

Columbus  23 8 °F Snow Showers	Copenhagen  37 33 °F Overcast	Helsinki  38 23 °F Partly Cloudy	Oslo  37 24 °F Clear	Reykjavik  26 24 °F Mostly Cloudy	Stockholm  38 26 °F Partly Cloudy
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coming soon

Mar 21

Swedish Night

April 18

Scandinavian
Afternoon Coffee

this month **Danish Fastelavn & Greenland Night**

In Denmark, Fastelavn or “fast-evening” marks the beginning of Lent. Similar to Cajun Mardi Gras and Carribean Carnival traditions, Fastelavn is an occasion to celebrate by eating before the coming fast -- a welcome excuse to indulge. Danish children (as well as adults, of course) look forward to Fastelavnsboller, Danish style buns filled with whipped cream or jam.

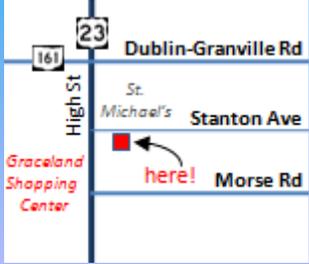


Special this year, we will be hosting a guest speaker, Amisuna who will give us a glimpse into life in the far reaches of the Danish kingdom... Greenland! So come indulge in a Danish meal, march in our costume parade, watch the children attack the barrel, and learn about Greenland.

Learning about Greenland

Amisuna Berthelsen is 17 years old, and he grew up in Greenland with his parents and younger brother. At home he speaks Greenlandic (an Inuit language), and began learning Danish in first grade and English in fourth grade. He's spending the 2014-2015 school year in Michigan, living with Ken and Barb Kilkka in a suburb with the same population as his whole country. Since coming to the United States, he's enjoyed new experiences: prevailing automobile travel, a landscape with trees, exciting school activities like jazz band and the high school musical.

Saturday February 21 5pm
Gethsemane Lutheran Church
35 East Stanton Ave
Columbus, OH 43214



Adults **\$15** non-member **\$20**
Teens 13-18 **\$8** non-member **\$12**
Children 7-12 **\$5** non-member **\$6**
Children 6&under **free**

Elevators available on 1st floor north side



Campaign to publish Aquavit book

Recently, the Museum of Danish America launched a Kickstarter campaign to help publish a book of recipes, photos, and essays relating to Scandinavian drinking traditions and heritage – specifically focusing on beer and aquavit. The book is the catalog for the upcoming national traveling exhibition, “Skål! Scandinavian Spirits.” Visit their website to watch a video to see what it is all about:

<https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/danishmuseum/skal-scandinavian-spirits-exhibition-catalog>

The Museum Of Danish America’s campaign ends February 28!

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Syforeningen

Tues Feb 24 @7pm
Svendsen residence
1826 Marblecliff
Crossing Court



ScandiKaffe

Thu Feb 19 @9:30am
La Chatelaine
627 High Street
Worthington



Scanti

Tue Mar 3rd @ 6pm
DENMARK
463 N. High St
Downtown Columbus

words
from the President

by Caitlin Kilkka

Terve!

Last summer, my parents announced that they would be hosting a 2014-2015 exchange student, and they invited us all to guess from which country. We guessed the usual options -- Germany? Japan? Netherlands? Argentina? -- but those were all incorrect.

We then tried to narrow the list by continent, but the student was not from Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, or South America.

Since the mystery student was from North America, we ticked through Canada, Mexico and all of the Latin American countries we could think of, but to no avail. My parents would be hosting Amisuna, a high school student from Greenland. I'm excited that he has agreed to come and speak at our Danish event and tell us more about his life in Greenland. Will we see you at Fastelavn this year?

Sincerely,

Caitlin

Snow Room on Norwegian Cruise

In keeping up with the new and the improved cruise lines offer the unexpected also. The newest Norwegian cruise ship called, Norwegian Escape, debuted last November. The Escape has added an actual snow room to their Thermal Suite. The Snow Room will be kept between 21 to 32 degrees Fahrenheit and live ups to its name by sending out snow flurries during the day.

While the people on the cruise will be enjoying the sun and outdoor activities the Snow rooms offers a "multitude of health benefits: including stimulating blood circulation and strengthening the immune system.



Genealogy Website Launch

If you are interested in Norwegian-American genealogy, The Norwegian American Genealogical Center and Naeseth Library (NAGCNL) is a resource you must become familiar with. An independent non-profit institution associated with Vesterheim Norwegian American Museum in Madison, WI, the NAGCNL consists of thousands of genealogical books, microfilms, and other resources for Norwegian-American genealogical research.

The Center was started by Gerhard B. Naeseth (1913-1994), a renowned scholar in the field of immigration history. Beginning in the 1940's, Naeseth began collecting resource information and documents relating to Norwegians in the United States in order to preserve the history of Norwegian Americans. Today, with over 2,000 member households, the NAGCNL helps both US researchers and a growing number of Norwegians, to know and venerate their Norwegian roots.

With the aid of modern communications and computers, genealogical research has become a very popular activity, and the NAGCNL is pleased to offer assistance, interpretation, education, and research by trained staff. For more information, log onto their new website at: www.nagcnl.org.

Last Event

Dinner at The Boat House offered fantastic views of Downtown Columbus.



Royal Danish Ballet

It is not very often that the great Danes top dancers from the Royal Danish Ballet make appearance in London. They recently performed excerpts from six works by the 19th-century choreographer August Bournonville. It has been over ten years since their last visit.

As one of the most respected ballet companies in the world, the Royal Danish Ballet owes its standing to the legacy of Bournonville, whose refinement of grace and delicate musical timing has come to define the spirited Danish style.



Columbus IKEA Location to Open in 2017

If you have not already heard the exciting news, the rumors are true. IKEA will open a superstore in the Columbus area. IKEA is scheduled to open in 2017 and will be built at the location of the former Polaris Amphitheater, in Lewis Center.

International Summer School

The University of Oslo is the oldest university in Norway being founded in 1811. Since 1947 the University has been offering an International Summer School (ISS) for English-speaking foreign students. Located at the University's Blindern campus, students are only ten minutes from the city center by subway-to-surface rails and only minutes away from the lakes and wooded hills of Nordmarka. The ISS motto is "Six Weeks of Academic Achievement and International Good Will" and every summer, from late June to early August, over 550 students from about 90 countries get to enjoy this intercultural education. For additional information, log onto their website at: www.uio.no/summerschool.

The ISS was initially offered for American students only, as an expression of gratitude for educational opportunities provided for Norwegian students in the USA during and after World War II. However, as the number of non-American students increased, the name of the school was changed from the "Summer School for American Students" to the "International Summer School" in 1958.

Nordic Fiddles and Feet Scandinavian Camp – 2015

Nordic Fiddles and Feet is an amazing week long experience **June 28th through July 5th!** It is a vacation, an event for learning and a place to connect with the Scandinavian folk music and dance community. The camp is held at Camp Ogontz, near Littleton, New Hampshire. An amazing dance hall was opened up for the first time in 2012.

Some general details about camp: **Music Program** – Offers a variety of folk music classes focusing on traditional instruments and singing styles. They offer Swedish fiddle, Norwegian Hardanger Fiddle, Swedish Nyckelharpa, and singing classes. The gammaldans band welcomes all instruments and singers (bass, accordion, fiddle, guitar, etc.) Some years they have additional special interest musical offerings such as Norwegian regular fiddle, kohorn (cowhorn), kullning (cow calling), seljefløyte (willow flute). **Dance Program** – Dance classes include Swedish, Norwegian and Basics and are designed for all levels of dancers. The Basics level class introduces dances of Scandinavia while practicing body-mechanics and skills helpful to all levels of dancers. The Swedish and Norwegian classes feature traditional dances from each region represented. Additional classes review dances taught in previous years.

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board business Brief

President – Planned Dinner was during “ Restaurant Week Columbus” next year our event will need to be later in January.

VP – New board member discussion is underway. Program for February will be about Greenland.

Dinner – 40 Meals were guaranteed with a Food and Beverage minimum of \$1700. There were only 35 attendees with five no shows. 17 people paid \$32, 18 people paid \$38 & total loss of \$471.

January		Account Balances as of 1/29/2015			
The Boat House		Checking	\$5,596.10	Money Mkt	\$13,723
Revenue		Expense		Attendance	
Door Fees	\$1,229.00	Facility Rent	\$0.00	Adults	35
Sales	\$0.00	Food	\$1,700.00	Teens	
Donation	\$0.00	Program	\$0.00	Children	
Other	\$0.00	Supplies	\$0.00	Under 7	
<i>total</i>	\$1,229.00	<i>total P/L</i>	-\$471.00	<i>total</i>	35

Take Notice

CORRECTION TO DECEMBER TREASURER REPORT

The money market account was reported as \$12,722 for December, 2014. This was in error, it was actually \$13,722. Please accept my Apology for this error.

-Bob Stevenson

on the Lighter Side



Tricks of the sky! Where does the volcano end & the Aurora begin?

Scandinews

February 2015



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