

# Sons of Norway

## Polar Star Lodge 5-472

Meetings on the first Sunday of the month – Potluck at 1:30 p.m.  
St. Olaf Lutheran Church – Douglas Road, Montgomery, IL

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### President's Message



Hello Polar Star Lodge!

How fun it was to host the Rotheim family at our first Polar Star Chili Cook Off!. Congratulations to Steve for earning the title... "First Polar Star Chili Chief!" Thanks also to Jeri Lynn for supporting the District 5 Chili Activity and organizing our involvement!

Hope you are all digging out your garage sale treasures to auction off at the Penny Social. See you all March 5<sup>th</sup>!

Your President,  
Ken Johnson

And the WINNER is....



Thank you to everyone who participated in our Chili Cook Off. We had seven entries and lots of "tasters". The winning entry belonged to Steve Tanda! Way to go Steve!! His name will be submitted to the district and he should be receiving a blue ribbon from District 5. He received a Chili Pepper "medal" along with a wooden sign, "If you feed them they will come", as a prize at our Polar Star Lodge.

## POLAR STAR PENNY SOCIAL

Sunday, March 5, 2017  
St. Olaf Lutheran Church  
1:30 p.m. potluck  
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Polar Star Newsletter Deadline  
Will be the 14<sup>th</sup> of every month.  
Please submit all articles to Barb  
Johnson at  
[barbijohnsonb@aol.com](mailto:barbijohnsonb@aol.com)  
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# Member News!

## POLAR STAR PENNY SOCIAL



**March 5 2016 - 1:30 p.m.**

Bring your garage sale treasures for re-sale at our Penny Social Auction. Tickets will be sold for 25 cents each. Potluck will begin at 1:30 pm followed by the auction. Don't forget to bring your auction items, a dish to pass, and your own table service.



### 32<sup>ND</sup> Annual Ham & Kumla Dinner



### & Silent Auction

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**Saturday, February 18, 2017**

Seatings at 4, 5, 6 & 7 pm

At Newark Fire Station, corner of Main & Jackson Streets  
Newark, Illinois

Adults \$13 Children under 8 \$5

Carry out dinners are available at .50 cents extra each.

Tickets can be purchased at Heartland Bank in Newark and Millbrook or by sending a self addressed stamped envelope with your check and order to:

Fern Dell Historic Association, Box 254, Newark IL 60541.  
Please designate number of tickets and seating time on your order.

Sponsored by Fern Dell Historic Association, 9 E. Front Street

For more info:

Ben 630-553-2798  
Vic 630-957-7846

Van 815-695-5656  
Arlene 815-695-5638

[www.ferndell.org](http://www.ferndell.org)  
[info@ferndell.org](mailto:info@ferndell.org)

## Karen earns Culture Medals



## Stamps and Genealogy



Eva and Bengt Rotheim



Thanks Rotheim Family for judging our chili and for sharing your time with us!

# POLAR STAR LODGE FIELD TRIP 2017

July 20-22. 2017

## Thursday, July 20:

Arrive in Stoughton – Attend “Liv Reiser” Norwegian Heritage Center

- check into Quality Inn and Suites – Stoughton, WI
- Dinner as a group at the Viking Brew Pub in Stoughton

## Friday, July 21:

- Breakfast in Hotel and then head for Madison
- Attend the American Genealogical Center (See schedule below)
- Center opens at 10:00 - We will have a group instructor
- Back to Stoughton for dinner and overnight stay

## Saturday, July 22:

- Breakfast in Hotel, check out, head for Old World Wisconsin
- 1 hour drive from Stoughton to Old World
- Old World Wisconsin guided tram tour (Time TBD)
- Lunch as a group on the grounds (Clausing Café)
- Shop & tour the (10) ten ethnic Farmsteads
- Head home at your leisure

**Hotel Cost:** \$109.00 + tax per night at the Quality Inn & Suites in Stoughton.

**Call to reserve your room (608-877-9000)** and ask for Gloria.

Tell them you are with Sons of Norway.

**Admission to Genealogy Center:** \$15.00 per person + additional fee for a group instructor

**See attached proposed schedule and cost for the Family History Research Workshop**

**Old World Wisconsin Admission fee:** Seniors (65+ = \$16.00) Adults: \$19.00

Group rate (20 or more) – Additional fee of \$150.00 for a Narrated Tram Group Guide

**Lunch at Old World:** Clausing Café sandwich prices approx. \$10.00 – group lunch can be provided if we have 20 participant

**Proposed Schedule and cost for Day 2 of the Genealogy Field Trip. This schedule was prepared by the Director of the Norwegian American Genealogical Center.**

## **Polar Star Lodge - Sons of Norway Norwegian American Genealogical Center & Naeseth Library**

*Family History Research Workshop  
Friday, July 21, 2017  
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM*

8:30	Registration and coffee
9:00	Introductions and welcome  Session on naming patterns, farm names, and language
10:00	Tour of downstairs; discuss NAGC services and fee structures
11:00	Coffee and break
11:15	Overview of reading church records, government units
12:30	Lunch
1:00	Reading church records
2:30	“Putting it all together” using Sons of Norway cultural skill award criteria
3:15	Coffee and break
3:30	Wrap up session to include questions and answers, survey, input for future Sons of Norway sessions
5:00	End of Workshop

Please bring your genealogical research with you for the class and have in mind some goals, as time will be provided for research. I try to stick with the program but sometimes the class presents questions and concerns, so I am flexible! Included please find a form that we use here at the Center to help you organize who/what you are searching for and where.

Lunch will be provided. Participants will choose their selection during the 8:30 registration. Coffee will be available throughout the day. Parking is available either alongside or behind the building.

**This workshop will cost each participant \$150.00** (\$100.00 if you are a member.... Membership is \$40.00) **which includes coffee, snacks and beverages throughout the day, lunch, and a copy of “A Research Guide for Norwegian Genealogy”.** **Please contact Barb Johnson to register for this workshop.**

Those who do not attend will be free to shop in Madison or hang out in Stoughton for the day.



# Represent Polar Star in the District 5 Bowling Challenge



**Contact Polar Star Sports Director, Jerri Lynn Baker, if you are interested in bowling in the District 5 Bowling Competition.**

**Cost: \$5.00 (check made to Sons of Norway) + \$2.50 per game. \$2.00 for shoes**

**Possible dates: Sunday March 12 or Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Parkside Lanes in Montgomery. Vote for the date and register with Jerri Lynn at 630-554-2509 or by email at [lovingmom@comcast.net](mailto:lovingmom@comcast.net).**

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## Coming Soon in April...

### BAKED GOODS AND DESSERTS

**Polar Star members will be baking again in April to work toward Part 2 of the Traditional Norwegian Food Culture Medal. We will begin baking at noon with recipes (oppskrift) in the following categories.**

- **Fancy cakes: bløtkake**
  - **Bread: vaffler**
  - **Cookies: TBD**
- **Dessert: Fruktsuppe**

# Polar Star 5-472 - 2017 Events and Programs

1:30 p.m. St. Olaf Lutheran Church – Montgomery, IL (unless listed)

<b>MARCH 5</b>	<b>PENNY SOCIAL</b> Kitchen Committee: Carol D., Frank K, Steve & Sue T.
<b>APRIL 2</b>	<b>TRADITIONAL NORWEGIAN DESSERTS</b> <i>Kitchen Committee needed</i>
<b>MAY 7</b>	<b>PREPARING FOR SYTTENDEMAI</b> Kitchen Committee: Ed. H, Diana R., Don D.
<b>JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup></b>	<b>NORWAY MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE AND BREAKFAST</b>
<b>JULY 10, 12, &amp; 14</b>	<b>“HOW TO BE A VIKING” CHILDRENS WORKSHOPS</b>
<b>JULY 20-22</b>	<b>Polar Star Field Trip</b>
<b>AUGUST 6</b>	<b>The Lindebrekke Scandinavian Experience</b> <i>Kitchen Committee needed</i>
<b>SEPTEMBER 10</b>	<b>VASA PARK 9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>OCTOBER 1</b>	<b>PROGRAM TBA</b> Kitchen committee: Floyd and Sherry A. Jerri Lynn B.
<b>NOVEMBER 5</b>	<b>Høstfest begins at 11:30 a.m</b>
<b>DECEMBER 3</b>	<b>JULETREFEST</b> Kitchen committee: Art & Nancy A., Ken & Barb J.

## Continue To Save Your Canceled Postage Stamps for Tubfrim In 2017

Supported by Sons of Norway, Tubfrim is a Norwegian charitable organization originally started in 1928 to help fight tuberculosis. Since tuberculosis is no longer the threat it once was, today Tubfrim resells the cancelled stamps and donates the proceeds to help disabled and needy children.

Clip canceled stamps from envelopes, leaving at least a quarter of an inch around the edges. Be sure to take the time to cut the stamps properly. Stamps can't be used if they are torn, have extra layers of envelope behind them, or are on a string of multiple stamps (such as 3 stamps in a row without the spacing). Non-profit and bulk stamps also can't be used.

Stamps from any country and all styles of stamps are accepted. For envelopes or postcards over 40-50 years old, submit the entire envelope or postcard. Bring stamps to a regular meeting; there will be a Tubfrim container on the hallway table, next to the meeting sign-in book. The Polar Star Tubfrim designate prepares and periodically sends the stamps to the Sons of Norway Tubfrim chairperson.



## Gratulerer Med Dagen (Happy Birthday) Polar Star Members!

### FEBRUAR

- 16. Jeremy Olson
- 17. Karen Anderson
- 20. Phillip Nelson
- 27. Richard Larson
- 29. Ed Hatteberg

### MARCH

- 3. Chase Austin
- 4. Betty Landorf
- 5. Katie Countryman
- 8. Erika Kreppert
- 9. Alison Jeannette Richard

