

Sons of Norway | Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001 | Summer in review edition | Høst - Autumn season

A word from our Vice President

Greetings after a couple months without having membership meetings. It has been a fantastic summer for my wife and me. With just a few getaways out of town to keep us occupied, we enjoyed the nice weather. Going to Norway Park was great and seeing that place for the first time inspired me to stay connected with this beautiful property. Since it is only about an hour and an half to get there from Ballard it is good to remember when any of us want to get away for a day or two. I met a couple of people who have been there for quite a few years and they understand and appreciate this valuable lodge resource. Keeping Norwegian heritage alive with a beautiful park on Lake McMurray helps the business of the lodge and membership recruitment.

I am happy to say this summer we have been doing the annual cleaning of all parts of the lodge. This is done not only for proper care and maintenance of our wonderful building but also keeps it very attractive for our rentals which helps our bottom line. Thank you to all the many volunteers from the LEL and LEBA boards and members at large. We worked hard, worked well together and had some fun while working as well. This is an ongoing project which takes a number of weeks. This makes the place look great. It takes a lot of people and again thank you to all who were able to help.

In June the District 2 Convention theme was Better Together. Thinking of that it will be nice for our membership meetings to resume in a clean lodge and looking to be Better Together as we start our fall activities. The Bazaar is coming October 26 and 27 so we have time to get ready, work together and prepare for our biggest fundraising event.

Looking forward to seeing you at the lodge meeting.

Tusen Takk!

Ken Bartanen

Vice President



Sons of Norway Cultural Mission:

The promotion and preservation of the heritage and culture of Norway and other Nordic countries. Leif Erikson Lodge is committed to complying with this mission in all that we do.

September 11th Member's Dinner & Meeting

A Dog's Devotion

Adventures of the Search & Rescue K9 Team with

Suzanne Elshutt, MA & Guy Mansfield, PH.D

Social 5:30 PM, Dinner 6:00 PM, Program 6:45 PM. Meeting 7:00PM

Suzanne Elshult and Guy Mansfield are authors of the book *A Dog's Devotion* featuring "Keb," who, recently passed away at 14 ½ years. Keb was one of the dogs who were sent to the Oso land slide to help rescue or to locate bodies. "Kili" follows Keb and is certified as a human remains detection dog. You will get to meet Kili at the membership meeting. Suzanne has been deployed on hundreds of missions since 2001. She has held leadership positions with both the Snohomish Search & Rescue K9 Team, Everett Mountain Rescue and the Canine Forensic Foundation and with the Mason County Search & Rescue. She and her K9 partners have been working on missions ranging from disasters to urban searches looking for individuals diagnosed with dementia, missing children, mountain and wilderness searches along with searches for old ancestral graves, especially those of Indigenous children who were forcibly taken and placed in boarding schools.

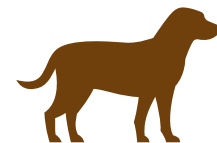
Guy Mansfield, has been active in search and rescue since 2008 with the Everett Mountain Rescue, Snohomish County Volunteer Search and Rescue and Cascadia Search Dogs. He has deployed Search and Rescue missions ranging from wilderness searches to rope rescues. Guy has also been involved in some of the most extensive searches in NW Washington. He has assisted law enforcement in searches for human remains and is the founder and director of the Washington State Search and Rescue Planning Unit. Guy has a Ph. D from the Department of Behavioral Neuroscience at Oregon Health Science University and has done research at various universities.

Don't miss this exciting presentation and you will also have the opportunity to buy the book featuring the warm and impressive story of *A Dog's Devotion*.

Dinner will be catered by a local restaurant and reservations need to be made by **Monday, the 9th of Sept. before 12 PM**. Reserve online, via telephone or on the bulletin board. **Menu: Norsk kjøttboller** (meatballs), potatoes-mashed style, vegetables, fruit crisp for dessert. Chilled pop, water and adult beverages available \$25.00 per person.

Kathy Buholm

Cultural Director



INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Leif Erikson Lodge acknowledges our lodge stands on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish people past and present, and honors with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish people.

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LEIKARRINGEN

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Leif Erikson Lodge Bazaar 2024

Join us on October 26 and 27 for our fantastic Bazaar. We have lots of prep work to make our bazaar successful! It is our biggest event of the year and our biggest fundraiser! We need ideas to attract more people from the local community. Please contact the office or email: Leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net to volunteer. There are many opportunities for volunteers including kitchen, baking, parking lot staffing, cashiering, spot raffles, Ditt og Datt. Help is also needed prior to the Bazaar to process raffle tickets which will be mailed out by September 1st.

New people are needed to help out either volunteering or being in charge of an area. We are also looking for donations to our online auction. We already have a weekend getaway at the mountain and some special vintage items. Looking for a boat trip around the sound, dinners, and other special events such as tickets for football games, basketball games, Kraken tickets, etc.! We also are in need of books and silent auction items which can be brought to the office on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10AM-2PM. Just call the office at 206-782-1274. Thank you for helping!

We raised over \$6000 from our bidding owl auction and silent auction last year with over \$4,000 coming from the bidding owl site. It is a new platform this year so it will look a little different from last year. They are such a helpful organization to work with so appreciate the support they have given me in setting up the new site. We are always looking for new donations such as gift cards; experiences such as basketball games, beach and mountain getaways; etc. We have received a couple of donations of artwork by one of the muralists, Yngvar Sonnichsen, so will be putting those up shortly. We had about 50 auction items online last year. Anything that doesn't go on bidding owl does end up in our Sunday silent auction in the Norna Room. <https://new.biddingowl.com/LeifEriksonLodgeBazaarSeattle2024>



New Phone Number, Email or Address?

Let us know! Email Wendy at LEL.memberships@gmail.com. Or go to the SON website - www.sofn.com and update your Member profile. Please remember to forward your mail if you are gone for a longer time period. If you have a new email, contact the office at leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net.

Vikingen

Leif Erikson Lodge No. 2001 Sons of Norway 2245 NW 57th Street, Seattle, WA 981073134 **Business Manager:** Gail Engler **Co-Editors:** An-Magrith Erlandsen and Erik Bjarne Witzøe **Phone:** 206-783-1274 **Web page:** www.LeifEriksonLodge.org **Email:** leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net **Email:** LEBArentals@qwestoffice.net **Membership Meetings:** 2nd Wednesday beginning at 7:30 pm Deadline for Vikingen is Saturday following Membership meeting. The Vikingen has been published since 1945. Leif Erikson Lodge was founded on May 13, 1903.

You can sign up to receive the Vikingen via email. If you prefer to receive a hard copy newsletter let us know at leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net or call the LEL office and leave a message; 206-783-1274.

Not receiving the e-news? Sign up for e-news by emailing leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net. This email comes out several times a month and provides an update to Lodge events and activities, as well as links to the Vikingen, renewing your membership and volunteering at the Lodge.

Trygve Johan Bjørndal



Please Join Us for a Celebration of Life
Saturday the 7th of September 2024
Gravsite 12 PM
Service 1 PM
Reception to Follow

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AWESOME DAD &
MUSICIAN

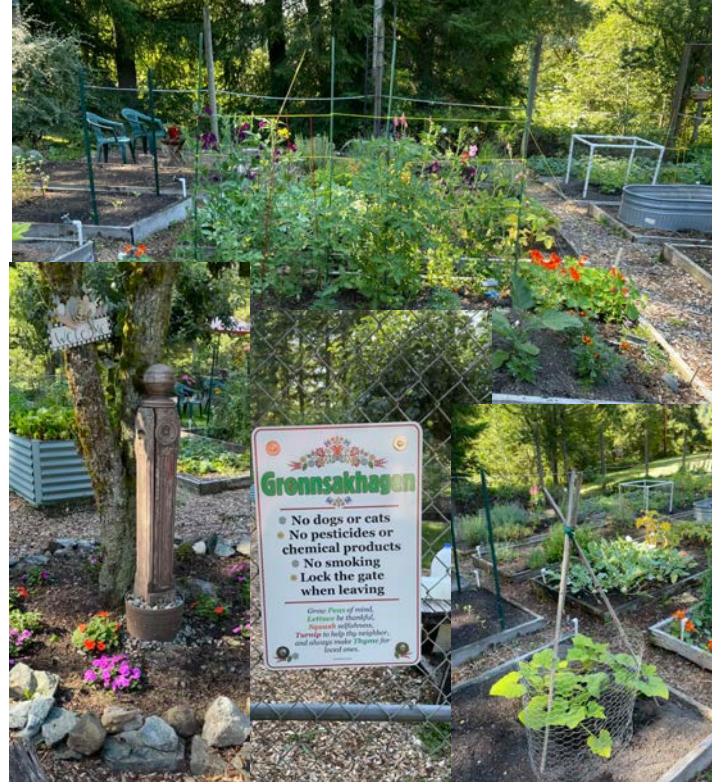
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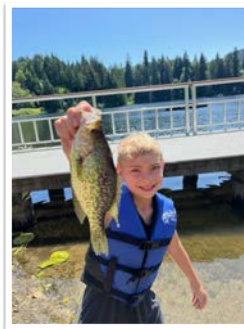
Troll Saga

NORWAY PARK



Grønnsakshagen blomster i Norway Park, August 2024.

Sankt Hans Aften 2024



Sommer tiden! Summer time at Norway Park, Sankt Hans games, fire pits, music to fishing.



Leif Erikson Recreation Association Board Members for 2024

LERA - Norway Park

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Seeking Volunteers for the Berg Pavilion



The painting and fixture update for the Berg Pavilion was approved by LERA stockholders last February. Now that Summer rentals of the pavilion are wrapping up, September and the first part of October are considered the best time to do the painting and fixtures project. We are seeking any skilled or willing volunteers for this exciting new nordic update. The coordination will be a flexible weekday and weekend one, over the next month. Interested? Please contact at LERABOARD4@NorwayPark.net *Tusen takk!*

LEIKARRINGEN LIASONS

Leikarringen members performed at the Skandia Midsommar June 30th. Many of us also volunteered to gather and cut greens, help with the flower crowns, set up, take down to support this special annual fest which showcases our Nordic heritage and culture to our community. About 2,000 folks joined us for a memorable day which fortunately was not too hot.

After a couple months off this summer we start our practices again September 10th from 5 PM - 7 PM and will continue on Tuesdays until our winter break starting December 16th. We have excellent teachers and all are very welcome. It is always good to get caught up on everyone's summer news and adventures. This August four of our members went to Norway for a concert tour with the Norwegian Ladies Choir. Our crafters have been working on our items to sell at the upcoming Bazaar in October and we will again be baking cookies and volunteering for this event.

A big event we are planning for is our 65th anniversary celebration on February 23rd at the Lodge. Be sure and save the date so you can celebrate with us as we continue to grow and thrive.

-Sheila Bartanen, President



Illustrert av Norsk Kunstner Theodor Kittelsen, 1857-1914.

Norsk Hilsen!



Vi håper du har hatt en fantastisk sommer med mye avslapping med familie og venner. Nå er det på tide å komme tilbake i svingen og engasjere seg i alt som skjer på Leif Erikson-losjen!

Husk å ta en titt på kalenderen vår her i Vikingen.

Vett du at den norske regjeringen startet oppmuntring til kjøp av elbiler tilbake på 1990-tallet med gratis parkering, bruk av bussveier, ingen bompenger og viktigst av alt, ingen avgifter? Ja! Men det var ikke før Tesla og andre EV-modeller ble tilgjengelige for rundt 10 år siden at salget begynte å klatre opp. Nå er Norge nummer én EV-bruker i verden! Tenk nå om vår egen regjering gjorde det her i Amerika? Vel, nå har Washington-stat skapt insentiver for å kjøpe elbiler her! Kom igang som skikkelig Nordmenn og skaff deg en elbil! Du kan finne informasjon på Washington State Commerce websider.

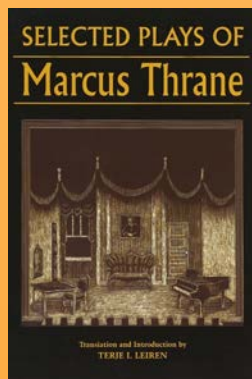


*Randi Aulie hosted Carol, Magne, Valborg and Diane for lunch at her home.
The flowers were a gift from Doug Warne.*

BIBLIOTEK

We have received many donations to the library over the past few months, such as old and rare Norsk books which are always a gem to our collection. As well as new books by local Norwegian authors. We are also welcoming Norwegian children's books, if you have any Norwegian books you'd like to donate please let us know.

One of the our library is of Marcus written / member Terje I. Marcus Thrane a prophet of democracy in activities as a and agitator, he to four years in his release, Thrane took his causes to America and quickly emerged as a critic of the government, the economic order, social structures, and what he perceived to be the narrowness of Norwegian American life. As a writer, speaker, and editor, he was a keen observer and critic of both the larger American society and the smaller ethnic community to which he belonged.... Visit the Bibliotek and check out this interesting book or order one for yourself on amazon.



books gifted to "Selected Plays Thrane " translated by Leiren. (1817-1890) was social Norway. For his labor leader was sentenced prison. After

An-Magrith Erlandsen, co-librarian

NORNA LADIES

We hope you all had an enjoyable summer break and are ready to be involved in Lodge and Norna activities once again.

All ladies who are members of the Leif Erikson Lodge can automatically become members of the Norna Ladies. We typically meet on the third Tuesday of the month (September through June) - usually at the Lodge in the Norna Room or Kaffestua - for a potluck lunch and short business meeting. Our next lunch/meeting is Tuesday, September 17. We appreciate an RSVP to plan the set-up of tables/chairs.

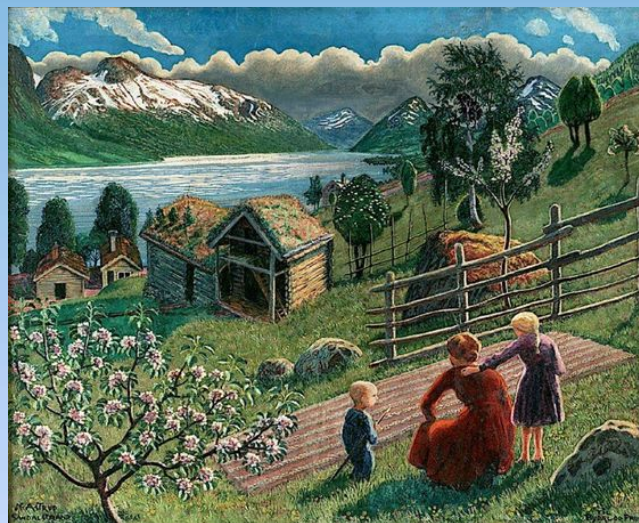
As a group, we participate in the annual Lodge Bazaar and Heritage Day. Our "booth" offers many "crafty" items for sale, including our famous embroidered dish towels, hand-knit children's sweaters, socks, and mittens, those hard-to-find refrigerator towels, and our newest items - Swedish weave bottle holders and placemats (made by a Norwegian, of course).

Other activities we sometimes plan include gatherings at local floral nurseries, a trip to Poulsbo for lunch and shopping, as well as an afternoon lunch and movie. Read future Vikings for announcements about our group and plan to join us. We are a fun family of Lodge ladies who would welcome new members like you.

- Judy Gray & Chris Heins, Co-Presidents



Norway Park, Lake McMurray, August 2024



HAPPY HOUR

SECOND SATURDAY IN SEPTEMBER

After a long summer absence, Happy Hour at the hall has returned. Join us **Saturday, September 14th** for the opening of Second-Saturday happy hour for a good time from **5:00 until 8:00 pm**. This is an easy time in a small, informal setting to get acquainted with members who are new to you or the Lodge. Score some

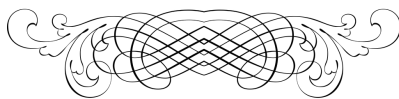
first drawing at by bringing share on the There will also acquainted you will find similar experiences. still only five snacks and (coffee, pop, spirits). tickets are a have some



tickets from the about 6:00 pm something to snack table. be some get-activities and folks with your interests, Entry price is dollars for two drinks wine, beer, or Regular Raffle dollar and we v e r y

interesting things for prizes. Each month there is some type of free game with some very nice prizes. We have played: Left - Right - Center, Mexican Bingo, and "Stump the Judge. Hope to see you all from 5 to 8 pm on the monthly 2nd Saturday. Guests are always welcome.

We have already have some Volunteer helpers but we still need one helper for food setup at 4:30 and two or three helpful bartenders for a short shift each during the event. Call Doug Warne at 206-291-4330 to volunteer.



Ornamental Woodcarving Classes

by Mark Olsen

Classes at Leif Erikson Lodge - The Norna Room

Beginners: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/6248104>

Continuing classes: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/6248065>

Mark Olsen - markcolsen55@yahoo.com



Hello from the Kaffestua!

We are open Wednesdays and Fridays 10am-2pm.

September 2024 Dates:

We will be open all **Wednesdays** and **Fridays** during September
1st Saturday Kaffestua will be open on **Sept. 7th, 10am-2pm**

Announcement:

We are adding a **3rd Sunday Kaffestua** which will be in our regular Kaffestua format of good food and conversation, but **with a twist!**

The twist is that we will be including some **Scandinavian Arts, Crafts, Language, History etc.**
Please join us for our the first one on SUNDAY, September 15th



to find out more!



BAZAAR

NORDIG MARKET 2024

Sons of Norway • Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001 • The 118TH Annual Bazaar

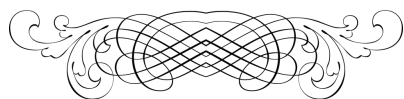
26 October - Saturday 10 AM - 4 PM

27 October - Sunday 11 AM - 4 PM

Open to the Public!



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Gratulerer med dagen!

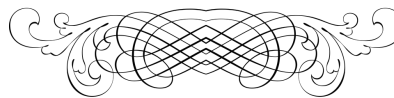
July, August and September Birthday Greetings

Birthday wishes to all our members with summer birthdays! Warren A., Arik A., Leif A., Geoffrey B., Bernie B., William and Melissa C., Bernice C., Byron and Pam D., An-Magrith E., Lee E., Krista F., Gerhard F., Erik and Cortney G., Tim H., Laila L., Thea M-B, Marilyn M., Alice R-P, Mark Q., Kent Q., Cory R., Claire S., Bruce T., Terry T., Susan W., Doug W., Erik- Bjarne W. Michael Z.

Our youngest members are Tristan A., Sylvia A., Justice and Marley E., Tyler G., Aviana H., Levi H., Sasha H., Alyssa K., Ezra K., Eden K., Gunnar L., Theodore L., Christian M., Mylo M., Olivia P.

Our most senior members are Harry S., Reidar G., Svea K., Sonja S., Gertrude M., Richard M. Gratulerer !

We're sorry we can't list all the Birthday celebrants as there is just not enough room in our newsletter!



Gratulerer med dagen! Harry Solheim På 103 År



Harry Solheim will be 103 years old on the 5th of Sept.. He lives here at Norse Home and is alert ,reads Seattle Times most days. I do not know who writes about lodge members birthdays at this time, but hope you can make sure he will be remembered.. The Norwegian Male Chorus has been his life long interest Joined while still in Ballard High school, was the secretary for almost 30 years, for some time his two sons sang in the chorus with him. Harry was also one of the original stockholders at Norway Park - Cabin 59.

Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle



www.nlcofseattle.org
NEW SINGERS WELCOME

Rehearsals: Tuesdays 7:15 - 8:45pm
 At Leif Erikson Lodge, 2nd Floor

Joseph To, Director

Contact: norwegianladieschorus@gmail.com

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Please notify Wendy Forselius of any changes in Name, Address, or Phone Numbers. Please also let her know of a death of a family member LELmemberships@gmail.com

Leif Erikson Lodge Calendar of What's Happening -Hva skjer

- 02 Sept.** - *Mon.* Labor Day Corn on The Cob / Barbecue, 1 PM at Bekkestua, Norway Park.
- 04 Sept.** - *Wed.* LEL Board Meeting (Zoom) 7 PM
- 07 Sept.** - *Sat.* Final Norway Park Work Party of the year, meet at Bekkestua at 9 AM.
- 07 Sept.** - *Sat.* First Saturday Kaffestua, 10 PM - 2 PM,
- 08 Sept.** - *Sun.* International Picnic at Magnuson Park, 3 PM - 6 PM.
- 10 Sept.** - *Tues.* **LELA Board** meeting, 7 PM at Bekkestua, ZOOM access available.
- 11 Sept.** - *Wed.* **LEL Membership Dinner** and meeting. Starting at 5:30 PM
- 14 Sept.** - *Sat.* Happy Hour, 5 PM - 8 PM.
- 15 Sept.** - *Sun.* Third Sunday Kaffestua *with a twist!* 10 AM - 2 PM
- 05 Oct.** - *Sat.* Ski-For-Light Dinner Dance. Bothell Sons of Norway (See Media Post)
- 26 - 27 Oct.** - *Sat. & Sun.* **LEL Bazaar** - Nordic Market - (See Media Post)

Ballard Health Club Silver Sneakers class meets at LEL Mon, Wed and Friday, 10:00 AM 11:00 AM. Contact Marianne for details. marianne@ballardhealthclub.com
Exercise class lead by Audrey in main hall Wednesdays 11:15 AM 12:00 PM. 1st class free, \$5.00 after that. LEL Zoom information:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9155821189> Meeting ID: 915 582 1189; Dial in by Phone: 1 (253) 2158782.

Please check the LEL website, e-news and Facebook for updates to the Lodge calendar and activities. www.leif Eriksonlodge.org
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LeifEriksonLodge>

Ski-For-Light Dinner Dance

Hosted by Bothell Sons of Norway Lodge
23905 Bothell Everett Highway, Bothell, WA 98021

Saturday, October 5th, 2024
Happy half hour **6:00pm**
Dinner **6:30pm**

*Salmon and Cod
Cooked over an open fire!*

Live music and Lots of Free Parking

Reservations requested by Sunday, September 29th.
E-mail: Dinner@bothellsonsofnorway.org or
call the Lodge 425-485-9085 and leave a message.

When making reservations please leave a name, phone # and/or
e-mail address for confirmation.
Reservations are important so that we have enough food for everyone!

\$35.00 per person!!

Puget Sound Ski-For-Light is your local blind and mobility impaired cross-country ski program that provides a pleasurable winter experience for blind and disabled individuals patterned on the original program in Norway.