

# Ethnic Heritage Council

MARCH 2010

## Seattle Center Festál: Irish Festival

Seattle Center Festál: Irish Festival, **March 13 - 14**, 12 noon - 6 p.m., in Center House features non-stop live music, dancing and children's activities. Festival-goers may participate in genealogy and Irish language workshops and take in the colorful cultural exhibits and booths selling Irish and Celtic products.

Contemporary Irish short films will be screened during an Irish Reels Film Festival. Family-oriented activities include high spirited Irish musicians and champion Irish step-dancers from around the Pacific Northwest. Events for children include the "Smilingest Irish Eyes Contest" and the "Most Irish-Looking Face Contest" and a Children's Activities Center offers additional interactive entertainment.

The 22 Festál cultural celebrations highlight the common forms of tradition and expression among ethnic communities in the Pacific Northwest, while underscoring their

unique creative contributions, customs, foods and ideals. Our 2010 "did you knows" will explore some of these commonalities and differences.

**Did you know?** The colors of the culture are green, white and orange, formally adopted in 1919. Most popular foods include Irish stew made with lamb, carrots, onions and potatoes; soda and treacle bread, Kerry pies; Porter Cake and Scones with homemade jam and cream. The greatest sources of cultural pride among Irish people are their heritage, the island of their ancestors and their contributions to language, literature, art and science. Their livelihood is supported by a well-educated and young workforce that has attracted numerous software, chemical, pharmaceutical and healthcare companies. There is also a vibrant seafishing and fish-farming industry and tourism.

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**Irish Week 2010**  
Catch all the festivities!

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[www.pbase.com/jal/st\\_patricksdayparade2009](http://www.pbase.com/jal/st_patricksdayparade2009)

## They're Back!!! March 19!

Yep, it is that time of year again when the vineyards of Finland are besieged with creepy, crawling, crunchy, noisy disgusting green jumping critters known to the world as voracious, vociferous grasshoppers who have become addicted to Finnish grapes. Throughout the years, there have been many studies attempting to understand why this phenomenon occurs.

One explanation is that in order for the Finnish winegrowers to compete with the more well-known vineyards in France, Italy, and California, the Finns would have to be creative. So, they decided to inject their grapes with vodka to increase the wines potency. Of course, it did not take long for the grasshoppers to develop an addic-

tion to this newfound happiness. Topsy grasshoppers become a bit more mellow, however, the drawback with intoxicated grasshoppers is that their appetite seems to take a quantum leap and as a result more vineyards in Finland were decimated.

Without the fine premium wines from Finland, the wine lovers throughout the world were most unhappy. None of the wines from Europe, United States, or for that matter throughout the world could compare to the extraordinary flavors of wine from Finland. Wine sales fell. People stopped going to restaurants. The glass industry was rapidly failing as no one was buying wine glasses. Even though the sales of Prozac and other anti-depression drugs soared, the world's economy was spiraling downward.

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**FESTÁL 2010**  
at SEATTLE CENTER

**Irish Festival**  
**March 13-14, 2010**

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Seattle Center Festál: Irish Festival is produced by Seattle Center in partnership with the Irish Heritage Club of Seattle. For a full event schedule, visit [www.irishclub.org](http://www.irishclub.org) and for more information on this cultural series and other Seattle Center programming, click on [www.seattlecenter.com](http://www.seattlecenter.com); call: 206-684-7200.

### Irish Week 2010 Official Event List

#### Saturday, March 6

Irish Soda Bread Contest, 2 PM

#### Friday, March 12

Proclamation Luncheon, Noon  
Green Stripe Laying, 7 PM  
Irish Reels Film Festival With  
Desmond Guinness Lecture, 7 PM

#### Saturday, March 13

Irish Festival, Noon - 6 PM  
Irish Flag-Raising, 12:20 PM  
St Patrick's Day Parade, 12:30 PM  
Friends Of St Patrick Banquet, 6 PM  
Irish Reels Film Festival, 6:30 & 9:00 PM

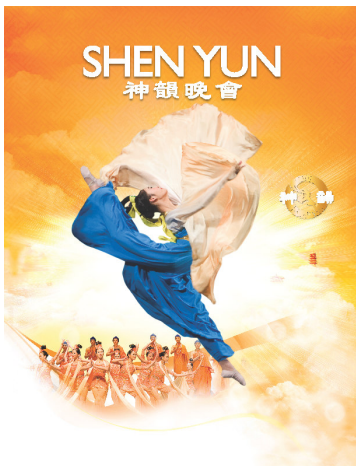
#### Sunday, March 14

St Patrick's Day Dash, 8:30 AM  
Irish Festival, Noon - 6 PM  
Matt Talbot Dinner, 6 PM  
Irish Reels Film Festival, 6:30 & 9:00 PM

#### Wednesday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day  
Mass For Peace, 12 Noon  
Irish Seniors' Luncheon, 2 PM  
Irish Festival, 11:30 AM - 6 PM

## Shen Yun Performing Arts



Discover the show that has won the hearts of millions. **Shen Yun Performing Arts** is returning to Seattle bringing its unforgettable blend of classical Chinese dance and music. See ancient tales of virtue brought to life alongside modern stories of courage. Featuring internationally-acclaimed performers, stunning costumes and backdrops, powerful drum rhythms, and all original music. Experience a sense of beauty and enchantment like no other in this world. 7:30pm, Paramount Theatre. **March 23 & 24.** Call: (800) 393-6802; [www.stgpresents.org](http://www.stgpresents.org); [www.shenyunperformingarts.org/](http://www.shenyunperformingarts.org/)

*"Boldly ambitious and enormously popular... a visually dazzling tour of 5,000 years of Chinese history and culture... carefully designed, richly costumed pieces - everything from colorful handkerchief dances, Imperial-style dances in high platform shoes, drum dances, folk dances... a heady blend of the ancient and modern, of traditional Chinese instruments and their Western counterparts, and contemporary experiences... a grand cavalcade of Chinese cultural scenes."*

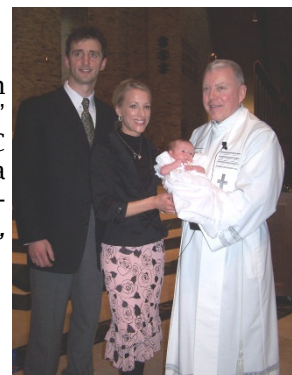
- San Francisco Chronicle

## EHC staff welcomes new member to the family!



Marija Mila Kesovija was born January 17, 2010. "Mama" Maria Plancich Kesovija, EHC Assistant Director, "Baba" Alma Franulovich Plancich, EHC Executive Director, *and family*, are ECSTATIC!

Look for baby Kesovija at future EHC events!



## Teaching Artist Training—March 19 & 20

**TAT Talking Points:** You are invited to apply for admission to this free two day professional development workshop for Teaching Artists. Spots are extremely limited for this workshop. **March 19-20**, 9am-5pm, The Seattle Repertory Theatre. Please send your contact information and a teaching artist resume, or brief description of your teaching experience via e-mail to: [scottk@seattlerep.org](mailto:scottk@seattlerep.org).

Teaching Artist Training (TATLab) Seattle will once again gather teaching artists for a two day workshop based on a curriculum developed by the Seattle Repertory Theatre, the Denver Center and the Shakespeare Theatre. The curriculum is designed to provide "emerging" teaching artists with a comprehensive classroom toolkit (including Observation, Assessment, Curriculum Development and classroom Management techniques.) Teaching Artists are led through an engaging, interactive, supportive two day training in Lab format, then will have the chance to meet, reflect and network with each other via additional Teach-

ing Artist Convenings scheduled throughout the 2010 school year.

The Teaching Artist Training Lab (TATLab) is a professional development initiative developed by education professionals and teaching artists from the Shakespeare Theatre Company, the Denver Center for the Performing Arts and Seattle Repertory Theatre as well as through contributions from over 45 education professionals from theatres across the country. TAT is designed to increase the capacity of teaching artists working in both schools and community-based organizations by providing comprehensive training to teaching artists. The Cross-Discipline TAT Lab will include skills and exercises from four artistic disciplines, including music, dance, theatre and visual arts. For more information, or to apply for the TAT LAB, please contact: Scott Koh [scottk@seattlerep.org](mailto:scottk@seattlerep.org) (206) 443-2202 ext 1043.



## Tastes of Norway/Norwegian Cultural and Heritage Day



*Tastes of Norway/Norwegian Cultural and Heritage Day, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Leif to Leif 5K Fun Run/Walk, starting at 9 a.m., March 27, 2010. Leif Erikson Hall in Ballard, 2245 N.W. 57<sup>th</sup> St. Leif Erikson Lodge.*

The **Leif to Leif 5K Fun Run/Walk** kicks off at 9 a.m. followed by **Tastes of Norway/Norwegian Cultural and Heritage Day** starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27, 2010. The events are hosted by Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway, 2245 N.W. 57<sup>th</sup> St. in Ballard.

Highlights include presentations and demonstrations of traditional Norwegian handicrafts, music, song, dance and food throughout the day. Put your taste buds to the test and judge local pickled herring to determine who makes the best! Artists will demonstrate weaving, rug tying and knitting and vendors will show off Nordic crafts. Rose painting, or *rosemaling*, a traditional Norwegian craft dating from the 1700s, will be on display.

The kids can have fun with crafts and games, including traditional Viking games still played today.

Local genealogy researchers will be available to assist you with questions about your Norwegian ancestors. See

beautiful *bunader* -- Norwegian folk costumes -- that represent different regions of Norway at the *bunad* parade at 3 p.m.

Enjoy traditional foods available for purchase and see how they are made, including such delicious treats as *krumkake*, *vaffler* and *lefse*. Have a tasty lunch of *smørbrød* (open-faced sandwiches), *ertesuppe* (pea soup), *rømmegrøt* (sour cream porridge) and more.

Learn about Sons of Norway community programs, including our sports and cultural skills medal programs and scholarship programs.

**All are welcome and admission is free. *Velkommen og vær så god!* -- Welcome to our home and table!**

The **5K Leif to Leif Fun Run/Walk** starts at 9 a.m. near the Leif Erikson bust at the entrance to the lodge hall, 2245 N.W. 57<sup>th</sup> St., to the Leif Erikson statue at Shilshole Marina near Golden Gardens Park.

There is a registration fee and applications are available at Leif Erikson Hall prior to the event and at our website: [www.leiferiksonlodge.com](http://www.leiferiksonlodge.com). Registered participants will receive a Norwegian flag to carry on the run and a traditional Norwegian heart waffle afterward! Prizes awarded for best times. Participation counts toward a Sons of Norway sports medal.

206-783-1274; [leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net](mailto:leiferiksonlodge@qwestoffice.net)

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### St. Urho, Continued from page 1

There was, indeed, a dire need for help. Of course, our hero, St. Urho came to the rescue. Urho in Finnish translates into brave or courageous and St. Urho lived up to his name! He rushed into the masses of the hungry, chirping insects with only a rake and without any hesitation to his welfare, he shouted: "**Heinasirkka, Heinasirkka, Memetaalta Hiiteen!**"

For those few people who do not speak Finnish, the magic words mean: Grasshopper, Grasshopper get the blankety, blankety out of Finland! (You can only imagine the expletives that were used.)

So once again, the world was able to enjoy the fine wines from Finland.

Peace and prosperity reigned throughout the world all due to the bravery of St. Urho. Skandia and Katrilli will give honor to this great man at their annual St. Urho party/dance on Friday, March 19 at the Cedar Valley Grange. The evening will begin with Katrilli teaching some fun and lively dances that will get your pulse moving and a smile on your face. Dance instruction 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Folk Voice will provide their very danceable music starting at 8:30 p.m. Be prepared for some swing, tango, music from south of Finland and Scandinavian tunes to keep your feet busy throughout the evening. There will be lots of mixers to make sure that everyone dances as much as their feet will allow. Of course, there will be the

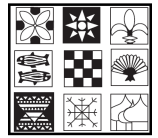
ever so lovely and subtle Grasshopper Humppa Mixer. No words can adequately describe this amazing dance so you need to be present to experience it. Come with or without a partner. Bring your children and introduce them to the fun of dancing.

Last year's St. Urho and Urhoiina will take their final saintly walk and share with us how their lives have been affected throughout the year due to having this honor bestowed upon them. A mini-pronunciation workshop of the chant will be held and then the fierce competition begins in earnest for the new St. Urho and Urhoiina. All are welcomed to compete for this honor. Practice the chant at home and remember it takes great drama and energy to scare masses of grasshoppers. Practicing at home will increase your chances of fame and glory.

After the new saintly couple are crowned, Finnish goodies and drinks will be served during break. The second set will begin with door prizes that you hope you will not win. It is quite important to be dressed properly for this important event. Please wear St. Urho colors—purple for the grapes and green for the stems of the grapes or green to remind yourself of the dead grasshoppers!

Admission is but \$7.00 for Skandia members and \$10.00 for non-members. No charge for those under eighteen. For further information on saintly and non-saintly problems, please call: JoAnne Rudo (206) 329-1443.

*Skandia & Katrilli St. Urho party and dance; Friday, March 19; Cedar Valley Grange; 20526 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W., (Exit 172 from I-5) Lynnwood, WA.*



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[www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org](http://www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org)

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**Monday 1<sup>st</sup>**

**A Room Full of Sisters.** This exhibit recognizes the diversity of women and celebrates Women's History Month by showcasing the work of 17 artists in various mediums. **February 21 - March 28.** Call: 206-322-9374; [www.cartgallery.net](http://www.cartgallery.net).

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Metals**—The work of local metal artists will be featured in an exhibition of metal furniture and architecturally related objects. **March 3 - April 30.** Chase Gallery. [www.spokanearts.org](http://www.spokanearts.org).

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**How Swede It Is**—Come hear Karl-Ove Mannberg, violinist from Sweden, and pianist Lisa Bergman. 4pm, Nordic Heritage Museum. Call: 206-789-5704.

**Mavis Staples**—The Pacific Jazz Institute at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley presents rhythm and blues gospel singer, Mavis Staples. **March 4-7.** 7:30, Jazz Alley. Call: 206-441-9729; [www.jazzalley.com](http://www.jazzalley.com).

**Wells Fargo Free First Thursday**—Enjoy a late stay at the museum to explore the different exhibits courtesy of Wells Fargo. 5-9pm, Museum of Flight. Call: 206-764-5720; [www.museumofflight.org](http://www.museumofflight.org).

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Alice in Wonderland**—Enjoy this new motion picture with an IMAX 3D Experience! Pacific Science Center IMAX Theatre. Call: 206-789-5705.

**First Friday Dance**—Join the Skandia Folkdance Society for their monthly First Friday Dance and hear live music from several outstanding artists. 7:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. Call: 206-784-7470; [www.skandia-folkdance.org](http://www.skandia-folkdance.org).

**Women Fly! Educational Symposium**—More than 100 young women will participate in a day of motivational and career-oriented activities that will allow them to meet and learn from professional women working in flight-related careers. 9am, Museum of Flight. Call: 206-764-5720; [www.museumofflight.org](http://www.museumofflight.org).

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>**

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Concert**—See Geoffrey Castle's annual St. Patrick's Day concert. Kirkland Performing Center. [www.geoffreycastle.com](http://www.geoffreycastle.com); [www.kpcenter.org](http://www.kpcenter.org).

**Cherry Blossom**—Make your own watercolor painting inspired by artwork

that celebrates cherry blossom season. Seattle Asian Art Museum. [www.seattleartmuseum.org](http://www.seattleartmuseum.org).

**Scandinavian Dance**—Come with friends and family for the March Scandinavian Dance with a potluck. 6pm, Island Center Hall. Call: 206-780-8036.

**Bach Birthday Festival**—Hear a performance of Sonatas for Viola da Gamba and Harpsichord during Bach's Birthday Festival. **March 6-7.** Call: 206-726-6088; [www.galleryconcerts.org](http://www.galleryconcerts.org).

**Secret Life of Bugs**—Enjoy a performance by Spyglass Theatre of the Secret Life of Bugs. **March 6-21.** 1pm and 3pm, NW Family Puppet Theatre. Call: 1-800-838-3006; [www.nwpuppet.org](http://www.nwpuppet.org).

**Folkdance in Bellingham**—This next dance will feature two bands from Vancouver, BC - Grupa Dunbarov and Musiki Parea - playing dance music from the Balkans. 8pm, Fairhaven Public Library. Call: 360-733-1815.

**PNW Irish Dance Championships**—Dancers from the Western US and Western Canada will compete throughout the weekend in a variety of solo and group dance events. **March 6-7.** 8am, Hilton Seattle Airport and Conference Center. Call: 206-935-3225; [celticartsnw@hotmail.com](mailto:celticartsnw@hotmail.com).

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>**

**The Slavic Spirit**—Enjoy a concert performance by the Yale Russian Chorus. 4pm, St. Demetrio's Greek Orthodox Church. Call: 503-236-8202; [www.cappellaromana.org](http://www.cappellaromana.org).

**Jean-Yves Thibaudet**—French pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet will perform a distinguished artists series concert featuring several different works. 2pm, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-215-4747; [www.seattlesymphony.org](http://www.seattlesymphony.org).

**St. David's Day Concert**—Hear a performance by the Seattle Welsh Women's Club and the Puget Sound Welsh Assn with A Welsh tea and craft sale after the program. 2:30pm, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Call: 206-524-0854.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**

**In the Seattle region, the world is our past, present and future.** Please join from 5:30-7:30 for a reception highlighting *A Seattle Lens on Global Ties* by Bill Stafford. Ethnic Dress Encouraged! Enjoy the exhibit and understand why our region's international connections and why this will be an important part of the Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) when it moves to Lake Union. Exhibit runs @ McCurdy Gallery, MOHAI—**March 7-**

**July 18.** RSVP by March 5: 206-389-7301; [www.seattlehistory.org](http://www.seattlehistory.org).

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Facets of Love**—Nationally known saxophonist Jeff Kashiwa will perform as a special guest soloist at the Shoreline College Concert Band's Winter Concert. 7:30pm, Shorecrest Performing Arts Center. Call: 206-546-4717; [www.shoreline.edu](http://www.shoreline.edu).

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>**

**EAC**—A FREE one-day gathering, Ethnic Arts Connection provides a place and a time for Northwest artists and presenters to come together, learn about each other and diversify the cultural experiences available for audiences. The biennial event introduces regional artists working in culturally specific traditions to presenters from around the region. Fisher Pavilion, Seattle Center, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Showcase performances, juried 15-minute acts; Visual art displays; Booking opportunities; Networking.. The Ethnic Arts Connection is a collaborative project of Seattle's Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs, Seattle Center, 4Culture, Washington State Arts Commission, Ethnic Heritage Council, Festal and Arts Northwest. Call: Paul Rucker: 206-684-7084.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Spyro Gyra**—The Pacific Jazz Institute at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley presents American Jazz Fusion Spyro Gyra. **March 11-14.** 7:30pm, Jazz Alley. Call: 206-442-9729; [www.jazzalley.com](http://www.jazzalley.com).

**Young Playwrights Festival**—The ACT Theatre is pleased to announce its Young Playwrights Festival featuring works from writers ages 14-18. **March 11-13.** Call: 206-292-7676; [www.acttheatre.org](http://www.acttheatre.org).

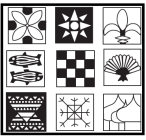
**Wear In The World**—The Art Institute of Seattle presents the 12<sup>th</sup> annual fashion show of student design "Wear In the World". 8pm, The Showbox. Call: 206-239-2562; [www.artinstitute.edu](http://www.artinstitute.edu)

**Moisture Festival.** The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Moisture Festival features a rapid succession of acts showcasing comedy alongside awe-inspiring physical and mental dexterity. **March 11-April 4.** ACT Theatre. [www.moisturefestival.org](http://www.moisturefestival.org). Call: 206-292-7676; [www.acttheatre.org](http://www.acttheatre.org).

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Balkan Cabaret**—Don't miss this rare event! Join Seattle's Balkan Cabaret for an end-of-the-winter dance party. 8:30pm, Russian Center. [www.balkancabaret.com](http://www.balkancabaret.com).

**Tea and Raffle**—Join the Caledonian St. Andrew's Society for some Scottish



Entertainment and a tea and raffle. 7:30pm, Lake City Presbyterian Church. Call: 360-523-2618

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual More Music @ The Moore**—This concert brings together 30 Northwest young musicians that represent diverse musical styles with a focus on cross-cultural collaboration and the fusion of musical cultures. 7:30pm, Moore Theatre. Call: 877-784-4849; [www.stgprepresents.org](http://www.stgprepresents.org).

**Rudrresh Mahanthappa**—Hear a blend of western harmony with southern Indian traditional music by alto saxophonist Rudrresh Manhanthappa. Kirkland Performance Center. Call: 425-893-9900; [www.kpcenter.org](http://www.kpcenter.org).

#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>

**Folklife Fundraiser**—Come to a fundraiser folk dance to benefit NW Folklife. Music provided by Allspice, Folk Voice Band, Orchestar RTW, and La Famille Leger. 7:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. Call: 425-485-1638; [www.scn.org/arts/nfdi/](http://www.scn.org/arts/nfdi/).

**Peter and the Wolf**—The Seattle Symphony will perform Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf as part of the Gilman Family Discover Music Series. 11am, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-215-4747; [www.seattlesymphony.org](http://www.seattlesymphony.org).

**Gliderama**—Bank of America presents their weekend family workshop at the museum. Get the scoop on the "Silent Sport" and then make your own high-flying glider. **March 13-14, 20-21, 27-28**. Museum of Flight. Call: 206-764-5720; [www.museumofflight.org](http://www.museumofflight.org)

**Dehli 2 Dublin**—5-member D2D crew fuse the traditional sounds of table, dhol, fiddle and sitar with cutting-edge with DJ aesthetics to create a multicultural dance celebration. Kirkland Performance Center. Call: 425-893-9900; [www.kpcenter.org](http://www.kpcenter.org).

**2010 Porrablot Celebration**—Join the Icelandic Club of Greater Seattle for their 2010 Porrablot Celebration. 5:30pm, The Swedish Club of Seattle. Call: 206-363-8485.

**A Sea of Tears**. Enjoy music for the Season of Lent with the musical presentation of "A Sea of Tears". 8pm, St. James Cathedral. Call: 206-782-2899; [www.opus7.org](http://www.opus7.org).

**Irish Festival**—Seattle Center Festal's Irish Festival features non-stop live music, dancing and children's activities while exploring Irish and Celtic culture. **March 13-14**. 12-6pm, Seattle Center House. Call: 206-684-7200; [www.seattlecenter.com](http://www.seattlecenter.com).

**Jewish Film Festival**—SIFF Cinema presents the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Seattle Jewish Film Festival. **March 13-17**. McCaw Hall. Call: 206-622-6315; [www.seattlejewishfilmfestival.org](http://www.seattlejewishfilmfestival.org).

#### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>

**Balkan Beat Box**—Balkan Beat Box performs with a core of 6 musicians, collaborating with artists from Bulgaria, Morocco, Spain, Israel, and Turkey who draw on a variety of styles from around the world. Bring friends and family and don't miss this event! 8pm, The Showbox. [www.balkanbeatbox.com](http://www.balkanbeatbox.com).

**Men of Worth**—Enjoy Irish and Scottish folk music and harmonies. Admiral Theatre, Call: 360-373-6743; [www.menofworth.com](http://www.menofworth.com).

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

**Trey McIntyre Project**—The Idaho-based Trey McIntyre Project burst onto the dance scene with its debut performances at the Vail International Dance Festival. **March 18-20**. 8pm, Meany Hall. Call: 206-543-4880; [www.uworldseries.org](http://www.uworldseries.org).

**Martin Taylor**—The Pacific Jazz Institute at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley presents guitarist Martin Taylor. **March 16-17**. 7:30pm, Jazz Alley. Call: 206-441-9729; [www.jazzalley.com](http://www.jazzalley.com).

**3byDove**—PNB performs new pieces **March 18-28**. McCaw Hall. Call: 206-441-2424; [www.pnb.org](http://www.pnb.org); tickets@pnb.org.

**The Two Gentlemen of Verona**—The Seattle Shakespeare Company presents their representation of one of Shakespeare's classics. **March 18-April 11**. [www.seattlecenter.com](http://www.seattlecenter.com).

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

**Village Harmony**—Fire up your musical imagination as well as your voice at Village Harmony's Second Annual Columbia River Gorge Singing Weekend. **March 19-21**. Menucha Retreat and Conference Center. [www.villageharmony.org](http://www.villageharmony.org).

**Third Friday Dance**—Join the Skandia Folkdance Society for their monthly Third Friday Dance and help them celebrate St. Urho's Day. 7:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. Call: 206-784-7470; [www.skandia-folkdance.org](http://www.skandia-folkdance.org).

**Tajci—Lenton Tour 2010**—Hear Tajci Cameron, born in Croatia, perform sacred songs during the Lenton Tour 2010. 7pm, St. Mark Catholic Church, Shoreline. Call: 206-364-7900; [www.idobelieve.com](http://www.idobelieve.com).

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#### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

**The Wonderland Tea Party**—There's silliness brewing in Wonderland and lots of fun and laughter to be had. Join us for silly antics of the Mad Hatter and the Queen of Hearts: with musical mayhem, large colorful props, audience interaction and loads of physical comedy. 11am, Shoreline Community College Theatre. Call: 206-417-4645; [www.zambinibrothers.com](http://www.zambinibrothers.com).

**Kalevala Festival**—The Finnish Choral Society presents their 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Kalevala Festival. 10am, Living Hope Lutheran Church. Call: 425-241-0497; [www.finnishschoolofseattle.org](http://www.finnishschoolofseattle.org).

**The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace**—In its annual Musica da Coro concert, the Sno-King Community Chorale will perform Welsh composer Karl Jenkins' The Armed Man: Mass for Peace. 3:30pm and 7:30pm, Trinity Lutheran Church. Call: 425-673-1242; [www.sno-kingchorale.org](http://www.sno-kingchorale.org).

**Anacortes Youth Sports Coalition Auction**—Support this wonderful group that promotes sports for youth in Anacortes. Come for both silent and live auctions, dinner, drinks, and a great time. Call: 360-299-4335.

**Celtic Tenors**—Hear the most successful cross over artists to ever come out of Ireland at this special concert. 7:30pm, Edmonds Center for the Arts. Call: 425-275-4485; [www.celtictenors.com](http://www.celtictenors.com).

**Soaring Expo**—The member clubs of the Seattle Glider Council present a glimpse into the fascinating world of silent flight at the Soaring Expo 2010. **March 20-21**. 10am-5pm, Museum of Flight. Call: 206-764-5720; [www.museumofflight.org](http://www.museumofflight.org).

**Sevdah and Saudades**—Local Seattle artists gather for the first ever Bosnian and Brazilian jam concert and culture conversation. 7pm, Rainier Valley Cultural Center. [www.sevdahnorthamerica.org](http://www.sevdahnorthamerica.org).

**2010 Abu Dhabi Festival**—Under the patronage of the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, this festival includes a variety



## EHC Newsletter Goes Electronic!

In the time of email, internet, and tighter budgets, EHC has decided to try something new!

We look to save a few dollars and time each month by **sending the monthly newsletter and calendar of ethnic events via email to our membership** while continuing to make it available in print on the EHC website.

For those of you who enjoy reading the newsletter along with your morning coffee or afternoon tea, we will continue to mail the newsletter to you the traditional way, via U.S. Postal Service.

We want to hear from you! Let us know what you think!

The giant task ahead is gathering email addresses! Send us yours!

So, if we don't hear from you, we will assume you prefer the U.S. Mail version.

Email EHC: [ehc@seattle.gov](mailto:ehc@seattle.gov); Call: 206-443-1410; Visit: [www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org](http://www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org)

Thank you to those who have already responded & we cherish your friendship and on-going support of EHC by your continued membership and attending our Ethnic Heritage Council events throughout the year.

- EHC staff (Alma & Maria)

***Festál 2010** presented by Seattle Center in partnership with community organizations, is a year-long series of FREE events that honors the cultural richness and diversity of the Pacific Northwest.*

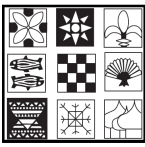
*Festál plays a vital part in Seattle Center efforts to connect our dynamic and varied communities.*

*This collection of 22 events is presented with the generous support of Wells Fargo, Verizon Wireless and KUOW 94.9 Public Radio. Additional support is provided by The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, The Boeing Company, Seattle Center Fund and the City of Seattle.*

Visit: <http://www.seattlecenter.com/events/festivals/festal/>

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| February 6-7:    | <b><u>Tết Festival - Vietnamese Lunar New Year</u></b>                        |
| March 13-14:     | <b><u>Irish Festival</u></b>                                                  |
| April 16-18:     | <b><u>Seattle Cherry Blossom &amp; Japanese Cultural Festival</u></b>         |
| May 2:           | <b><u>Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration</u></b>               |
| May 8:           | <b><u>Spirit of West Africa</u></b>                                           |
| May 22:          | <b><u>A Glimpse of China - Chinese Culture and Arts Festival</u></b>          |
| May 28-31:       | <b><u>Northwest Folklife Festival</u></b>                                     |
| June 12-13:      | <b><u>Festival Sundiata: African-American Celebration</u></b>                 |
| June 5-6:        | <b><u>Pagdiriwang Philippine Festival</u></b>                                 |
| June 19:         | <b><u>Iranian Festival</u></b>                                                |
| July 10-11:      | <b><u>Bastille Day - A French Celebration</u></b>                             |
| August 2011:     | <b><u>Arab Festival</u></b>                                                   |
| August 15:       | <b><u>BrasilFest</u></b>                                                      |
| August 28-29:    | <b><u>Tibet Fest</u></b>                                                      |
| September 11:    | <b><u>Korean Cultural Celebration</u></b>                                     |
| September 12:    | <b><u>Live Aloha Hawaiian Cultural Festival</u></b>                           |
| September 18-19: | <b><u>Seattle Fiestas Patrias</u></b>                                         |
| September 25-26: | <b><u>Italian Festival</u></b>                                                |
| October 3:       | <b><u>CroatiaFest</u></b>                                                     |
| October 9-10:    | <b><u>Utsav - South Asian Performing Arts Festival</u></b>                    |
| October 16-17:   | <b><u>TurkFest</u></b>                                                        |
| October 30-31:   | <b><u>Dia de Muertos - A Mexican Remembrance to Remember Our Departed</u></b> |
| November 6:      | <b><u>Hmong New Year Celebration</u></b>                                      |

*EHC is proud of its association with Festál and supports the work of our many ethnic communities in the Puget Sound Area and across Washington State in the name of preserving cultures.*



of educational programs and musical performances that are sure to entertain people of all ages. **March 20-April 17.** [www.admaf.org](http://www.admaf.org).

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Hansel and Gretel**—Come See the Pacific Northwest Ballet's interpretation of the classic story of Hansel and Gretel. **March 21 & 27.** Call: 206-441-2425; [www.pnb.org](http://www.pnb.org).

**Matzoh Momma Brunch and Family Fun**—Come for fresh homemade, flavorful Jewish comfort food, and musical performances with the Jim Mirel Shalom Ensemble as well as a costume contest and screening of the classic Yiddish film *Tevye*. Call: 206-622-6315; [www.seattlejewishfilmfestival.org](http://www.seattlejewishfilmfestival.org).

**Tuesday 23<sup>d</sup>**

**Shen Yun Performing Arts**—Discover the show that has won the hearts of millions. **March 23 & 24.** Call: (800) 393-6802; [www.stgprepresents.org](http://www.stgprepresents.org)

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Varjoja Paratiisissa**—Films from Finland Series presents Varjoja Paratiisissa (*Shadows in Paradise*). 7:30pm, Swedish Cultural Center. Call: 206-283-1090.

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Pipe Band Concert**—Come hear the sounds of the Keith Highlanders at the

Pipe Band Concert. March 25-27. Kirkland Performance Center. [www.kpcenter.org](http://www.kpcenter.org).

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Day of Remembrance**—Come for this special program on the impact of World War II on Japanese American and Japanese Canadians. 7pm, Kane Hall.

**Whirligig**—Seattle Center's Whirligig offers crafts, clowns, and carnival fun for kids. Seattle Center is transformed into an indoor funfest filled with eye-popping décor, roaming clowns and face painters. **March 26-April 11.** Seattle Center House. Call: 206-684-7200; [www.seattlecenter.com](http://www.seattlecenter.com).

**Old-time Dance**—Gather with friends and family for music and dancing at the Scandinavian old-time dance. 8pm, Swedish Cultural Center. [www.folkdancing.com](http://www.folkdancing.com).

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Tastes of Norway/Norwegian Cultural and Heritage Day**—Enjoy traditional foods, see demonstrations of handicrafts, music, song, and dance throughout the day and learn more about Norwegian Culture. 10am, Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001. Call: 206-783-1274; [www.leiferiksonlodge.com](http://www.leiferiksonlodge.com).

**Sally Jacks 15<sup>th</sup> Annual March Madness Potluck and Folk Dance**—Enjoy a pot-

luck as well as dancing with music by the Folk Voice Band during this March Madness celebration. 6pm. Call: 253-588-8920.

**Brazil!** Eduardo Mendonça and Show Brazil will be featuring a new show with highly energetic performances and beautifully costumed dancers. The show will begin with a look back and the roots of Brazilian music and dance and build into the modern Brazilian Carnival. 7:30pm, Northshore Performing Arts Center. Call: 425-408-7997; [www.npacf.org](http://www.npacf.org).

**Scottish Festival**—Come for the **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Tartan Day Scottish Festival** and celebrate Scottish culture. 10am, Puyallup Fairgrounds. [www.tartanday-wa.org](http://www.tartanday-wa.org).

**Vela Luka Croatian Dance Ensemble Spring Festa!** Dinner, dancing, raffle and performance by Vela Luka and Ruze Dalmatinke. 5:30pm, Croatian Cultural Center, Anacortes. Call: 360-293-3663; [office@depotartscenter.org](mailto:office@depotartscenter.org); [www.velaluka.org](http://www.velaluka.org).

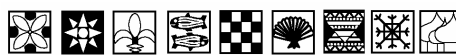
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**Multicultural Events at KCLS Programs for Children, Families and Adults.** Visit: [www.kcls.org](http://www.kcls.org).

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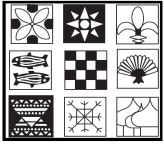
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**Heritage Circle Members receive:** Same benefits as EHC Members. Plus: Free advertising - newsletter/website; Event/meeting location, as available at Seattle Center.

- \$35 Individual/Student
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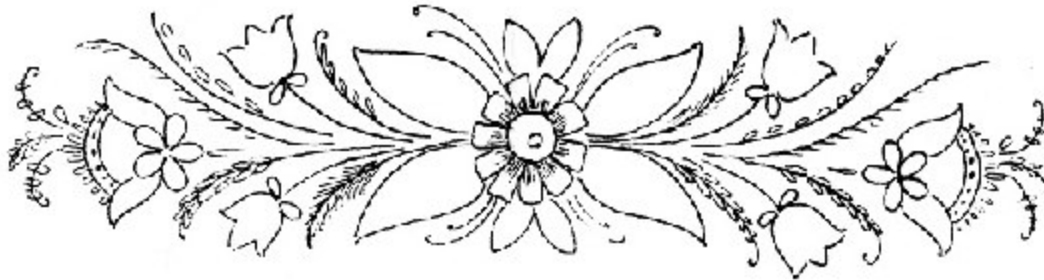
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Tastes of Norway  
with the  
Leif to Leif Fun Run / Walk  
Norwegian Cultural/Heritage Day  
Saturday, March 27, 2010  
10AM-4PM  
9AM-Noon Leif to Leif Fun Run/ Walk

Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Sons of Norway  
2245 NW 57<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle WA 98107

A portion of the proceeds goes to the Humanitarian Fund of  
Sons of Norway Foundation

Cooking and craft demonstrations

Genealogy and family history

Entertainment and special topic presentations throughout the day

- 10:00 AM Richard Svensson, accordion
- 11:00 AM Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle
- 12 Noon Richard Svensson, accordion
- 1:00 PM Thor Christiansen, accordion
- 2:00 PM Parade of Norwegian folk costumes
- 3:00 PM Leikarringen of Leif Erikson Lodge 2-001, Norwegian folk dancers

Velkommen og vær så god! / Welcome to our home and table

Have a cup of coffee with Krumkake / Lefse

Smørbrød / open face sandwiches

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