



EMBLA NYHETER

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DAUGHTERS OF NORWAY
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EMBLA CALENDAR

December 1st - 10:00 a.m. Making Christmas Decorations, Scandinavian Cultural Center at PLU. Cost \$10.00 Contact - Dena Iverson - 839-7712.

December 3rd - Embla meeting at 7 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Christmas party with singing around the tree, election of officers, and (optional) gift exchange. If you would like, bring a low cost gift to exchange. Program by the Barnekor. Don't forget your secret pal!

January 7th, 1999 - Embla Cultural Special - attend the performance at PLU on our special bus.

January 7th - *Draumkvedet* - a Dream Poem - 13th Century Medieval Norwegian Music, Lagerquist Hall, Pacific Lutheran University. 7 p.m. Story and discussion with Auden Toven, 8 p.m. performance and 9:30 PM reception at the Scandinavian Cultural Center. See article on page 2 for information on purchasing tickets and attending with Embla.

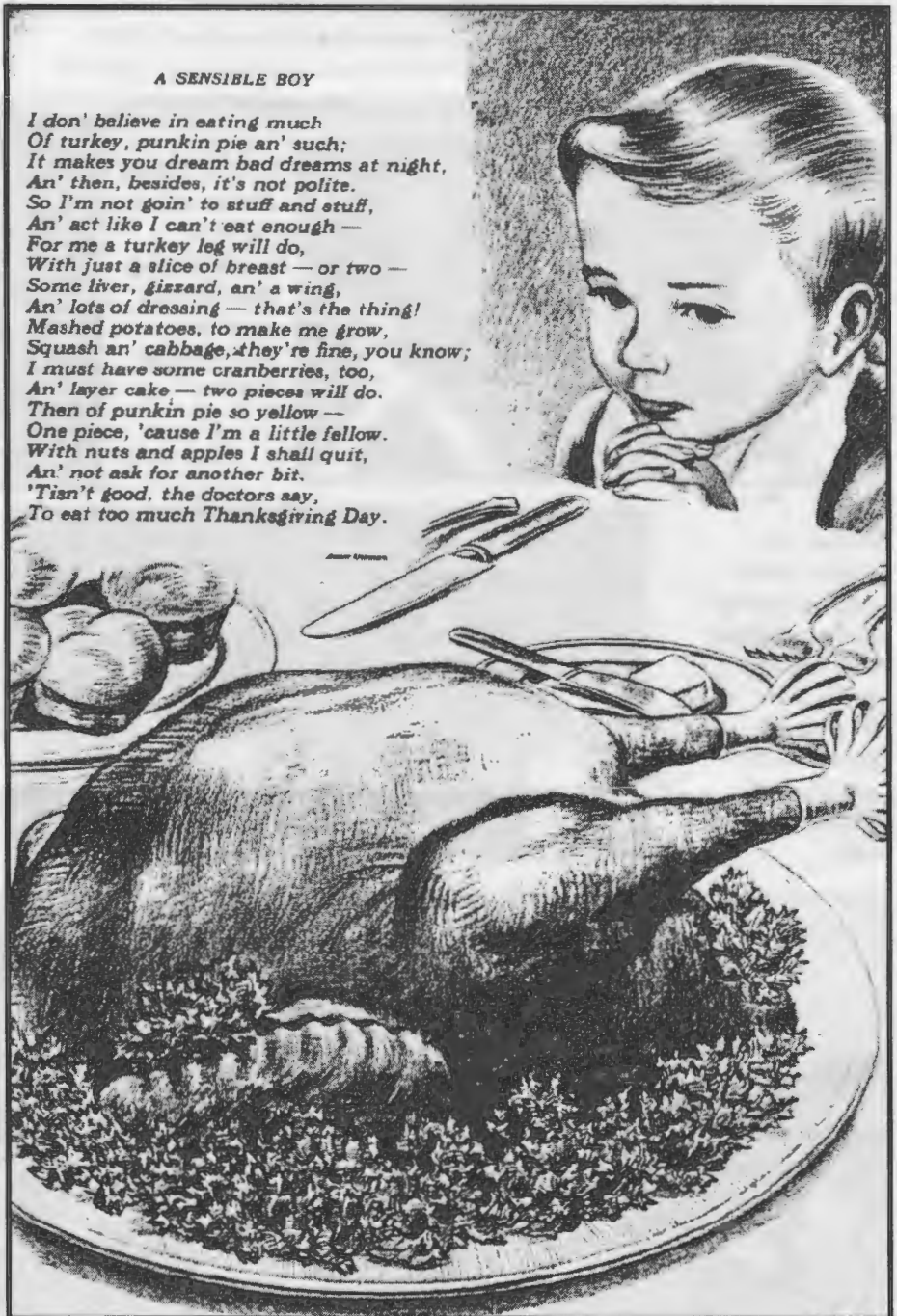
January 21st - **Practice** for Installation of Officers - 5:30-6:30 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

January 26th - **Tuesday 7 PM Installation of Officers** at Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

January 31st - Saturday 1 PM New Officers Board Meeting at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Last date for payment of 1999 dues for name to be in the new roster.

A SENSIBLE BOY

*I don't believe in eating much
Of turkey, punkin pie an' such;
It makes you dream bad dreams at night,
An' then, besides, it's not polite.
So I'm not goin' to stuff and stuff,
An' act like I can't eat enough —
For me a turkey leg will do,
With just a slice of breast — or two —
Some liver, gizzard, an' a wing,
An' lots of dressing — that's the thing!
Mashed potatoes, to make me grow,
Squash an' cabbage, they're fine, you know;
I must have some cranberries, too,
An' layer cake — two pieces will do.
Then of punkin pie so yellow —
One piece, 'cause I'm a little fellow.
With nuts and apples I shall quit,
An' not ask for another bit.
'Tisn't good, the doctors say,
To eat too much Thanksgiving Day.*





WELCOME to new Embla members initiated November 5, 1998
 Left to right:: Lois Tucker, Julie Ann Hebert, Karen Kunkle, Cheryl Spidah,
 Sandra Johnson, Phyllis Leyes, Gro Marit Kleitsch and Chris Engstrom.



Eleanor Starr
 Embla Past President 1957-59
 (This was such a good photo of Eleanor we had to include it)



Left & Middle photos: Mardy Fairchild demonstrating making note cards for Scandinavian Days



Mardy Fairchild, Embla President, presented Past Presidents: Emilie Pedersen, Eleanor Starr, Mildred Baker, Florence Buck, Janet Ruud, Esther Van Noy and Elsie Schwind, with beautiful Christmas cactus plants at the November meeting.

Bottom two photos: Embla sisters preparing for Scandinavian Days making Norwegian Washer and Dryers on left and Weather Worms on the right.





**JANUARY CULTURAL EVENT
Embla Offers Bus**

Draumkvedet, The Dream Song, tells of Olav Åsteson's journey through the Realm of the Dead into both Hell and Heaven. He fell asleep on Christmas Eve and awoke thirteen days later on Epiphany. Olav went to the church nearby to tell about his experiences and the battle between Grim the Greybeard and St. Michael. This Medieval Norwegian visionary poem believed to be from the 1200s has inspired artists through the centuries. During this time Norway was Roman Catholic and the subject matter was influenced by the religious sentiments of the period. Somehow the song survived the reformation and continues into present day vocal tradition in the Telemark region of Norway.

In conjunction with the exhibit at the Nordic Heritage Museum are two performances (one in Seattle) and the other on January 7, 1999 featuring Norwegian national music award winners Halvor Håkanes, singer from Telemark; Kåre Nordstoga, organist from the Oslo Cathedral; and Per Sæmund Bjørkum, violinist with the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra.

Thursday, January 7, starting at 7

PM in the Lagerquist Concert Hall there is a review of the story of *Draumkvedet* with Professor Auden Toven from Pacific Lutheran University followed by an 8 PM performance. At 9:30 PM a Reception follows in the Scandinavian Cultural Center.

Embla will be offering bus trans-

NEW MEMBERS

Add to your Embla #2 Roster

- | | | |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Engstrom, Christine
2053 N Fremont
Tacoma WA 98406 | 752-5361 | bd Feb 7
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Hebert, Julie Ann
9525 147th St Ct E
Puyallup WA 98375 | 841-3392 | bd Oct 3
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Johnson, Sandra Jean
9620 159th St NW
Gig Harbor WA 98329 | 857-4558 | Mrs. Rodney Roy
bd Nov 11
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Kleitsch, Gro Marit
P O Box 334
Seahurst WA 98062 | 206-244-8290 | Mrs. Joseph Robert
bd Nov 7
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Kunkle, Karen
6120 N 42nd St
Tacoma WA 98407 | 759-4783 | Mrs. Randall
bd Oct 5
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Leyes, Phyllis L
809 So Winnifred
Tacoma WA 98465 | 756-6614 | Mrs. Andrew - dec.
bd May 18
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Spidahl, Cheryl
8329 59th St Ct W
University Place WA 98467 | 565-5644 | Mrs. Gary
bd Oct 23
in. Nov 5, 1998 |
| Tucker, Lois A
201 East 43rd St
Tacoma WA 98404 | 474-2167 | Mrs. Roy E - dec.
bd May 9
in. Nov 5, 1998 |

CORRECTIONS TO EMBLA #2 ROSTER

- | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Barlow, Senga | 564-6037 | 7612 37th St W #F
Tacoma WA 98466 |
| Johnston, Gladys | 565-4089 | 1046 So Vassault #3
Tacoma WA 98465 |
| Wise, Odny | | 1301 N Highlands Pkwy #328
Tacoma WA 98406-2158 |

portation from two locations - Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 5:45 PM for North end people and will stop at a South end location at 6:15 PM. Tickets for this performance are \$15.00. Make your reservations with Elaine Anderson - 759-5028. Checks payable to Embla. Husbands, family and friends are welcome to ride the bus and attend this wonderful performance.

*GREETINGS FROM
EMBLA #2*

FOR THE

HOLIDAYS

*Watch for the coming
Membership Flyer and Envelope*

*Memberships - \$20.00 per year
due before January 31st*

*New Members installed in November
pay only \$10.00*

**NEW LODGE FORMING
Bellingham, Washington**

Kay Aycock, our Grand Lodge President, informed us at the last Embla meeting of the forming on November 14th of a new lodge in the Bellingham area. If you know of friends in that area who might be interested please contact Janet Ruud, 564-2832.

**SUNSHINE CHAIRMAN
Hazel Starkey**

Condolences to:

Estelle Kupka, whose husband, Frank, passed away September, 1998.

Evelyn Walker, whose sister and former member, Lois Neitzel, passed away on October 13, 1998.

Alma Fristad, whose husband passed away on October 9, 1998.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

At the November Embla meeting the following were elected to the Nominating Committee for officers for the coming year:

Emilie Pedersen, Chairman

Mildred Baker

Dena Iverson

Esther Van Noy

If you have suggestions for them please contact them immediately.

**NOMINATIONS FOR
EMBLA OFFICERS
FOR 1999**

As of this printing the new officers nominated by the committee and to be presented to the Embla members at the December meeting are:

President	Dena Iverson
Vice President	Harriet Swieso
Judge	Mardy Fairchild
Secretary	Charleen Barnes
Financial Secty	Mildred Baker
Treasurer	Marie Hayden
Cultural Director	Carol Kemp
Marshall	Karen Bell
Asst. Marshall	appointed
Inner Guard	Elene Emerson
Outer Guard	Dorothy Gullstad
Head Trustee	Patricia King
2 Year Trustee	Delphine Johnson
1 Year Trustee	Clarice Zornes
Musician	Elda Sulerud
Asst. Musician	appointed
Scribe	appointed
Grand Lodge Judge	Janet Ruud

Further nominations will be accepted from the floor during and before the voting. Nominees must have been asked before they are nominated and must be present at the December meeting.

We wish to thank the Committee for such an outstanding job and to all who agreed to take an office Embla thanks you also for your committment.

SCANDINAVIAN DAYS

Dear Embla Friends:

To all the members and friends of your group who helped with Scandinavian Days, "Manga Tusen Tak". The Leif Erickson Committee would not be able to have the Fest without your help and cooperation.

The cookies looked so nice and tasted great. To all those who baked our ethnic foods, thanks so much.

The sandwich servers in their bunads not only looked elegant but did an impressive job also.

Scholarship recipients appreciate our efforts to help them get a start in life. This makes our efforts really meaningful.

For your information, Scandinavian Days will be October 8-10, 1999. We hope you will be able to join us again to help in our effort towards funding our scholarship program.

Sincerely,

Marge Kunschak, Cookie Room



Embla Daughters Aagot Solheim and her daughter, Myrtle Drahos



Tina Berg demonstrating

EMBLA SALES TABLE Scandinavian Days October 9-11, 1998

Many thanks to all who helped man the tables during the Fest:

Stella Anderson, Mildred Baker, Marit Bakken, Charleen Barnes, Karen Bell, Lorraine Brese, Anne Elgood, Mardy Fairchild, Dorothy Gullstad, Marie Hayden, Avis Hinand, Delphine Johnson, Karen Kunkle, Doris Polkey, Janet Ruud, Pat Shaker, Cheryl Spildahl, Vonnie Stone, Harriet Swieso, and Carol Voigt.

Sales Table Report

Income	\$1103.73
Sales Tax	<u>85.53</u>
	\$1018.20
15% to Leif	
Erickson Comm	127.73
\$25 Table Charge	
already paid	\$ 890.47
Less expenses	<u>128.73</u>
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$ 761.74</u>



FESTIVAL OF TREES 1996 AWARD WINNER

Edna Franklin of Vaughn wore her Gudbrandsdalen festbunad to Scandinavian Days in October. She was so proud of her bunad and søljer. One sølje had been her mother's and one came with the Norwegian Christmas tree she and her husband bid on and won at the Mary Bridge Festival of Trees in 1996. Her husband Don is on the Foundation Board for Mary Bridge.

What a surprise for her to find out the beautiful sølje on that tree had been donated by Embla! It meant a lot to her as her mother, Laura Andahl, had been a 50-year member of Embla. Her father was Soren Andahl. Laura came from Bodø in 1923.

The decorated Norwegian Christmas tree was delivered by moving van on December 7. Edna said the tree was so beautiful she had parties and invited her friends and neighbors to come and enjoy "her tree." She didn't take it down until after Valentine's Day.

We were so pleased that Edna with her Embla heritage was the one to get the sølje Embla donated.



Thelma and Ray Moline enjoying the booths

GRAND LODGE CONVENTION IN SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA



Grand Lodge Convention, Embla Lodge #2 Delegates

Left to right back row: Harriet Swieso, Dena Iverson, Olive Rudsdil, Pamm Gonce, Mardy Fairchild, Emilie Pedersen, Karen Harkness, Clarice Zornes. Front row: Esther Van Noy, Vonnie Stone, Janet Ruud and Carol Voigt and barely showing, Annie Hurlbut.

CULTURAL DAY

Eager convention participants were lining up at the Registration Tables just before 8:00 a.m. to get their packets and class schedules for the day.

In the "French Room" of our hotel, tables were decorated with cultural exhibits, drawing and sales items by Grand Lodge, the Norwegian-American Embassy, and 12 lodges.

Morning classes offered were Rosemaling, Norwegian, and a Song-Dance class. Afternoon classes were Hardanger, Basketry and the Norwegian Sami People.

Three tables demonstrated lefse making, lace making and wood carving. The hours were 10 to 5 Thursday and Cultural Day was well attended.

Esther Van Noy

CONVENTION RECEPTION

On Thursday, July 9th, the opening reception for the Convention was held in the French Room of the Villa Hotel. It started with a Cash Bar at 7:00 P.M. followed by an Hors d'oeuvres Buffet. Sharon Mellott from Anna Kolbjornsdatter Lodge was the

*Thank you, Embla,
for sending us as your delegates
to the 1998 Grand Lodge
Convention in San Mateo, CA.*



Doris Hendrickson and Anne Hurlbut

CONVENTION RECEPTION Cont.

Master of Ceremonies and Randi Cruze from Crown Princess Martha was the soloist and also led group singing. The harmonizing was led by Doris Hendrickson of Aase #33 and Annie Hurlbut of Embla (daughter of Janet Ruud).

"Faith Traditional/Personal" was written and read by Mabel Gaal. It was a reflection of her life - enjoyed by all of us. She is 92 and still drives her VW Bug - an inspiration for all of us "Daughters."

BUNAD DAY

The first day of business, or as it is referred to as "Bunad Day", was really the highlight of the convention to see so many of our sisters wearing their bunader. In the morning we had a colorful Bunad Parade with Esther Van Noy doing the commentary. Everyone who had a camera captured the moment.

On the business side, the Proposed Resolutions - Amendments to the Constitution - were presented and voted upon. You can read in detail about this in the Døtre of Norge paper. Briefly they were as follows:

Resolution #8 - Past Grand Lodge Presidents at Convention - passed as amended.

#1 - Specifics on the Organizational Fund - passed.

#2 - Delegates from a New Lodge - passed.

#3 - Judge Assumes her Office - passed.

#4 - Election Runoff Procedure - passed.

#5 - Grand Lodge Appointees' Time of Service - passed.

#6 - Duties of Membership Chairs - passed.

#7 - Grand Lodge Expenditures - passed.

#9 - Scholarship Committee - passed as amended

#11 - Eliminate Voting on New Members - passed.

We also had Two-Year reports from the Scholarship Committee, Organizational Chair and the Membership Committee

Embla Lodge #2 and Anna Kolbjornsdatter #35 presented skits.
Dena Iverson

Friday, July 10, 1998

Luncheon was served in the same room. We were each given a floral refrigerator magnet as a gift from the host lodge. All enjoyed a delicious roast beef luncheon followed by a tasty sherbet.



Embla marching in for Bunad Day Parade

Saturday, July 11, 1998

Everyone who attended the Saturday luncheon served themselves from a bountiful buffet of cold meats, salad and choice of breads. The meal was completed with a selection of tasty cookies. Each person in attendance received a handmade yarn "weather worm" as a favor. The convention committee selected this opportunity to allow the visiting lodges to award the items they had sold raffle tickets for. There were a lot of happy and lucky winners.

Florence Buck

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW GL OFFICERS

The election of the Grand Lodge officers went very smoothly. The president has to be a Norwegian.

A letter of recommendation was read for each candidate seeking office. All positions were unopposed except for the vice-president. A secret ballot was held and voted on.

Each new officer was installed and escorted to her station by the Drill Team.

The theme for this next term is "Forward in Remembrance."

Harriet Swieso

REMEMBER YOUR SECRET PAL?



Harriet Swieso enjoying the pool area of the Villa Hotel, San Mateo



Dena Iverson, Esther Van Noy and Florence Buck enjoying Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

The Saturday evening banquet was the final event of Convention '98. The evening included dinner and entertainment. Also Kay Aycock presented the new Grand Lodge officers and a speech.

Shortly after dinner Jean Bennett (chair for the Grand Lodge fund raiser) began the drawing for several prizes. The prizes were a Norwegian Sølje, a quilt rack, a Hardanger embroidered table runner and a rosemaled bowl. The recipients were Diane Meyer (Olympia), Paul Morris (Tacoma), Joyce Olsen (Butte) and Janet Ruud (Tacoma).

Then Kay Aycock, our new Grand Lodge President, spoke. She talked about the bond of our sisterhood and our common interest in the Norwegian heritage (arts, cooking, language). She encouraged us to adopt the song, La Oss Leve For Hverandre. Then Sheila Norton with accompaniment of Eileen Bianchi on piano led us all in song.

The entertainment was the Nordahl Grieg Leikarring and Spelmanslag. They performed a series of Norwegian song-dances. The group was excellent.

At the end of the evening the past Grand Lodge Presidents assembled and were introduced. It was a great end to a wonderful convention.

Karen Harkness

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Grand Lodge Chaplain Jayme Graney led us in a memorial service to honor our lost sisters since 1996. Eileen Bianchi of Sonja Henie #29 read a short poem and sang a beautiful solo. Jayme read a message given to her by the pastor from her church. A Viking ship candle holder was donated and candles were lit as names were read of our lost sisters. A total of 46 sisters passed away.

Valkyrien #1	lost 9 sisters
Embla #2	lost 7 sisters
Stjernen #7	lost 4 sisters
Breidablik #10	lost 3 sisters
Gjøa #18	lost 3 sisters
Thelma #26	lost 6 sisters
Crown Princess Martha #28	lost 3 sisters
Sonja Henie #29	lost 1 sister
Prillar Guri #30	lost 1 sister
Solveig #31	lost 1 sister
Sigrid Undset #32	lost 2 sisters
Anna Grimdalen #34	lost 2 sisters
Anna Kolbjornsdatter #36	lost 2 sisters
Gina Krog #38	lost 1 sister
Ester Moe #39	lost 1 sister



*The word
that lies nearest
the heart
comes first to the
lips.*

Norwegian proverb



We remember the roomful of bunads at Gloria's Scandinavian Shop showing at the Norwegian Heritage Festival



GLORIA PEDERSON

After 21 years Gloria has retired! We have all enjoyed going to her shop for gifts, stitchery materials and to look at all the wonderful collection of bunads she has collected. Gloria still maintains her stitchery shop by appointment only.

Stitchery is very much a part of Gloria's life. She quilts twice a month for the missions at Trinity Lutheran Church. She attends a once a week stitchery at the church and a once a month Stitchery Class at the Scandinavian Cultural Center.

Recently, she and Arne spent two weeks in Hawaii.

We wish her well in "retirement."



JOINING EMBLA #2

Because of Scandinavian Days we will have another good number of new members joining in March. If you have friends who wish to join encourage them to attend the meetings (which are open to friends and interested people) and then join in March. They will get a head start in getting to know everyone.

You will notice that in several pictures on other pages our new members were already helping on crafts for Scandinavian Days.

*Autumn...
the year's last,
loveliest smile.*

Bryant

**EMBLA SCHOLARSHIP
WINNER**

Jim Van Noy Award

Our award winner for the Jim Van Noy Award is Kristine Kolzing, daughter of Ann and Ronald Kolzing of Nederland, Colorado, and niece of Janet Ruud.

She is graduating May 1999 at the University of Colorado in Boulder, Colorado with a degree in Women's Studies/Environmental Studies. She completed two years at Ohio State University before transferring to the University of Colorado.

Her maternal grandparents were all Norwegian and from them and visiting relatives she learned more about her ancestors and her roots in Norway and Minnesota.

Congratulations to Kristine.

*The worship most
acceptable to God
comes from a
thankful and
cheerful heart.*

Plutarch

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Can you identify these beautiful young Scandinavian girls?

Crowning of Lucia Bride at some Christmas celebration? _____ Date? _____

Back row left to right:

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2. _____
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Right side standing, front of back:

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 2. _____
- Middle row left to right:
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- Front row:
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