



Upcoming Meetings

The program for the March meeting will be a presentation on the Cultural Skills program by Ron Rolla. Attendees are encouraged to bring items representing the different Cultural Skills so those who might be interested can see examples of the various crafts. We will probably also talk about the Sports Medal program, so round up all the questions you have on those two topics to be prepared for the Mar 17th meeting. The pot luck will be “Bring your favorite Breakfast Memory”, or “Breakfast for Supper”.

The video “Where the Home Fires Died” will be the program at the April meeting on April 21. It is the story of farms that used to dot the nearly perpendicular walls of the fjords and the people who lived there.

Sol-Land is hosting the Zone 5 Seminar on April 29th. Zone seminars are a great place to meet members of other E. Washington and Idaho lodges, to exchange ideas, and to learn a bit more about how the entire organization works. It is a Saturday meeting, starting about 9 AM and finishing by around 3 PM. Rennae will be contacting members to volunteer their time to host, and we hope to see many of our members attending – after all, it is free AND you will get lunch!

Changes in meetings, deadlines, committees

The Executive Board has moved the board/business meeting to the Monday after the regular meeting. That means that in March, it will be March 20th. All members are welcome to attend the board meetings. We meet at Kennewick First Lutheran, 7 PM.

Submissions for the newsletter are now due by the 4th Friday of the month – March’s deadline is March 24th.

Laurie Tyssen is our Sunshine chair. Please let her know about anyone who needs a bit of sunshine in their lives. ((509) 545-9086, gtyssen@gmail.com)

Sol-Land Lodge holds a monthly meeting on the third Friday of the month. We have a potluck dinner beginning at 6:30pm. Guests are not expected to bring food just to come and enjoy themselves! The cultural program begins about 7:30. We meet at Kennewick First Lutheran Church on the corner of HWY 395 and Yelm. We have a board meeting on the Monday after the regular membership meeting, beginning at 7:00pm, also at Kennewick First Lutheran. If you wish to come to a meeting, but do not have transportation, please contact us and we will arrange it for you. If you are interested in a membership, give one of us a call; we can tell you what we are all about and how to go about becoming a member. You can also visit our lodge website at www.sol-land.org.





Sol-Land Lodge 2023 Officers:

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| Asst. Greeter | Ginger Fields |
| Sunshine Committee | Laurie Tyssen |
| Scholarship Chair | Dick Nordness |
| Tubfrim Chair | Laurie Tyssen |

Online events to take note of

If you missed the kayaking video, “Coming Home” that was shown at the Feb. 17th lodge meeting or would just like to see it again, here is the website: <http://www.paddle-pilgrim.com> . Select videos on the task bar, then scroll down and select “Coming Home”. It is a 25 min. documentary about Dave Ellingson’s kayak trip on the Sogn and Hardanger Fjords. It also tells the story of finding his ancestors’ farm in Norway.

Community outreach

The lodge is considering partnering with the Kennewick Community schools again next year to offer classes; baking, cooking, hand crafts...what classes are you interested in taking? What classes are you willing to help with?

To avoid the scramble to reconstruct you volunteer hours next January, start keeping track of them NOW!!

Lodge Scholarship Info

Sol-Land Lodge awards a \$750 scholarship each year. The scholarship is awarded to a current member, relative of a current member, or descendant of a charter member of Sol-Land Lodge #2-086. Relatives include a son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, adopted child, or a stepchild. The Committee will consider exceptions to the above-named relatives/descendants on an individual basis.

The scholarship is awarded based on information detailed on the application forms and is to be used for undergraduate college education or training at a technical school. The award money will be sent to the school registrar and applied to tuition only.

For more information or to request an application packet contact Richard Nordness at 509-948-2433 or by email at rnordness@hotmail.com. Richard will be out of country for three weeks starting on March 28th so requests for scholarship applications should be directed to him by March 25th. Deadline for getting applications to him is still April 15.

Language Camps are back!!

2023 Registration for District 2 Youth Camps begins Feb 14. The camps are:

- Camp Trollhaugen - (ages 13-15) Easton, WA June 25 - July 8, 2023
- Camp Nidaros – (ages 9-12) Gearhart, OR July 9 - 22, 2023
- Camp Normanna- (ages 9-12) Lake Riley, WA July 23 – August 5, 2023

Total all-inclusive tuition for each two-week camp is \$700. will be recorded in the order in which they are received. To attend camp, children must have a parent, grandparent or sponsor who is a Sons of Norway member in District 2.

There are two District-wide scholarships available to campers. The Draxten Memorial Fund awards funds to D2 campers who are also receiving funds from their local lodge. The amount varies from year to year, based on the total number of awards handed out. The Sofie/Olson Memorial Scholarship Fund supplies money to the children and grandchildren of district members to attend D2 youth camps.

If you are interested in sending a child to camp, please contact Nancy Holter (509-375-0919, sol.land.lodge@gmail.com) for more information and application forms.



District 2 Events

District 2 Zone 5 Seminar, **Saturday, April 29, 2023.**
Registration at 8:30 AM, Meeting 9:00-4:00 PM, (Lunch Included)

Some of the topics to be covered are:

- Successful Programs & Fundraisers
- Communications/Newsletters
- Camps and Scholarships
- Financial Benefit
- Foundation and Tubfrim
- Lodge Reports & Volunteer Hours
- International Board News
- Membership Recruitment & Retention

Bring your questions and your success stories. Working together makes us all stronger. We have ideas and news you'll want to hear!

Lodge officers and members are encouraged to attend. Make your reservations early.
Contact: Cindy McManus Zone 5 Director, mcmom37@yahoo.com , 907-632-8899

If you cannot attend on Apr 29th, the Zone 2 Seminar will be on March 18th at Able Lodge in Conway, Washington, and the following Saturday we will have the next one at Poulsbo Lodge for Zone 3 and 4 in Poulsbo, Washington. If you would like to attend one of those instead, please contact Cindy McManus to make arrangements.



One of our members who moved away got married recently. Sam Solem married Samuel Perenu on Feb 19 in Tucson, AZ. Sam and her parents were members here for a few years before they moved to AZ.



Gretchen Makinson held dance classes in February.



If you are interested in more dance classes, please let us know!

Calendar

March 17, 6:30pm – Monthly Heritage Meeting -
Cultural and Sports Medal Program

March 20, 7pm – Board Meeting, KFLC

April 29 – Zone 5 Seminar, Registration at 8:30 AM,
Meeting 9:00-4:00 PM, (Lunch Included)



Sol-Land Members in the News

One of Sol-Land's assistant cultural directors, Joe Molvik, converted his former metalworking shop into an art gallery and workshop for his new creations: Norwegian-inspired wood carvings, paintings, tine boxes and cutting boards. Joe was born in Norway and has been honing his artistic skills for over 50 years. A profile of him and his gallery was recently featured in the Tri-Cities Area Journal of Business and Senior Times. Read the full story for free at: <https://www.tricitiesbusinessnews.com/2023/02/joe-molvik/>



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