



**SONS OF
NORWAY**

The Desert Viking

February 2018

Sol-Land Lodge

Kennewick, WA

February 16th meeting

The February meeting will be held on Feb. 16 at 6 PM. We will have initiation of new members that night. If you have not been a part of this ceremony, no matter how long you have been a member, please come and join us. After the initiation ceremony, we will have a short social time and you will have the chance to make some rock or pine cone trolls. We will also have a program about Norwegian trolls.

The meal will be a potluck, but we will have a free will offering basket available for you to contribute to the scholarship fund.

On the agenda for the meeting is a potential change to the lodge bylaws. The bylaws call for a \$10 initiation fee for new members. With the change to the dues structure across the organization, it was decided to remove that requirement. The lodge members will vote at the meeting.

We will be electing delegates and alternates to go to the District 2 convention, in Lynnwood, May 30 – June 3. If you are interested in being a delegate, please contact Greg Holter ASAP to let him know. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the meeting, but he would like to know in advance in case the numbers are short and the board needs to look for candidates. If you are interested in running for a District office, you **MUST** be a delegate to the convention **AND** a benefits member. You also need to apply to the district nominating committee, so please let Greg know if you are thinking about that, too. ((509) 375-0919, waxlerfarms@gmail.com)



You Are Cordially Invited



Sol-Land Lodge 50th Anniversary Dinner

March 17, 2018

Social Hour 6:00pm
Traditional Norwegian Cod Fish Dinner 6:30pm

Kennewick First Lutheran Church
Hwy 395 & Yelm Street, Kennewick

Tickets \$20 each
(Your reservation will be confirmed upon receipt of payment.)

R.S.V.P. by March 1, 2018
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Or **SASE** to 705 Coast Street, Richland, WA 99354






Officers for 2018

President	Greg Holter
Vice President	Darlene Roberson
Secretary	Nancy Holter
Treasurer	Lucinda Twedt
Counselor	Virgina Fields
Social Director	Rennea Rosenburg
Cultural Director	Gretchen Makinson
Sports Director	Sam Solem
Foundation Director	Nancy Holter
Publicity Director	Kristie Edwards
Editors	Sara Watson, Nancy Holter
Marshal	Brad Horst
Assistant Marshal	Dave Payson
Greeter	Donna Smitt
Assistant Greeter	Cinnamon Solem
Scholarship Chair	Dick Nordness
Musician	Linnea Hillesland
Sunshine Comm.	Darlene Roberson
Tubfrim Chair	Audrey Blegen
Librarians	Rennae Rosenberg Debbie Stavanger

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 last Monday of the month, 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.

2018 Officers pictured are:
Back Row: Donna Smitt, Rennae Rosenberg, Gretchen Makinson, Greg Holter
Front Row: Darlene Roberson, Lucinda Twedt, Nancy Holter and Past President, Nancy Roach.



Cultural classes

We are in the planning stages for a few classes this year. We have had some interest expressed in both a Genealogy workshop and a wire knitting workshop. In order to finalize these classes, we need a head count. Please contact Nancy Holter ((509)375-0919, sol.land.lodge@gmail.com) or Gretchen Makinson ((509) 943-1264, glmakinson@aol.com) if you are intending to attend either of these classes (or both!).

We would like to encourage members to work towards their cultural skills pins. If you are interested in any of these subjects, we can try to get a class/group working on it. The list of skills is: Traditional Norwegian Cooking, Literature, Collecting Norwegian and North American Stamps, Norwegian Rosemaling, Genealogy - Family History, Knitting, Norwegian Language and Culture, Hardanger Embroidery, Figure Carving, Weaving, Ornamental Woodcarving, Chip Carving, and Folk Dancing. Please contact Gretchen or Nancy if you are going to work on one of them.

The Nordic Needleworking group is still meeting on the second Thursday of the month at Barley's in Kennewick, and on a Tuesday night late in the month.

We gather at 7 PM. Please join us!



Community Involvement

We are closing in on the next quilt delivery date – March will see us deliver them to Lutheran Services. Please let Nancy Holter ((509) 375-0919, sol.land.lodge@gmail.com) know if you have quilts to be taken.

We have until mid-May to get our Pillowcases for Campers done and turned in. If you need a pattern, this one is the one suggested for use http://www.connectingthreads.com/patterns/Magic_Pillowcase_Pattern__D910010D.html. You can get pre-cut kits at Craft Warehouse, or you can buy material. We have had a promise of some contributions of kits, so if you are willing to help sew, please contact Nancy Holter ((509) 375-0919, sol.land.lodge@gmail.com). We will be sending the finished pillowcases, with a tag showing which lodge they are from, to the convention the end of May.

We are continuing to help support Vista elementary, by bringing foods for their ‘backpack pantry’, and collecting Box Tops and Labels for Education. Please check your groceries for Box Top coupons, as they are even on some produce items, office supplies, and kitchen items as well as food stuffs. Vista has a large percentage of low income students, so please be generous in your giving.

Lutefisk Dinner

We will NOT be holding a lutefisk dinner this spring. Our apologies to those who were looking forward to it AND to the bake sale. You will have to see us at our Taste of Scandinavia in October to stock up on goodies.

March Meeting

The March meeting on the 16th will be a work party to set up for the anniversary dinner. We will have various historical artifacts to set out and, if you are unable to attend the dinner on the 17th, this would be your chance to see them. We will be having a pot luck meal for the workers.

Memorial

Ginger Fields would like to invite members and friends to attend the memorial service for her daughter,

Laura Fields

on March 17th at the Highlands Grange Hall, 1500 S Union St, Kennewick. The service will start at 1:30.

Laura was a member of the lodge for many years and was always a willing volunteer for our bake sales, lutefisk dinners, and Taste of Scandinavia.



Scholarship Information

Sons of Norway has MANY scholarship opportunities. The yearly deadlines are between Jan 1 and mid-April. Here is some important information regarding the scholarships offered by District 2 to its members or children or grandchildren who want to attend camp or study abroad in 2018. Because deadlines are quickly approaching, you will need to get your applications in as soon as possible.

The **Sofie/Olson Scholarship** is available for children who attend our District Two Youth camps. One scholarship is awarded to an attendee at each of our camps: Nidaros, Normanna, and Trollhaugen. Eligibility is restricted to the children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews of current District Two members of Sons of Norway and been accepted to the camp of their choice. The complicated application must be postmarked no later than **April 15th, 2018**.

The **Draxten Memorial Scholarship** is awarded to many of our children attending the District Two youth camps. **To be eligible, campers must have applied and been accepted to the camp of their choice AND they must have been awarded a camp scholarship from their local lodge.** The Draxten Memorial Fund will grant an amount up to, but not exceeding, the amount given by the local lodge. The lodge awarding the initial scholarship ***must notify the Youth Director of the recipient's name and the amount given by April 30th, 2018.***

SOL-LAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIP

Sol-Land Lodge #2-086 is offering a scholarship for the 2018/2019 school year. The scholarship will be 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.

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 April 15, 2017. For more information or to request an application packet contact Richard Nordness at 509-948-2433 or by email at rnordness@hotmail.com.



TUBFRIM is an organization in Norway that resells canceled stamps and donates the proceeds to help children with disabilities. Sons of Norway is proud to support TUBFRIM in their work to support children in need. Postmaster Ditlef Frantzen in Nesbyen established TUBFRIM in 1928. The aim was to collect and sell used stamps and use the proceeds to aid the eradication of tuberculosis among Norwegian children. TUBFRIM has, from the start in 1928, donated over 21 million NOK to charity.

How can I help?

To help TUBFRIM do its crucial work, simply clip canceled stamps from envelopes, leaving at least a quarter of an inch around the edge. When you have collected a pound of stamps, bring them to a lodge meeting or contact our TUBFRIM chairman, Audrey Blegen ((509) 783-3387) to get them to her. For every pound of stamps we send in, the lodge gets an entry in a drawing for a trip to Norway.



Fastelavn

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Fastelavn is the name for Carnival in the historically Lutheran nations of Denmark, Norway, Iceland, Greenland, Estonia, Latvia and the Faroe Islands which is either the Sunday or Monday before Ash Wednesday. Fastelavn is related to Roman Catholic tradition of Carnival in the days before Lent, but after Denmark became a Protestant nation, the festival adopted certain distinctives. This holiday occurs the week before the Christian penitential season of Lent, culminating on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. In it, children dress up in costumes and gathering treats for the *Fastelavn* feast. The holiday is generally considered to be a time for children's fun and family games.

In Denmark and Norway a popular baked good associated with the day is *fastelavnsbolle* (lit. "Fastelavn bun", also known in English as "shrovetide bun" or "lenten bun"), a round sweet roll, usually covered with icing and sometimes filled with whipped cream.

Fastelavnsboller (Makes 18-20 buns)

Ingredients:

- 500ml (around 2 cups) milk
- 850g (just over 3 1/2 cups) flour
- 150g (2/3 cup) butter, melted
- 150g (3/4 cup) sugar
- 50g fresh yeast (17g dry yeast)
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp cardamom
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 egg for brushing
- Hand whipped cream (5 dl or 2 cups whipping cream, adding sugar to taste)



Preheat the oven to 200°C / 400°F.

Warm the milk in a small saucepan over medium-low heat, until lukewarm. Pour into a mixing bowl and combine with the melted butter. Add in the yeast, sugar, egg, cardamom and salt and mix well. Slowly add the flour and mix with a wooden spoon. Start with 800 grams of flour, adding more as necessary to create a soft and workable dough.

Turn the dough out onto a floured surface and kneed until elastic. Place in a greased bowl, cover with a cloth and let the dough rise until doubled, 45 minutes.

Knead the dough lightly on the floured surface and divide into 18-20 portions, rolling into smooth balls. Prepare two baking sheets and divide the buns on the prepared sheets. Cover loosely with plastic or a cloth, and let rise until doubled, about 45 minutes.

Beat the egg with a fork and add 1 tsp water. Brush the buns with the egg wash.

Bake in the middle of the oven, 1 sheet at a time, for 15 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack to cool.

Once the buns are cooled, slice them in half, horizontally, and cover the bottom of the bun with whipped cream (and jam if you like). Replace the top and sprinkle generously with powdered sugar.

Calendar



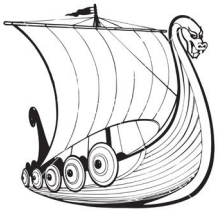
February 16: General Meeting,
6pm, Kennewick First Lutheran

February 26: Board Meeting,
7pm, KFLC

March 16: Set up for
Anniversary Dinner, 6pm, KFLC

March 17: 50th Anniversary
Dinner, KFLC

March 26: Board Meeting 7pm,
KFLC



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