

The Desert Viking

Jan 2008

General Information about the Lodge

Sol Land Lodge holds a monthly meeting on the third Friday of the month. We have a potluck beginning at 6:30 PM. Guests are NOT expected to bring food, just to come and enjoy themselves. The general meeting or cultural activity begins about 7:30. We meet at the Kennewick First Lutheran, on 395 and Yelm. We have a **monthly board meeting** on the first Monday of the month at 7 PM also at First Lutheran. The current president is DJ Watson (628-3391), the secretary is Vernie Tiwater (628-9987). They can supply you with names and phone numbers for other officers if you need them. If you wish to come to a meeting, but do not have transportation, give us a call and we can arrange it for you. If you are interested in 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 check out our lodge website at www.Sol-Land.org.

Lutefisk Dinner

The dinner this year will be on Feb 2 from noon to 4PM. We will be selling tickets in advance ONLY, and there is an order form in this newsletter. Please complete it and get it to Jim Schlosser with a SASE by Jan 26 so he can get your tickets back to you.

Preparation for the dinner will include baking lefse on at the church on Jan 9, 16 and 23, and other prep work at the church on Jan 31 and Feb 1. Please call Margaret or Ken Leaf for more information (586-4687). Ken is organizing the workers for the dinner, please call him to offer your services. We need lots of workers to do this dinner; especially those willing to work the late shift and help clean up!



New benefit for Sons of Norway Members

Sons of Norway is proud to announce a brand-new member benefit, Norwegian for Reading Comprehension. This unique online course focuses on reading Norwegian for general understanding. The program covers the many historical forms of the Norwegian language, and teaches innovative reading strategies for understanding anything from modern web pages to old immigrant letters.

This course is not quite like any other. Unlike traditional language-learning programs, this course will not teach you to understand spoken Norwegian, or to speak or write sentences of your own. Instead, the goal of this program is to help you read texts written in any form of Norwegian for basic comprehension. The intention is not to train you to translate every single word with total precision, but rather to identify the key concepts, and come to solid conclusions about what a text means.

To get started, sign in to the "Members Login" section of www.sonsofnorway.com. Once you're in, go to "Member Resources" and choose "Learn Norwegian."

Trollhaugen Items

The annual Winter Snø Carnival and Cross-country Ski Tournament will be held on Feb. 9. Registration for the skiing is from 9 to 10 and the race is from 10 to noon. Following that there will be the Snø Carnival which includes many troll themed events such as Troll Tail Tug of War, Troll on a Pole Race, Snow Troll building and other events. In the early evening there will be a candle lit

sledding path for all to enjoy. For more information, contact Thomas Samuelsen at 206-325-7019 or Steve Tilton at 946-0587 .



Request for Recipes

DJ Watson has requested heritage recipes for the web site. He particularly wants those that have a story associated with them. You can see examples on the lodge's website at <http://www.sol-land.org/culture/recipes.htm>

Get your reservation in early !!

Bunad & Wood Carving Workshop
April 4-6, 2008
Space is limited
contact Donna Gilbery @ 509-452-9790
donnamg.wa@netzero.net

Spring Adult Heritage Retreat
May 2-4, 2008
Fall Adult Heritage Retreat
Sept. 19-21, 2008
Contact Doreen Parker @ 360-538-0572 or
Chris Hicks @ 425-672-0194
hicks1015@msn.com

Please call Ginger Fields (734-7876), Nancy Holter (375-0919), or Doreen Parker (360-538-0572) for more info or for applications. Sol-Land lodge does provide some partial scholarships to these events. Call Ginger or Nancy for more information.

Officers for 2008

The slate of officers for next year is:

President	D.J. Watson
V. President	Greg Holter
Secretary	Vernie Tiwater
Treasurer	Jim Schlosser
Membership Secretary	Vernie Tiwater
Social Director	Sara Watson
Cultural Director	Jim Lande
Counselor	Nancy Holter
Editor	Nancy Holter
Foundation Director	Cliff Blegen
Publicity Director	unfilled as yet
Youth Director	unfilled as yet
Sports/ Rec Director	Ken Leaf
Music Director	JoAnne Bjerke
Librarian	unfilled as yet
Calling Committee	Laurie Tyssen
Historian	Adah Knapstad

Language Classes

The new season of language classes has begun. Please call Jim Schlosser for more information. The lodge is subsidizing the fee for lodge members this year, so it remains the same \$10/week, payable by the month.

Matlyst Monthly BarleyCakes

Ingredients:

1 1/4 cups pear barley
3 onions, minced
2 eggs
salt (to taste)
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
ground allspice (to taste)
scant 1/2 cup whipping cream
1/2 cup ground nuts or breadcrumbs

Prepare the barley by soaking it in water over night. Cook barley in water until tender, around 20 -25 minutes. Set aside to cool. Combine the barley with the remaining ingredients. Form the mixture into small patties and prepare a frying pan with butter. Brown on both sides and set on paper towels to cool. Serve with brown gravy, coleslaw, lingonberry jam, fried onions, or with your favorite soup or stew.

940,000 Norwegians on Facebook

The internet society Facebook.com has now more than 938,000 Norwegian users, according to the website's own numbers. Norway is the fifth largest Facebookcountry in the world after the US, Great Britain, Canada and Australia. In relation to total population this makes Norway the world's most Facebook-crazy country.

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Sons of Norway – Sol-Land Lodge 2-086

February 2, 2008

**at Kennewick First Lutheran Church,
Yelm and 395 in Kennewick**

Time: 12 noon to 4:00 PM

by advanced ticket sales

Adults: \$17, Children 6 - 12: \$5

Served family style, all you can eat

**Seating times 12:00, 12:20, 12:40, 1:00, 1:20,
1:40, 2:00, 2:20, 2:40, 3:00, 3:20, 3:40, 4:00**

Menu: Lutefisk, meatballs, gravy, potatoes, lefse, salad
and Scandinavian cookies

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Order Form

Select seating time
preference:

1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

Number of tickets desired

___ Adults at \$17 _____

___ Children 6–12 at \$5 _____

___ Children under 6

Check enclosed: \$ _____

Please provide phone number &
self-addressed stamped return
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