



The Desert Viking



March Meeting - Friday, March 20th

The next meeting will be held on March 20th. **Celts & Vikings Potluck**

Anyone who would like to prepare corned beef our upcoming potluck, please do so! The rest of us can provide green salads, green vegetables, green desserts etc. Use your imagination and Happy St. Paddy's Day! For our program, we will have some of our lodge's experts show how to work toward various cultural skills pins. They will conduct mini-workshops: genealogy, knitting, language, literature, rosemaling, hardanger, music and quite possibly others. Our lodge is packed with knowledgeable people who can help you learn new things.

A few comments for the workshops: The Genealogy workshop will have a 5 person limit, so if you have your heart set on sitting in on this one, arrive early and get your name on the list. There will be a \$10 fee for brushes for Rosemaling. You will get to take the brushes home to continue your work and start your tool kit. These are high quality artist brushes. All other supplies will be provided for the workshop. There will be some copies of the cultural skills medal (section one) paperwork available, but just to be sure there are enough to go around, please feel free to bring your own if you would like help filling out the forms.

Lutefisk Dinner

The lutefisk dinner appears to have been a fine success. We fed over 230 people, and sold lots of baked goods as well. The final accounting has yet to be done, but it looks as if we managed to take in more than we spent., and there will be a more thorough report next month. We could not have done it without the help of many members, so

THANK YOU for all your help!

Hilsen -Greetings!

All I can say is, WOW! That was the tastiest lutefisk I've ever had. Some would question those two words in the same sentence but not me. Tusen Tak to everyone who helped to plan, create fliers, advertise, organize ticket sales, roll lefse, bake cookies & breads, grocery shop, load & haul the trailer, set-up, clean & cook the lutefisk, prepare food, wash dishes, serve the buffet, bus tables, play accordions, present the raffle, demonstrate cultural skills, and finally to help clean-up following our very successful Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner.

Most especially, THANK YOU to the Lutefisk Dinner Chairperson, Karen Aanes and her Committee. And to Donna & Gary Smitt for preparing and serving-up such tasty lutefisk for our enjoyment. We received numerous compliments about the presentation of the dinner in terms of pre-selling tickets and calling tables up to the buffet which avoided standing in line for any length of time. The response from the attendee surveys was overwhelmingly positive. Volunteers were also pleased with how smoothly the event proceeded.

There were 28 lodge volunteer workers on Friday evening who helped set-up and 41 workers throughout Saturday's event. Thank you to everyone who could be there to help. Your time and effort on behalf of Sol-Land Lodge is greatly appreciated. We doubled our income from last year and a report will be presented at our Friday, March 20th potluck & program.

Beste, Nancy Carrs Roach, President





Lodge library

Thanks to a kind donation, we have two locking cabinets to hold our lodge library. Now we need things to go in the library! Books, of course, but also videos, DVDs, CDs, sheet music, bunad patterns, anything you might want to have access to as a Sons of Norway member would be nice to have. If you happen across something at a yard sale, or spy a great deal at a used bookstore, please consider getting it for us. If there is a specific item you would like to see in the library, let Nancy Holter know (sol.land.lodge@gmail.com, 375-0919). We have a very limited budget for the library, and the only way to create the library we all want is to ask for donations. If you have items that you are finished with, please consider us for their resting place. We will be creating a wish list, if you would like to choose something to provide.

Language Camp applications are now open for 2015.

District 2 holds three two-week language camps each summer for ages 9 – 15. They are Camp Trollhaugen (ages 13-15), Easton, WA, June 28-July 11; Camp Nidaros (ages 9-12), Gearhart, OR, July 12-25, 2015; and Camp Normanna (ages 9-12), Lake Riley, WA, July 26 – August 8, 2015.

Applications for camp and for scholarships are available from Darlene Roberson ((509) 521-8128, darleneroberson1961@hotmail.com), the D2 web site , from the camp coordinator Chris Hicks (ChrisD2SofN@outlook.com), or the D2 youth director David Champion (norseherodotus@hotmail.com). If you have children interested in attending, please contact one of the board members to inquire about lodge scholarships, as this is a pre-requisite for one of the district offered scholarships.

Sol-Land Lodge is hosting the Zone 5 Meeting on April 25th

The Zone 5 meeting will be held in Kennewick again this year. The date is April 25th. District Two President Mark Agerter and other District and International Officers will be in attendance at the seminars. Come meet them and explore the many important aspects that Sons of Norway has to offer to help you and your lodges grow. Some of the topics to be covered are:

- Membership - how to get and keep members
- How to recruit and train dynamic officers
- Resources available for a vital lodge
- Up-to-date information on volunteer hours

These seminars are always informative, always fun and always a valuable tool for inspiring our lodges and members. Come spend a few hours with us, you will be glad you did! Share ideas, discover something new, meet new friends. If you have financial questions, ask the experts how to grow a nest egg. The fun begins at 8:30 and will conclude around 3:00.

This is not just for officers; any member who has an interest in how the organization works and how to be more involved, or how to make it better, is invited to come. There is no charge, but pre-registration is required, as a lunch will be served and a head count is necessary. If you would like to attend, but the date does not fit your schedule, there are 3 more scheduled between March 28th and April 26th. Please contact Ron Rolla to register. (619-1510), zone.5.director@gmail.com)





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Volunteer Forms

Please come to the meeting prepared to fill out volunteer hour sheets. We are collecting hours as the year goes along, so think back across January and February and write down what you did, and how long it took you. Don't forget driving time, if applicable. Baking for the bake sale, assisting at the lefse baking, helping with the dinner in so many ways, all those things count, so bring your totals for each 'event' and we can get them counted.

Need Lutefisk?

If you didn't get enough lutefisk at the dinner, or were unable to get a ticket, we have some packages of prepared and packaged lutefisk for sale. Please call Karen Aanes (509-619-1510), if you are interested.

Bunad Class

The Spokane Daughters of Norway lodge is sponsoring a Bunad Class in May. Sue Sutherland of Ely, Minnesota will be the teacher. It is probably too late to have her purchase a bunad kit for you on her trip to Norway, but she does have some in stock – both fest and everyday types. Her website is <http://www.bunadbutikken.com/> and the registration form is available at that site, or you can ask Karen Aanes or Nancy Holter for one. Half of the \$250 tuition is due at the time of registration, and the rest is due the first day of class. The class will be held May 20 – 23, 2015 in Spokane.

SOL-LAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIP

Sol-Land Lodge #2-086 is offering a scholarship for the 2015-2016 school year. The scholarship will be awarded to a current member, relative of a current member or descendent 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. Lodge members and their family members may apply for the scholarship by contacting our scholarship chairman and asking for an application packet. The deadline for submittal of the application is May 15, 2015. For more information, or to request an application packet, contact Richard Nordness at 509-948-2433 or by email at rnordness@hotmail.com.

Genealogy Class

Greg Holter will be holding a genealogy workshop on April 18th, from 9 to 2, in the church Fireside room. It is a two-part class. The first few hours are lecture style with information about resources (digital and non), techniques, names and common problems. Then there will be an opportunity to see these techniques used with students' family information. Advanced registration is required; the cost is \$30, which includes a light lunch. Please contact Greg Holter (375-0919, waxlerfarms@frontier.com) for more information or to register.



Upcoming Calendar of Events:

March 20: *General Heritage Meeting*, 6pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, HWY 395 and Yelm, Kennewick. The social hour will start about 5:45, potluck service will begin at 6:30 and the meeting will start at 7:00.

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March 23: *Board Meeting*, 7:00pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, Room 5.

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April 25: *Zone 5 Meeting*, 8:30am, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, HWY 395 and Yelm, Kennewick.

April 29: *Board Meeting*, 7:00pm, Kennewick First Lutheran Church, Room 5.



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