

Dear Lag Officers and Members,

We are pleased to share the information about the upcoming Fellesraad Annual Meeting which will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 6 - 7, 2022 as an all-virtual meeting on Zoom. There will be no registration fee, and all members are invited to attend.

When you register, your email address will be added to our list for our Zoom meeting, and the meeting link will be sent to you. We suggest if you know of members who do not have access to the Internet, that you attend together on one computer. There is a maximum of one hundred email addresses that can attend this Zoom meeting.

Our theme this year is *Celebrating Emigration and Immigration* and our presenters include the following:

Friday:

- 10 AM: Amy Boxrud, Executive Director, Norwegian-American Historical Association "2025 Bi-Centennial Plans and NAHA Update"
- 11:15 AM: Liv Birgit Christensen, Professional Norwegian Genealogist "Ane Soneson, an emigrant and local philanthropist"
- 1:00 PM: Caitlin Sackrison, History Ph.D Candidate, Brandeis University " Norwegian Immigrants to Brown County, MN"
- 2:15 PM: Gracia Grindal, Luther Seminary Professor, Retired "The History of Mindekirken and Involvement of Fellesraad"

Saturday (following Business Meeting):

- 9:15 AM: Business Meeting President's Report, Election of Officers, Lag Yearly Report
- 10:45 AM: Joe Grodahl, Programing & Events Director, Norway House "Haugo Archive & Bibliotek Update"

At the Business Meeting on Saturday morning, we will need two delegates from each Lag to vote on the officers for the upcoming year.

We would also like information from each Lag for the "Lag Yearly Report" that will be compiled and presented by Nancy Pickering, Fellesraad Board Member, at the Business Meeting. Please send your information to Nancy Pickering at <u>nancyp@minn.net</u> no later than April 29th. Suggestions include:

- Brief greeting from your Lag
- What your Lag did this past year
- How has your Lag communicated during the pandemic, such as newsletters, web sites, Facebook, stevner, monthly emails, mini-newsletters?
- Concerns for your Lag
- Plans for the upcoming year

The tentative Agenda for both Friday and Saturday is listed herein. Gene Rodi will send you the Registration form and the Zoom link to the meetings. We look forward to hearing from and seeing you at our Annual Meeting.

Tusen takk.

Vennlig hilsen,

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