Dinner served

• Norwegian Constitution Day Wed. 17th 8:30am Red Square, 9:00am SCC for breakfast and program until 10am

#### **SPRING BANQUET MAY 15, 2022**

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT



## 17th of MAY, NORWEGIAN CONSTITUTION DAY





#### Hjertilig Hilsener fra PLU Scandinavian Cultural Center!

Fall of 2022 is arriving and it's time to get news of what the Council has been doing in the 2021-2022 year. The pictures in the following pages will show you what I'm sharing. We started last Fall of 2021 with our new Director, Dr. Troy Storfjell, who previously taught Nordic Studies which was discontinued. With his leadership, we hosted our first event after the pandemic, which was an Open House to honor the Docents and the Council. It was held outside in the plaza, just near the SCC. It was marvelous to see each other in person and enjoy the warm Fall sunshine with delicious food prepared by the Catering service. I must recognize Marianne Lincoln, Publicity Chair, as she stepped up to do a major amount of work to get all the SCC processes going again with and for the Council and Dr. Storfjell.

The Thor Heyerdahl Lecture was canceled, so the next activity we had was decorating for the holidays. Remember, the pandemic was still raging, so we weren't comfortable offering anything else during the Fall. We did hold a Norwegian Christmas Service chaired by Jon and Jean Malmin, and Sankta Lucia was live and in person too, a few days later. Melody Stepp and Kim Kittilsby, with help from many others, brought the celebration of light to us in the SCC, followed by refreshments of Safron buns. Then, the grand Fall finale was the Jul Fest, this time with a Sami theme. Dr. Storfjell provided an informative presentation about the Sami holiday traditions. This past Spring, the Norwegian Heritage Festival was held once again on Saturday, April 30th. Hopefully, you were able to attend. This happened with the contributing work of the Sons of Norway, Tacoma, and the Embla Lodge #2 of Daughters of Norway, also Tacoma. Co-leaders with me were Teresa Hunt, Norden Lodge of the Sons of Norway, and Carlene Garner, Embla #2 of the Daughters of Norway. I was thrilled when a fellow church member declared at coffee time what a grand time she had attending the festival, not knowing I was involved.

The finale for the year was our Spring Banquet, whose theme of Nordic Flowers brought attention to the garden outside the SCC. Donations were made to sponsor certain plants and flowers, and many hands worked to weed the space and get it in good shape for all to see. Plant markers have been ordered and will soon be in place. The banquet was well attended and featured Linda Caspersen presenting on the Svalbard Global Seed Vault. There was beautiful live music provided by Abigail Thompson, mezzo-soprano, and Dr. Lark Powers on piano. The 17th of Mai Constitution Day of Norway celebration was held at Red Square and with a light breakfast in the SCC following the short program. We saw a live broadcast of the Snertingdal, Norway events thanks to

Finn Brobakken, who has had several programs at the SCC before the pandemic. He'll hopefully be back this next Spring with a new program "10 Places You Didn't Know to Visit in Norway."

None of these activities would have happened without the many hours of dedicated work by the Council members. Just in the first 4 months, 780 volunteer hours were given to the functions and displays that were done.

Dr. Troy Storfjell is returning to teaching, so the SCC Council is working with the PLU Provost, Dr. Joanna Gregson, to determine what leadership and vision we will have as we proceed.

I hope you will join us for our activities for this Fall that are listed at the end of this 2022 First edition of The Scene. Alle er velkommen! Everyone's welcome!



Greetings from Judy Scott, President

## **OPEN HOUSE SEPTEMBER 25, 2021**

## NORWEGIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL APRIL 30, 2022



## NORWEGIAN CHRISTMAS SERVICE JULEGUDSTJENESTE DECEMBER 2, 2021

## SANKTA LUCIA DECEMBER 12, 2021



































# SAMI THEMED JUL FEST DECEMBER 10, 2021

## HOLIDAY DECORATING AND MORE

