# United Finnish Kaleva Brothers & Sisters, Astoria, OR — Lodge #2

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# Kahden Uutiset

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Greetings to members of Lodge #2,

It was great to see so many members at our annual Lodge picnic at Cullaby Lake. The food was excellent and there was plenty of it. Finn Poker was fun, Kurt had a badmintan net set up, there was a bean bag toss and mölkky. Lots of visiting going on and we were happy to see our Jr. Miss Finland Chloe and her family there.

We have received approval for our 501(c)3. It is very exciting but now the work begins. We need to restructure. If you would like to get invoved, have suggestions or just want to hear what is going on please contact me, Secretary Felicia or a Trustee. All changes will be discussed at our Lodge meetings and voted on. August 26<sup>th</sup> there was a conference call with the attorney about new by-laws for the "Friends of Suomi Hall."

Donations for our Finnish Flag Pole at the Heritage Park are complete. A donation in memory of our member George Harrison who pasted on in July in Portland completed the amount needed. Thank you to to the Harrison family and all who donated.

Welcome to our new members initiated at the July meeting. David Rhoadarmer, Dick Hellberg, Laura Crowe, Eric Williams, Chloe Maycock, Cathy Williams, Tessa Terhar, and Robert Thompson.

There are many events and possible events coming up. Mark your calendars October is the Auxiliary Laksloda Luncheon. Starts at 11:30 on Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup> and is all you can eat for \$15.00. If you would like to volunteer to help with clean up, please contact me at 503 791-7805. If you would like to help with the bake sale contact Peggy at 503 568-0624. Anything else contact Dea at 503 325-3984. Baking days for the Bake Sale have been scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday and October 11<sup>th</sup>, Friday at 8:AM at the Hall and October 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday and October 13<sup>th</sup>, Sunday at 9:00 AM at the Hall. The Auxiliary will be making prune tarts and cookies. All are welcome to come help bake. Finn Ware is holding a Sami Bracelet making class at the Hall on Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 1 pm. Call Finn Ware to sign up and for more information. November is our Anniversary Dinner. Join us for a delicious potluck on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.

December 7<sup>th</sup> the Auxiliary will be visiting residents at Clatsop Retirement Village with some holiday cheer. We've also been contacted about Finnish Tango lessons to be held at Suomi Hall.

We had some interesting visitors in August. Two graduate students from the University of Oregon were in Astoria as part of the Oregon Folk Life Network. They were interested in how we carry on our traditions and keep our heritage alive. Thank you to our generous members who participated. The students were treated to pannukakku, rice pudding and fruit soup, saw Shanghaied in Astoria and interviewed several members. Happy Birthday to September and October members. If it is your birthday month remember you are responsible for Coffee Hour treats before the membership meetings.

Kiitos, Karen Van Cleave Cell: 503 791-7805 Email: kvc@pacifier.com

#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

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Alan Robitsch	1
Jared Mitchell	1
Aaron Ginther	1
Patricia Roberts	2
August Schulbach	4
Nettie Blair	7
Stanley Hendrickson	12
Cindy Daly	14
Kristina Berney	16
Lisa Tolonen	16
Vince Tadei	16
Diane Piippo	17
Sirpa Duoos	18
Deborah Kindley	18
Kirk Schulbach	18
Mark Tolonen	18
Kenneth Olson	20
Linda Takalo	20
Betty Curtis	22
Eija Stevenson	24
Kurt Koivu	26
Kay Bartholomew	29
Jennifer Cline	29
Geraldine Johnson	30
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:	
Kathleen Kinkela-Love	1
Lorell Stoneman	1
Dea Helligso	2
Trudy Enke	7
Katherine Ryding	11
Lisa Allgeyer	13
Willard Nyberg	15
Alice Nielsen	16
Elizabeth Newton	17
Dick Hellberg	19
Anja Harper	23
Arnold Hummasti	24
Myron Salo	27
Karen Reintzell	30
Greg Jacob	31

# Lodge Officers:

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President –	Karen Van Cleave
Elder –	Trudy Enke
First VP –	Ron Collman
Jr. VP –	Charolette Nyberg
Financial Sec	. – Katie Ryding
Recording Se	ec. – Felicia Ginther
Treasurer – F	aith Swanson
Conductress -	– Julie Leonhardt Overby
Doorkeeper -	- Kurt Koivu

#### **Board of Trustees:**

Arnold Hummasti Willard Nyberg LeRoy Adolphson Nettie Blair Marvin Hautala Carole Lyngstad Peggy Nikkila Mike Duncan William Herold

#### Auditors

Chris Lynn Taylor Leila Collier David Drafall

#### Auxiliary Officers:

President – Dea Helligso VP – David Drafall Secretary – Charolette Nyberg Treasurer – Beth Kandoll

#### Lodge Historians:

Liisa Penner & Arnie Hummasti

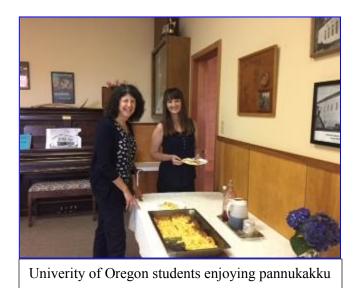
Happy Birthday Members!
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# SAMI BRACELET MAKING CLASS Date: Saturday, October 12th, 2019 Time: 9-1 Place: Suomi Hall Cost: \$115 Bracelet: Stig Call Finn Ware to reserve your spot. 503-325-5720 Includes all materials and you will walk out with a bracelet. Just bring anything you might need....glasses, a sweater in case it's chilly



In 1939, members of the Lotta Svard in Astoria and elsewhere were gathering clothing, food and supplies to be sent to Finland when Russia started bombing the country. They continued sending these items to Finland until the U.S. entered the war and Russia became an ally of the U.S. and Finland was allied with the Germans. When the war ended, more goods were sent to Finland by anxious relatives here in this country. If anyone has information about the people in the photo, please contact Liisa Penner at 503-338-4849.

Photo courtesy of the Clatsop County Historical Society. The image was donated by Laurel Carlson.







# **Pictures from the Finnish Brotherhood Picnic 2019**



# LODGE NEWS.

By Felicia Ginther, Lodge Secretary.

President Karen Van Cleave called the July business meeting to order at 7:00 PM; 22 members were present **Applications for Membership:** 4- Dick Hellberg, Chloe Maycock, David Rhodearmor, Robert Thompson **Initiations:** 8- (4) Present- David Rhoadarmer, Dick Hellberg, Laura Crowe, Eric Williams (4) In Absentia – Chloe Maycock, Cathy Williams, Tessa Terhar, Robert Thompson.

Charter was draped for Jean Ellen Bruner.

Minutes of the June 10th Lodge meeting were approved as read.

Communications: None.

#### **Committee reports:**

<u>Sick Committee:</u> A sympathy card was sent to the family of Jean Ellen Bruner. Leena Riker and Charolette Nyberg have been in communications, and Leena is doing well. A "Get Well" card was sent to Bonnie Salo after a fall.

<u>Trustees Report:</u> Carole Lyngstad reported for the Trustees (in reference to the filing of 501(c)3 non-profit status). The trustees will receive the engagement letter from Attorney David Atkins in order to proceed with filing of the non-profit status. A check for the full amount will be sent with the filing paperwork. Carole Lyngstad will sign the check on the behalf of the Trustees and Karen VanCleave will sign the check on behalf of the lodge. A motion to appoint Ron Collman Vice President to sign the check in place of Karen Vancleave was passed unanimously, as Karen will be out of town. A motion to officially name the new entity as "Friends of Suomi Hall" for the 501(c)3 non-profit status, was unanimously passed.

<u>Auxiliary minutes:</u> Charolette Nyberg reported for the Auxiliary: 10 members were present at the July 1st Auxiliary meeting. Ron Collman's son will provide the fish for Laksloda this year. Laksloda will be held on Thursday, October  $17^{\text{th}}$  from 11:30 - 1:30 pm. To volunteer contact Dea at 503 325-3984.

<u>Nordic Park:</u> Nordic Heritage Park donations to date are just shy of \$500,000. The Finnish flagpole has had several donations to date and has until November to be paid.

<u>Scandinavian Festival</u>: The festival was a great success! There was a record number of attendees this year and all the booths seemed to do well. Frank Eld, Finlandia Foundations Lecturer of the Year escorted Miss Scandinavia Sophia Morrill in the Optog Parade. There have been concerns with the snap together flooring at the festival being unsafe. Hopefully a resolution will be made before next years festival.

Uniontown: Nothing new to report

<u>Picnic</u>: South Shelter has been reserved for August 18, 2019. Felicia Ginther will chair, Karen VanCleave to assist. Members are asked to bring sides, a sign up sheet will be passed around; the Lodge will provide chicken and beverages. Kurt Koivu will provide Badminton and Rosemary Ginther will provide bean bag toss. Members, please bring nickels, dimes and quarters for Finn Poker.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

<u>Lindgren Cabin</u>: The Lindgren Cabin is open on Saturdays and Sundays (10am-4pm) from Memorial Day to Labor Day. If anyone is interested in volunteering at the Lindgren Cabin this summer, please contact Elizabeth Newton for details. To date there has been no response in the status of the dissolution of the Grand Lodge.

<u>New Business:</u> A new poster of the Finnish Flag is now on display in the lobby of the Lodge. We are attempting to collect \$3,500 for the Finnish Flagpole at the Nordic Heritage Park. The poster will be a donation board and the "Flag" will be here to stay at the Lodge. You may donate in someones memory and it will be posted on the board.

One of our new member Erick Williams plans to contribute to the Lodge by digitizing important documents and articles of the past. Motion to grant Erick Williams access to documents and articles for digitizing was unanimously passed. Erick plans to start right away.

<u>Good of the Lodge:</u> 11 Finnish movies have been acquired for movie night. Movie Night for Friday June 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm has been cancelled. Friday Night Movie will resume in July.

<u>Raffle:</u> Karen VanCleave provided the July raffle items. Julie will organize the September raffle. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

There is no business meeting for August. The next Regular Membership meeting will be held on Monday September 9th, 2019, with the Social Hour at 6 PM, followed by the Business meeting at 7 PM.

September birthday members are asked to bring desserts.

Respectfully submitted, Felicia Ginther, Secretary

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# ASTORIA LODGE CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 3rd: Auxiliary meeting, 10:00 AM Coffee, 10:30 AM Business Meeting

**Monday, September 9th :** Trustees' meeting at 5:00 PM, Social 6:00 PM, Business Meeting 7:00 PM (September birthday members bring treats)

Monday, October 7th: Auxiliary meeting, 10:00 AM Coffee, 10:30 AM Business Meeting

Monday, October 14th: Trustees' meeting at 5:00 PM, Social 6:00 PM, Business Meeting 7:00 PM (October birthday members bring treats)

# LAKSLODA LUNCHEON Thursday, October 17th: 11:30 – 1:30 pm. Suomi Hall

Movie Nights: Friday, September 27th at 6:30 PM Friday, October 25th at 6:30 PM