



### Meeting Status

COVID case numbers are currently going down, if this continues, we may be able to have a gathering (masked, socially distanced) to celebrate Jul. Whether we do or not, we WILL be collecting hats/mittens/socks/scarves for donation to various organizations around the Tri-Cities. (Don't forget, Fred Meyer has their socks on a REALLY GOOD SALE on Black Friday!!)

### Holiday Baking Days

Is there any interest in having a day of cookie/lefse baking at the church in mid-December? We would be offering cookies and lefse on a pre-order basis. But we need a few committed bakers if we are going to do it. Please let Nancy or Rennae know if you are willing/able to bake OR if you are interested in ordering. Lefse, krumkake, sandbakkels, rosettes, almond cakes, almond bars, what am I missing? (Rennae Rosenberg ((509) 539-8948, [IMRennae@yahoo.com](mailto:IMRennae@yahoo.com)) and Nancy Holter (509-375-0919, [sol.land.lodge@gmail.com](mailto:sol.land.lodge@gmail.com)))

### Heritage Committee

We also need volunteers to revitalize the Heritage Committee. We have a plenty of money, just waiting for us to come up with ideas to grow the lodge: programs to hold, speakers or teachers to bring in, trips to museums, what else can we dream up? But we can't disburse the money until we get a committee to review those ideas. The lodge officers can't serve on the committee, but can advise the committee if there are questions. Unless we suddenly have an influx of proposals, it is not a committee that takes a lot of time, so please consider being one of the six committee members.

### Convention Delegates

It is time to begin thinking about being a delegate to the District convention next June 1-5 in Portland, OR. Many of the district offices are up for grabs at the convention, including Zone 5 director. Zone director is a good way to get to know the other lodges east of the mountains. To run for a District position, you must be a delegate to the convention. We will NOT have 3 delegates this convention, as our membership has dropped significantly.



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](http://www.sol-land.org).



**November is the month we elect officers for next year.  
Members will be sent a ballot with directions for voting.  
Results will be reported in December.**

**Slate of Officer for November election – Please nominate someone for the offices with no nominees.**

President	Greg Holter
Vice President	.....
Secretary	Nancy Holter
Treasurer	Lucinda Twedt
Counselor	Virginia Fields
Social Director	Rennae Rosenberg
Cultural Director	Gretchen Makinson
Asst. Cultural	Ron Rolla/Joe Molvik
Sport Director	Lisa Bartholomew
Foundation Director	Nancy Holter
Publicity Director	Kristie Edwards
Editors	Sara Watson/ Nancy Holter
Musician	Linnea Hillesland
Librarians	Gretchen Makinson/ ...
Marshall	...
Assistant Marshall	Dave Payson
Greeter	Donna Smitt
Asst. Greeter	Ginger Fields/ ...
Sunshine Committee	...
Scholarship Chair	Dick Nordness
Tubfrim Chair	Laurie Tyssen

**Donate for Those in Need**

Although we aren't meeting in person, we can still collect items for our populations in need. We collect food, clothing, school supplies, and hygiene items for My Friends Place (teenagers), Amistad Elementary school (grands K – 6) and for the Mission (adult). Rennae Rosenberg ((509) 539-8948, [IMRennae@yahoo.com](mailto:IMRennae@yahoo.com)) and Nancy Holter (509-375-0919, [sol.land.lodge@gmail.com](mailto:sol.land.lodge@gmail.com)) are your contacts, they will collect and deliver items. If you need items picked up from your home, they will do that, too.



**Folk Art Competition and Exhibition**

The District 2 convention is going to be held June 1-4, 2022. You have a bit more than six (6) months to finish your projects for the Folk Art event. You can submit them for judging or just for show. This convention, your items may be finished within the last FOUR years. Let's be prolific!! Rosemaling! Tina boxes! Knitting! Hardanger! Genealogy! Photography! Wood Carving!! Swedish (huck) weaving! I know we have members who participate in all of these arts. Maybe this year we can have some cooking submissions – cookies, kransekake, lefse.... Yum. If you need help with your project(s), contact Nancy Holter (509-948-2684, [sol.land.lodge@gmail.com](mailto:sol.land.lodge@gmail.com)).





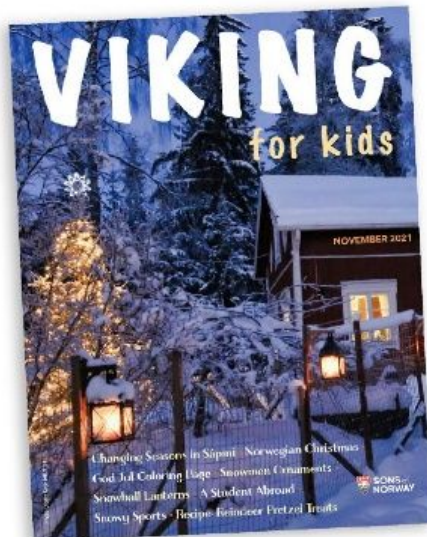
## Hope Floats

Inspired by Norway's stave churches, Hope Cathedral is a unique structure, floating on a barge near the mouth of the river Glomma in Fredrikstad, Norway. It is constructed out of timber and over a thousand plastic fish boxes. The multi-colored fish boxes, recovered during shoreline clean-ups, have been recycled into jewel-like roof tiles.

Solveig Egeland, an artist and cultural advisor to the Church of Norway's Diocese of Borg, was inspired to start the project back in 2018 as she witnessed more and more plastic waste being deposited on her favorite beaches. In their stead, she envisioned an edifice of many colors rising from the sea. That fall, 35 volunteers banded together to realize her dream.

They have since been joined by thousands of people from across the globe, binding people of different faiths and nationalities together into a supportive, sustainability-focused community. Now nearly finished, Hope Cathedral was opened to the public on June 5, 2021.

To find out more, visit their website: [hopecathedral.no](https://www.hopecathedral.no/)  
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### Our NEW issue of Viking for Kids is here!

The November issue of Viking for Kids is now available for download. This edition covers snowy sports, Sámi reindeer herding, Christmas traditions, snowball lanterns, chocolatey reindeer treats, and a Christmas coloring page! You'll also hear an update from Liv, an American student spending a year at a folk high school in Norway.

Viking for Kids is a quarterly digital publication with Scandinavian-inspired articles, quizzes, coloring pages and more! Share this magazine with Heritage members and tell us what you learned from Viking for Kids at [culture@sofn.com](mailto:culture@sofn.com).



## Counting Down to Julefest: A Nordic Christmas Celebration!

Julefest is back at with the National Nordic Museum. On November 20 and 21, the Museum will transform into a traditional outdoor Christmas market, filled with 30+ local artists and Scandinavian merchants, selling crafts, food, and more. Visitors will be immersed in a variety of Nordic holiday traditions, enjoy our Valhalla Beer Hall, and see live entertainment for free thanks to a generous grant from the City of Seattle's Department of Neighborhoods. Learn more at [nordicmuseum.org/julefest](http://nordicmuseum.org/julefest).



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