



Summer Lodge Meetings

The **June** meeting is a Mid-summer/ Sankt Hans Aften picnic. We will be celebrating a bit early, as our meeting is June 15th and the equinox isn't until June 21st and Sankt Hans Aften is June 23rd. So, consider this a rehearsal celebration. We will be having a picnic; the lodge will supply hot dogs and maybe ice cream. Please bring your favorite picnic food. Time and place are Kennewick First Lutheran Church, social begins at 5:45. We will have some outdoor games and if you have a favorite one, bring it along.

We can expect reports from the delegates to the District convention, and if you have a concern to send to the International convention, we have a delegate AND an alternate delegate for you to speak to.

For the **July** meeting we are bringing back a program that we enjoyed a couple years ago – “Family Heritage Show and Tell”. Bring something to share that reflects your heritage – and we are NOT limiting this to Scandinavian. We will meet at the church, on July 20th. As it is expected to be rather hot by then, let's see if we can come up with light/cold fare that we can enjoy. If you have ideas to share, feel free to contact Gretchen Makinson (943-1264, glmakinson@aol.com) and she can pass on the ideas to anyone that needs one.

The **August** meeting is our annual Family Game night and Ice Cream Social. Please turn out for this evening so we can have lots of games going. It really is a case of “the more the merrier”. We will not be having a full meal, so we will gather about 6:30 or 7. Feel free to bring a dessert (or other “game food”) if you wish.

Cultural Classes

The wire knitting class was a sell-out, and next one is over half spoken for. If you are interested in attending a class this fall, please contact Gretchen Makinson (943-1264, glmakinson@aol.com).

We are collecting names for a genealogy class this fall. If you have an interest in a Genealogy class, please contact Greg Holter (509-375-0919, gmlholter@gmail.com) to be put on a list. If you are interested in a class for some other craft/skill please let the board know. After all, if we don't know what you want, we can't provide it.

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.



Community Connections

We are continuing to help support Vista Elementary, by bringing foods for their ‘backpack pantry’, and collecting Box Tops and Labels for Education. Let's load up a car trunk for the kids. Vista has a large percentage of low income students, so please be generous in your giving. They were really excited to have a bag of Labels and Box Tops for Education handed to them with the last food delivery, so please continue to bring your donations of these, too.



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Folk Art competition

Now is your chance to display your handiwork in the international Convention's Folk Art Exhibition & Competition, in August. Preregistration materials are available on https://www.sofn.com/international_convention/international_folk_art_competition/. **Because space is limited, preregistration is the only way to guarantee that your item will be included in the event.** Preregistration forms must be received at Sons of Norway Headquarters by **Friday, July 27, 2018.**

Field Trip!

Would you like to view the new Nordic Museum that just opened in Seattle in May? We are planning a one day trip on Sat., Sept. 29th. to visit the museum. "The Nordic Museum is the largest museum in the United States to honor the legacy of the immigrants from the five Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden." (Nordicmuseum.org) We will ride a chartered bus from the First Lutheran Church in Kennewick to the museum in Ballard. After eating lunch and viewing the exhibits we will return to Kennewick around 7 or 8 p.m. Cost of the trip is yet to be determined – and will depend to a great extent on the number of people who go. This event is open to members AND non-members. Please contact Gretchen Makinson by phone at 943-1264 or by email at glmakinson@aol.com if you would like to go.

In Memoriam

Bernard (Ben) Borgen

Ben Borgen died on May 18. He was 88.

Ben was a charter member of the lodge and was very active in it. He helped build the Nordlands boat and was a master lutefisk cooker. We even loaned him to Spokane one year when they were lacking a lutefisk master. Ben wore his bunad with pride and was always willing to share his almond cake recipe. Ben's dry wit and mischievous smile will be missed. Our condolences to his family.



Golden Spice Cake (Sirupskake)

From Authentic Norwegian Cooking by Astrid Kalsen Scott

Ingredients:

1/2 cup scant butter	3/4 tsp. ginger
2 eggs	2 tsp. baking powder
3/4 cup syrup, Lyle's Golden	1 1/2 cup flour
1/4 cup orange marmalade	2/3 cup light cream

Cream butter until soft, add eggs, syrup and orange marmalade and blend well. Add ginger and baking powder to the flour. Add to butter mixture alternately with cream. Mix thoroughly. Pour into a greased 1 1/2 quart loafpan and bake in a preheated 350° (F) oven for 30 minutes. Makes 1 loaf cake.



Cultural Happenings

We are hoping to get a nice sized group together to attend the Trollhuagen Steak Fry on July 14th. Family friendly activities will start about 11 AM and continue most of the day. There will also be salmon available instead of steak. When ordering please specify whether you would like steak or salmon.

Kids meal for \$5.00 ages 12 and under. Come for the day, the night or the weekend. When: July 14th
Dinner: 3:30 pm Tickets are \$22.00 until July 7th, then the price goes up to \$25.

For dinner reservations: Contact Bill Hicks (425) 672-0194 or e-mail at: Hicks1015@msn.com. For overnight reservation contact the Trollhaugen Managers. Trollhaugen phone is (509) 656-9997 or e-mail Trollhau@outlook.com. If you would like to be part of a car/van pool, please contact Nancy or Greg Holter ASAP. (509-375-0919, sol.land.lodge@gmail.com).

If you aren't interested in the Steak Fry, perhaps you would be interested in the District 2 Golf Tournament. The Scramble Golf Tournament will be held August 11th at Wandermere Golf Course, Spokane. Your \$75 entry fee includes greens fees, golf cart, sack lunch, banquet, prizes, and awards. Rooms have been set aside at the Quality Inn Oakwood in Spokane for \$135/night plus tax. Please contact Susan Kirkeby for information. (509-535-5471, viking.gurl@gmail.com).

The lodge continues to collect stamps for Tubfrim. Bring your stamps 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. We turned in 2 pounds at the convention this month.

a little in English...

St. Hansaften, St. Hans' Day and St. Hans' Eve are two holidays in June that are celebrated in Norway and the other Nordic countries. Saint Hans' Day, or Jonsok, is celebrated on June 24th and is a religious holiday commemorating the birth of St. John the Baptist - the name "St. Hans" comes from his Danish name. St. Hans' Eve is celebrated the night before, and is marked with bonfires and parties.

Despite its religious roots, St. Hans' Eve is really just a good old fashioned midsummer festival. This type of celebration is older than Christianity, and the occasion has traditionally involved games, dancing and drinking. In many places bonfires play a central role on St. Hans' Eve, and many Norwegians practice the custom of burning paper witches. This tradition was originally a heathen practice.

According to old folk beliefs, witches were especially active on St. Hans' Eve. They might, for example, be out to collect ingredients for their witch's brew, or making their way to covens at Troms Church in Northern Norway. Therefore, people set bonfires, believing the flames would keep the witches away.

Adapted from various sources

litt på norsk...

Sankthansaften, Sankthans og ankhansaften er to merkedager i juni som feires i Norge og Norden. Sankthans, eller Jonsok, 24. juni, er en kirkelig høytid til minne om døperen Johanness fødsel, etter hans danske helgennavn. Sankthansaften feires kvelden før, og markeres med bål og fester.

Til tross for sine kirkelige røtter, er Sankthansaften bare en god gammel midtsommerfest. Denne type folkelige midtsommerfeiringa er eldre enn kristendomen, og feiringa har tradisjonelt involvert spill, dans og drukkenskap.

I mange steder spiller bål en sentral rolle i Sankthansfeiring, og mange nordmenn pleier å sette papirheksar på brann. Denne tradisjonen var opprinnelig en hedensk skikk. Ifølge folketroen var heksene spesielt aktive på Sankthansaften. De kunne for eksempel være ute for å samle ingredienser til sine trolldomsaktiviteter, eller de var på vei til heksemøter ved Troms Kirke. Derfor ville folk tenne bål for å holde heksene borte.

Adaptert fra forskjellige kilder

Calendar

June 15: Sankt Hans Aften Picnic, KFLC

June 25: Board Meeting, KFLC, 7pm

July 14: Trollhaugen Steak Fry

July 20: Family Heritage Show and Tell Night, KFLC , 6pm

July 30: Board Meeting, KFLC, 7pm

August 17: Ice Cream Social and Game Night, KFLC, 6:30pm

August 27: Board Meeting, KFLC, 7pm

Newsletter Deadline: 1st Friday of the Month



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