



June

2026 Newsletter
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Meetings



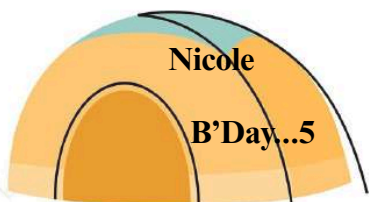
Board Meeting: 2nd Saturday, June 13, 10:00 am online . Kae will send out a reminder on or near Wed. , June 10 with log-in info.

General Meeting: 3rd Saturday, June 20, 10:00 am at Faith Lutheran Church, 926 W 6th Ave., Junction City. Kae will send out a reminder on or near Wed. June 17.

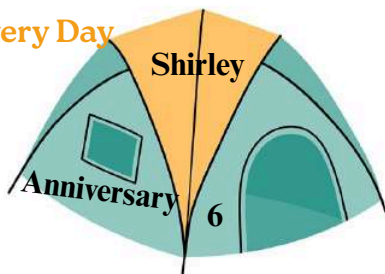
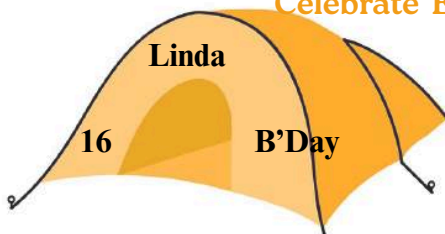


Norway in June

June Celebrations



Celebrate Every Day



Name Meanings & Name Days

Name Meanings:

Karin: Greek--pure

Nicole: Greek--victory

Linda: Spanish--pretty one

Celebrating June Name Days:

None of our members names are on any of the Scandinavian calendars for June.

What flies high without wings, roars without a mouth?

June's Newsletter Theme

Since summer begins in June as do a lot of vacations, trips, etc. & it is National Great Outdoors, Camping, Ocean, Zoo & Aquarium, Months we will be focusing on those this month. Should be some interesting facts coming up.



Special Days in June



June 8

June 21



Stay Connected



Email: daughtersofnorway52@gmail.com

Face Book: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/amw52>

Email us with questions or comments. Check out our Face Book page. We try to post Scandinavian items often & we do post pictures of our in-person meetings.

Information (Informasjon)

SCF 3rd Annual Fika Tea

Submitted by Kae, with pictures by Kae, Amey & Jean

at Fletchall Hall in Junction City on Saturday, May 2nd. AMW #52 had two tables, hosted by Lynn Conley and Kae Ellingsen; Carol Nielsen hosted her family table and Linda Peterson's sister-in-law Brenda hosted their family table. AMW attendees were: Kae, Lynn, Emily, Karen P, Candice, Karen L, Jean, Jill, Colleen, Amey, Ellen and Katrine, plus Linda and Carol at their own tables. The keynote speaker was Melissa Bahen, who gave an interesting and entertaining talk about her three books that are available now and her upcoming "Farmhouse Christmas" cookbook in the works for publishing this August. Lynn also made scrumptiously delicious Petit Fours in three flavors and blackberry curd with vanilla mousse. There were none left!!



Stamps for the Wounded

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

Representative Shirley



KEEP COLLECTING & SAVING THOSE STAMPS!

We will continue saving stamps for *Stamps for the Wounded Project*. Please save all of your stamps & bring stamps to the meeting. The box to put them in will be next to the door. Or you can save them at home & bring them all at once to the October meeting.

Festival August 13-16

Will be happening sooner than you think. Start planning now & it's not too early to start baking.

- Everything juried was accepted!
- Jean has sent out our recipes.
- If you have anything you wish to add to those please bring a sample with a copy of the recipe to a meeting for a taste test & group approval.
- We need bakers! It's not too early to start baking.
- Kae has a freezer for product.

Why did the fish blush?

Our Library

Managed by Shirley

We have a number of books in our library, including Bill Sullivan's complete Viking Series & some of Randi's. Check out something from the Library. Be sure to check them out with Shirley.



Sangerfest-May 22

Submitted by Kae

The Norsemen hosted the PCNSA's 115th annual Sangerfest at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene on Friday, May 22nd. It was a wonderful concert. The picture shows Ed Amundson conducting. Photo by Jarl Berg.



Information (Informasjon)

The Danish Brotherhood Convention

Submitted by Kae

was held at the Sons of Norway lodge in Eugene from April 30 to May 3, 2026. They expected 66 attendees for their dinners on Friday and Saturday, which were catered by Mac's Catering of Eugene. Carol's daughter, Katrina, and her family were there. It was fun to chat with her. Steffanie and I opened the lodge's Butikk (gift shop) for the event. I learned something new: Danes say the word "hygge" as "hoo-gah". Danes love the Beauvais brand of rødbeder (red beets) and rødkål (red cabbage) so Steffanie made sure we had both available. Another favorite is Asier, a pear-like pickled fruit. The group made it worthwhile for us to have the Butikk open for them!

Dane Table



Appetizer table

Drink Bar



Jo Nesbø: 15 Fascinating Facts About Norway's Master of Crime Fiction

Submitted by Kae

Get the whole story at the website below:

<https://www.lifeinnorway.net/jo>



1. He Didn't Start Out as a Writer
2. He Was a Professional Footballer
3. He Became a Rock Star in Norway
4. A Trip to Australia Changed Everything
5. He Created One of Fiction's Most Complex Detectives
6. His First Book Was Submitted Under a Pseudonym
7. He Helped Globalise Nordic Noir
8. He Has Sold Tens of Millions of Books
9. He Also Writes for Children
10. He Reimagined Shakespeare
11. Several of His Books Have Been Adapted for Screen
12. He Is Now Bringing Harry Hole to Netflix Himself
13. His Writing Is Deeply Connected to Oslo
14. He Is Known for Relentless Productivity
15. He Remains One of Norway's Most Influential Cultural Figures

Faith Lutheran Church News

<https://www.faithlutheranjc.org/newsletters>

Rummage Sale coming up, June 26 & 27

Ongoing Sharing Opportunities

Sisters, we can donate too. Our Marshal, Lamae will see that they get to the right place.

- **Bunches of Lunches:** Fruit cups and/or applesauce cups.
- **Donate money to BOL:** make check to Faith Lutheran & indicate the money is for BOL.
- **Egg cartons:** for Local Aid.
- **Warm socks, hats, gloves:** for Low Income Pets & their people.
- **Used Blankets, Sheets & Bath Towels:** for pet shelters.
- **Returnable cans & bottles:** Use the blue bags found in the parish hall.
- **Pet food (cat, dog, bird):** donated to Local Aid. They are also in need of boxes & paper bags.

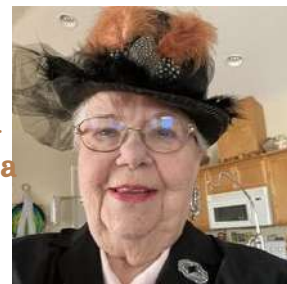


I appear once in summer and twice in autumn, but never in winter or spring. What am I?

Member News

Randi

Randi is struggling with multiple health issues & is in need of our prayers & maybe a card or 2.



Traci
WE HAVE AN OWLET! Must have hatched last night, 5-6



Traci

Fun time joining Barb Danko and friends for a morel and bolete foray in Southern Oregon!



Stayed at the beautiful Lake of the Woods. We got some snow but beautiful drive and hikes!



Kathy

Ross Fogelquist's 88th birthday celebration! I love this man.



Jill

A friend won tickets to "Dolly Parton's Threads" with Eugene Symphony. They gave their tickets to us for the May 1st show. Dolly appeared on a screen above the orchestra & explained why she had written each song.



Then the symphony played the tune accompanied by 3 female singers. The microphones of the singers were so loud it was distracting, but we enjoyed hearing about each song's background.

Linda

This is Lola. She is 12.5 yr. Cockapoo who came to live with Higgins & me about 2.5 months ago after her previous mom passed away. She's a delightful 20# girl who loves everyone she sees. I've met several of my neighbors as she insists on introducing herself. She & Higgins are getting along really well plus they look like brother & sister. He is my Maltipoo & is smaller at 14#



Traci

Had the honor of dinner with my cousin Justine Wright's son, Garin Wright as he begins his Naval journey. Ship was docked in Portland so we went up to the City Grill on the 30th floor. Photos are obviously difficult but it was a great visit, and I thank you, Garin for your service to our county!



I am open yet full of secrets. What am I?

Getting to Know Our Sisters

The Board requested we restart having an article about one of our sisters, so I am adding a "Getting to Know Our Sisters" & will be asking each of you early in the month to write an article about yourselves, due by the 27th of the month. Lamae will do it for July.

Introducing Jill Arnold

Submitted by Jill, written by Jean



Jill is a charter member of our lodge. She jumped right in by being a 2 year Trustee in 2012 & proceeded on to 1 year Trustee in 2013. She has been our Financial Secretary...handling all of those new members as well as getting all of us regular members to get dues paid by the end of the year...a thankless job, but well done by Jill. She rarely misses either Board or General meetings!

Both paternal grandparents, Daniel Petrus Nyberg & Hilma Carolina Johansson were born in Sweden. Daniel from Skon & Hilma from Umea. They met & married in Portland, Oregon.

Jill was born in Vancouver, Washington & grew up in Wenatchee, Washington. She attended Washington State University, majoring in Fine Arts. In 1971 she moved to Eugene, Oregon. She worked for NW Natural Gas for 36 years. She married, is divorced, & has 2 sons Ryan & Tim both born in Eugene. Her favorite hobbies are reading, flowers, her 2 dogs, Remi & Zeta & playing word games. She has a large library.



Me with my first generation Swedish American Dad 1953



Remi & Zeta

Tim, Jill, Ryan



Thank you girls- it's much appreciated!
Hopefully I can start 'living' again soon, not merely 'existing'!
Sisterly Randi

Where is the oldest zoo in the world, founded in 1752?



Oregon Garden Flowers



Meeting Information (møteinformasjon)

May Field Trip--May 16, 2026

Submitted by Amey, Candice, Jill, Kae, Kathy & Lamae



Amey

It was lovely to connect with our lodge sisters and meet new ones from Frida Hansen in Portland in a beautiful setting. Thanks to Candice and Kathy for organizing a fun day.

Kae

Yes, it rained a bit but then it cleared up. We found a nice covered spot to have our lunch. It was sure fun to meet everybody! We should have more combined (with Frieda Hansen lodge) field trips. The tram wasn't available to us and we were a bit miffed about that. We were also a bit disappointed that more flowers weren't in bloom. Their official opening is in June.

What formation on Earth can have the names tabular, blocky, wedge, dome, pinnacle, dry dock, growler or bergy bit?

Candice

The trip went well. Weather was iffy, but not bad. The company was great! I saw some plants that were unique to me.



Kathy

The Oregon Garden field trip on May 16 was filled with spring weather (sun and rain). Three Frida Hansen members joined us. We had a few Non-member invited guests join us. We saw many trees and flowers, and had time to laugh, smile, and be ourselves. Teresa (FH President) found a covered area with tables and benches, and we all had our sack lunches. It was a great time for us all to socialize and get to know each other. It is my hope this could be the first of many more joint adventures between our members and FH members.



Jill

Frankly, I was a little disappointed. I enjoyed visiting with Lamae @ Kae on the way there, but the turnout was poor. There were almost as many from Portland chapter as from Eugene. This was the special trip chosen by everyone & paid for by the chapter. Then when we got there, the tram with guide commentary wasn't available & we didn't really know which trails to take. Oh well.

Lamae

What a great day to be in the garden. Beautiful flowers and a chance to meet other Daughters of Norway from different places. Luckily we only had a slight shower when we first got there. The rest of the day was perfect. This was my first trip and I had so much fun oohing and aahing at the beautiful plants.