



# Normanna News

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to promote and to preserve  
the heritage and culture of Norway

***mars 2022***

## **En hilsen fra Presidenten**

### **Notes from the President**

Greetings Normanna Folk!

Well, if the reports are true, then it looks like the pandemic is slowly burning itself out, good news! Of course we are paying attention to what the State and Country are recommending, but stay tuned, stay safe, and let's get us back to something approaching normal. I'm hoping to get the Lodge on a more active status over the coming days, weeks, and months. So I am asking everyone, to get out, and get involved!

Right off the bat, on Meat Draw Friday we're going to start offering the \$2 Tacos again! Those will be available starting at 6pm. For all the families, we're also going to have a 'kids drawing', up for grabs will be pizzas, hot dogs, smore kits and more!

So bring down your family, get a nice meal and a pretty good chance of bringing back dinner!

And something else that I am really excited about...

Inger will be hosting a short "Norsk-Sprok!" starting just after 6! So come on down, bring your family, have a taco, learn a little Norwegian, and maybe, you might win some meat and meals to take home! Hope to see you there!

This Saturday, March the 5th, there will be a celebration of life for Denise Nerison from 2-5pm. It is a potluck, so please bring some of the good Norwegian dishes that I know you all can make. Let's show her family, that she was important to us, will be missed and loved.

Of course wouldn't be a newsletter without me asking for volunteers! We've got a pancake breakfast coming up on Saturday March 12th. And like my old man used to say, "Many hands make light work." So come on down, lend a hand, and enjoy the company of some pretty great people.

There will be a General Meeting on Tuesday March 15th, and we're hoping to have a nice dinner for everyone. And of course the highlight will be being there to induct our new officers, and new members! I look forward to seeing as many as possible there!

One of the exciting things that has started at the lodge is that on Saturdays from 7-10pm, there is Salsa Dancing! I watched for a while this past weekend, and it looks like a lot of fun. This will only grow I think and will really push out that Normanna is the place to be.

**Gary Strombo**

**Pres Normanna #3**

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**NORMANNA LODGE #3 EVERETT**

# **DRIVE UP PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**SATURDAY MAR. 12 8AM TO 11AM**

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# Normanna Meat Raffle

## Friday's at 6



**TACOS ARE  
BACK!**

The Lodge is open at 5pm.  
Ticket sales and drawings  
start at 6.

The family is welcome  
Join us this Friday



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See you at the Lodge!



## **Normanna Meetings and Events**

### **March**

**3/8 Lodge Board Mtg 7pm**

**3/9 Park Board Mtg 7pm**

**3/12 Pancake Breakfast**

**3/15 Lodge Meeting 7pm**

**3/22 Bokklubben 5:30pm**

### **OPEN WEEKLY**

**Monday 5pm - Pinochle**

**Viking Lounge Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 5 to 9pm**

**2 Step Dancing - Tuesday 7 to 10 pm**

**Wednesday - Ladies Sewing 10am**

**Thursday - King of Clubs**

**Friday - Meat Raffle at 6pm**

**Saturday - Salsa Dancing 7pm - 10pm**



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## **Leona Olson**



**Esther Leona (Oman) Olson passed away peacefully on February 26, 2022, in Seattle, WA at the age of 96.**

Leona was born on October 18, 1925 to Carl and Milda (Norlinder) Oman at their small farm on Woods Creek near Monroe, WA.

As a young girl, Leona helped on the family farm, baking for the family and picking strawberries in the summer. She was a member of the Girl

Scouts, Campfire Girls and Rainbow Girls She was in the last graduating class from Monroe Union High School in 1943. She went on to attend the University of Washington, moved to Spokane and later to the Midwest before coming back to settle in Seattle. She became a journeyman printer and was the first woman in the US to qualify as a Foto-Setter operator. She worked for the Seattle Times for 38 years, retiring in 1988.

Leona married Roy Olson in 1974. They had a busy and happy life together, traveling, camping, dancing and volunteering at Normanna Hall in Everett.

Leona was known for her hard work and many talents – especially when it came to baking! She made thousands of cookies over the years and her lucky family and friends looked forward to a beautifully arranged Christmas Cookie tray every year.

Leona spent countless hours as a volunteer. At Normanna Hall, among many other contributions, she ran the monthly pancake breakfast and was recognized by the lodge on her 90th birthday as the “energizer bunny”. The Normanna kitchen was renamed “Leona’s Kitchen” in her honor. She was in charge of the annual 17th of May luncheon at the Leif Erickson Hall in Ballard for many years. In 2007, she was the Honorary Grand Marshall of Ballard’s annual 17th of May parade.

Leona was preceded in death by her husband, Roy. She is survived by her stepdaughter and stepson, their spouses, two grandsons and a great granddaughter. In lieu of flowers, suggested remembrances are to the Normanna Scholarship Fund, Normanna Hall, Everett, WA. A celebration of her life is being planned for the spring at Normanna Hall.

*Thank you to Lois Lowther*



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## **Normanna Scholarships**

Applications for Normanna Scholarships are now available in the Viking Lounge.

Scholarships are awarded each spring to children and grandchildren of members attending language camp at Lake Riley, and to high school graduates to continue their education. Normanna has sponsored the program for decades, and it has been successful. Funding is by donations. Some of our members choose to contribute in memory of loved ones, to honor friends, or to memorialize special occasions. Each May, for Memorial Day, the lodge makes a contribution in memory of those members who passed during the past year.

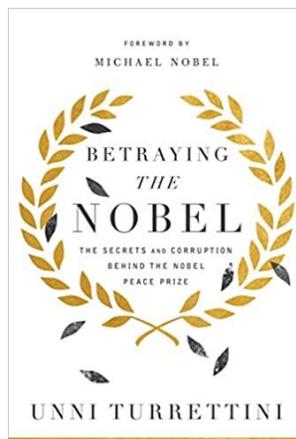
District 2 language camps are an important way to support the purpose of the Sons of Norway to promote Scandinavian culture. Campers learn Norwegian language, dances, songs, traditions, and sample Scandinavian foods. This program is probably the most significant way to preserve and pass on our heritage. And, of course,

we all wish to help young graduates to achieve their goals as they pursue further education, and this becomes more expensive every year.

We hope our members will consider contributing to this very worthy cause. Scholarships are subject to availability of funds. Donations are tax-deductible. If you make a memorial donation, a notification is sent to the recipient or family, and you will receive a letter confirming your tax-deductible gift. You can send your gift to the attention of the scholarship committee at Normanna Lodge, 2725 Oakes Ave., Everett WA 98201. Please make the scholarship fund a regular part of your giving.

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## Bokklubben



**Our meeting this month will be Tuesday, March 22, 5:30pm at Normanna Lodge.**

**Betraying the Nobel: The Secrets and Corruption Behind the Nobel Peace Prize  
by Unni Turrettini**

A revelatory examination of the Nobel Peace Prize—the most prestigious, admired, and controversial honor of our time.

The Nobel Prize, regardless of category, has always been surrounded by politics, intrigue, even scandal. But those pale in comparison to the Peace Prize.

In *Betraying the Nobel*, Norwegian writer Unni Turrettini completely upends what we thought we knew about the Peace Prize—both its history and how it is awarded.

*from Amazon.com*

### **Our Booklist for the January- April**

January/February - *Love on the Island* Helena Halme

March - *Betraying the Nobel* by Unni Turrettini

April - *The Tenant* by Katrine Engberg

## **Nyheter Fra Lake Riley**

**On September 25,2021 it was approved by a vote of the stockholders that every vehicle coming into the park will need to have a hangtag on visible display. Permanent hangtags will be given to all stockholders at the February Stockholders meeting.**

**Normanna Lodge members when renting the log house or staying in the campgrounds will receive a temporary hang tag dated with the days of your stay.**

**Normanna Lodge members coming into the park will be required to purchase a yearly pass. The fee for a Yearly Pass Permit (one calendar year) which consist of one legal car occupancy is \$100. This includes parking, use of the pool, boat launch, fishing docks and restrooms.**

**Hangtags will not be required for Normanna Lodge sanctioned functions such as Fishing Derby, Singer's Picnic, Mid-Summerfest or other Park board approved functions.**

**Lifetime, golden members can receive a yearly pass as deemed by the Lodge and Park Board at no charge.**

**For questions or to purchase your pass please contact Dick Henry at 360 403-7833, or email [parkboardnormanna@gmail.com](mailto:parkboardnormanna@gmail.com)**

## **Normanna Park Events 2022**

**April 15 - Assessments Due**

**April 23 - Opening Day Fishing Derby**

**April 30 - Spring Work Party**

**July 9 - Mid Summer Fest**

**July 24- August 6 - Language Camp**

**Set.17 - Fall Clean Up & Semi/Annual Meeting**

**Nov. 26 - Kid's Christmas Party**

Do you have a lot for sale at Normanna Park? If you would like it posted in the Normanna News, call me, 425-359-1782. People are looking for places to buy.

Pending stock sales and transfers must come before the Board from the Seller, not the Buyer.

Plans for changes to your lot, including construction, remodel, landscaping, must have the approval of the Board and need to be presented, along with a 8 1/2 by 11 drawing, before any work is started. Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month, at Normanna Hall in Everett.

**Please keep your dogs leashed and clean up after them.**

If a family member is going to come up to the park without you, please call our caretaker, Chris Berg at 360-435-6910 or cell 425-876-3867 to let him know they will be there.

If you are a Shareholder, please make sure we have an email address for you. You can send it to Mary Custer at:

[dm.custer322@comcast.net](mailto:dm.custer322@comcast.net)

If you have questions, comments, suggestions, please contact the Park Board using the email

[parkboardnormanna@gmail.com](mailto:parkboardnormanna@gmail.com)

Park Board Meeting - Feb 09, 7pm Normanna Hall

### **NORMANNA PARK BOARD**

President- Iva Henry - 360 403-7833

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District 2 Board Meeting  
Bothell Lodge, 09/25/2021



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## Online Resources

Normanna is looking for photos of Normanna events to submit to The Viking Magazine. Click for more information or contact Gary Strombo.

More Lodge Newsletters...

[Leif Erikson Lodge](#)

[Oslo Lodge 2-35 Bremerton](#)

Bothell SON  
SON Spokane Tordenskjold Lodge

Check your Food worker Card! Here is the link to the online Food Worker Card Course

The National Nordic Museum has a Virtual Nordic Light Film Festival coming up Feb.25 through March5.  
they also have Genealogy Classes and offer crafts.



**Normanna Financial Benefits Counselor**

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**P.S.** Ask how you can receive a FREE copy of: "Happy Brain, Happy Life" by Wendy Suzuki, PhD.

**P.P.S.** Ask how you can have \$500.00 donated to the Normanna Lodge in YOUR name.

*"Open the Oyster to find the Pearl"*

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## **Normanna 2022 Lodge Officers, Trustees and Support Officers**

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