



EMBLA NYHETER

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 DAUGHTERS OF NORWAY
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EMBLA CALENDAR

April 11th - Embla's Birthday Party at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 1315 No Stevens at 7 p.m. Embla's Scholarship Award presented. Awarding of 25 year pins. *Norway to the Puget Sound* by Christine Andersen.

April 27th - Norwegian Heritage Festival at PLU. 11- 3 p.m.

May 2nd - *The Norwegian Constitution* by Audun Toven

June 6th - Initiation of new members. Book Review of *The Giant in the Earth* by Emilie Pedersen

June 8th - Embla Rummage Sale - Normanna Hall. Save your goodies now

Aug 24th - Summer Salad Potluck. Norway Tour Report by Florence Buck's group and other travelers to Norway. Show and Tell of special Norwegian items from our members. A good time to enjoy all our Friendly Circle ladies and meet our new members.



Back row from left to right: Eleanor Starr, Esther Carlson, Solveig Isaksen, Thelma Milton, Mary Hudina, Bertha Omodt, Sophie Marvik. Front row: Opal Hansen, Martha Martinsen, Bella DeRosa, Aslaug Botnen, Anna Christensen, and Cora Anderson. Missing: Edna Higgins, Elvene Carmine, Iona Dhaese, Estelle Kupka, Ann Michajla

THE FRIENDLY CIRCLE

Embla's Circles began close to 50 years ago - one for each direction - North, South, East and West. At the

earliest meetings the Circles gave to the Seaman's Mission, for camperships for young children and for aid to different causes. The first bathtub for the Children's Home in Parkland came from Embla ladies. Also we earned money by fancy work, bake sales, raffles, etc. to aid Embla Lodge.

Since most of our members do not attend night meetings now, we meet at the Fawcett Avenue Senior Apartments in their Social Room. All bring a sandwich, and two members bring a cake and a salad.

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12 noon. After a short meeting we play bingo or just enjoy each others company.



We love our Bingo!

Anna Christensen



Embla's delegation to celebrate Ester Moe Lodge #39

ESTER MOE LODGE #39

Early February 24th - thirty five of us, most in Bunads climbed aboard a Mayflower bus bound for Whidbey Island. We were excited to be spending time together -it wasn't raining and we were going to be present at the Institution of a new lodge - Ester Moe Lodge #39.

The institution was conducted by Sylvia Rogeness, Grand Lodge President and our own Janet Ruud, Grand Lodge Vice President.

We were entertained by Embla's Leikarring who were joined by some members of Solveig Lodge. Dagny Vaswig closed the entertainment with

"The Immigrant Women".

Installation of Officers followed the institution with Sylvia Rogeness as Installing Officer and Janet Ruud as Installing Marshall. Embla Lodge Escort Team was Olive Rudsdil, leader; Emilie Pedersen, Shirley Peterson and Bernice Rohrs.

Ester Moe Lodge is named after Ester Anderson Moe. She was born in Great Falls, Montana, the daughter of immigrant parents, who moved to Whidbey Island in 1906. She grew up to be a teacher and taught school for several years in the Deer Lake School in Clinton. She later served 29 years as the

Postmaster of the Clinton Post Office under the appointment of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. She was active in her community as well as teaching classes in Norwegian and keeping the Norwegian heritage alive.

Congratulations to the Charter Officers and their 100+ members.

Mildred Baker



AUDREY LOOMIS

Our long-time member Audrey Loomis died on Tuesday, March 13th, as a result of complications following surgery. She had joined Embla #2 on October 4, 1962, and had served as president of the lodge in 1976 and 1977 and also as an officer of the Past Presidents Club. She represented Embla as a delegate to several Grand Lodge Daughters of Norway Conventions. Following her retirement she enjoyed attending the Friendly Circle luncheon meetings.

Audrey and her husband were known as vocalists and had sung together in opera in the Midwest. She was also a pianist, and although she was never our musician, she willingly filled in at the keyboard when a pianist was needed.

Audrey will be remembered for her humor, which was reflected in her many contributions to the "good of the order" at our meetings. She had a large repertoire of humorous readings which she shared with many audiences. Surely no one will forget "Emma Torkelsen's Rum Cake" which was a favorite of many. She will be missed.

Embla appreciates the lovely tribute to Audrey in the Døtre og Norge by Kay Aycock. Emilie Pedersen



Institution ceremonies for Ester Moe Lodge, February 24th

GRAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIP

From Embla to Grand Lodge for

Thordis Larson

Audrey Loomis

Max Gruver, husband of Edna, is

honored by Olive Rudsdil

Emilie Pedersen

Audrey Loomis is honored by

Agnes Thoreson

Olive Rudsdil

Emilie Pedersen

Ruth Hazen

Mildred Baker

Avis Hinand

Stella Anderson

Lorraine Brese



Embla Convention Committee - Back row left to right: Elsie Schwind, Emilie Pedersen, Elaine Anderson, Florence Buck, Bernice Rohrs. Front: Esther Van Noy, Mildred Baker, Janet Ruud and Olive Rudsdil.

GRAND LODGE DELEGATES

from Embla Lodge #2

Mildred Baker

Mardy Fairchild

Bodil Lovoll

Elene Emerson

~~Karon Harkness~~

Carol Voigt

Marian Eberle

Emilie Pedersen

Florence Buck

Alternates:

Harriet Swieso

Vonnie Stone

Dagny Vaswig

Avis Hinand

Dorothy Burnson

Ida Hagen

50th Biennial Convention of Grand Lodge

Daughters of Norway

July 18, 19 and 20, 1996

at the

Executive Inn in Fife

Convention time is only 2 1/2 months away. We hope you are planning to attend all or many of the events scheduled. Every Daughter of Norway member is invited. You do not have to be a delegate to attend the meetings, classes, luncheons or any of the events.

Thursday, July 18 - Classes and Cultural Day.

Thursday evening - Reception, entertainment by Barnekor.

Friday, July 19 - Grand Lodge in session. Friday luncheon.

Friday evening - Dinner at the Scandinavian Cultural Center.

Saturday, July 20 - Second Day of Grand Lodge in session. Election and Installation of new officers in the afternoon.

Saturday evening - Banquet - entertainment by tenor Tom Almil.

Also we can use your help in many ways. Elsie Schwind (752-2442), our Hospitality Chairperson, will need cookies, coffee breads, Kringle, etc. for the hospitality room during the three days of the Convention. Please contact her to volunteer and for particulars as to where and when items may be delivered or picked up.

Be sure to read the Døtre og Norge newspaper for more information. If you have questions please call Janet Ruud (564-2832) or Olive Rudsdil (564-9533), Co-Chairs.

Every member of the D of N is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Register with Bernice Rohrs, GL Convention, Registration Chairman (564-4407). \$75 registration includes:

Luncheon - Friday & Saturday

Banquet - Saturday nite

Registration Convention Tote Bag

Do plan to join your Lodge sisters at this Convention.

EMBLA SCHOLARSHIP

Steve T. McGhee, brother of Kelly

Leegard, is honored by

Kelly Leegard

Ebba Gustafson is honored by

Ione Dhaese

Ozzie Pedersen is honored by

Ione Dhaese

Audrey Loomis is honored by

Bernice Rohrs

Mildred Baker

Marie Hayden

Clarann Wilkins

Pat King who sold an old book and donated proceeds to our Scholarship fund.



New members of Embla

initiated February 8, 1996

Top left to right: Ann Hurlbut, Olivia (LaCaille) Liening, Esther LaCaille and Heather Miller.

Bottom left: Delphine Johnson. Right: Dorothy Takashina.



**HAVE YOU REMEMBERED
YOUR SECRET PAL
LATELY?**

DID YOU KNOW?

that we have many sisters combinations in our Embla #2 Lodge. See how many you know and if you haven't met them try to put 2 and 2 together!

Avid Hinand

Lorraine Brese

Mary Lazenby

Lela Phillips

Nikka Mansfield

Gerda Shull

Mildred Dupuis (deceased)

Mary Hudina

Cora Anderson

Martha Martinsen

Mary Jo Bellamy

June M. Powers

Evelyn Walker

Lois Neitzel

Martha Handeland

Anna Hopen

Ida Hagen

Edith Stageberg

Ione Grubert

Carol Huntington

Karin Jackson

Tina Maye Wolfe

Ruth Foster

Edna Senter

Norma Hertz

Virginia Zink

Esther Carlson

Ebba Gustafson (deceased)

Julie Ausnes

Elsie Schwind

Frida Gerla

Bergliot Hammerstrom

Solveig Johnson

Elizabeth Pedee

Cynthia Wakatsuki

Evangeline Billingsley

Florence March

Dagny Vaswig

Annette Falk

Candace Calloway

Marguerite Nickless

Doris Sorrels

All these names are from the existing membership blanks. We may have more combinations. If so please let me know.

Marie Hayden, Editor



Great-aunt Martha Martinsen, mother Carol (Anderson) Sturrock, Kyle Sturrock, grandmother Cora Anderson, and father Duncan Sturrock

Embla Scholarship Winner

We as a committee of three, Marian Asmussen, LaVonne Kraft, and Chairman Dorothy Long, reviewed the six applicants for the \$500 Embla Scholarship. All pertinent information revealing person or persons relating to Embla was whited out by Bernice Rohrs, Embla Scholarship Chairman.

After much deliberation, Kyle Sturrock, from Gig Harbor High School, a 3.0 GPA student, was elected to receive this honor. He will attend Montana State University in Bozeman, Montana. Kyle intends to acquire a degree in Business Administration or Dentistry.

Congratulations Kyle!
Selection Chairman, Dorothy Long



25 Year Pins

were awarded to the following Embla members at our April 4th meeting
Left to right: Harriet Swieso, Mary Hudina, Florence Buck, Jeanette Madsen, and Karen Bell. Absent: Sally Lynn & Bjorg Meador



IN MEMORIAM

Bodil Lovoll

Cultural Director

honoring our 1995 deceased

Embla members:

Diane Thompson

Corinne Olsen

Myrtle Knutson

Frieda Mellor

Ebba Gustafson

Velma Jackson

Anna Lovrak

Evelyn Holt

The Seattle Leif Erikson Society celebrates the 1000-Year Anniversary of Leif's discovery of America by donating a statue of him to Trondheim where he began his journey.

The statue is planned to honor American immigration and has been designed to carry the names of 500 immigrants.

Emigrant Certificate -\$25

For a donation of at least \$140 you have the opportunity to have the name of an immigrant and the year of immigration engraved on a plaque at the base of the statue.

For more details call Esther Van Noy (537-2938).



The Leikarring performing at the Lakewood Mall Cultural Day.

Bernice Rohrs taking care of Embla's Table at the Lakewood Mall Cultural Day.



Ione Dhaese and Shirleyanne Sargent at the Norden Lodge Corned Beef Dinner March 16, 1996 "Knocking the "L" out of Kelly"

News of Members

Congratulations to ~~Karen~~ Harkness who was recently installed as "Ruth" in Cedar Chapter of Eastern Star.

60 Year Member

Congratulations to Embla member

Eleanor Starr in July 2, 1936

Eleanor served as our Embla President for 1957-1959 and is active in the Friendly Circle.

21st Annual Norwegian Heritage Festival



**Saturday, April 27, 1996
11:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

Scandinavian Cultural Center
Pacific Lutheran University
122nd and South Park Avenue
Tacoma, Washington

Exit 127 off I-5 to Highway 512 East, then take Parkland-Spanaway exit to South 122nd. Turn right on 122nd to Park Avenue. Look for the 25-foot Viking ship prow located in front of the building.

For more information call
(360) 876-4198 or (206) 472-0444

Free Admission
Free Live Entertainment
Free demonstrations--wood carving, weaving, spinning, rosemaling, beadwork, and embroidery
Free coffee and punch

Food booths. Arts and Craft Booths.
Door Prizes, and much, much more!

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Western Rosemalers, and
the Scandinavian Cultural Council

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1950's EMBLA DRILL TEAM
CAN YOU FILL IN THE NAMES FOR ME PLEASE?

Back row left to right:

1. _____
2. _____
3. Olive Rudsil
4. _____
5. _____

Middle row left to right:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Front row left to right:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. Anna Christensen
5. Anne Strom ?
6. _____

If you have any of these names, please call Marie Hayden (759-4451) to fill in the blanks. This photo probably was for a Grand Lodge Convention in the 1950's.