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2022 Event Schedule

Lucia Rehearsal Lucia Celebration	December 4, 2022 2 PM December 10, 2022 7 PM	Gethsemane Lutheran Church
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The Fall Harvest Dinner at Spindletop was a great success. We had 42 members and friends who attended. It was a special pleasure to get together after not being able to meet for 2 years. Thomas Hakasson introduced Carolyn Dupont, History professor at ECU who gave a very interesting illustrated talk about Denmark during WW II. Spindletop presented a delicious meal, and conversation flowed.

Now we are preparing for the celebration of Lucia on Saturday, December 10 at 7 pm at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. The address is 2185 Garden Springs Drive, Lexington 40504. The previous Sunday, we will gather for a rehearsal at 2 pm to assign readings and practice the music. We invite everyone interested in participating to join us that afternoon. This year, we plan to resume the reception after the short program. Contributions by members and friends generally result in a wonderful smorgasbord. We are grateful to be able to gather once again.

On Sunday, November 27 at 5 pm at Second Presbyterian Church, the Lexington Chamber Chorale will present a Celebration of the Holidays to lift the spirits. General Admission is \$22; students \$10. Masks are optional. Our group has co-sponsored their performances related to our Scandinavian heritage. This is another not-to-be-missed event!

Scandinavian Heritage Society P.2

Did you happen to see the PBS Nova program on June 10, 2021 on The Lost Viking Army? Around 865 C.E. a coalition of some 5,000 Scandinavian warriors landed in East Anglia. Guthrum, from Denmark, came to Reading during 871 to join them. They wintered 873-874, then Split in 2 groups. They intended to conquer Anglo-Saxon England. While they managed to conquer East Anglia, Mercia, Northumbria and invaded Wessex, finally they were defeated in 878 by Wessex's King Alfred the Great who rallied the Anglo-Saxon tribes together. Following a siege of his stronghold, Guthrum surrendered. He remained King of East Anglia. Under agreement and later under the treaty of Alfred and Guthrum, Guthrum agreed to become a Christian to his Christian vassals, while remaining pagan to his pagan vassals. The treaty set the boundary between their territories, and set conditions for peaceful trade. This treaty is viewed as the foundation of Danelaw over areas in northern and eastern England where Danes and other Norsemen settled. If you take a look at a map of that time, the Danes occupied a very large part of England! This map is from Wikipedia.



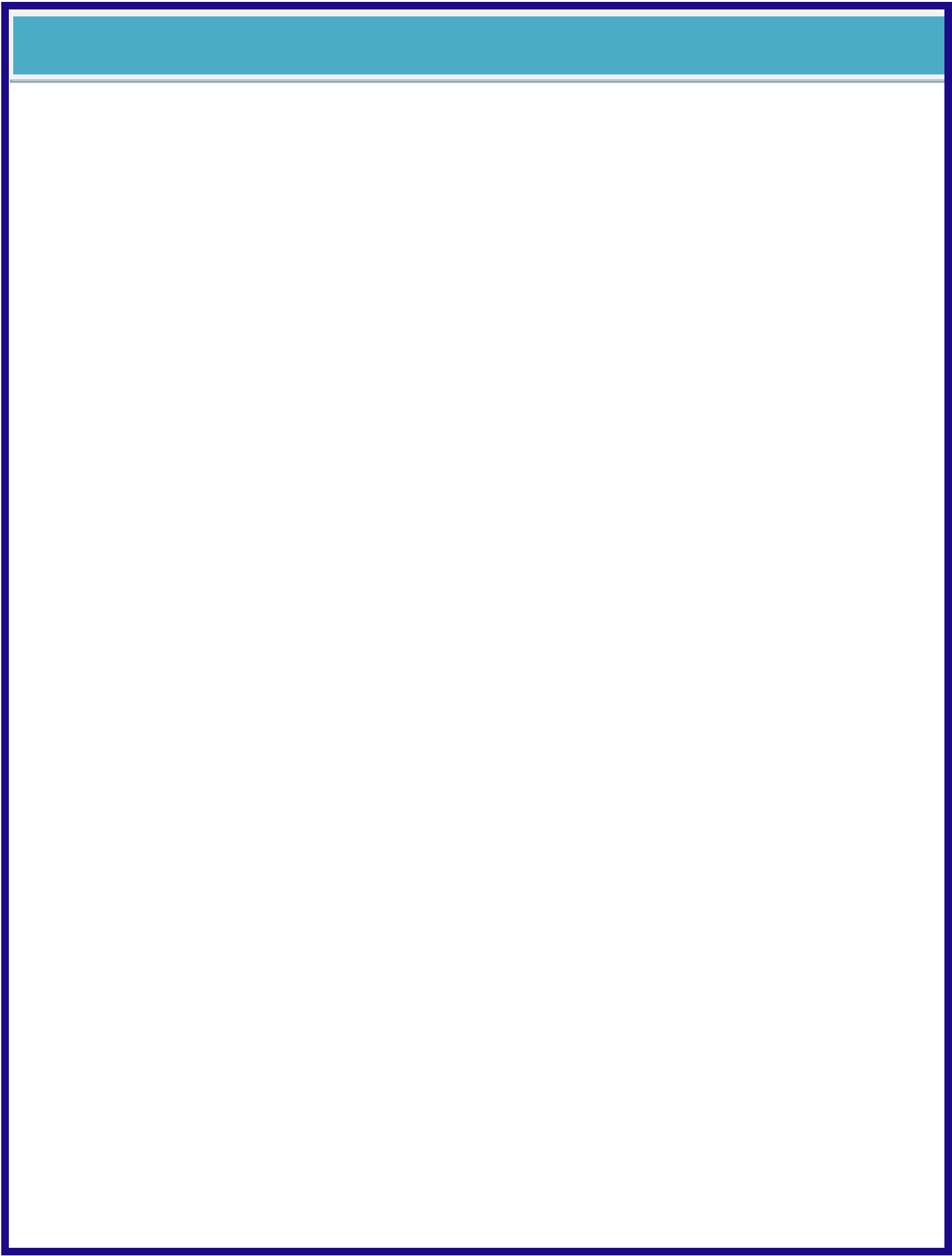
The Nobel Prize laureates will gather in Stockholm and Oslo on December 10 to receive their Nobel Prizes and to enjoy the festivities. Some activities begin on December 6 and will be available for view on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram and LinkedIn. If you go to nobelprize.org, you will find dates and times for the Official Nobel Prize lectures. These are opportunities for the laureates to give the history and background for their work. Topics cover Black Holes, Economists speaking of measuring things that are difficult to measure, genetic scissors, and molecular constructions, among other topics. There will be torch light processions, concerts, exhibits, and a light festival. It would be exciting to be there for these events!

Here are photos that Kristie took at the Fall Harvest Dinner!





See you in December! Happy Thanksgiving everyone!



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