



Upcoming events

IKEA Columbus Opening

Wed, 7th of June



Jamestown Scandinavian Festival

July 21, 22, 23, 2017

Gerry Rodeo
Grounds, Gerry NY

Fri. 1 pm to 9 pm
Sat. 10 am to 9 pm
Sun. 10 am to 4 pm

www.scandinavianjamestown.org

ScandiKaffe

Thu, 22 of Jun
@9:30am

La Chatelaine
627 High Street
Worthington

For interest contact
Karen Freudenreich
Ph: 614-457-6274

this month

MIDSUMMER Sat, 17th of June



5 pm- Decorate Midsummer pole (bring flowers) 6 pm- Festivities start

The opportunity to be young at heart and in love with summer is accentuated on the longest day of the year! Scandinavians flock to the nearest lake, fjord, or ocean to celebrate the light, the life, and the energy of midsummer.

The Danes and Norwegians call it **St. Hans**.
The Finns call it **Juhannus**.
The Icelanders call it **Jónsmessa**.
The Swedes call it **Midsommar!**

Members

Adults \$20 Child \$10
Family Cap \$60

Non-Members

Adults \$25 Child \$15
Children 6/under Free

Water/ Wine/ Beer/ Soft
~ Please bring cash for
drink donations

Come out to the lake and
celebrate with us!

Please RSVP by June 10 to Michael Lindner
614-204-9872 ScandiClubInfo@gmail.com

Midsummer Food
Lakeside
Bonfire
Music
Dancing
Maypole
decorations
Strawberries
Beer & wine



**Alum Creek
Sailing Pavilion**
3041 Lewis Center Rd
Lewis Center OH
43035

a message from the President

Lars Ødegaard

Another year is rounding off, and our club turned 80 this winter! Many of you have been members a lot longer than I, and we also have quite a few newer members. Once we get to know each other, we become friends and family.

There is a good reason why a club like ours continue to draw interest from all generations alike. We want to keep in touch with our Scandinavian roots and keep the true connection alive – for ourselves, for our children and our grand-children.

When we meet again in a couple of weeks, let's take a moment to feel the personal experience of being in the midst of an authentic event like midsummer at the lake! The sweet aroma of dilled potatoes, the texture of a ripe strawberry, the heat of a bright bonfire, and the warm gentle breeze across the grassy bank while the conversation flows

freely between the tables with our friends. No iPad or Netflix can match that connection to life! This is the reason I belong to the **Scandinavian Club of Columbus**.

As in any family, there is a need for everyone to contribute their share of the work – because there is a bit of work involved. We want you to do it because you really want to participate. This is how bonds of friendships are made, we give and we receive. If we all give a little time, a certain skill, some funding, or organizational effort, then the Scandinavian experience will continue to be a part of our local community.

Keep the flame burning.

LAST MONTH - 17.mai Celebration

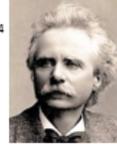
Welcome to the
Norwegian 2017
17.mai
Celebration



Study the articles in this program!

You will not only get in the Norwegian celebration mood, but you will also be able to participate in the quiz later tonight – and get in the drawing for a tasty Norwegian goodie!

Edvard Grieg (1843-1907) is the greatest composer Norway has fostered. Up to 1814 Norway had been totally subject to Denmark, with Copenhagen as its cultural center. From 1814 to 1905 it was forced into a union with Sweden. The first half of the eighteenth century was a time of poverty in Norway and it was some time before it could assert itself among its Scandinavian brothers. But for the highly gifted these are perhaps the ideal conditions for providing impetus and nurturing growth.



The Norwegian Resistance 1940-1945

The Norwegian resistance movement played an important part in World War Two. The people who fought in the Norwegian resistance had a number of major advantages over the Germans – a long coast line with vast amounts of the country uninhabited. Norway also had a long border with neutral Sweden which could be easily crossed. In such an environment, a focused resistance movement could do great harm to an occupying army.



In the spirit of innovation to our pursuit of bringing Scandinavian experiences to all of us, we met at the Boat House with a theme of **Scandinavian Independence and Brotherly Fusion**. Graced with warm weather and a beautiful skyline view, the lucky winner of the history quiz (Åke!), won a big bar of chocolate from Norway.



Keep the Wheels Turning by Lars

The club has operated this year with the smallest board in recorded history. With only four (4) members signing up last summer, the small board was forced to think in new directions. We designed a 5-person chair system which we presented to the membership at the October meeting, and asked for a 1-year trial period. The motion was accepted by a unanimous vote.

I want to extend a special thanks to this group, who yet again stepped up to take the reins of organizing the 2016-17 club business:

- **Dale Svendsen** – the perpetual gentleman
- **Michael Lindner** – a continuous driving force
- **Kari Andersen Roll** – this year's rookie, who proved to be a *primus motor*
- **Bob Stevenson** – graciously extending another year as treasurer

The club was relatively successful operating with this scaled-down model, but we had to cut some corners, such as a club directory. Regular communication with the members was also reduced due to lacking manpower.

But we think that this model can work for us going forward, and we recommend the use of a 5-person board another year, with the preface that more hands-on work will be picked up by member volunteers. To that end, we have adjusted the membership form to add a section where you can select a special area of interest to help in the new year.

Our Scandinavian club family needs you! Most of the tasks outlined below takes less than 8-12 hours a month – a very doable proposition to keep our Nordic connection alive! Please bring out your pen and select a task as you get ready to send in the form in June.

2 – How would you like to participate this year

As a volunteer social group, we rely on members to help organize our activities. How would you like to help:

Major Events

- Coordinate
- Food
- Children's activity
- Decorations
- Check-in registration
- Program/Activity

Organization

- Board member
- Website & Facebook
- Treasury Assistant
- Financial Audit

Scantinis

- Identify & organize venues
- Be a courtesy greeter
- Make write-ups & pictures

Community Outreach

- Call members before events
- Scandinews mailings
- Scandinews article creation
- Email monitoring & response
- Liaison with other groups

Other _____

Membership

- Organize name tags
- Create directory
- Keep membership list
- Recruit new members

Property

- Sound system
- Storage organizer
- Merchandise
- Historical archive



99 Club members and guests enjoyed a great meal, dancing and a terrific historical montage produced by Åke Hellström.



Collection of past Club presidents

ScandiClub at Asheville Viking Festival

Many club members enjoyed Viking activities and a grand bonfire in honor of Swedish Valborg.

Big thanks to David & Lynn Kantner, and Michael Lindner for all their work to make it happen- despite the storms.



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Dale Svendsen *Secretary* 614-499-2869
Michael Lindner *VP Community* 614-204-9872
Bob Stevenson (acting) *Treasurer*
Kari Roll *VP Programs* 614-787-7656

board business **Brief**

Board & Executive update: A new governing board/ executive structure is proposed for a trial period of this club year.

Ways you can help the Board:

- Serve as Treasurer
- Volunteer to be a month's Event Captain
- Volunteer to be on Event committee
- Confirm membership details
- Host new member mixer at your home
- Other options (contact a Board member)

Scandi Club Treasurers report close of business April 30, 2017

| Balances | 04/30/2017 | 12/31/2016 | 06/30/2016 | 6/30/2015 |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Money Market | \$13,774.19 | \$13,764.31 | \$13,754.09 | \$13,733.35 |
| Checking | \$ 2,356.88 | \$ 4,310.44 | \$ 3,508.96 | \$ 4,777.74 |
| Savings | \$ 5.53 | \$ 5.53 | \$ 5.53 | \$ 5.53 |
| Petty Cash | \$ 100.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$ 100.00 |
| Cash Balances | \$16,236.60 | \$18,180.28 | \$17,377.49 | \$18,616.62 |

Special Note:
 For the 80th Birthday Celebration the \$30/person cost was supplemented by the Club at a little more than \$13 per attendee.

Time to Renew Membership

Enclosed is a new membership form. We need everyone to complete a new form this year to get updated information. You can find the PDF on our website as well.



Jean Lundstedt passed away



The ScandiClub mourns the loss of Jean Lundstedt.

Excerpt from Obituary:

Jean loved everyone. She opened our eyes to see the grand beauty in little things. Along with flowers, singing and dancing, she loved adventure whether at home or abroad.

She taught "Adventures in Writing" for 35 years through Worthington Parks and Recreation. She provided a safe place where people could express themselves freely.

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