



FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

AGNES MATHILDE WERGELAND LODGE #52

Willamette Valley, Oregon



REINE, NORWAY-FEBRUARY

February 15 to March 15 Celebrations



Ellen Costello...Anniversary...Feb. 18
Sonia Haas...Birthday...Feb. 21
Jill Arnold...Birthday...Feb. 22

Celebrate Every Day!!



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Email: daughtersofnorway52@gmail.com

Face Book:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/amw52/>

Because we get a lot of spam trying to join our FB page, you need to be recommended by a member or answer the question. Come & check out our page. We post a lot of interesting tidbits & recipes of Scandinavia as well as meeting pictures.



Next Meeting

February 22, 2020: We will be initiating our new member – Diana Renn. Also remember we have **5 Saturdays** this month so things will seem a bit off-4th Saturday for Lodge Meeting

Refreshments: We will have a Chocolate/Sweets Share—bring a finger food of **CHOCOLATE or SWEET**.

Raffle: Valentine's will be our theme.

Kitchen Help: Randi will come early to make coffee & Kae was willing to come early to set up Kitchen. We could use another to help her.

Chairs: Please remember you will be getting your own chair & putting it back. There will be a few out for those who cannot handle them.



Culture

By Cultural Director Amey Herman

Feb Culture:

Folk Museums in Scandinavia

Presentation and discussion about folk museums in Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland. Please share your own experiences during our meeting if you have visited one or would like to add to our discussion.

March Culture:

We'll make bookmarks to get ready for spring reading!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 15-March 15

Feb. 15: Board Meeting

Feb. 17: President's Day (USA)

Feb. 21: King Harald V's Day (N)

Feb. 22: Lodge Meeting

Feb.23: Carnival (N,F)

Feb. 25: Shrove Tues. (All)

Feb.26: Ash Wednesday (All)

March 8: Daylight savings begins (USA)

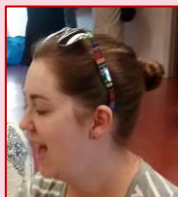




Lodge News

We installed our 2020 Officers at the beginning of the meeting. Kae welcomed our 2 visitors-Loretta Searles Tucker's daughter-in-law-Natasha & Sonja Neperud who is considering joining us & we certainly hope she does! We recognized past President Carol Nielsen with an engraved clock & a St. Vinnies Gift Card; she was delighted with both. Thank you, Carol, for all you did as our President for the past 2 years. We then went right into the business meeting officiated by our new President Kae Ellingsen. Convention & Budget were the 2 big topics discussed. We then broke & enjoyed a lot of visiting & our potluck with A LOT of yummy food. Traci Garets, her mother & her daughter donated a lovely Stave Church hanging to our Lodge; thank you.





Member of the Month



Lauren H.

What obscure food have you eaten that most haven't tried?

I like to try different types of meats. I have tried your typical grocery store meats and Oregon wild game, elk, deer, antelope. My dad hunted moose in Canada several years ago, and I got to try that, and I also tried moose in Sweden. Some of the stranger meats I have tried including, buffalo, alligator, duck, kangaroo, emu and alpaca. When I went to Finland in 2009, we ordered a pepperoni pizza, and it came with tuna, which they said that was normal for pizza. I'm not sure if that was true or if they were playing a joke on us gullible Americans. It was really good!

Do you have a collection?

My mom and I collect Fairy Lamps. They are egg-shaped, 2-4-piece, colored glass candle lamps. Some of the makers are Fenton, Westmoreland and Indiana. Our collection began after we went to an estate sale in Springfield a few years ago. The seller had a HUGE collection of these weird-looking glass things. We didn't know what they were, so we didn't buy any. Later that evening, we were able to find out that they were called Fairy Lamps and there are avid collectors out there. Whenever my mom and I go to estate sales, antique fairs, etc., we are always looking to add to our collection.

What talent would you most like to have-why?

I would love to be able to speak to people in their native languages. This would be a great way to connect with the locals when travelling out of the country, or even to speak to people in Oregon. In college, I took a class called "Languages of Oregon," and we learned about the MANY languages that are spoken here in Oregon. Those languages were Japanese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Tagalog, American Sign Language, Russian, Spanish, Korean, to name a few. Where I work, we have a large Spanish-speaking population, and I have had several people come up to me or call in that assumed I spoke Spanish. I always feel so helpless when I have to tell them in English that I don't speak Spanish and that I have to find a coworker to help them. We help a people who speak a variety of languages, including some obscure African languages, and I think it would be so neat to be able to speak to them in their native language.

Favorite childhood memory

My favorite childhood memory is when my mom's parents took our large family on a cruise to Europe in 1999. We spent a few days in London before embarking on our ship, the Royal Princess, in Dover, England. We went to Oslo, Norway, Copenhagen, Denmark, Stockholm, Sweden, Helsinki, Finland, St. Petersburg, Russia, Tallinn, Estonia, and Gdansk, Poland. My favorite places on the trip were Denmark, Finland and Estonia. I remember not really liking Norway, maybe because our tour that day wasn't exciting enough to wake me from my jet lag. In 2009, I went to Finland, Sweden and Norway on a study abroad tour, and our visit in Norway to Bergen and Flaam convinced me that Norway is the most beautiful place I have ever been.

In 2006, I began genealogy research and found out that my 3rd-great grandmother was born in Norway and came to America at age 10. This ignited my interest in Scandinavia. I learned about Daughters of Norway while at the Scandinavian Festival in 2010 and became a charter member of our lodge in 2011. I haven't been to many meetings in the last few years but hope to come back soon.

Member



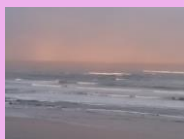
Submitted by Members



Shirley Bailey: Got a new car-a 2019 Chevy Malibu. No this was not planned or a "copycat". Just coincidence. Jean's red Chrysler was involved in an accident & was totaled in November thus a new car. Shirley & Eldon have been in the market for a long while; it's been "fix & repair" regularly on the old 20-year-old blue one that had another repair needed & decided enough was enough-thus a new car.



Kathy Solheim: needs prayers & good thoughts as she faces surgery in the near future. Also, her husband is doing better (see the Dec. newsletter) & is back to work.



Jean Payne: & husband Steve went to the Oregon Coast for a few days-just because. They had beautiful weather too. Pink fog at sunrise!



Kae's Norwegian Words for February

By Kae Ellingsen



Norwegians aren't known to be big on displays of affection.

In Ballard, we always said, "Lutherans are known as "the frozen chosen". (Lutheranere er kjent som den frosne som er valgt.)

There are three ways to express love in Norwegian:

- 1) Jeg liker deg/ham/hun; I like you/him/her, is the weakest, but the one used most often. You can use it to talk about a book, song, etc
- 2) Jeg er glad i deg; I am glad in you (literally), is something you say to people who are close to you -- close friends, your kids, your partner.
- 3) Jeg elsker deg. I love you, is something you don't say often and is for extremely strong feelings.

Even those who really elske each other do not say it that often. There is a joke in Norway that a woman complained to her husband/samboer that he didn't say Jeg elsker deg enough to her, he answered, "I said it to you once and I'll let you know if that changes in the future".

With that said, here are a few words in Norwegian that show feelings:

kjærlighet (love, the noun)

kjærlighet ved første blikk (love at first sight)

å være forelska (to be in love)

følelser (feelings)



Valentine's Day (Valentinsdag) in Scandinavia



Norway

Among the most popular customs listed on the social calendar of Norway is Valentine's Day. The Norwegian legends on Valentine's Day states that the signs of true love are seen when birds mate. Therefore, this celebration has begun to be associated with the mating of birds and Norwegians look for this on February 14th. Over the years, Spring celebrations have become merged with Valentine's Day celebrations. The stores in huge cities sell different types of special goodies for Valentine's Day, along with red hearts.

Denmark

Denmark took some time to warm up the trend of Valentine's Day and it had cautiously begun to embrace the customs of Valentine's Day. Love notes known as 'gaekkebrev' are swapped by young couples as part of the celebration. This works with one person writing a rhyme for his beloved and signing with dots instead of a name. The girl gets an egg at Easter if she guesses the name correctly. Apart from this, Valentine's Day is celebrated with many events such as flower displays and live concerts.

Sweden

The Swedish couples have a rather different way of celebrating Valentine's Day. Inspired by their American Counterparts, they go to clubs with live music, take a walk along the beach or visit good restaurants. Flower-sellers promote Valentine's Day and have been doing so since the 1960s. Valentine's Day in Sweden is marked by the exchange of pastries, roses and jelly hearts by lovers and the idea behind the celebration is to show your loved one how much you love and appreciate him/ her.

Iceland

Austerity is the norm when it comes to Valentine's Day celebrations in Iceland. The use of flowers is common, and bouquets are sent to one's beloved as a mark of love. All shops sell beautiful rose bouquets on this day and there are many different varieties of bouquets available. Apart from flowers, festive food is a common feature marking Valentine's Day celebration in Iceland. The beauty of having a meal with your loved one is that you can have both breakfast and dinner by candlelight, since the daylight hours are limited at this time of the year.

Finland

Valentine's Day is a very popular celebration in Finland, despite the fact that it has only recently caught up with the rest of the world in its celebrations. In fact, it was only since the 1980s that Valentine's Day was celebrated here. At the present, Valentine's Day is celebrated with much pomp and splendor, with events and dances to mark what they call "Ystävänäpäivä", or "Day of Friendship".



RAFFLE



Overseen by Sue Scott

January's theme was Winter. We made \$31.00 on a 3-set raffle.

Set 1: Lighthouse Calendars & Body Lotion: Jean Payne

Set 2: Sudoku Puzzle Book, 2 pencils & a picture frame: Karen Pierson

Set 3: Word find puzzle book, 2 pencils & Raptor Calendar: Emily O'Grady.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

February Raffle will be Valentine's, hearts, etc.

SALE TABLE



Maintained by Sue Scott

The sale table was up & running for the January meeting & we made \$41.00. Be sure to label anything brought with a price. Any item not sold & left for more than 3 meetings may be put on the Raffle Table or donated to St. Vinnies. Remember someone else might want that item-you never know.

All proceeds go to the Lodge.



Valentine Crypto Puzzles (answer on page 9)

Crypto puzzles are lists of related words that are encrypted with a letter substitution.

An example of a letter substitution encryption is like this: The word LOVE could be encoded to ABCD if L=A, O=B, V=C, E=D.

CHOCOLATE FILLINGS

TPJ PE UPVK
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 JGYJVXH
 SVINC ZIUDN
 UPKDRI
 VDMKJ VDMKPY
 YGHHXVV HJPRXY
 XVZXY'H



BRANDS OF CHOCOLATES

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TERMS OF ENDEARMENT



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 DSDB
 UZQ TQIKK
 NIKKMF
 LINLRMF

LIBRARY



MAINTAINED BY SHIRLEY BAILEY

Remember to let Shirley or Amey know a day or two before the meeting if you want to borrow any of the books on their lists. All others are in the cubby & available at the meeting; if it is not on display; just ask Shirley.

Please remember books are checked out meeting to meeting or check with Shirley if you need to keep it longer.

Be sure to go through Shirley when checking a book **in or out**. Thank you.

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Aebelskiver Pan

By Carol Nielsen



Aebelskiver pan for sale \$20.

Used at several lodge events

Carol Nielsen 541-998-8894

Daughters of Norway Scholarships



As many of you know the Daughters of Norway Grand Lodge give out several Scholarships to young people for college.

If you know of someone who might be interested & want information, please email Jean for the 2020 Scholarship guidelines & application. The completed application **MUST** be postmarked no later than July 15, 2020

LODGE BOOK



Headed by Amey Herman

It was decided at our last meeting that we would not sell our Lodge Book but continue to work on it to have it ready for our 10th Anniversary-Oct. 2021. We will create a book filled with our stories, histories, recipes and other relevant ideas. We will focus on each member, and whatever each of us chooses to contribute. Each person will have a few pages. Start thinking what you might like to include for your part. Think about a favorite photograph, items passed down through your family, what you know about where your family was from, a favorite family story. We will indicate for each person where their relatives were from on the map. More information will come later, but hopefully this gets you pondering the possibilities for your pages. We will help each other with the writing so we make the book both engaging and informative.

Tubfrim



Representative Marie Andersen

New Info: The stamps that don't appear to be cancelled can be saved! Please Do!

- Each subordinate lodge collects stamps and used phone cards that are in good condition.
- Cut stamps off the envelope so that there is a slight margin from the stamp edge (ca. 1/2"). **DO NOT** cut off the perforations.
- If the stamp is found on an envelope or post cover over 50 years of age, **DO NOT** cut it off. Instead the entire envelope with the stamp is sent in.
- Damaged stamps or telephone cards are not accepted as they are worthless.
- Stamps can come from any part of the world.



Recipe (Oppskrift) of the Month



SWEDISH VANILLA or RASPBERRY HEARTS (VANILJHJÄRTAN)

These lovely vanilla hearts are actually a very EASY recipe! The dough is perfect and you just need to press it into the form, fill with the vanilla cream (the vanilla cream is ready in 2 minutes, the perfect recipe!) and /or raspberry jam cover with another layer of dough. Bake for 15 minutes, let them cool, cover with powdered sugar, and it's done!

Ingredients

FOR THE DOUGH:

- 1 cup (120g) all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup (40g) potato starch or cornstarch
- 1/4 cup (45g) sugar
- 1 stick (110g) cold butter
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FOR THE CREAM FILLING:

- 2/3 cup (160 ml) cream
- 1 egg yolk
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1 Tablespoon potato starch or cornstarch
- 2 teaspoon vanilla extract

RASPBERRY FILLING: 3 Tablespoons raspberry jam (optional)

GARNISH: 2 Tablespoons powdered sugar

Directions

1. Grease 8 individual heart tins if using (or any other shape of your choice).
2. Combine the dry ingredients: flour, potato starch (or cornstarch), sugar.
3. Dice the butter and cut it into the flour mixture, tossing quickly together. Cover with plastic cling film and refrigerate for at least two hours.
4. Combine all the cream ingredients except vanilla in a saucepan. Simmer, stirring constantly, until thickened. Let cool, then stir in the vanilla.
5. Roll the dough into a rather thick sheet.
6. Press dough into the heart tins or cut with heart cookie cutters, fill with vanilla cream and/or a dollop of jam. Cover with another layer of dough. If doing cookie cutters press edges well with a fork.
7. Place the tins or cookies on a baking sheet and bake on low oven rack for about 15 minutes.
8. Carefully remove the tins or cookies. When completely cooled & ready to serve, sift powdered sugar over if doing any raspberry also garnish with a fresh raspberry.



Convention July 23-25, 2020 SISTERS SAIL THE SALISH SEA

A few bits of information about upcoming Convention

- You should all have received via email the information about Convention including **REGISTRATION**. I would strongly urge you to make your decision soon about going & get your classes chosen & registration mailed **soon**. All information is also in "DØTRE AV NORGE"
- Be thinking about being a Delegate or Alternate (we will need 2 delegates + our President & 2 alternates). Delegates will be elected at the February Meeting. Interested? Please let Kae know.
- Our lodge will be donating a substantial amount of paper goods to Convention this year.
- There will be outside vendors at the Cultural Day (Thurs.)
- Each Lodge may have 1 raffle (Winners will be chosen at Sat. luncheon)
- Each Lodge is encouraged to donate something for the Silent Auction (Thurs. evening)
- Amey Herman has rented a 3-bedroom house to share with sisters (paying their share). More info coming but if interested please contact Amey: ameyherman@gmail.com
- The Board will be discussing options for using some of our windfall from last year to use for Convention this year in upcoming meetings.



Solution

CRYPTO-PUZZLE WORDS

Here are all the words for all 3 lists in alphabetical order. Match the words to the right lists to help figure out the letter substitutions. Cross the words out as you solve the codes.

BABY	HOT STUFF
BLACK MAGIC	LINDT LINDOR
BUTTER CRUNCH	LOVE
BUTTERCREAM	MINT
BUTTERCUP	MUFFIN
CARAMEL	NOUGAT
COCONUT	PEANUT BUTTER
DARLING	POT OF GOLD
DEAR	PUMPKIN
ELMER'S	QUALITY STREET
FERRERO ROCHER	RUSSELL STOVER
GHIRARDEILLI	SWEETHEART
GODIVA	TOFFEE
HAZELNUT	TRUFFLE
HONEYBUNCH	TURTLES

Purses with Purpose

For Convention



The 2020 Convention Committee is sponsoring a project to support women who are living in shelter or homeless by bringing a gently used purse or fanny pack to give to the Kitsap Community Resources to be distributed to women in need.

They are also collecting the following items to be put in the purses as they are distributed: hairbrush & comb, deodorant, razors, new socks & underwear, tissue, sanitary handwipes, sample size shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrush, other feminine hygiene products, nail polish, pen & notepad/calendar. Any of the basic items women carry in their purse.



Joke of the Month



Judy Collins Recipe Spot



CHERRY CHEESE "DANISH" COFFEE CAKE

<https://www.pamperedchef.com/recipe/Breakfast+%26+Brunch/Large+Round+Stone+with+Handles/Cherry+Cheese+Coffee+Cake/9695>

INGREDIENTS

Coffee Cake & Filling

2 pkg (8 oz each) refrigerated crescent rolls
1 pkg (8 oz) cream cheese, softened
1/4 cup powdered sugar
1 egg
1/2 tsp vanilla or almond extract
1 can (21 oz) cherry pie filling

Glaze

1/2 cup powdered sugar
2-3 tsps. milk

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350°F. Unroll crescent dough. Separate into 16 triangles, reserving 4 triangles for decoration. On large baking sheet, arrange 12 triangles in a circle with wide ends toward the edge and points toward the center. (Points will not meet.) Using lightly floured rolling pin, roll dough to a 14-inch circle, pressing seams together to seal and leaving a 3-in. hole in center.

For filling: in bowl, combine cream cheese, powdered sugar, egg and vanilla; mix until smooth. Spread cream cheese mixture over dough to within 1/2 in. of edges; top with pie filling.

Using Pizza Cutter, cut each remaining triangle into thirds starting at the wide end opposite the point and cutting lengthwise to the point. Arrange dough strips evenly in spoke-like fashion over filling. Press ends to seal at center and outer edges. Bake 25-30 minutes or until golden brown; cool slightly.

For glaze: mix powdered sugar and milk until smooth; drizzle over coffee cake. Cut into 12 pieces and serve warm

Yield: 12 servings

Cook's Tips: To soften cream cheese, microwave on HIGH 30 seconds.

MORE LINKS TO FEBRUARY RECIPES



Crock Pot Brilliant Red Pears: <https://www.food.com/recipe/crock-pot-brilliant-red-pears-19134>



Cherry Cordial Hot Chocolate: <https://www.food.com/recipe/cherry-cordial-hot-chocolate-142111>

And a strange one



Kool Aid Pickles: <https://www.food.com/recipe/kool-aid-pickles-240106>



THE NORDIC LANDSCAPE IN



CONTEMPORARY FILM-WINTER 2020

U of O Campus-115 Lawrence Hall—Free and open to the public—All showings on Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

<https://docs.google.com/viewer?a=v&pid=sites&srcid=ZGVmYXVsdGRvbWFpbnx3aGI0ZXlzdWVja3xneDo0MmlwMjg4Y2YzZDRkYjY5>

Dates & Titles & Country

February 14-**O'Horten**-Norway

February 21-**Woman at War**-Iceland

February 28-**The Inheritance**-Denmark

March 6-**In Order of Disappearance**-Norway

March 13-**Patrik Age 1.5**-Sweden

Check the website above for a short synopsis of the films.

Kae Ellingsen is willing to carpool. Contact her if interested.

Outside



Sons of Norway Sonja Lodge has cultural programs every month. Potluck is at 5:30pm & then program. Feel free to come for both or just for the cultural program! First Thursday of the month at 710 McKinley St. in Eugene.

- **March 3:** local author William Sullivan answers the intriguing question, "Were Vikings Barbarians"?
- **April 2:** local resident Alicia Uteg, who lived in northern Norway, will tell us stories about/from Norway.

April 25: Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle will give a concert at Emmaus Lutheran Church on West 18th at 3pm. \$10 suggested donation and there will be light refreshments afterward.



Useful Links



Some fun & interesting links to Scandinavian shopping & information

You can now **CTRL** click on the links below & go directly to the sites.

<https://www.daughtersofnorway.org/>

National Daughters of Norway website

<https://www.astrimyastri.com/books>

<https://www.norwegianamerican.com/>

Norwegian American Weekly magazine

<https://www.scandinavianfoodstore.com/>

Scandinavian Food

<https://www.ingebretsens.com/>

Scandinavian shopping

<https://www.stabo-imports.com/> Scandinavian shopping

<https://hovdenformalfarmwear.com/> clothing

<https://www.norhalla.com/>

Scandinavian children's books + other merchandise

<https://www.scandikitchen.co.uk/> recipes & information

<https://grimfrost.com/> -Viking shopping

<https://www.giftchaletauburn.com/>

Scandinavian shopping

<http://www.gonorland.com/> -fun information

<http://www.hemslojd.com/> -Swedish shopping

<https://www.nordicnorthwest.org/>

Nordic Cultural Center in Portland, OR

<http://luluthebaker.com/> Melissa Bahen (cookbook author)

Genealogy:

<https://media.digitalarkivet.no/>

Danish/Norwegian Government Archives

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com/>

searching family history

[Translate.google.com/](https://translate.google.com/)

www.rollintl.com/roll/norwegian-english.htm

Norwegian to English Key word translation

https://www.dokpro.uio.no/rygh_ng/rygh_for_m.htm Olaf Rygh-Norwegian Farm Names database

www.familysearch.org

www.facebook.com

www.ancestry.com



Iceland Country Profile continued from April 2019

Leaders of Iceland are President Gudni Johannesson and Prime minister: Katrin Jakobsdottir

President: Gudni Johannesson: University historian Gudni Johannesson won Iceland's presidential election in June 2016 on his 48th birthday.

He secured 39.1% of the vote, ahead of Halla Tomasdottir, a private equity executive, on 27.9%.

A political outsider, he campaigned for the largely ceremonial post by pledging to restore Icelanders' faith in their system of government after years of public dissatisfaction with politicians first sparked by the country's banking collapse in 2010.

Mr Johannesson succeeded Olafur Ragnar Grimsson, who stepped down in August 2016 after 20 years.

Prime minister: Katrin Jakobsdottir: Katrin Jakobsdottir became prime minister after her Left-Green Movement agreed to form a coalition government in November 2017.

Her party emerged as the second biggest party in snap parliamentary elections the previous month.

The coalition has a clear majority in parliament, but it brings together disparate groups - the conservative Independence Party, the centrist Progress Party, and Ms Jakobsdottir's own leftist group.

Outgoing Prime Minister Bjarni Benediktsson called the snap election in September, after less than a year in government, as a scandal involving his father prompted a government ally to drop out of his ruling coalition.

Next month we will complete our series of Country Profiles with the Icelandic Timeline.



Norway: boasts of a very famous chocolate factory, Freia, immortalized in Norwegian-American author Roald Dahl's book Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Freia chocolate was one of the main sources of sustenance for Roald Amundsen on his journey to the South Pole. Amundsen planted the Norwegian flag at the South Pole in 1911 as the first man to reach the South Pole.

Sweden: The Swedish word gift can mean married or poison

Denmark: In Denmark, age is no barrier to love. In 2009, the oldest Danish bride was 94 years old while her groom was over 100 years. The youngest Danish bride was 19 while her groom was 18 years old.

Finland: Finns do not use shoes indoors. It is polite to take off your shoes when entering someone else's home. When visiting a Finnish home, take off your shoes or ask if you can keep them on.

Iceland: The majority of Icelanders believe in elves.

