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THE POULSBO SONS OF NORWAY LODGE NEWS MAGAZINE

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Members Join Girl Scouts for World Thinking Day

Amber Irvine, Girl Scout Leader of Troop #41387, asked the lodge to participate with the Girls Service Unit in the Annual World Thinking Day Saturday February 22nd at the Silverdale Lutheran Church.

The troop was presenting information about Norway and wanted us to share our stories, heritage, and Norwegian customs.

Cultural Director Andrew Belschner, Lodge Royalty Queen Annette Anunson and Prince Elijah Wiktoek, and Vikings Cultural Directors Alan Talmadge and Kira Prostatus shared information about Norwegian culture, traditional Norwegian dress and Bunads and the history of the Vikings in Norway.



Vikings Dance the Night Away at the Poulsbo Family Fun Format

Parks and Recreation Director Lin Hino brought the Poulsbo Family Fun Format to the Sons of Norway for the second year on Saturday March 1st. This year's theme was "Under the Sea".

The event had two dances, one for younger kids and one for the older kids. Our Poulsbo Sons of Norway Vikings acted as greeters as the families walked the red carpet, then danced and took photos with everyone.

Thank you to Viking King Scott Kankovsky and the Viking volunteers for making this a great time for Poulsbo families:



Ruby Patterson, Christina Power, La Toya Dayton, Perry Swann, Jim Rickards, Karen Zabinski, Carley Elizabeth Wolfe, Cathy Floyd, Donna Pfizenmaier, Don Ottomano, May Mathiesen, Sue Unger, and Peter Simkins.

Also thank you to our event hosts Rhonda Mitchussen, Shirley Rice, Larry Farley, and Jerry Block!



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Hei og velkommen verdsatte medlemmer av Sons of Norway Poulso Lodge.

Happy Spring! Now that we've sprung forward, the light is drawing us all back outside! It's a joyful time as we take in the colors of the season, celebrate Easter with family and friends, and feel a renewed sense of happiness and energy.

If you're like me, it also reinvigorates your passion to volunteer! I'm looking forward to being back out on the fields with the kids as soon as Baseball – Softball season starts.

Spring brought a spirit of cleaning and mischief around the lodge; you may have noticed that the Trolls changed their scenery throughout their Den.

We had a great turnout for our 3rd Annual Building Association Auction and Comedy Dinner Show, and March also featured a series of delicious Friday Night Dinners, the first new Book Club Meeting, and a special Wine Tasting event.

April brings more great Friday Night Dinners, starting with the Vikings serving up Chicken Rice Bowl ala Viking on April 4th.

I'm looking forward to the CPR Class and Host – Security Training on April 5th, the Paint and Sip on April 9th, the Lefse making class on April 16th, and the Spring Fling on April 26th. I can't wait to see our members dress to impress!

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Curtis Vincent

2025 Poulso Lodge Sons of Norway President

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Calendar

Coming Events

April 2025

- 5 CPR Class (1:00 pm)
- 5 Host & Security Training (3:00 pm)
- 9 Paint & Sip (Trolls' Den)
- 12 District 2 Zone 4 Seminar
- 16 Lefse Class (Kitchen)
- 19 Olympia Norway Day
- 26 Spring Fling Dance (Marine Room)

May 2025

- 3 Book Event with Makenna Held (Marine Room)
- 9 Line Dance Night (Trolls' Den)
- 13 Lodge Memorial
- 17 Poulso Viking Fest

June 2025

- 14 Midtsommer Festival: Market, Dancing, Bonfire

Continuing Events

Mondays

- 8:00 am Yoga (Marine Room)
- 4:30 pm Youth Dancing (*Leikarringen*)

Tuesdays

- 9:00 am Old Guys' Kaffe Klatch (Trolls' Den)

Wednesdays

- 8:00 am Yoga (Marine Room)

Thursdays

- 9:00 am Old Guys' Kaffe Klatch (Trolls' Den)
- 6:00 pm Wood Carvers (Norse Room)
- 6:00 pm Trivia (Trolls' Den)
- 7:00 pm Norwegian Singing (Marine Room)

Fridays

- 7:00 am Rotary Breakfast (Marine Room)
- 10:00 am Needle Workers (Viking Room)

First Tuesday

- 6:00 pm Lodge Board Meeting (Norse Room)

Second Tuesday

- 6:00 pm Lodge Meeting (Marine Room)

Third Tuesday

- 6:30 pm Vikings Meeting (Viking Room)

Fourth Tuesday

- 6:00pm Ingeborg Society (Viking Room)

Third Saturday

- 3:00pm Genealogy Meeting (Norse Room)

First Sunday

- 9:00am Pancake Breakfast (Norse Room)



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE TROLLS' DEN

Friday Night Dinners

We've got a full-slate of Friday Night Dinners featuring some fantastic food!

April 4: Chicken & Rice ala Viking, \$18

April 11: Southern Comfort Food, \$17

April 18: Wisconsin Fish Fry

April 25: Lasagna

May 2: Cinco de Mayo

May 9: Chicken Cordon Bleu

Dinners start at 6:00 pm.

Get your tickets at poulsbosonsofnorway.com.

MEMBERS ONLY

Paint & Sip with Paint Parties by Beth

Wednesday April 9th, 6:00 pm

\$45 includes all supplies and a Spring Sangria!

Get your tickets in the Trolls' Den.

Members & guests only.



Line Dancing!


Friday May 9th, 7:30 pm (after dinner)

\$10 per person

Community Spotlight: PNW Author Bill Thorness at Liberty Bay Books

On April 17th, PNW travel author Bill Thorness is appearing at Liberty Bay Books. His new book "All Roads Lead to Rome: Searching for the End of My Father's War" recounts Bill's journey to rediscover his Norwegian immigrant father, who served as a U.S. Army commando in Italy during World War II.

An Evening With PNW Author
BILL THORNESS



Rediscovering his Norwegian Father's WWII journey.

April 17th - 6:30pm

Liberty Bay Books
18881 'D' Front St NE, Poulsbo

Scholarship Deadline Approaching!

Scholarship applications are on the lodge website and are **due in the lodge office May 1, 2025**.

The scholarship committee is offering THREE \$1,000 post-secondary school scholarships, one full Sons of Norway camp scholarship, and two \$100 camp scholarships.

Scholarships are awarded based on service to the lodge.

Our post-secondary scholarships do not have an age limit, so all lodge members are eligible to apply.

If we do not award all the scholarships to youth camps, we will make some available for the adult heritage retreat at Trollhaugen in the fall.

LODGE MEMORIAL

May 13th, 7PM

We are gathering names of fallen Lodge members for our upcoming Memorial service. Please share any names to be included with Keri at (360)535-3374.



TO LIVES WELL LIVED.

VERN'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Pancakes and lingonberries, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit juice, coffee and tea

Sunday, April 6, 9-11 AM

\$15 adult — \$7 five and under

Sons of Norway | 18991 Front Street

Poulsbo Sons of Norway

PAINT & SIP

with Paint Parties by Beth

Wednesday April 9th 6pm

\$45 Per Person

Ticket Includes a Spring Sangria

Purchase your tickets in the Trolls' Den



Members & Their Guests Only

Host & Security TRAINING

One of the ways to volunteer at the Lodge is by being a Host or Security for events. We will have a training for these positions on April 5th at 3pm in the Viking Room.

Please enter through the glass doors

POULSBO SONS OF NORWAY

CPR CLASS

APRIL 5TH | 1:00 PM

IN THE VIKING ROOM

CLASS SIZE LIMITED TO 20

SIGN UP SHEET IN THE TROLLS' DEN



Compression Only
CPR with AED

SUGGESTED DONATION \$25 MEMBERS ONLY

POULSBO SONS OF NORWAY

APRIL & MAY YOGA

IN THE MARINE ROOM

MON & WED 8AM

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5 MEMBERS / \$10 GUESTS



Lær å Lage Lefse

LEARN TO MAKE LEFSE: A NORWEGIAN POTATO FLATBREAD

Wednesday April 16 10 - 2:30 p.m.

\$25

Includes a Norwegian lunch with a lesson on how to eat like a real Norwegian!

Poulsbo Sons of Norway members only




SOUTHERN COMFORT

FRIDAY APRIL 11TH 6PM

Join us for a Hearty Southern Comfort food dinner! Indulge in tender baked chicken, savory black-eyed peas, and warm, golden cornbread, all paired perfectly with a sweet and satisfying bread pudding for dessert. It's a taste of the South, here at the Sons of Norway!

\$17

POULSBO SONS OF NORWAY MEMBERS AND GUESTS ONLY



POULSBO SONS OF NORWAY

SPRING FLING DANCE

SATURDAY APRIL 26TH 6-10PM



Olympia Norway Day



April 19, 2025
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Admission \$3.00
Children under 12 free with adult

Thurston County Fairgrounds
3054 Carpenter Road
Lacey, WA 98503

Image:: Sharon Aamodt Dexter, nordicfolklore.com

There's SO MUCH more to Norway than lutefisk and lefse! The 17th annual Olympia Norway Day features music, dancing, Vikings, Fjord Horses, Norwegian Elkhounds, giftware, crafts, artwork, genealogy, and so much more!

There will be a bake sale from 10:00 am - noon and the Nordic Café will serve up Norwegian classics from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Our own Leikarringen dancers perform at 11:00 am and invite you all to come out to support them and enjoy the festivities!

Movie Review: Kampen om Narvik (Narvik)



April 9th marks the 85th anniversary of German occupation of Norway, so April is a fitting time to watch Narvik, a film based on true events.

Narvik is a highly desirable port in northern Norway and both Great Britain and Germany had trade agreements for the Swedish iron ore.

On April 8th, 1940 Norway sent neutrality forces to Narvik because of the increasing tension between the two countries' presence.

In the film, counsels for Germany and Great Britain are staying at a Narvik hotel. During the meetings with the mayor, language interpreters are needed. Lovely waitress Ingrid Tofte (Kristine Hartgen) speaks both German and English and works tirelessly to translate while trying to maintain her own objectivity. Her husband, Corporal Gunnar Tofte (Carl Martin Eggesbø), is one of the Norwegian soldiers.

Despite Norway's neutrality agreement from September, 1939, Germany invades the port of Narvik.

God Påske!

(Happy Easter!)

Easter is a major holiday in Norway, celebrated with religious observances, festive activities, and time off from work and school.

A popular Easter tradition is reading crime novels in cozy cabins. In southern Norway, celebrants don brightly colored clothes and go Fjord jumping!?

Ha en fin påskeferie! (Have a nice Easter holiday!)



Instead of fighting, the Norwegian commander withdraws and they march out of town to strategize.

After the invasion, Ingrid's compassion drives her to aid the British representatives by hiding them in a hunting cabin. The townspeople try to escape, but their efforts are thwarted. Soon, tensions among the citizens rise as Ingrid is seen as a traitor by translating for the Nazis.

Ingrid is driven to desperation when her son becomes seriously wounded. Is something more happening between her and the invaders? The townspeople speculate.

Eventually, Norway is assisted by Polish, French, and British forces, and Narvik celebrates a brief victory against the Nazis, who suffer their first defeat.

The film was well written (Christopher Grøndahl et al) and directed (Erik Skjoldbjærg). The battle scenes as well as the human drama kept me interested, and as a linguaphile, I enjoyed listening to the various languages. It is available on Netflix and I recommend it for those who enjoy war dramas and Norwegian history.

Written by Jan Slusher



2025 District 2 Zone 4 Seminar

Saturday, April 12, 2025

Sons of Norway Hall
Kelso, WA

New and returning lodge officers and members are encouraged to attend to share ideas and learn how we can make our lodges even better.

Visit the District 2 website sonsofnorway2.com or contact Paul Anunson (paulanunson@hotmail.com) for more information.



SONS of NORWAY

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Sons of Norway is to promote and preserve the heritage and culture of Norway, to celebrate our relationship with other Nordic countries, and to provide quality insurance and financial products to its members.

2025 POULSBO LODGE BOARD

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Greeter 2: Lorena Maxwell

Book Event with Makenna Held, author of *Mostly French*

May 3, 2025

2:00 pm in the Marine Room

Wine available to purchase

Author Makenna Held bought La Pitchoune, Julia Child's summer home in Provence sight-unseen in 2016, when she came across a listing for it in The New York Times. Today, she operates the home as the Courageous Cooking School.

Join us in welcoming Makenna to talk about her experience reinventing La Pitchoune and her new book *Mostly French*, which features modern, approachable recipes modeled on French classics. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

This event is free and open to the public! If you have friends or family who might be interested in joining the lodge, this is a great opportunity for them to come see what the Poulsbo Sons of Norway has to offer.

