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Greetings members! I hope all of you had a Very Merry Christmas and wish you the Best of 2024--Godt nytt aar! We had a holiday sing-along at the Dec 9 meeting after the kids enjoyed crafts, lunch and nisse. Thank you to all the elves who helped with that event!

The board has planned an active 2024 and we need more of you to volunteer a couple times throughout the year in the Butikk (Saturdays—

contact Bruce Bailey) and the meal events (contact Joan Johnson). The Lutefisk Dinner is the next event coming up.

Trollheim News

The January 20 General Meeting is twofold: to the Welcome/ Initiate 25 new members listed in this newsletter. PLEASE attend! The program is " The Norwegian Mayflower: The Voyage of the Restoration." February 10 is our annual Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner. Check the flyer for details and to make reservations.

The February 17 General Meeting is threefold. As announced, we will hold a vote to change monthly General Meetings from the 3rd Monday evenings to the 3rd <u>Saturdays</u> at 2 PM except when conflicts preclude it. Additionally, we will celebrate the lodge's official 50th Anniversary by having a Memorial Service acknowledging members who passed during 2023; and thirdly, distribute member recognition pins. We'll provide cake and encourage you to bring other snacks or desserts.

Also, mark your calendars for our Big **50th Anniversary Celebration on April 20**; the planning is progressing very well. With your help here and there, it will be a fantastic year at Trollheim as we continue to **provide Norwegian culture and traditions as we have for 50 years!**

Tusen Takk! President Perry Monkelien

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Editor: Dawn Nelsen dawnnelsen@gmail.com HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!!

Mary Hagen-Drummond	1
Joanne Svenningsen	1
Steve Svenningsen	1
Ruby Vega	1
James Aarvig	2
Patricia LaMoe	3
Anja Gunderson	4
Karen Feste	4
Janet McNally	5
Robert Hansen	12
Dennis Orr	12
Paul Aaker	14
Gary Jorgensen	15
Curtis Barner	16
Mary Ellen Lewis	17
Mark Menghini	21
Tristan Øvergård	22
Thora Aarvig	22
Sue Peterson	22
Milo Lamas	23
Robert Svenningsen	23
Hunter Holmgren	26
Sonja Engebretson	28
Robert Stabo	31

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUBMITTED PHOTOS FOR INCLUSION IN THE 50-Year Yearbook. Last chance to submit your photo is through January 2nd! Email photo now to Barb Hessel hesselbh@comcast.net

Calendar of Events 2024

<u>January</u>

- 8 Board meeting 11am . TBC meeting 1 pm
- 13 Genealogy 10am-noon; meet in library
- 20 General meeting 2 pm; Cake, dessert/snack potluck.
 New member installation. Program The Norwegian May flower: The Voyage of the Restoration

27 **Zone 8** Leadership Conference 9am -1pm; for officers/appointees *February*

- 2-3 Rental Mile Hi Chorus event
- 8 Board meeting 11am; TBC meeting 1 pm
- 10 Genealogy 10am-noon; meet in library
- 10 Lutefisk dinner 1pm
- 17 General meeting 2pm Snack and dessert potluck. Memorial Service and Member Recognition 5-yr and cultural pins. Acknowledgement of Trollheim's 50th Anniversary month, video of Norwegian Accordion performers
- 24 Barnelopet

<u>March</u>

- 4 Board meeting 11 am
- 16 General meeting program 2 pm– Video the *Power of Silver* Norwegian Traditional Jewelry

VOTING - PLEASE READ!!

Notice to Members on recommended changes to General Meetings at Trollheim Lodge. A motion was made, seconded and passed by the Board to recommend hosting all General Meetings on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 2:00 pm. This ongoing schedule is subject to change as needed for special events. According to Trollheim Lodge Bylaws, the membership is being notified of this recommended change through this newsletter. A vote on the motion will be taken at the February 17, 2024 general meeting. Thank you... The Trollheim Board

NEW TROLLHEIM MEMBERS FOR 2023!

Faith Anderson Dale Edwards Sarah Holmgren Mary Kilgannon Rebekah Lenoble Brady Nason Madison Robbins Kristen Saathoff Teah Severson David Bortnem Jeff Hammer Marlene Hueske Riley Kilgannon Rod Lenoble Anne Nording Karin Rohleder Tim Sandsmar Travis Bortnem Hunter Holmgren Mariah Hueske Trey Kilgannon Heather Messerly DeAnne Owre Marin Rosenvold Rob Striegl

Thank you for all of your submissions for Trollheim News! I appreciate everyone having information in by the 15th of the month for inclusion into the newsletter. Please send current submissions each month. I find it impossible to not only remember, but to easily locate repeating notices. Thank you for all of your contributions and HAPPY NEW YEAR!! -Dawn



Sunshine & Lodge Events

Dameklubb Christmas Party- The Dameklubb wants to thank **Louise** and **Murray Bath** for hosting the Christmas party in their beautiful home for the past two years. The 15 attendees enjoyed potluck lunch, desserts, glogg, and eggnog and laughed until they hurt in the "steal a gift" exchange.

The **Genealogy Group** held their Christmas Meeting with a presentation of how Christmas came to Norway and Norwegian Celebrations along with music from the Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim. The group enjoyed the stories told, the friendship, and delicious treats like, Norwegian cream cake, pickled herring, krumkake and lefse. Yum! Photo on last page

Well, 2024 has arrived along with winter and colder weather. Our Norwegian heritage reminds of the Norwegians that skied the mountains, drove sleighs, and worked many outside chores. They came home to warm homes with good family, good friends, good stories and of course good food. Not all of our Trollheim Lodge members ski, sled or work outside, but we do share our friendship, interesting stories and delicious food. Please come join us.

Scholarship Announcement

Trollheim Lodge 6-110 Scholarships are available to any Lodge member who intends to continue their education at a nationally accredited college or university. Scholarships are available in amounts of \$500 to \$1,500 Applications are accepted January 1 to March 31, 2024. For application information and form. Contact: Joan Johnson (Scholarship Director) Phone/Text - 720.326.6015 email:. <u>jej.jay48@gmail.com</u>.

Trollheim Building Corporation (TBC)

President Resigns! The TBC received a letter of resignation from **Loren Mattern**, December 4, 2023. **Ron Taylor**, Vice-President is the acting President until the Board elects new officers January 2024, so the TBC is looking for new trustees! The TBC is responsible for the care and maintenance of our Lodge Building and the property around the building. The TBC meets as often as needed to do fixup. We know we have many skilled folks in our membership. Please join this group to care for our building. President: Perry Monkelien 303-699-1073 pdmonkelien@gmail.com

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Crew: Syrena Plakke Dani East Shirley Downey



Joan's Norsk Butikk is closed for the month of January 2024. Please visit us in February!



Free Children's Cross Country Ski Event BARNELØPET 1.0 Km, 2.5 Km & 5.0 Km for ages 0 - 16 SONS of NORWAY

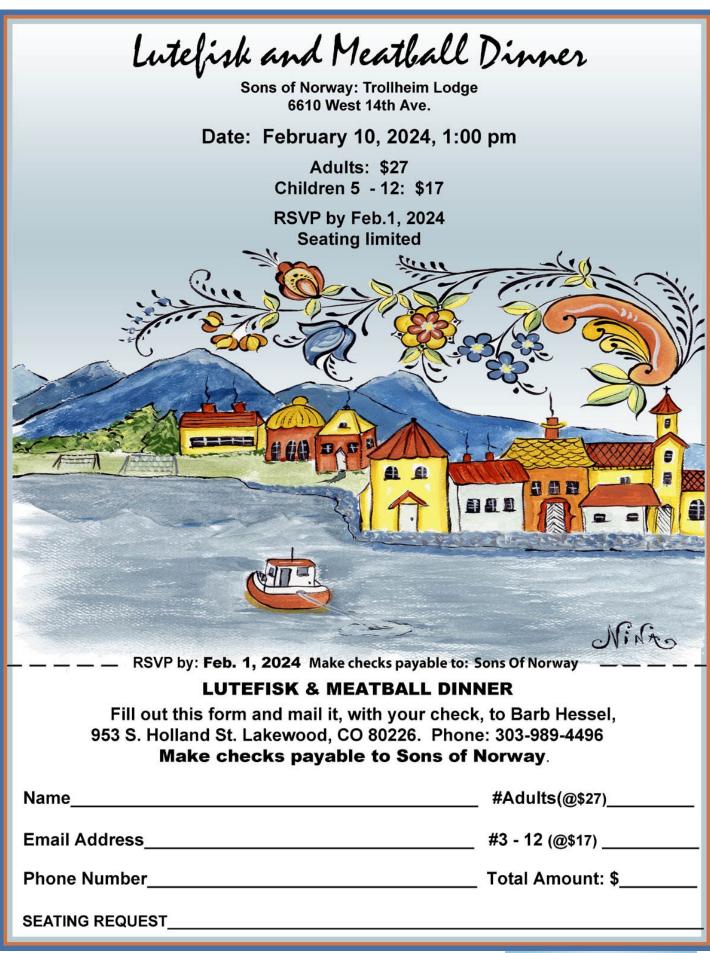


Snow Mountain Ranch ~YMCA~ Granby, Legett Hall

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- Register at www.barnelopet.com or at 9:30 a.m. on the day
- Check in at 9:30 AM, Beginner Ski Lessons from 10:00-11:00 AM, Event begins at 11:15 AM
- Free ski rentals at YMCA Nordic Center
- After event reception with refreshments
- For further information contact: Lois Hodne at (303) 324-1880 or loishodne@gmail.com or Jon Eirik Holm-Johansen, Coordinator (970) 412-0433 or tvchiro@gmail.com





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