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EMBLA CALENDAR

September 6 at 6pm – Potluck Dinner and Embla Business Meeting. Auction and White Elephant Sale at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

October 4, 7pm – Embla meeting at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Program – Kerstin Ringdahl on the PLU Archives.

October 5-6-7 – Scandinavian Heritage Festival at the Puyallup Fairgrounds Pavilion Hall. 11 am to 7 pm. Use the Blue Gate parking lot for easy access.

October 9, 20 & 25 – Norwegian Cooking classes at Scandinavian Cultural Center at PLU 10 am to 12 noon.

CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE

The last several months Embla sisters have had many reasons to celebrate their heritage... At our April meeting, 4 members were awarded their 25 year pins – Elene Emerson and Janet Ruud were present, however, Mary Ann Aker and Pam Hullinger were unable to attend. Congratulations to all!!!



April Hostesses: Shirley Peterson, Karen Lynn, Esther Van Noy, Judy Laursen and Judith Willison



Tanya Fowlkes, May 3, 2007



Esther Van Noy and her wonderful dolls, at the May 3, 2007 meeting



Past President's Luncheon hosted by Janet Ruud at Java Fusion Coffee House. Left to right: Carol Kemp, Delphine Johnson, Esther Van Noy, Olive Rudsdil, Harriet Swieso and Marilyn Mahnke



Clarice Zornes at the May 3 meeting, with her handcrafted dolls



Embla's 100th Birthday Committee
 Back, Manoah Butterfield, Delphine Johnson, Julie Touchette,
 Karen Kunkle, Karen Lease-Smith. Front: Marilyn Mahnke, Mardy
 Fairchild holding Proclamation, Chairman, and Tina Riffle.



President Marilyn Mahnke
 and 100th Birthday Committee
 Chairman, Mardy Fairchild



Karen Kunkle and
 Norwegian Consul Kim
 Nesselquist



Dena Iverson and Harriet Swieso.



Esther Van Noy and Karen Lynn



Carol Kemp, Grand Lodge President

EMBLA'S 100th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AT NORMANNA HALL

On April 17th the Mayor of Tacoma, Bill Baarsma presented Embla Lodge with a Proclamation. Mardy Fairchild, chair of Embla's 100th year Birthday Celebration, accepted this with seven other Embla sisters before the Tacoma City Council. April 22nd the day arrived after many months of planning. Embla celebrated 100 years!!! Approximately 200 members, family, friends and sisters of other lodges attended.



Mayor Bill Baarsma congratulating
 Embla Members on 100 years in Tacoma



Emilie Pedersen, Olive Rudsil and
 Harriet Swieso, Embla Past President



Embla's 100th Birthday Committee: l to r: Mardy Fairchild, Marilyn Mahnke, Esther
 Van Noy, Karen Kunkle, Manoah Butterfield, Tina Riffle, Julie Touchette and Karen
 Lease-Smith



Marilyn Carlson and Chris Engstrom



The Leikarring performs



Iona Dhaese's much loved skit



Ellen Campbell, photographer



Karen Lease-Smith and her family



Iona Dhaese, skit director with Karen Lease-Smith



Marilyn Mahnke and Carol Kemp preparing to blow the candles



Sarah Callow, Phlaine Folsom and Grace Bredeson cut the cake.



Karen Wasley, Janice Kelly, Jennifer Shook and Katie Anderson



It was quite an honor for Embla Lodge members to carry the eight Norwegian Flags on Norwegian Constitution Day – May 17, 2007 parade in Ballard. Consul Kim Nesselquist purchased these flags in Norway especially for the parade. They were very light weight on long aluminum poles.

SYTTENDE MAI Norwegian Constitution Day May 17, 2007 in Ballard



The following carried the flags: Marilyn Mahnke, President; Delphine Johnson, Judge; Julie Touchette, Assistant Marshal; Gail Harris, Head Trustee; Janet Ruud, Past President; Esther Van Noy, Past President; Janice Kelly, Past Cultural Director and Eleanor Baker, Chairperson for Embla on the 17th of May Committee.

Behind them Evelyn Lundstrom-Weiss and Karen Lease-Smith carried Embla's Banner with several Embla members with their families and friends walking behind them waving their flags. Those members were: Tanya Fowlkes, Diane Nelson, Elda Sulerud, Katie Anderson, Karen Bell, Christine Beasley, Norma Borgford, Carol Erickson, Evelyn Johanson, Karen Lynn, Shirley Peterson, Jennifer Shook, Trudy Sorensen, and Harriet Swieso.



Our Grand Lodge President, Carol Kemp rode in Lynn Coleman's PT Convertible Cruiser.



Flagwaving Jennifer Shook



Evelyn Lundstrom-Weis and Karen Lease-Smith carrying Embla's banner



Embla member Katie Anderson

The festivities started out with a Luncheon at Leif Erikson Hall. Those attending were Mardy Fairchild, Karen Lease-Smith, Esther Van Noy Elda Sulerud, Norma Borgford, Carol Kemp, Eleanor Baker, Julie Touchette, Janice Kelly and Delphine Johnson. During the day one could enjoy looking around the Nordic Heritage Museum, listening to music and entertainment at Bergen Place and after the parade dancing to the SMILIN' SCANDINAVIANS Band at Leif Erickson Hall (if one had any energy left!!!).



Karen Bell and Harriet Swieso



Elda Sulerud, Evelyn Johanson and Shirley Peterson

It was great that Embla was in the lead for the parade as everyone was able to watch the whole parade once we finished.



Jennifer Shook and Katie Anderson handing out candy to smiling children



President Marilyn Mahnke welcomed 72 Embla members, families and friends to the annual Senior Summer Luncheon held at the Tacoma Elks this year.

Of the 72 attending there were 30 members over the age of 75 all born in 1932 or before. Several past presidents were in attendance. Emilie Pedersen (1982-83), Mildred Baker (1993-94), Esther Van Noy (1995-96), Harriet Swieso 2001-02), and Carol Kemp (2003-04).

Carol is also our present Grand Lodge President and during the program she brought Greetings from the Grand Lodge.



Oldest Member present

Embla's SUMMER LUNCHEON July 28, 2007 at the Tacoma Elks

Salute to the American Flag was led by Diane Nelson. Elda Sularud played the piano while we sang the national anthems.

The Bordbonn Table Prayer was said and then we all enjoyed the Hawaiian Chicken Salad with fresh fruit, Rolls and for dessert - Cheesecake with Lingonberries.

Barbara Leary dressed in her authentic flapper dress provided our Musical Entertainment. Her pieces included Anitra's Dance From First Peer Gynt Suite, Opus 46, No. 3 by Edvard Grieg (1875) and Anitra's Boogie Adaptation by Marvin Wright and Jimmy Grier (1946). A very lively tune got some of us tapping our toes...

Barbara is quite a talented lady. She was born and raised in Tacoma and a graduate of UPS and PLU. She plays timpani (kettle drums), Pipe organ, Historical wire string Irish harp and is now learning to play the mandolin.

Marilyn was assisted by V.P. Judy Willison in presenting roses for those Special Recognition awards.



Newest Embla member present was Lynn Coleman



Longest Years of Membership in Embla Lodge present was Edna Gruver (62 years).



2007 SENIOR LUNCHEON COMMITTEE

Diane Nelson, Karen Kunkle, Marilyn Mahnke, Judith Willison, Maren Johnson, (unable to attend - Toni Simpson)



Arlene McDonald, member with the most grandchildren present: Lauren Hobson, Emily Irwin, Kelly Hobson, and Ali Smith



Above L to r: Carmen Knudtson, Karen Lease-Smith, Heather Theberge, Caitlin Whitley and Anne Whitley



L to r: Arleigh Virgil, Judith Willison, Lenore Virgil, Marilyn Mahnke, Lynn Coleman, Lavonne Brunnett, and Carol Kemp.



Youngest Embla Member present was Wendi Falk.

L to r: Maren Johnson, Jeana Callicost, Felicity Callicost, Janine Wright, Harriet Swieso, Carol Spencer, Evelyn DeLano and Marjorie Watson



Youngest great grandchild present. Janine (Swieso) Wright, Harriet Swieso, Jeana (Wright) Callicost and Felicity Callicost



L to r: Kelly Hobson, Ali Smith, Lois McGrew, Phyllis Brown, Pauline Smith, Arlene McDonald, Nadine Hobson, Lauren Hobson, Emily Irwin, and Laurine Hobson

L to r: Miriam Holcomb, Gladys Richmond, Eleanor Baker, Phyllis Melton, Charleen Barnes, Randy Kunkle, Karen Kunkle, and Diane Nelson



Carol Kemp, Past President of Embla and current Grand Lodge President congratulating Maari Falk on winning Scholarship Award from Grand Lodge. Maari is Olive Rudsdil's granddaughter and also a member of Embla.



L to r: Christina McDonald, Elda Sulerud, Joanne McDonald, Joni Landry, Barbara Leary and Mararitha Leuenberger.

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L to r: Shirley Peterson, Edna Gruver, Elaine Anderson, Mildred Baker, Lori Kase, Esther Van Noy and Evelyn Johanson



L to r: Maari Falk, Wendy Falk, Annette Falk, Margie Anderson, Marguerite Nickless, Emilie Pedersen, Candace Callaway and Amanda Callaway.



Back: Esther Oliver, Marion Eberle, Elene Emerson, Marie Hayden. Seated l to r: Dorae Wilson, Shirley Foreman, Hazel Starkey and Anele Wallace.



L to r: Laura Ranes, Dee Ranes, Helen Garner, Clarene Johnson, Florence March, Dagny Vaswig and Evangeline Billingsley

SUMMER LUNCHEON