



JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Greetings and Happy New Year SCC Members/Donors!

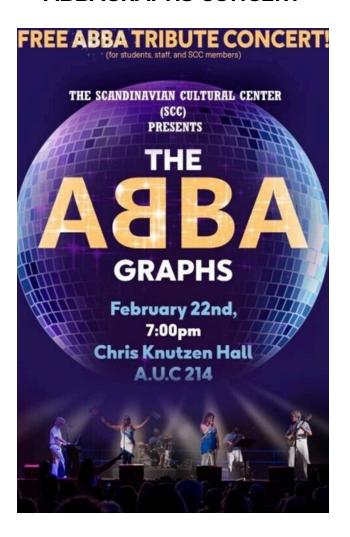
It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Jul events last month. From the Norwegian Christmas Service to the Sankta Lucia Fest, and the Jul Banquet the SCC was filled with so many familiar faces. We counted an average of 120 folks at each event! We hope you enjoyed the events and if you have a minute, please let us know your feedback.

As for me... I welcomed 35 first, second, and third cousins to our Christmas Eve family gathering. My house was filled with "kids" of all ages from 2 - 82! And my heart was filled, too, with warm feelings and many fond and happy memories of those family members who set the tradition for us to continue now that they are gone. We have only missed a few years since 1952, our family has tripled in

size over the years, but... we don't serve lutefisk any more!

Now we look ahead to the events being planned in the SCC for 2025. We hope to see many of you so mark your calendars and watch for further information by email, postcard, and the SCENE. Remember, if you or someone you know is not receiving the communications, please let me or the Advancement Office know. And if you haven't already renewed your "membership" be sure to do so to make sure you continue to hear what's happening in the SCC.

ABBAGRAPHS CONCERT



Step back into the golden era of disco and pop! The ABBAgraphs are coming to PLU for

an electrifying evening featuring the iconic hits of ABBA. Based in Seattle, The ABBAgraphs capture the spirit and sound of ABBA, the legendary Swedish group known for timeless favorites like *Take a Chance on Me, Waterloo, Mamma Mia,* and *Dancing Queen.*

Date: Saturday, February 22

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Chris Knutzen Hall (Anderson
University Center)

Free, no tickets required

NORWEGIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL



The Norwegian Heritage Festival celebrates Norwegian culture through artisans, vendors, performers, and authentic food. Here are some of the highlights you can enjoy on-stage performances by Norwegian musical, vocal, and dance groups, authentic Norwegian food, baked goods, and shopping for authentic Norwegian products.

Date: Saturday, March 15th
Time: 11 a.m. - 4:00 pm
Location: Scandinavian Cultural Center
Free, no tickets required

CULTURAL FOOTPRINTS



The SCC together with PLU and in conjunction with the Wang Center is hosting a cultural celebration featuring the weaving and textiles of several diverse cultures. The goal is to bring together PLU faculty and students, the SCC and its members, and the surrounding community for the purpose of understanding the importance of connections between family, generations, and countries through textiles and to understand all that the SCC has to offer.

Dates: April 8th - 12th

Norwegian Independence Day



Join us for the celebration of Norwegian Independence Day, also known as Syttende Mai. This day holds great significance for the people of Norway as it marks the anniversary of the country

gaining its independence from Sweden in 1814. It is a day filled with patriotism, pride, parades and joy as Norwegians come together to celebrate! Join us to raise the flag in Red Square at 8:30 followed by brunch in the SCC.

Saturday, May 17th
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Location: Red Square (PLU), followed by
brunch in the Scandinavian Cultural
Center

For any questions, please email scancentr@plu.edu.

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