



We will not be holding a meeting in September, the COVID counts are just too high. Please do your part to help us get back to normal meetings: get vaccinated, wear a mask, and keep your social distance when out.

### Lodge officers

Elections will be held in November; we MUST have a slate of officers before the meeting in October. Please consider volunteering for a position. If you are a current officer, we need to know if you are willing to keep your current job, or if you would like to move to another office or step down altogether. None of the jobs are very demanding, with the possible exception of treasurer, and if you want to know what an office entails, we can give you that information. We desperately need a vice president, a sunshine chairman, and a Tubfrim chairman. We would welcome anyone who is interested in serving as an officer. Please contact Nancy Holter (509-375-0919, [sol.land.lodge@gmail.com](mailto:sol.land.lodge@gmail.com)) for information on the jobs, or to let us know you are willing to run for office.

### 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.

### District Convention

It is also time to begin thinking about being a delegate to the District convention next spring – maybe even running for a district office!! Most of the district officers will have been in their offices for four years instead of the usual two by next spring, and many would welcome a replacement. We have quite a few members who have been delegates if you want to find out a bit about being a delegate. We have a few members who have been District officers, too.

### Community

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 (grades 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.



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).



## Officers for 2021

President - Greg Holter  
Vice President  
Secretary - Nancy Holter  
Treasurer – Lucinda Twedt  
Counselor - Virginia Fields  
Social Director - Rennae Rosenberg  
Cultural Director - Gretchen Makinson  
Assistant Cultural – Ron Rolla, Joe Molvik  
Sports Director – Lisa Barthlomew  
Foundation Director - Nancy Holter  
Publicity Director - Kristie Edwards  
Editors - Sara Watson/Nancy Holter  
Musician - Linnea Hillesland  
Librarian – Maureen Woodward/Gretchen Makinson  
Marshall - Brad Horst  
Assistant Marshall - Dave Payson  
Greeter - Donna Smitt  
Assistant Greeter - Ginger Fields/Elaine Shepherd  
Sunshine Comm.  
Scholarship Chair - Dick Nordness  
Tubfrim Chair – Laurie Tyssen

### Folk Art Competition and Exhibition

The District 2 convention is going to be held June 1-4, 2022. You have a bit more than nine (9) months to finish your projects for the Folk Art event. You can submit them for judging or just for show. The rules usually specify that items must have been completed in the last 2 years, but I have not heard if there will be an accommodation for the projects that had been completed for 2020. 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)).

## Nordic Museum

Even if you can't visit in person, the Nordic Museum has many virtual classes, etc. you can enjoy. This newsletter covers September, but you can sign up to get their newsletter every month. [https://mailchi.mp/nordicmuseum/news-from-the-nordic-2021\\_july-1048149?e=7a84659ccc](https://mailchi.mp/nordicmuseum/news-from-the-nordic-2021_july-1048149?e=7a84659ccc)





## Resources for Learning Norwegian

This might be a good time to learn Norwegian. Here are a few options.

A free option is Duolingo. **“The world’s #1 way to learn a language”** Learning with Duolingo is fun, and **research shows that it works!** With quick, bite-sized lessons, you’ll earn points and unlock new levels while gaining real-world communication skills. <https://www.duolingo.com/>

Another free option: We have been having Norsk samtalegruppe on and off all summer. Since we meet outdoors, weather has been dictating when we meet. Smoke, heat etc. For information about when and where the group meets, please contact Lisa Bartholomew ((509) 943-7690, [jbarth8924@aol.com](mailto:jbarth8924@aol.com)).

### Some not free options:

Vesterheim museum in Decorah, IA has a virtual class but it is very difficult to get into. It usually fills up the day they post the class. <https://folkartschool.vesterheim.org/classes/heritage-and-language>

Virtual classes via zoom are also given by the Scandinavian Language Institute ([www.sliseattle.com](http://www.sliseattle.com)) New classes in all levels start monthly and they also teach Swedish and Danish. It is affiliated with National Nordic Museum in Seattle, WA.

Concordia Language villages has virtual classes and conversation groups. I am in their virtual Norwegian Discussion Group Wednesday afternoons. Their website has the information. <http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/virtual-villages>

Concordia also offers residential learning at their camp in Bemidji Minnesota. <http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/adult-programs> Next Norwegian immersion camps are in December 2021 and April 2022. The September camp was canceled due to lack of interest. This darn COVID!

Lisa is also taking a virtual group lesson from a woman who lives in Vancouver, WA. She offers many different classes based on your Norsk language level. She teaches out of the book "Sett e gang". Her name is Karen Thompson and her e-mail is [KTmoonblue@yahoo.com](mailto:KTmoonblue@yahoo.com)

## Trollhaugen

Sol-Land Lodge has a long and close relationship with Trollhaugen – the lodge’s donation to the building fund was one of the largest of the donations from District 2 lodges. We have members who enjoy the winter sports, and members who enjoy the summer and fall events – including the Heritage Retreat and Steak Fry. Trollhaugen depends on user fees to stay alive. 2020 and 2021 have been disastrous for their business, and some expenses don’t go away just because the building and equipment aren’t being used. Since Trollhaugen IS such an important part of District 2, and to encourage donations to keep it alive and shining, Sol-Land Lodge will match lodge members’ donations dollar-for-dollar up to a lodge donation of \$1000. Please contact Nancy Holter (509-948-2684, [sol.land.lodge@gmail.com](mailto:sol.land.lodge@gmail.com)) or Lucinda Twedt (5090308-0481, [twedt\\_cindy@yahoo.com](mailto:twedt_cindy@yahoo.com)) for details on how to be sure your donation is matched.

## Travel Planning

If you are planning a trip to Norway, this site has current information on travel to Norway as well as links to help plan future travel. They also have a regular newsletter you can sign up for.

<https://www.visitnorway.com/plan-your-trip/coronavirus-and-travelling-to-norway/>



## Harvest Word Find

September is a month of harvesting and preparing for the winter months ahead. Try and find the Norwegian "harvest" words in the word find.

<i>Potet</i>	Potato
<i>Jordbær</i>	Strawberry
<i>Frukt</i>	Fruit
<i>Eple</i>	Apple
<i>Grønnsaker</i>	Vegetables
<i>Banan</i>	Banana
<i>Appelsin</i>	Orange

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