

# 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



President Ken examines Don's genealogy display

### Hello Polar Star Lodge

Thanks to all of you who participated and attended our Family Tree event. What an outstanding display of family history and pride. We have such an awesome lodge and I am proud of all of you!

Syttende mai celebrations are coming! Plan to join Polar Star as we attend the festivities in Park Ridge on May 14<sup>th</sup> and May 15<sup>th</sup>. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Your President  
Ken Johnson



Polar Star members earn  
Genealogy Medals  
at the  
Polar Star Family Tree  
Fair on April 3<sup>rd</sup>!

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### Upcoming Events POLAR STAR MAY DAY

Sunday, May 1, 2016  
St. Olaf Lutheran Church  
1:30 p.m. potluck  
See article on page 2

Polar Star Newsletter Deadline  
Will be the 14<sup>th</sup> of every month.  
Please submit all articles to Barb  
Johnson at  
[barbjjohnsonb@aol.com](mailto:barbjjohnsonb@aol.com)  
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# **POLAR STAR CELEBRATES MAY DAY**

**May 1, 2016**

**Potluck begins at 1:30 p.m.**

**Please bring your own table service  
and a dish to pass.**



The District 5 Lodge Meeting will be held June 22-26 at Hotel Marshfield in Marshfield, WI. Hotel Marshfield: 2700 S. Central Avenue, Marshfield, WI 54449. Phone: 715.387.2700 or Toll Free: 855.583.2700. Room rates: Ask for Sons of Norway room block. \$109 for two beds (sleeps four) or king (sleeps 2), \$119 for studio suites and \$129 for two room suites. Delegate fee: \$65 and include Friday lunch and Saturday lunch, four coffee breaks, and registration materials.

## **Member News!**

### **POLAR STAR PILGRIMS**



All of the Polar Star Pilgrims together for the first time to celebrate their Virtual Pilgrimage



Polar Star  
welcomes New Members  
Mike and Sandy Krickeberg



**In Memoriam  
Thomas W. Skogen  
March 19, 1933- April 10, 2016**



**Loved and Remembered!**



*Syttende Mai* (May 17<sup>th</sup>) is the day Norway ratified its constitution in 1814 at Eidsvoll. They did not, however, become independent from Sweden until 1905 and until then *Syttende Mai* celebrations were frowned upon and even forbidden. Now, Norwegians celebrate their constitution with excited crowds, especially children, marching through the streets waving flags, singing songs, and celebrating their nation's independence. *Syttende Mai* is a great opportunity to celebrate freedom wherever it occurs

### **Where to Celebrate....**

#### **Park Ridge, Illinois**

- Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m., join the Polar Star Lodge delegation at the Syttende mai Banquet at the Park Ridge Country Club. Contact Frances Berg for reservations and pricing.
- Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> march with Polar Star in the Park Ridge, Illinois Syttende mai Parade. Pre-parade activities begin at noon in Hodges Park. Parade set up at the Funeral Home on Talcott and Cumberland. Parade kicks off at 1:00 p.m. Kenny could use help with set up.

#### **Stoughton, Wisconsin**

**May 13-16 Stoughton has a complete weekend of events planned – check their website for a complete schedule of events**

<http://stoughtonwi.com/syttendemai/schedule.asp>

#### **Decorah, Iowa.....2016 events on May 17**

- **9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Museum open with free admssion.
- **10:00 a.m.** Tour of museum's Main Building.
- **11:30 a.m.** Tour of museum's Open Air Division.
- **12:30-1:00 p.m.** Gather for Children's Parade, at the Winneshiek County Courthouse, on Main Street
- **1:00 p.m.** Children's Parade through Decorah led by Decorah's Nordic Dancers. The route starts on Main Street at the Winneshiek County Courthouse, then travels north along Washington Street to Water Street, then west on Water Street to Mill Street. Everyone is invited to march along, or cheer from the sidewalks. Norwegian flags will be provided for everyone marching.
- **1:20-2:00 p.m.** Vesterheim welcome and Decorah's [Nordic Dancers](#) perform on Mill St. at the museum.
- **2:00 p.m.** Tours of museum's Main Building and Open Air Division.

<http://vesterheim.org/events/annual/syttende-m>

# POLAR STAR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 1 PREPARING FOR SYTTENDE MAI

JUNE 5 MIDSUMMER CELEBRATION

JUNE 22-24 S of N DISTRICT 5 CONVENTION MARSHFIELD, WI

JULY (Thursdays) "HOW TO BE A VIKING" CHILDRENS WORKSHOPS

JULY Polar Star Field Trip – TBA looking for ideas!!!!

AUGUST 7 NORWEGIAN BARN DANCE WITH CLENG PEERSON

SEPTEMBER 11 VASA PARK 9:00 a.m.

OCTOBER 2: PROGRAM TBA

NOVEMBER 6 Høstfest begins at 11:30 a.m.

DECEMBER 4 JULETREFEST

## 2016 POLAR STAR KITCHEN COMMITTEE

MAY 1	Carol Devito and Frank Krawczyk Pat Baughman
JUNE 5	Hosts still needed. Meeting will be held at Anderson Tree Farm
OCTOBER 2	Jerri Lynn Baker Phoebe Bergh
DECEMBER 4	Polar Star Board Members

## Continue To Save Your Canceled Postage Stamps for Tubfrim In 2016

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.





Everyone loves the ...

# TASTE OF NORWAY BREAKFAST !!



Even Rolf the Viking LOVES Fried Kumla!



Sat., June 4, 2016 7 to 11 a.m.

Norway Community Bldg.  
Norway, IL

*Just off Route 71 (West)*

Wide variety of items including Ham, sausage, **FRIED KUMLA**, scrambled eggs w/chives, **NORWEGIAN WAFFLES**, guma, fresh fruit and so much more!  
UFFDA, you're bound to fill up here!



## ADULTS

\$8 (Advance Sales)  
\$9 (at the door)

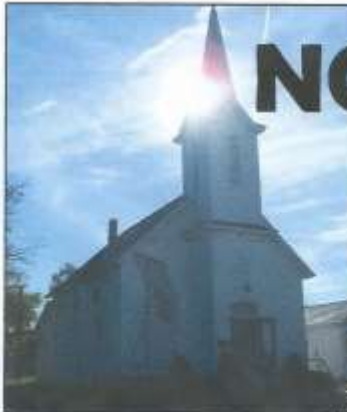


## CHILDREN (under 8)

\$5 (Advance Sales)  
\$6 (at the door)

Phone (815) 343-5070 for more information and tickets  
Or Email @ [david7dog@yahoo.com](mailto:david7dog@yahoo.com)

All proceeds help support the Norsk Museum and its efforts. Norwegian Center incorporated is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization



# NORSK MUSEUM

## GRAND OPENING

Saturday, June 4, 2016

9 miles NE of Ottawa  
on Highway 71

After your delicious Norwegian Breakfast, come and join us at the **Norsk Museum!** New displays, lots to see and to learn! **COME, ENJOY!**

[www.norskmuseum.org](http://www.norskmuseum.org)  
[Facebook/Norsk Museum](https://www.facebook.com/NorskMuseum)



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

### APRIL

19 Phoebe Bergh  
23 Jerri Lynn Baker  
29 Michael Farinelli  
30 Diana Raimond

### MAI

7 Ken Nordan  
13 Brownwyn Minor  
13. Robert Egness  
13. Phyllis Benson (Barb's Mom)

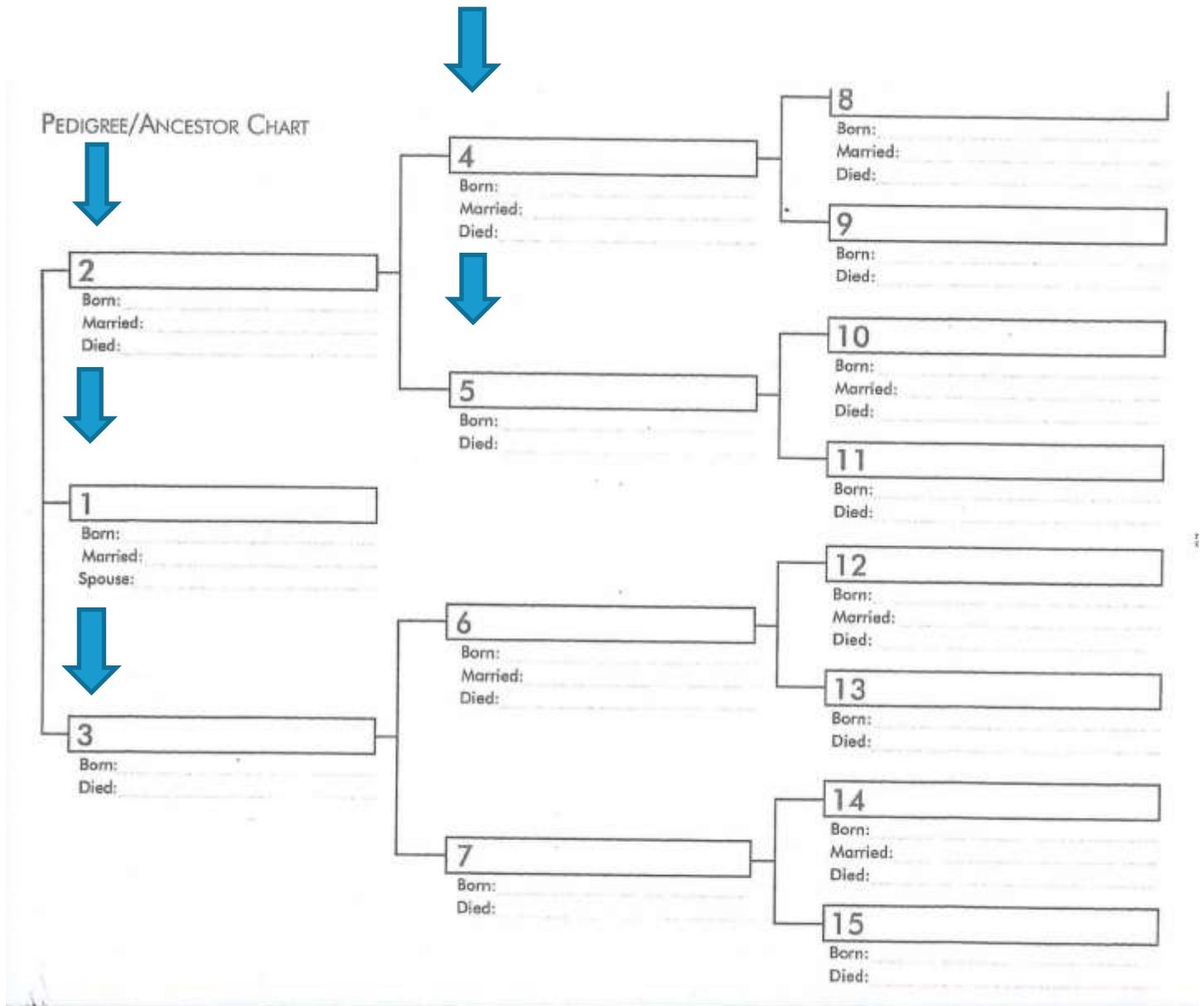


GRATULERER MED DAGEN MAMMA 95 ÅR  
Hip Hip Hurrah!



**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO TURN IN YOUR PAPERWORK TO EARN THE PART 1 GENEALOGY MEDAL.**

1. COMPLETE THE ARROWED PARTS OF THE PEDIGREE/ANCESTOR CHART
2. COMPLETE 3 FAMILY GROUP SHEETS – FOR YOU, YOUR PARENTS, AND ONE SET OF GRANDPARENTS
3. CITE YOUR SOURCES FOR THE 5 PEOPLE LISTED ON YOUR PEDIGREE/ANCESTOR CHART
4. TELL A STORY ABOUT YOUR FAMILY
5. FILL OUT THE PIN APPLICATION FORM
6. COMPLETE THE EVALUATION



Complete three family group sheets 1) for you and your spouse; 2) your parents, and 3) your grandparents

### FAMILY GROUP SHEET

Husband's Name:		
	Date:	Place:
Born:		
Baptized:		
Married:		
Died:		
Buried:		
Mother:		
Father:		
Other Wives:		

Wife's Name:		
	Date:	Place:
Born:		
Baptized:		
Married:		
Died:		
Buried:		
Mother:		
Father:		
Other Husbands:		

### CHILDREN OF COUPLE

Name:		
	Date:	Place:
Born:		
Baptized:		
Married:		
Died:		
Buried:		
Spouse:		
Children:		

Name:		
	Date:	Place:
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**Complete a source sheet for every person (#1 - #5) on the Ancestor Chart**

### SOURCES LIST

For each part of this unit you will add a certain number of people to your Ancestor Chart. For each person you add to the Ancestor Chart, document your findings with as many primary sources and records as possible. Cite your sources by completing this list of sources. Include the type and location of each source you used for each person. Remember, you only need to complete this information for five people in Part 1, four people in Part 2, and six people in Part 3.

PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SOURCES: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_  
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SOURCES: \_\_\_\_\_  
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LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
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PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_  
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SOURCES: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# PIN APPLICATION FORM - GENEALOGY PART 1

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION: (required)

Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_ District #: 5 Lodge #: 472

### 1. Activities 1, 2 and 3

- Submit your Ancestor Chart, sources list and Family Group Sheets. You can either send copies of them in to Sons of Norway Headquarters, or have your lodge cultural director (or lodge officer) sign here to verify that you have completed these requirements for Part 1.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Lodge Cultural Skills Admin/Officer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### 2. Family Story

- Attach a copy of the family story you completed for Activity 4.

### 3. Learning Activity #

Polar Star Lodge Family Tree Fair

- If your Learning Activity requires you to write a short summary, attach it as a separate document.

### 4. Evaluation Form

Have you received Cultural Skills Program pin awards previously?  Yes  No

If yes, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Cultural Skills Applicant)\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*\*By signing this form and accepting awards you are giving Sons of Norway Headquarters permission to use your photos in future promotional materials.

## UNIT EVALUATION FORM - GENEALOGY PART 1

For each of the four questions below, please check the box that fits your opinion most accurately.

	Agree	Disagree
1 Instructions for this part were easy to follow.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Requirements for this part were reasonable.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Learning Activities provided a lot of choices.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 Required activities were interesting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This part has (check all that apply):

- Helped me gain a better appreciation of Norwegian heritage & culture.
- Increased my involvement with other lodge members (such as participation in formal & informal discussions, presentations, formal group activities, etc.).
- Increased the interest of my lodge in the Cultural Skills Program because of my participation through special interest groups, presentations, or cultural fairs.
- Offered me an opportunity to involve or pass on this skill/interest to family members or other interested individuals.
- Helped prepare me to participate in the district and/or International Folk Art Exhibition & Competition.

**FEEDBACK:** To improve the unit, please add comments and suggestions. Your comments are confidential and in no way affect the awarding of your earned pin or bar.

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