



The Desert Viking

July Breakfast Social – Saturday, July 19, 9:30am

We had such a great brunch in January, that we've had requests to do it again! The middle of summer is a busy time for a lot of people, but we like to try to continue lodge meetings and have a little social time. Please bring your favorite warm weather breakfast and brunch dishes to share. Nancy Holter will also give a short photo presentation of our lodge trip to a stabbur in Moses Lake in April.

August Ice Cream Social – August 15th, 7:00pm

The August meeting will be the Ice Cream Social and family game night. It will be held on the third Friday - August 15th. The lodge will be providing ice cream, please bring ice cream toppings or cookies or bars to accompany the ice cream. Ben Borgen has volunteered to bring his ice cream freezers so we can have hand-made ice cream! No one will want to miss that. We will not have a potluck dinner that night, festivities will start about 7. Please feel free to bring family-friendly games to play. And bring your friends and their friends, too. The more the merrier when it comes to game night!

The Trollhaugen Steak Fry will be held July 26th. Time is running out for you to get reduced price tickets. If you wish to car pool, please contact Karen Aanes (619-1510) ASAP. We always have a great time up there, and if you have never been to Trollhaugen, this is the perfect excuse to go. There will be family and group activities most of the day, they will begin about 11 AM. Happy hour starts at 2:30 and dinner will be served at 3:30. Although it is called a Steak Fry, tickets are also available for Salmon. Tickets are \$18 per meal if tickets are purchased before July 16th, and \$20 after that. Kids' hot dog meals are available for \$5. Please contact Bill Hicks (425 - 672-0194, Hicks1015@msn.com) for tickets and more information. Overnight lodgings are available, but you MUST make reservations for them – call the Trollhaugen managers at 509-656-9997. Trollhaugen has a new web site (<http://www.trollhaugensofn.com>) and the information for the steak fry is available there.



Retired

By Steinar Olafsen

Strolling around town
 At prohibited time
 Ignoring the church bell sounds
 While I see people hurrying
 Down the sidewalk
 On their way to work
 Think maybe I'll find
 Pen and paper
 And have a coffee somewhere
 Or maybe not





Greetings – Hilsen! From your President

What a great way to start the summer!

Not 1, not 2, but 3 Viking 'ships' represented 4 Sons of Norway lodges from our Zone 5 at the Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, 4th of July Parade. The 1.5 mile parade route along Sherman Avenue in lovely downtown Coeur D'Alene was packed with spectators and the temperature was even enjoyable...

a balmy 79 degrees! It was great fun meeting fellow members from Moses Lake, Spokane, Coeur D'Alene and a few folks from the local Creative Anachronism group who marched along with us. The Viking 'ships' from the Moses Lake and Spokane lodges are much bigger than ours but Sol-Land's Nordlands boat is the only one that can really float! Hip Hip Hurrah! Thank you again to those who donated funds to help underwrite this activity and to everyone who marched in the parade. It was a great opportunity to celebrate our Norwegian heritage American-style. The Sons of Norway flotilla was well-received by one and all. Thank you also to Harald Haarfager Lodge, Coeur D'Alene for feeding us lunch after the parade at their lodge meeting place in the IOOF Hall in Post Falls, ID.



Continuing on with summer activities... There is plenty to enjoy in our District 2 with the upcoming Steak Fry at TROLLHAUGEN in the Cascade Mountains on Saturday, July 26th AND the GOLF TOURNAMENT at Hangman Valley Golf Course in Spokane on Saturday, August 23rd. I encourage you to invite a fellow member or friend to join you in car-pooling to Trollhaugen or getting a pair or 4-some together for the golf tournament. FORE! Both events are already organized and just need your fun participation!

Answering our call for FUNDRAISING IDEAS... Thank you to member Carolyn Watson, mother of member DJ Watson and sister of member Sharon Aamot, for putting forward the idea that our Sol-Land Lodge might consider having a YARD SALE to raise much-needed funds. Our Board of Directors is very receptive to Carolyn's suggestion but would like to hear from you, our members, with regard to the possibility of staging a YARD SALE. I know several other groups who do this and these sales do generate funds for their organizations. We will take time to talk about this idea at our upcoming BRUNCH/BREAKFAST MEETING on Saturday, July 19th at 9:30am at Kennewick 1st Lutheran Fellowship Hall.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Ron Rolla and Karen Aanes for being chosen to help represent Sol-Land Lodge and District 2 at the upcoming Sons of Norway International Convention in Jacksonville, FL this August 2014. We hope Ron will take lots of photos to share with us on their return. Fun travels to you both!

Please always feel free to call me with any ideas, questions, concerns, scheduling, or how you might become more involved in the life of our lodge. 509-531-8459. TUSEN TAKK

Nancy Carrs Roach

Taste of Scandinavia

If you could not attend the last Taste of Scandinavia meeting, that's ok, but we missed you! Please give me a call or e-mail if you have any great ideas (or even mediocre Ideas...we'll make them great!). I welcome anything that will generate interest In our event. Hope to hear from you soon!

Sara Watson, committee chair 628-3391 or sarawatson@pobox.com





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District 2 Heritage Retreat will be held Oct 3 – 5. The theme this time will be Trolls. The cost is \$135 if you register before Sept 1st, and \$145 after that. Space is limited. Sol-Land lodge does offer a limited number of partial scholarships; contact Sara Watson for more information on those. Contact: Doreen Parker, Retreat Director, Chris Hicks (425) 672-0194 or Ginger Fields (509) 734-7876.

Scholarships

Sol-Land offers partial scholarships to the Trollhaugen (Adult) Heritage Retreat. There is \$150 available for up to three scholarships.

District 2 has three youth language/cultural camps each year. The District offers scholarship money for campers that have received a scholarship of some sort from their lodge. The amount varies each year because only the interest is available to be used, but you don't get any of it if you don't have a lodge assist. If you would like more information on the youth camps, you can go to this website: <http://www.sonsofnorway2.com/youthcamps.html>.

Upcoming Events

October meeting: October 10th. The focus of this meeting will be the set up for the Taste of Scandinavia that will be held the following day. We should also be hearing from the nominating committee at that time.

Taste of Scandinavia Oct. 11th. We will need lots of assistance for this to be a successful event. We need bakers and demonstrators and people to actually work that day. Sara Watson is the chair of the committee, so please contact her to let her know you would like to assist (628-3391 or sarawatson@pobox.com).

Prospective Member Dinner in late October. Our last membership dinner was a great success. We will have another one on October 21. Now is the time to start talking to your friends (or the guy on the street) to see if they are at all interested in finding out about our lodge and The Sons of Norway.

Good Morning Golf Fans,

I am pleased to announce the District 2 Sons of Norway Golf Tournament registration is open!

Mark your Calendars for August 23rd we are going to Spokane, WA

This year's tournament is being held at HANGMAN VALLEY GOLF COURSE

2210 E Hangman Valley Rd, Spokane, WA 99223 (509) 448-1212

\$65.00 Entry Fee Includes: Green Fees, Sack Lunch for golfers, Golf Cart and Banquet (lunch for non golfers: \$5.00)

Awards Banquet: Hangman Valley Golf Course following end of play.

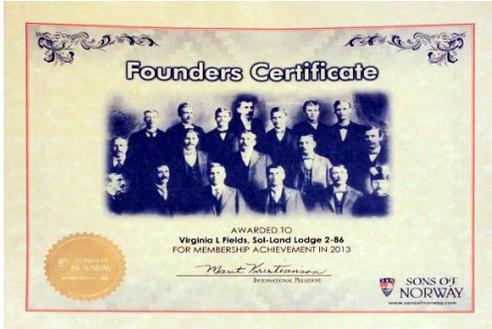
Don't be late sign up today!

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Chris Hicks (425-672-0194, hicks1015@msn.com)

Other Fall Activities

Lefse baking/classes: Ginger fields will coordinate lefse baking days starting in early September. Watch for more details as the date comes nearer.



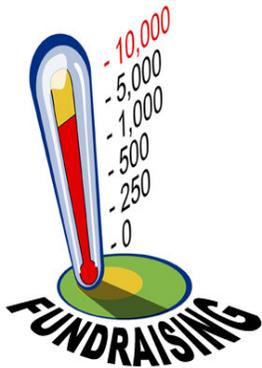


Sol-Land Lodge Receives Recognition at Convention!

Sol-Land lodge and the presidents for 2012 and 2013 received various awards at the District 2 Convention in June. For 2012 we received the Silver lodge achievement award, and for 2013 we were awarded the Gold. We also earned a Founders' Award for 2013. This is given to lodges that increase their membership total by at least 3% and is accompanied by a monetary prize. These awards are earned, not handed out freely, so the members should feel proud of our lodge.

International Delegates

Also at the D2 convention, Karen Aanes and Ron Rolla were elected to be delegates to the International convention from Zone 5. They will be traveling to Jacksonville, FL in August.



Fund Raisers

Sol-Land lodge needs to bring in more money than the lutefisk dinner and taste of Scandinavia provide. Does anyone have any ideas for fundraisers? The ideal fundraiser will bring in money from the community rather than tapping our members' pocketbooks, but don't let that stop you from putting forth a suggestion. If you know of a venue that will allow us to hold bake sales, please contact Ginger Fields (509-734-7876).

Refrigerator Jam, no sugar or pectin added

- 1 1/3 C strawberries
- 2/3 C rhubarb
- 2 Tbl honey (or to taste)
- 2 Tbl chia seeds

Process all ingredients in a blender and refrigerate overnight. The chia seeds will gel, thickening the fruit puree. Add additional diced fruit if you like it chunky.





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Benton Franklin Fair Parade, August 16, 10am start time. We hope lodge members will don their bunads and come and march with Sol-Land Lodge's Nordlands boat in the parade! If you would like to walk with us, or if your kids would like to ride in the boat during the parade, please meet at 8th and Dayton Streets at the parade staging area at 9:30am and look for our boat. If you have any questions, please contact Sara Watson (628-3391) or Nancy Carrs Roach (547-2331).

Bake Sale! I finally got hold of someone to schedule some bake sales-two for now. The first one will be **July 18 at the Gage Blvd. HAPO [across from Albertson's] in Richland**, and the second will be **Aug.22 at the Rd. 68 HAPO in Pasco**. I will need volunteers to sit with me. I'm willing to spend the whole day but helpers only have to do half-days if they choose. Please package your cookies in zip bags, four medium cookies per bag. Albertson's brand works well and are inexpensive. Any type of popular cookies, brownies or rice krispy treats are welcome. Give me a call if there are any questions (734-7876). Thanks, Ginger



Are you looking for a good summer read?

Here are a few books (in translation) by Norwegian authors:



Out Stealing Horses by Per Petterson (translated by Anne Born)

After suffering a personal tragedy, Trond retreats from the world, until a chance encounter sets him off into memory. In 1948, during a summer spent with his father in the countryside near the Swedish border, the 15-year-old Trond follows his friend into a field to steal horses, unaware of a shooting accident that has left a young boy dead. A tale of Norway during and after the Second World War, of innocence lost and families destroyed.

Dina's Book by Herbjørg Wassmo (translated by Nadia Christensen)

Dina's Book begins with a murder: a bleeding woman sends an injured man and his sledge careening off a cliff to certain death. On her return to the farm they shared as husband and wife, the muteness that saves her from accountability is attributed to shock. Dina is a hoot of a heroine, delightful and infuriating, in this epic novel set in the mid-19th century. She deals with the trauma of having caused her mother's death when she was a child by wreaking havoc on the lives of everyone around her.

The Half Brother by Lars Saabye Christensen (translated by Kenneth Steven)

The protagonist's parents name him Barnum after the circus impresario in the first of several misfortunes that will set his course through life. As a boy in Oslo in the 1960s, Barnum looks up to and fears his erratic half-brother, Fred, the product of their mother's rape on the day of Norway's liberation from Nazi troops at the end of the second world war. The Half Brother is a doorstopper whose every page bursts with color in this portrayal of four generations of Barnum's remarkable family.

Child Wonder by Roy Jacobsen (translated by Don Bartlett)

Another story of half-siblings in the 60s, Child Wonder is told by Finn, who lives alone with his mother in a working-class suburb until a sister he has never met steps off the Grorud bus. Six-year-old Linda moves in with them while her own mother undergoes treatment for morphine addiction, just as Kristian the lodger takes up in the spare room with his TV. An endearing coming-of-age novel.

<http://www.theguardian.com/books/2014/may/21/top-10-norwegian-novels-dea-brovig-knausgard-hamsun>



Upcoming Calendar of Events:

July 10: *Taste of Scandinavia* committee meeting, 7:30pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Fellowship Hall

July 19: *Brunch/Breakfast Meeting*, 9:30am, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, HWY 395 and Yelm, Kennewick.

July 22: *Bake Sale*, 9:00am-sell out, Gage Blvd. HAPO Credit Union, Richland.

July 26: *Trollhaugen Steak Fry*, 11am. Please see information inside this newsletter.

July 28: *Board Meeting*, 7:30pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, Room 5

August 15: *Ice Cream Social and Family Game Night*, 7:00pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church. The lodge will be providing ice cream, please bring ice cream toppings or cookies or bars to accompany the ice cream. We will not be having a potluck that night, festivities will start about 7. Please feel free to bring family-friendly games to play. And bring your friends and their friends, too. The more the merrier when it comes to game night.

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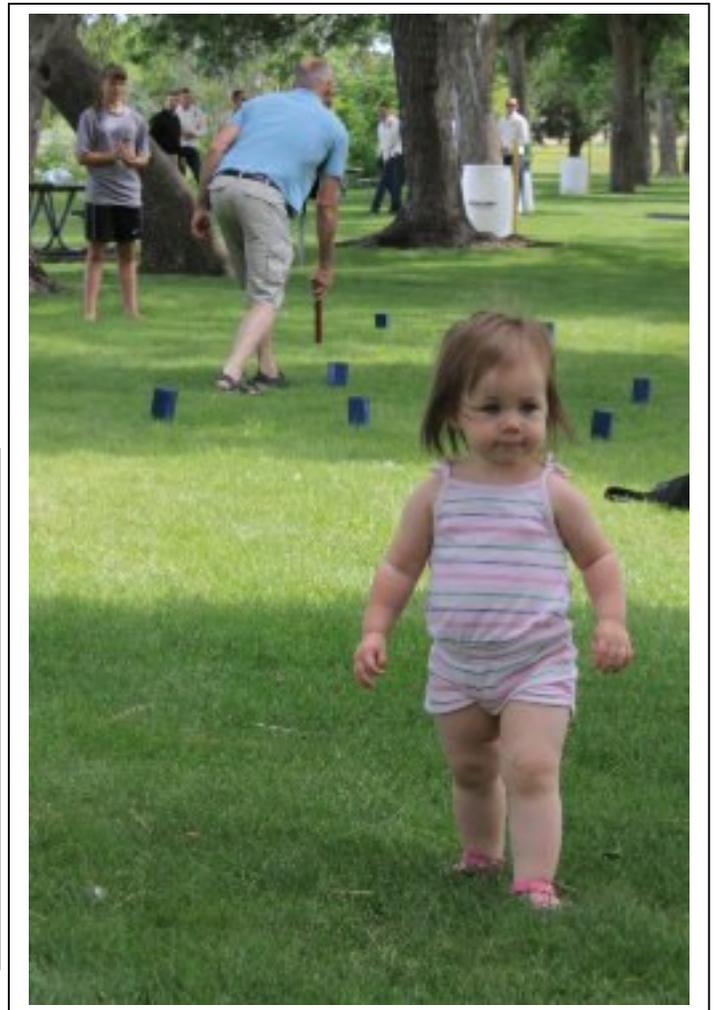
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SanktHansAften Picnic, June 21, 2014



Coeur d'Alene 4th of July Parade!

