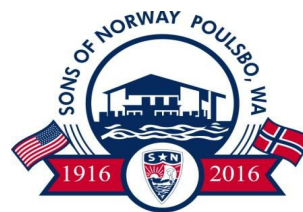




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**This Month**

**Friday Night Dinner**

**Volunteers needed**—Can you help on a dinner crew? Contact Vicky in the office @360-779-5209

**December**

- 2- No Dinner – Jule Fest prep
- 9 - TBA
- 16- Lodge Christmas dinner
- 23 – No dinner – Christmas
- 30 – No dinner – New Years



**Christmas Bazaar and Jule Fest Saturday, Dec 3**

Christmas bazaar from 10-4 – crafts, baked goods, Pea soup and viking dogs, Lefse made on the spot and packaged lefse will be available for sale. Music and dancing in the Marine room with our Leikarringen youth and Vestre Sund Mannskor.

Julefest on the waterfront starting at 4:30pm. Vikings, Lucia bride and bon fire. Bring the whole family!

**Santa Breakfast**

Sunday, Dec. 4 from 8:30 – noon in the Marine Room. Pictures with Santa, all you can eat breakfast including scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, ham, fruit and beverage. Everyone Welcome.

**Children's Lucia Party**

Bring your children and grandchildren to the Lodge



Children's Lucia party Monday, Dec 12 at 6:00pm. Dancing by our Leikarringen youth, Lucia procession with real candles, and dancing around the tree for everyone. Refreshment provided by our Leikarringen families.

**Giving Tree**

Stop by the Trolls Den to get a tag from the giving tree – All gifts go to Martha and Mary and must be back by Dec. 11.



Please contact our Lodge Manager Vicky Spray at 360-779-5209 for details.

**Sharenet Auction**

**Saturday, Dec 10 at 4:00pm**

Mark your calendars for a fun time at the Sons of Norway and raise money for food, clothing and toys to local families in need. This annual event requires your participation to be successful, by opening your hearts and wallets to support those in need. Please bring usable items for the auction. All monies raised along with food and toys goes directly to the Sharenet organization, located in Kingston.

So bring a potluck dish and unwrapped toy for children, non-perishable foods and most of all, your holiday spirit to this worthwhile annual event.



**Christmas Kaffe Stua**

Wednesday, December 14 we will be serving our special Christmas Kaffe Stua from 11-2. Split pea soup, Traditional sandwiches, including Rolepse, Rommegrot available for \$4/bowl.

**Lodge Christmas Dinner**

Friday, Dec 16, in the Troll's Den, 6-8pm (membership card required – non-member guest - \$10). Turkey dinner with all the fixins. Wear your ugly Christmas sweater and you may win a prize! Karaoke with Vee and a 50/50 raffle.

**Coming Events**

**December**

- 3 Christmas Bazaar and Julefest
- 8 Ladies Club Christmas Dinner
- 10 Sharenet Auction
- 12 Children's Lucia Party
- 14 Christmas Kaffe Stua
- 16 Lodge Christmas Dinner

**January 2017**

- 7 - Ladies Club Welcome reception
- 13 – Installation Dinner
- 28 – Lutefisk Dinner

**Veterans Appreciation Night**

What an awesome night! Spoken from the heart, all those involved in the program John Emrick, Doc Casper, Mitch Mitchell, Jim McDonough, and guest speaker CAPT Thomas Danaher, USN, (Ret.) did a fantastic job. I have been so excited about helping with this important and great event. But to much ado I also want to be sure that I have thanked all those who helped... Jim Biddle, Donna Kodalen, Fred Weatherford, Betty Olson, Gail Kimmel, Vickie Bockleman, Maylene Mathiesen, Kathy Moncrief, Judy Morgan, Vicky Spray, Phil and Julie Swenson. Hopefully I haven't left anyone out and if I did, I sincerely apologize. - Maggie Gresham



**Sons of Norway Dues**

Starting Jan. 1, 2018, Sons of Norway dues will be the same across the organization. Individual membership will be \$60, Family membership will be \$95. Watch the Viking Magazine for more details..

## President's Message

Hilsen fra Presidenten,

It has been an honor and a wonderful two years serving as president of our lodge. This past year celebrated our Lodge's Centennial and its many special events. It was a privilege to have the support of a great group of lodge officers who have worked hard to keep our lodge functioning; those unsung heroes who mostly work behind the scenes. I am so appreciative of their service and I am looking forward to supporting our new president, Rob Kodalan and the newly elected board.. The lodge employees have continually proven themselves as real lodge assets – Mange Takk!

This year has been one of membership growth, increased volunteerism and we continued to show that we are a non-profit organization but stayed out of the red this past year. Increases in catered events, participation in Friday night dinners, special events along with increased business in the Trolls Den have kept the lodge financially stable. This is the result of member involvement.

The building has had significant upgrades during the 2016 year, and improvements are continuing. Thanks to our building association for overseeing such upgrades as remodeled Trolls Den Bar, emblems facing the water side of the lodge, and fresh paint in the office and striping in the parking lot. Check out the display cases with improved lighting, new glass and of course the displays. Volunteers have been kept busy with Rotary breakfasts, Sunday pancake breakfasts. Kaffe Stuas, Friday night dinners, along with special and catered events. Volunteerism is the backbone of our Lodge. All of this happens through your volunteerism and donations to our lodge.

This Centennial Year was so special with its Centennial Gala, performances by visiting groups including the Stoughton Dancers, two visiting instrumental trios and a dance group from Norway. It was topped off with receiving the 2014 Lodge of the Year award at the International Convention. It has truly been a great year with 100 years of involvement in our community.

Thanks to our Leikarringen dancers and the Vikings who have represented our lodge well, and our cultural events have again highlighted our Norwegian heritage in Poulsbo. Thank you to our Ladies Club for their support in Lodge cultural and catered events. Your organization not only makes events go smoothly but benefits the Lodge financially.

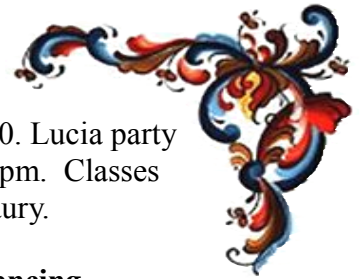
By the time you receive this Maken, the lodge will be decorated for Julefest. It is a time of year I truly enjoy – the warmth of the lights, fires, and the celebrations with delicious foods. I will look forward to seeing members December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Lodge Bazaar and the Julefest celebration featuring the St. Lucia procession with the Leikarringen dancers, the Vikings and the bonfire. Mark your calendars for the Sharenet Auction and the Lodge Christmas Party. Please join in the Holiday Celebrations!

God Jul til alle sammen!

Glen

### Dancing

Leikarringen  
youth dancers  
Monday at 4:30. Lucia party  
Dec 12 at 6:00pm. Classes  
resume in January.



### Adult Folk Dancing

Mondays at 7:00pm for beginners and 8:00pm for intermediate. Live music dance party Dec 19. Festive attire suggested. Lucia procession about 8:00pm. Call Julie Buckel at (360)394-9698 or Suzanna (484)794-2405 for information. classes resume in January.

### Language Lessons

Norwegian Support classes on Thursday, from 1-3 pm. Dec 1 and 8.. Christmas break until Jan.

### Vestre Sund Mannskor

Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm. Contact Kathy Haug 360-297-0791 for information.

### Woodcarving

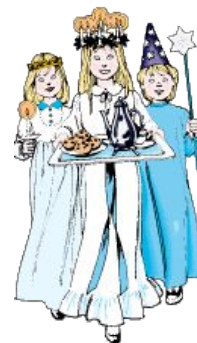
North Kitsap Woodcarvers Guild meets Thursdays in the Norse Room from 6-8pm. All levels of expertise welcome. For info, call Jeff Iller at 698-7175.

### Nordic Needleworkers

Instruction in Hardangar embroidery and help in other handwork is available. Fridays 10-1 pm. Call Virginia for info. (360) 633-2499

### Ladies Book Club

Book club meets for a Christmas Luncheon, New books in 2017.



### Library

The docent will be in the Library Wed. . Dec. 7 from 11-2 and before and after lodge meetings. The book list is on the website here:

[www.poulsbosonsofnorway.com](http://www.poulsbosonsofnorway.com)

## 2017 Board Members

President Rob Kodalen,  
Vice President Roger Spray,  
Treasurer Kathy Moncrief,  
Secretary Barb Mitchusson,  
Assistant Secretary Julie Swenson,  
Membership Sec. Laura McDonough,  
Co-Membership Sec. Michelle Meng,  
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Cultural Director Glen Robbins,  
Co-Cultural Director Alisha Anunson,  
Youth Director Holly Gleason,  
Counselor Skip (John) Walsh,  
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Foundation Director Beth Farley,  
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Auditor (2019) Kolleen Kelley  
Auditor (2020) David Rice,  
Trustee Jim Biddle, Marshall Phil Swenson,  
Historian Sherry White,  
Musician Jan Peterson,  
Assistant Musician Marlene Taylor,  
Editor Joanne Graves,  
Greeter 1 Susan Brionez,  
**Unfilled positions:**  
Greeter 2, Assistant Marshall, Trustee (2018)



## Scholarships

Sons of Norway International Scholarship applications are due January 2. Applications are available on line here: <https://www.sofn.com/foundation/scholarships/>

Watch the January Maaken for information on the Poulsbo sons of Norway Scholarship

## Lutefisk Dinner

Save the date- Saturday, January 28 – Our Poulsbo Sons of Norway Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. The best Lutefisk in the Puget Sound region.

## Friday Night Dinner

Do you enjoy Friday night dinner at the lodge? Do you have a favorite meal you would like to share with the lodge? Consider putting together a team and volunteering to host a dinner. Not sure you can handle dinner prep on your own? Don't worry, we have lots of folks who would be happy to get your started. Contact David Rice or leave a message with Vicky in the office.

Are you still getting the maaken in the mail? Sign up for the digital maaken in full color emailed to your inbox. Call Vicky in the Office 779-5209

## Ladies Club News

The Ladies Club Christmas Dinner will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> with the social time at 5 and dinner at 6. Reservations must be made with Vicky Bockleman at 360-265-8868 by Nov. 30. If you are bringing a guest, it will be \$10. There will be no December luncheon meeting.

Be sure to get your baked goods to the Norse Room on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Linda Abercrombie and Darlene Burke would like help packaging them at 10 a.m. on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> for the Bazaar Bake Sale. Vicky Bockleman and Mary Gerstel welcome craft items for their booth. Help with set up for the Ladies Club booth is needed at noon on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

An Oslo Krigle work party is scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m.

Officers for 2017 are: President Barb Mitchusson, Vice President Linda Abercrombie, Secretary Sherry White, Treasurer Laura McDonough and co-Social Directors Vicky Bockleman and Lori Hill.

## Have a Seat . . .

The Poulsbo SONS have 98 black & 200 gold colored used banquet chairs that need to find a new home. They will be available for your pick up the week of February 12, 2017



## Festively Decorated Lodge

A big thank you to the 24 people who showed up to make our Lodge into a magical Christmas destination. Lizbeth Doving, Barb Mitchusson, Tanya Rowe, David and Donna Rice, David and Joanne Graves, Donna and Rob Kodalen, LaVonne and Jerry Block Alisha, Paul, Anya, Annette, and Lila Anunson, Shirley Nielsen, Bob and Grace Loveland, Vicky Bockleman, Gayle Kimmel, Glen Robbins, Maggie Gresham, Judy Morgan. Your help is greatly appreciated.

## December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p>1 1:00 – Language Group 6:00pm -Trivia 6:00pm-Woodcarving 7:00 - Vikings 7:30 V. S. Mannskor</p>	<p>2 10-1- Nordic Needle workers</p>	<p>3 Christmas Bazaar and Jule Fest</p>
 <p>Breakfast with Santa</p>	<p>4 1:30 Leikarringen 7:00 Beg Folk Dance 3:00 int Folk Dance</p>	<p>5 5 to 7pm - Dinner 6:00pm Board Meeting</p>	<p>6 11am-2pm Kaffe Stua (Norwegian Luncheon)</p>	<p>7 1:00 – Language group ladies club Christmas dinner 6:00pm -Trivia 6:00pm-Woodcarving 7:30 V. S. Mannskor</p>	<p>8 10-1- Nordic Needle workers 6:00pm – Dinner</p>	<p>9 10 11</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12 4:30 Childrens Lucia Party 7:00 Beg Folk Dance 8:00 int Folk Dance</p>	<p>13 5 to 7pm - Dinner 7:00 – lodge mtg</p>	<p>14 11am-2pm Christmas Kaffe Stua (Norwegian Luncheon)</p>	<p>15 6:00pm -Trivia 6:00pm-Woodcarving 7:30 V. S. Mannskor</p>	<p>16 10-1- Nordic Needle workers 6:00pm – Lodge Christmas Party</p>	<p>17 5pm - Lighted Boat Parade</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19 4:30 Leikarringen 7:00 Third Monday dance party – Festive attire suggested</p>	<p>20 5 to 7pm - Dinner</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 6:00pm -Trivia 6:00pm-Woodcarving</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 Lodge closed</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>		<p>27 5 to 7pm - Dinner</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	
<p>1 No Breakfast</p>	<p>2 Lodge Office Closed</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 Un-decorate the lodge</p>



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**LODGE CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>



Dinner and Dessert - Free to members  
6 – 8 p.m. - Present your membership card  
Non-member spouse - \$10  
Dinner: Turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, stuffing,  
green bean casserole & more!!!

**UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST!!!!**



Karaoke with "Vee" & 50/50 RAFFLE

**God Jul! Wishing you a peaceful Christmas, and a Happy New Year!**

From your Financial Benefits Counselors, Alisha Anunson, Marlene Taylor, and Ralph Naddeo



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