From The President

Julebord was a wonderful Lodge event. I can say we all loved the evening with friends of years, past and current. A time to share ourselves with others and to be proud, dinner was our most liked buffet style. Julebord treats made for the open mouths of happy Norwegians. Walking and singing around the Christmas tree, holding hands in multiple rings, we came together again as a family connected in our hearts with a feeling of Juletide warmth. Most of us in the circle knew each other as friends and family; we were singing to one another hand-in-hand. A family of all ages, we had Randi Aulie’s one-year-old great-grandson and Knut Einarsen at 100 years old, and the rest of us were in-between with ages closer to Knut’s than Randi’s great-grandson. Randi was chairperson of the Julebord committee and over a dozen folks helped make it happen, including our Lodge building association who kindly decorated our Lodge for Christmas. Thank you, Randi, the committee and the building association. It was well done, most enjoyable and created memories we can recall and share until the next Julebord where we will again truly renew those precious memories. For many of us around the Lodge, our Sons of Norway family is a huge part of our daily lives.

One incident that evening made a few attendees disgruntled. We reserved the next door parking lot, so it was free for attendees. However, there was a disconnect between the bank and the parking lot management, so someone came in quietly and wrote a few parking tickets while we were eating and dancing. I got a ticket. On Monday morning the bank apologized for the inconvenience. After all, coming to your car after a wonderful evening and finding a ticket, doesn’t sit well. I do have an attitude about the whole “parking thing” because for 20 years we all parked free and now we have to pay. Oh well, Ballard is in transition. Parking is getting more difficult. There are more 5-story condos/rental buildings. There are a lot more people crowding in on us. We are well grounded within our Ballard community, but it is changing in ways we have so little control over. I am sure 2015 will continue to see changes.

When I think ahead to 2015, I am really honored to be your President again. Your executive board, running the Lodge, has a firm commitment to doing a good job and being accountable. The board and the building association will work closely together to keep the Lodge solvent and safe. As our building gets older, now 28 years old, we are having to do more maintenance and purchase new equipment so our monthly expenses are increasing. Our income, through building rental and Kaffestua, has not increased. In fact, it’s less than our expenses. So, we need to put our heads together and figure out what we can do to change things around.

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In my 25 years here, I thought our Lodge was rich, being made up of Norwegian fishermen’s money year-after-year for generations. But the reality is we are not rich. We almost struggle now to keep it all going. This subject will be a big part of our 2015 conversations. The good news is we have already started the conversation. I will keep you posted on this subject. As Bill Alsvick said, we are all in it together, and we will either sink or swim together. Thank you, Bill. You made me think and ask myself what I can do to make a difference. Maybe if we all think how we can help, we can all make a difference.

You may start to receive your “Vikingen” around the first of the month again. Do read it when it arrives and mark Lodge events on your personal calendars. Please come to our meetings and events. A strong and healthy lodge is made up of members who participate in what they love to do around lodge activities. I would be proud to have you all come to our installation of 2015 Lodge officers on Wednesday, 14th January. Come for dinner (sign-up or call the office) and support your board. We would all be honored with your presence. Please come and join up. Also, come to our annual crabfeed dinner on 24 January. Take care.

Lee Ehrehart, President

Submittal of Articles to the Vikingen

We welcome all submittals of interest to members for the Vikingen but do set priorities on the types of information published (call the Editor for more details). When submitting articles, use 9 pt font. Your articles should have a title and whenever possible your signature and phone. Please note that editor must reserve the right to edit as space and content allow. Note: your article may not appear for an issue or two (depending on priorities and space availability).

2nd Saturday Happy Hour January 10th

As the first of the new year the January Happy Hour will be special. Volunteers, headed by Carol Graves, will tend bar and set up the food buffet and sell tickets. The price is the same this year at $5 light supper and two drinks. Raffle tickets will also be sold for a collection of prizes that are valued at about $200. Tickets are $1 each or 6 for $5 and if you bring some finger food to share at the buffet table you will receive some extra raffle tickets. The event starts at 5:00 p.m. January 10th and ends at 8:00 p.m.

Sports Pins and programs -- We have an intrepid group of pilgrims walking the virtual pilgrimage from Oslo to Trondheim (and some members who plan to REALLY do the pilgrimage). Although the pilgrimage needs to start before 12/31/2014, there are plenty of other sports pins to earn -- walking, hiking, bicycling, swimming. Go to www.sofn.com members page, under “programs” to find out more, or talk with me at member meetings Kathy Lange

Sunshine Committee

Your Lodge Sunshine Committee represents the membership of the Lodge to other members who need and deserve our well wishes. If you know of anyone needing a card from us, please let us know. Call the office or call one of us directly:

Arlene Templin at 206.784.1290
Judy Gray at 206.783.1274 (Lodge office)

If we don’t hear from you, we won’t know to whom to send our cards.

From the Office

We are continuing to follow the schedule of Kaffestua; we are OPEN on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Thank you,

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office know that you would like to assist your
you would be so kind to volunteer please let the

to help with set

also, we need two volunteers per dinner meeting

the lodge.

know how many in your group will be attending

10 june

13 may

8 april

11 march

14 january

membership dinner menus for 2015

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Julebord a Special Hit

December 13th marked another successful Julebord at the Lodge. Randi Aulie and her large and competent committee arranged the details. There were great festive decorations, delicious Hors d’Oeuvres, great dinner with so many choices and then special music for going around the tree. Over one hundred and fifty guests had a very pleasant time and are already looking forward to next December.

The next day on Sunday the kids party was scheduled from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. The hall still looked splendid with its Christmas decorations from the previous night’s party. Children and grandchildren from Lodge members, Karmoy Club and Seattle Bergen Sister City Association were treated to cookies, sandwiches, waffles and punch. Two big hits for the party were the special entertainer who drew rapt attention and participation from the kids and, of course, Santa Claus. The price was a bargain for adults and only $1 for kids.

Norwegian Julebord Traditions
(as written in “Nordic Page”, Oslo, December 23, 2012)

Many families have their own traditions on December 23, such as decorating the Christmas tree or making a gingerbread house, and many families eat risengrynsgrøt — a hot rice pudding served with sugar, cinnamon and butter. An almond is hidden in the pudding, and if the almond turns up in your portion, you win a marzipan pig!

Christmas Eve is the main event in Norwegian Christmas celebration. The first part of the day is often spent rushing around for the last Christmas presents, or in church for Christmas service. At five the bells ring out for Christmas, and most people have Christmas dinner at home or with relatives. The Christmas presents have been placed under the tree, and are opened after dinner.

Christmas is high season for snacks and candy. Enormous amounts of marzipan are sold before Christmas. According to the marzipan manufacturer Nidar, Norway’s less than 5 million people manage to eat more than 40 million marzipan figures during this period.

You will also see bowls of chocolate and nuts in most homes. Traditional Christmas candy such as burnt almonds and glazed apples are rarely made at home, but you will find them in the major Christmas markets.
News From the Norna Ladiers

On Tuesday, December 9, we had our annual Christmas potluck luncheon. We had a great lunch and exchanged some very special gifts. The best gift of all, of course, is the gift of friendship we all share.

We will NOT be meeting in January (after the holidays lull and possible poor weather), but we will pick-up our monthly meetings on Tuesday, February 10, which will be our Valentine Party. We meet in the Norna Room at noon. Bring a favorite dish to share, a card to share in our card exchange, and maybe even a friend. We are a fun and welcoming group who know how to have a good time. Please join us.

Judy Gray and Diane Adams

LEBA Board Report

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Sports Director News

Trollhaugen Ski Races Feb 7, 2015

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For more information talk with Kathy at member meetings, or email tatter59@me.com

Kaffestua Kroken

Kaffestua is a great place to visit with friends and/or family; also to make new friends. There’s always a fresh pot of coffee brewing, great open-faced sandwiches, heart waffles and sweets to be had. The requested donation is $5, and it’s still the best lunch value in Ballard!

Volunteers are always much needed. If you have any time to spare, or know someone who may have some time to help out, please contact our Kaffestua President, Diane Aronsen, at 206.783.4491, or the Lodge at 206.783.1274.

We continue to be closed on Thursdays but are open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. If we get additional volunteers, perhaps we can open on Thursdays again.

Visitors: there were two visitors but no home-towns were mentioned.

Volunteers Lately at Kaffestua include:
Kari Knutsen, Diane Aronsen, Magni Hinsee, Gunn Marit McArthur, Helga Moen, Ragnhild Eidem, Judy Mallory, Odny McDonald, Karen Sheldahl, Maria Lerbrek, Harold Nygaard, Marilyn Fuller, Janet (?), Hans (?). Important: Please, volunteers, when you sign up to work at Kaffestua, put your full name on the calendar! We want to acknowledge all our wonderful volunteers, but it is often difficult to figure out who is who when there are only first names listed. Mange Takk to all Volunteers!

People who recently donated food items:
Harold Nygaard, Vidar Warness, Karen Sheldahl, Diane Aronson, Kari Knudsen, Helga Moen, Odd Moen, Diane Einarsen, Gunn Marit McArthur, Magni Hinsee, Judy Browning, Melissa Seda, Bill Hansen, Evelyn Jonsen. Thanks to all of you!

Musicians who recently entertained us:
Trygve Bjørndal, Harold Nygaard, Richard Svensson, Tor Kristensen. Music makes a difference! Thank you.

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Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway, Educational Foundation presents its annual Crab feed, silent auction, and dessert auction!

Dancing to Miles from Chicago, a blues/rock band

Saturday, January 24, 2015
6PM
@Leif Erikson Hall

Dungeness Crab* or Cornish Game Hen or Stuffed Chicken Breast
Baked potato, coleslaw, garlic bread, beverage, and dessert auction!
No host bar *Bring your own picks and pliers*

$40 for adults
Reserve tables for 8 at $320 per table
$20 for students or children 13 and under
Tickets purchased after January 19 are $45/$25

Tickets available on
http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/900411 OR in the Leif Erikson Hall Office (206-783-1274) indicate whether you want *crab (whole or cleaned) from the Wild Salmon Seafood Market or Cornish Game Hen or Stuffed Chicken Breast
Interesting Norwegians

So, Who is This Handsome Norwegian?

His name is Andres Beer Wilse and he was born June 12, 1865 (died February 21, 1949). He was a Norwegian photographer whose photography visually documented Norway in the early to mid-20th century.

Wilse was born in Flekkefjord, but grew up in Kragerø and decided early to become a sailor. After having graduated with a technical degree from the technical school in Horten in 1882, he emigrated to the United States in 1884. He did not find work in the beginning, but eventually settled in Seattle working for the United States Geological Survey. He is reported to have acquired his first camera in 1888. He opened a photography store in Seattle in 1897, after having visited Norway and married Helen Marie Hutchinson. In 1900. His wife and children moved to Norway, and Wilse himself joined them, opening a photography store in Christiansa in 1901, after 17 years in the United States. Wilse traveled extensively in Norway, both on assignment and for his own interest. He brought his 10 kg camera to inaccessible places through rugged terrain, going as far north as Svalbard. He photographed both natural sceneries and people at work, including the fishing industry in Lofoten before the introduction of motorized boats. His photography business was also a commercial success, and he acquired among other things the entire archive of Axel Lindahl, who photographed scenes in Norway in the 1880s and 1890s. Most of his negatives are now preserved at museums, including Norsk Folkemuseum, where more than 100,000 sceneries and ethnological images are held, Oslo Bymuseum for images related to the history of Oslo, the National Library of Norway for portrait photography, and the Norwegian Maritime Museum for maritime photographs. A number of negatives also resides in the Chausson Flavers collection at George Eastman House. These images are being scanned digitally, and many are available online.


Information submitted by:
Christine Anderson, Historian

LEL Educational Foundation

As 2014 comes to a close, the LEL Educational Foundation looks forward to awarding new scholarship recipients for the 2015 calendar year. Scholarship winners are positive role models for our Lodge and there are many different scholarships available, so please spread the word about these scholarships to your loved ones! We know education is expensive, and these scholarships can truly make a difference in offsetting those high tuition costs.

Our educational foundation scholarships/awards include:

- Youth Leadership Scholarship for attending an institution of higher learning or trade school for 18-25 year olds.
- The Douglas Warne Vocational Scholarship is for a person 18-25 attending or planning on attending an accredited technical, trade, or vocational program in Washington State.
- Youth Camp Instructor/Counselor Grant is a scholarship/grant to a person or persons who can provide a positive camping experience for young people participating in the D2 Youth Camp Program which is given to college students or Leif Erikson Lodge members who work two-six weeks at the District 2 Youth Camps.
- Camp Reduction Fees include a 25% reduction in fees for young campers between the ages of 9-15 attending Camp Normanna/Camp Nidaros and Camp Trollhaugen provided by Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001.
- Lodge Queen and Lodge Princess Awards - the Queen may qualify for the Miss Seafair Scholarship Pageant for Women Program too, earning them even more scholarship opportunities!

Scholarship applications are now available in the Leif Erikson Lodge office!

We hope you share our enthusiasm for the present and the future of Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001 and Sons of Norway. It takes a joint effort to ensure that our Lodge and the future of Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001 and Sons of Norway is tax deductible in the United States.

The Epiphany at NHM January 22nd

On Thursday the 22nd of January 2015 at the Nordic Heritage Museum there will be a staged reading of a new play called The Epiphany. The play is set in Northern Norway during the Nazi occupation. The story revolves around a young woman and her family who must all decide whether to cooperate, resist, or just survive. The play is based on my family history and has been researched here and in Norway. There have been two informal readings in Norway in the Summer of 2013. The play will feature local actors and a Norwegian combat veteran who has recently served in Afghanistan. The performance will be at 7 p.m. with a reception before. Knut Einarsen, who is 100 years old, will be honored. Knut was part of the Resistance against the Nazis in Norway and is a member of the Leif Erikson Lodge.

med vennlig hilsen

Bruce Olav Solheim, Ph.D.
Distinguished Professor of History, Volunteer Veterans Advocate, Playwright Citrus College, Glendora, CA

Lutefisk in 2015!

Sunday, January 11, 2015, Seatings at 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00 p.m., 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 and 4:00 pm. Breidablik Lodge 2-027 located at 224 Catlin St, Kelso, WA 98626, will hold their annual family-style Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner. The dinner includes Lutefisk (of course) meatballs and gravy, boiled potatoes, green beans, home-made cole slaw, lefse, yogurt and Scandinavian cookies for dessert. Purchase your tickets for a specific seating time by calling Larry at 360-575-1385 or via email at: bignorske@comcast.net. Adult tickets are $23 and children 12 and under is $8 for our all-you-can-eat Norwegian Lutefisk meal. Tickets sell out quickly so call early to reserve your meal time. Submitted by Kay Koski, Editor/Publicity

Saturday, January 24, 2015, reserved seating starting at (times may be subject to change) 4:00, 5:00, 6:30. Sunday, January 25, 2015, reserved seating at noon, 1:00, 2:00, 4:00, 5:00: Annual Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner at Breidablik Lodge 2-038, 710 McKinley, Eugene, OR. Price is $22 for adults, $10 for children 5-11, and under 5 $TBD Menu includes lutefisk, meatballs, white sauce & melted butter, home-made coleslaw, lefse, flatbread, dessert! Tickets sell out quickly so call early and reserve your meal time. For reservations and information email lutefisk@sonjalodge.org or call Joan Abbott at 541-544-8461 Handicapped access parking available. Info provided by Dorothy Vangsnes

Saturday, January 31, 2015, Noon-5PM: Poulsbo Lodge 2-044 Lutefisk dinner with lefse, Swedish meatballs w/gravy, potatoes, carrots, cole slaw, ice cream, and coffee and/or water for beverage. Tickets are $23 for adults, children under 10 are $10. Greg Hall, 18691 Front St NE, Poulsbo WA. For more info call the lodge at 360-779-5209. Info submitted by Barbara Mitchusson

The Epiphany

On Thursday the 22nd of January 2015 at the Nordic Heritage Museum there will be a staged reading of a new play called The Epiphany. The play is set in Northern Norway during the Nazi occupation. The story revolves around a young woman and her family who must all decide whether to cooperate, resist, or just survive. The play is based on my family history and has been researched here and in Norway. There have been two informal readings in Norway in the Summer of 2013. The play will feature local actors and a Norwegian combat veteran who has recently served in Afghanistan. The performance will be at 7 p.m. with a reception before. Knut Einarsen, who is 100 years old, will be honored. Knut was part of the Resistance against the Nazis in Norway and is a member of the Leif Erikson Lodge.

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Leikarringen -- From left to right: -- back row: Karin Gustafson, Gerry Folkestad, Paul Everitt, Larry Reinert, Tom Berglund, fiddler Bill Boyd, Richard Lowe, President Lee Ehrheart, Noel Wannebo, Henry Cannon Ill. front row: Karin Hebert, Bonnie Berglund, Kalma Christianson, Sheila Lewis. Kneeling: Elaine Everitt and Virginia Stout (see article on Page 8).

Riddle Me: What do you give a seasick elephant? (see Page 8)

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A special dinner of pan-fried fish will be turned out with all the trimmings by Randi Aulie and her committee. The dessert will be a promised special that many members wait for all year. It will be caramel pudding just like in the old country. The cost will be $12 and will include your drinks. Money raised will give an injection of cash to our scholarship funds which go to our children or grandchildren for camp, youth camp staffing, and college. Remember to call the Lodge in the week of February 2nd to make your reservation. This will ensure that enough fish is procured. The number to call is (206) 783-1274; or you can sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the entry.

Remember to do the same for the January dinner meeting which will also have an excellent dinner on January 14 prior to our installation of officers.

Doug Warne

Leikarringen -- celebrates 55 years of Norwegian dancing, music and sharing Norwegian culture on Sunday, March 1 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Leif Erikson Hall! The afternoon will feature a variety of our talented local musicians; delicious food from our fabulous cooks, Tom and Bonnie; lots of our favorite dances; and time for visiting with all the people who have been a part of our organization over 55 years. We have lost many of our charter members just since our 50th anniversary so it will be a time to remember them, too.

Don't know what a Leikarringen is? Our name means a group of folk dancers from Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001. Our purpose is to learn and perform the song dances traditionally emphasized authentic costuming and attention to traditional detail and accuracy in music and dancing. To that end, the group has sponsored the Norsk Folkedans Stemme or folk dance gathering since 1981, at which folk dance groups from Norway provide instruction. Various members of the group maintain frequent contact with the folk dancing community in the Scandinavian countries. If you were able to attend the December business meeting, you heard Ingrid Hamberg, who studied music in Norway at the Rauland Academy and now works for them along with running a little coffee shop. She grew up in our Barneleikarringen and Leikarringen!

We perform throughout the year promoting Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001 at community functions: Syttende Mai/Norwegian Constitution Day festivities, Viking Days in Poulsbo, Northwest Folklife Festival at Seattle Center in May; Skandia Folkdance Society's annual Midsommarfest in June; the Nordic Heritage Museum in November for Yulefest; and during December at the ScanFair down in Portland and Norse Home. We also perform at weddings, other lodges, and a variety of special events. Our members help at various lodge functions including hosting socials, Tastes of Norway/Norwegian Cultural and Heritage Day in March, and working at the Bazaar. If you like to dance, join us on Tuesday nights from September-June.

Christine Anderson.
Please note that each month’s Vikingen (thanks to Tim Hunter’s efforts) is uploaded close to the first of each month to the LEL website at: www.LeifEriksonLodge.com

Vikingen on the LEL Website

(Photo provided by Christine Anderson) The above is the seal for the Norwegian Supreme Court established in 1815.

A photograph of the medallion reported in the December issue (that can still be ordered) was not provided. Contact SON if you wish to order the original King Olav V medallion mentioned (but not shown) in the December issue.

“Missing” Members

Please contact Janet Fruchtl at 425-823-0684 or the Leif Erikson Hall office 206-783-1274 if you know of the whereabouts of the following members.

David Alexander Pedersen
Cintia Alessi
Deb A Gremier
Geritt Andreas Espe
Richonda Pearl Hankinson
Taylor Gill
K Donald Solvang

Thanks for your help!
Christine Anderson

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Donating to the fund in honor of a loved one is a wonderful way to remember friends and relatives. Recently we said goodbye to several long time members. We received donations commemorating their contributions to our lodge and the many friendships they developed over time.

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