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# The Desert Viking



## **Lodge Picnic June 20 - "Country Fair with Scandinavian Flair"**

Mark your calendars for June 20th and plan to be at Charbonneau Park, east of Pasco, for our summer picnic! The party will begin at 11:30 am with the potluck lunch at noon.

### Planned activities:

**Pie Judging Contest** – Bring your favorite pie and see if our noble judges (drafted on the spot) choose yours as the best of the best!

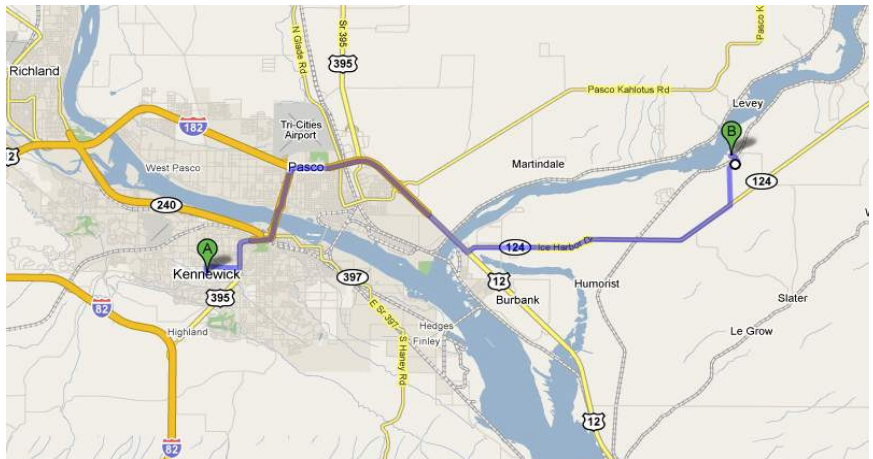
**Joke Telling Contest** – Share your favorite Scandinavian joke and see if it gets the loudest groans (of appreciation, of course) from the audience! (Jim Lande is the reigning champion from last year!)

**Games: Kubb, Bocce, bean bag toss** – learn to play the Viking game of Kubb, Bocce (lawn bowling) or see if you can beat the kids in the bean bag toss!

**Bring your favorite potluck picnic food and invite some friends to sample some Scandinavian hospitality.**

### **Directions to Charbonneau Park from the Tri-Cities:**

Take Hwy 182 to WA-12 and turn left onto 124, just past the Snake River Bridges. Travel WA-124 and take a left onto Sun Harbor Drive. Curve toward the right onto Harbor Blvd., take a left onto Charbonneau Drive and follow to the picnic shelter (The Overlook shelter straight ahead on the hill). (Approx. 20 miles)





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## 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 Hwy 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 D.J. Watson (628-3391), the secretary is Vernie Tiwater (628-9987). 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](http://www.Sol-Land.org).

## Border Festival Event:

**Sunday, July 12, 9:30AM-?:** 100th anniversary kickoff for District 2 Sons of Norway at the Border festival! *Fram, Forward into the Future* is a yearlong event for all of District 2 (Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Alaska). All lodges throughout our district are organizing events for the celebration. The Border Festival at Blaine is a shared activity between District 7 in British Columbia and District 2 in Washington. This year's event features many sports activities including kite flying, historic cars, 100th anniversary exhibit, potluck, and much more. Everyone is encouraged to wear a 1910 type hat, swimsuit or other 1910 attire to the event.

When Ole accidentally lost 50 cents in the outhouse, he immediately threw in his watch and Billfold. He explained, "I'm not going down dere just for 50 cents."



### Trollhaugen Steak Fry – August 1, 2009

Happy Hour: 2:30pm (BYOB)

Dinner: 3:30 pm

RSVP: Bill Hicks at (425) 672-0194

Tickets: \$15.00 adults (specify Steak or Salmon)

\$5.00 kids under 12 (Hot dog, chips, dessert)

Trollhaugen phone is (509) 656-9997 for overnight reservations.



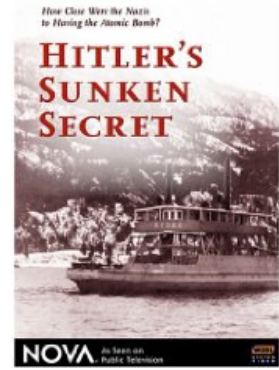


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## July and August Meeting Programs:

**In July we will have our potluck dinner followed by a movie.** The movie is a Nova documentary called **Hitler's Sunken Secret**. A publisher's review says:

*One of the most daring resistance operations of World War II was the 1944 sinking of the Norwegian ferry Hydro, with its cargo of "heavy water" destined for the Nazi's secret atomic bomb project. If the Germans had obtained a large supply, it could have helped their physicists develop nuclear weapons that would have made the Third Reich invincible. Fear of that outcome sparked the Allies to undertake the Manhattan Project, which ultimately produced the first atomic bomb.*



*But was the blowing up of the Hydro a crucial defeat for Hitler's nuclear ambitions? An exclusive NOVA salvage expedition sets out to explore the bottom of a Norwegian lake with a remotely operated vehicle--its goal is to discover the sunken ferry and haul up one of the barrels believed to contain heavy water. Testing the barrel's contents will provide a crucial clue to resolving the riddles surrounding Nazi Germany's push to build the bomb.*

*Hitler's Sunken Secret features gripping first-person interviews with the sole living Norwegian saboteur and survivors who were on board the Hydro when it blew up. Among the NOVA team's startling new discoveries is evidence that a second secret consignment of barrels eluded the saboteurs and made it all the way to Germany, but arrived too late to make a Nazi bomb feasible.*



**In August we will have an Ice cream social and game night.**

The lodge will provide ice cream, so bring your favorite topping or accompaniment. Social and games will begin at the regular time of 6:30. Feel free to bring a favorite card or board game and prepare to have a fun, relaxed evening with friends!



### **Calling Volunteers for the Nordic Fest Committee!**

It's time to begin planning our Nordic Fest 2010! It seems early to begin meeting, but a lot of the entertainment acts which make our Nordic Fest so distinctive like to book up to a year in advance. We need to find and book a venue, make hotel reservations for out of town entertainment and begin inviting vendors. If you would like to participate on the committee, please contact D.J. Watson at 628-3391 or [djwatson@cougarmail.org](mailto:djwatson@cougarmail.org). We need some creative ideas to make our fest special. We heard from many people who were disappointed that we didn't hold our fest this year, so they are eagerly anticipating next year!





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## Book Club Update

Our book club will take a hiatus for the summer and meet again on the last Wednesday in September. We will review *The Redbreast* by Jo Nesbo.

In May, we reviewed *In Cod We Trust* by Erik Dregni. This is a lighthearted look at one student's year in Norway on a Fullbright Scholarship. Mr. Dregni endures Norwegian language class, trying to get a telephone hooked into his apartment and the birth of his first child all while trying to discover his family roots and find out what it truly means to be Norwegian.

Our members liked this book because of the frank look at contemporary life in Norway. We had an interesting and sometimes very humorous discussion of finding and visiting long-lost family.



Please join us for our meeting in September. Location to be announced.

## **Bunad Workshop**

Sol-Land Lodge is happy to have an opportunity to host a bunad workshop for members and interested persons. If you would like to learn to make your own bunad, this is your chance!

**Who:** Bunad Sydame, Donna Gilbery

**When:** August 13-15, 9:00 a.m.-?

**Where:**

**Cost:** It is \$40 each for 10 participants plus mileage. If we have fewer than 10 participants then it's \$400 divided by those in attendance.

**Materials:** Sewers need working sewing machines & cost of material is not included.

If you would like to participate, please contact Nancy Carrs-Roach at [nancycarrsroach@gmail.com](mailto:nancycarrsroach@gmail.com) or 547-2331.





## Aunty Alfta's Adventures In Northern Cooking

Lefse is great to use as a kind of Norse sandwich called lefse kling. It is much like a Northern version of a taco or burrito. Basically you take some filling and spoon it out onto the lefse then take the lefse and wrap it around the filling and enjoy! I do this with Vinnish meatballs all the time, as well as with scrambled eggs, sausage and cheddar or American cheese. One of Aunty Alfta's favorite kinds of lefse kling is chicken and cheddar lefse kling.

### ingredients:

3 or 4 whole chicken breasts

1 t. - salt

1 t. - pepper

1 small onion diced

1 small green pepper diced

1/2 c. cheddar cheese

Slice the chicken breasts into small chunks. Place chicken, salt, pepper, onions, and green peppers in a pot and cover with a lid and cook slowly over low heat until they are thoroughly cooked. Once cooked put chicken mixture into a serving bowl and add cheddar, stirring thoroughly until the cheese is well mixed in and melted. Spoon a generous amount onto lefse and wrap. Enjoy! You can vary the salt, pepper and cheddar to taste if you like.

With 12 lefse, serves about 4.

Recipe found at: <http://www.northvegr.org/family/auntyalfta/kling.php>

## The Fox and the Cat – A Norwegian Parable

One day a cat happened to meet a fox in the great forest of Járnwood. The cat thought to herself, "He is clever and full of experience, and much esteemed in the world," so she spoke to him in a friendly way.

"Good-day, dear Mr. Fox. How are you? How is all with you? How are you getting on in these hard times?"

The fox, full of all kinds of arrogance, looked at the cat from head to foot, and for a long time did not know whether he would give any answer or not. At last he said, "Oh, you wretched beard-cleaner, you piebald fool, you hungry mouse-hunter, what can you be thinking of! Have you the cheek to ask how I am getting on? What have you learnt? How many arts do you understand?"

"I understand but one," replied the cat, modestly.

"What art is that?" asked the fox.

"When the hounds are following me, I can spring into a tree and save myself," replied the cat.

"Is that all?" said the fox. "I am master of a hundred arts, and have into the bargain a sackful of cunning. You make me sorry for you. Come with me, I will teach you how people get away from the hounds."

Just then a hunter came along, accompanied by four dogs.

The cat sprang nimbly up a tree, and sat down on top of it, where the branches and foliage hid her from sight.

"Open your sack, Mr. Fox, open your sack!" cried the cat.

But the dogs had already seized the fox, and were holding him fast.

"Ah, Mr. Fox," cried the cat. "You with your hundred arts are left in the lurch. Had you been able to climb like me, you would not have lost your life!"

With that the cat changed into Freyja, the All-Mother, and flew up to Asgard.

Some time later, Loki the Shape-shifter came in, but he was sulky and wouldn't talk to her.

Freyja smiled to herself and said, "You can't win them all..."



## Upcoming Calendar of Events:

**June 20:** Summer Picnic! Charbonneau Park, Outlook Picnic Shelter, 11:30 a.m. Please bring a potluck dish to share and your award-winning pie! Last year was great, this year will be better! See details on the front page.

**July 6:** *Board meeting*, 7pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, Rm. 5

**July 17:** *General Heritage Meeting*, 6:30pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, HWY 395 and Yelm, Kennewick. Program: Potluck dinner and movie night. Movie: *Nova: Hitler's Sunken Secret*. Documentary. See details on Page 3.

**August 3:** *Board meeting*, 7pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, Rm. 5

**August 13-25:** Bunad Workshop. See details on Page 4.

**August 21:** *General Heritage Meeting*, 6:30pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, HWY 395 and Yelm, Kennewick. Ice Cream Social and Game night. The lodge will provide ice cream. Please bring your favorite topping or accompaniment and game, if you wish.

**Note:** *Reading Circle* will be postponed until September: *The Redbreast* by Jo Nesbo. Location TBA.

**Come to Social Hour with us!** Please come and visit with your lodge brothers and sisters beginning at 5:45pm. We'd love to see you there!



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