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2018 Event Schedule

Date and Time	Event	Location
April 18, 2019	Danish meeting & Business Meeting	Gethsemane Lutheran Church
May 18, 2019	Syttende Mai	Shillito's Park U/L Otherwise announced

SUMMER AND FALL EVENTS

The Danish Celebration and short business meeting will take place this Saturday, April 13 at 6 pm at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. We invite you to bring a Danish dish, or whatever Scandinavian dish you desire. Danish dishes include, among others, Herring, of course, Frikadeller: savory Danish meatballs, Rodkal, red cabbage, Danish rice pudding, Ebleskivers, or peaches and cream, Danish potato salad with a caper vinaigrette, asparagus, rye bread, smorrbrod, or open face sandwiches, and of course Danish pastry. I hope you can join us!

Bill Hedberg passed away on March 26, 2019 and several of us were fortunate to be able to attend the visitation and service. Bill was our president for 10 years, and set a wonderful standard of interest, dedication, warm friendship and kindness to all who participated. It was an honor to hear of his quiet leadership all through his life and to meet family members who came from Oklahoma and Montana to join members of the family who live in Lexington. We will always remember what he and Mary have done for our organization and send our sincere sympathy to all the family.

Here are a few news items from The Local in Denmark:

Cigarettes are doubling in price from 40 to 80 kroner. That amounts to a jump from \$6 to \$12 dollars per pack!

9338 American citizens live in Denmark which since 2015 has allowed dual citizenship, by the way. Most live in Copenhagen, with many in suburbs and 3936 in other areas of the country. One mother wrote of moving with her husband and two children to a small town that had no internet and no tv. This has been a joy in that it is a friendly and very safe place to raise a family.

(The US has a town not far from us in West Virginia that bans cell phones and wireless internet in the name of science. Green Bank has the world's largest radio telescope and a 100-meters-in-diameter dish that belongs to the National Radio Astronomy Observatory. This enables the study of parts of the universe that are invisible to the human eye through measurement of radio waves. Just thought you would like to know!)

In Sweden 15 year old Greta Thunberg staged a one person protest last August outside of the parliament building to demand that Sweden meet the emission standards to which it committed in the Paris Accord on Global warming. Now young people in 1800 cities and over 100 countries around the world are becoming activists. The Local in Sweden tells the story.

Take a look at the light display caused by rockets in Lapland!



Time is short before Saturday so this will be a short newsletter. See you soon!