

# 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 conducts the Penny Social with Betsy and Frank**

### Hello Polar Star Lodge

Thanks to all of you who participated and attended our March Penny Social. We had such a great time re-distributing all of our “treasures”. I’m so glad that we can now call Josie a member of our “team” (although she has already been a valued member for quite some time)!

Don’t forget to get registered for the Polar Star Field Trip in July. Barb needs to confirm numbers for the Genealogy Workshop so contact her as soon as possible if you plan to attend.

Your President  
Ken Johnson

**HURRAH FOR DEG  
SON FYLLER DITT  
Celebrating Birthdays!**



**Ed. H., Carol D., Steve T., Art A.  
all celebrated birthdays at the March  
Lodge Meeting**

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### Upcoming Events

## **POLAR STAR Come for Coffee CULTURE EVENT**

Sunday, April 2 , 2017  
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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Sons of Norway – Polar Star Lodge**

# **POLAR STAR**

## **COME FOR COFFEE**

### **With Inger Langsholt**

April 2, 2017

Potluck begins at 1:30 p.m.

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



We will be completing the Part 2 requirements for our Cooking Culture Medals as we prepare desserts for the Lodge. Please arrive by noon and contact Barb or Nancy if you will be a baking participant so we can organize baking teams.

We will be preparing the following desserts

Fancy Cake: Bløtkake

Bread: Vafler

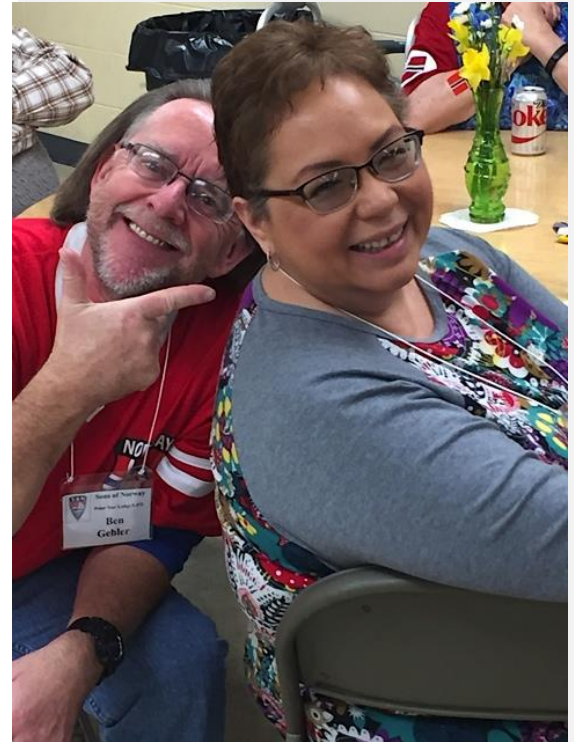
Cookies: Serinakake

Dessert: Fruktsuppe and Tilslørte Bondepiker

Inger Langsholt, the author of “Come for Coffee” will be our guest speaker as we enjoy our desserts. She will talk with us about the importance of coffee and desserts in providing Norwegian hospitality.

## **Member News!**

**Meet our newest member!**



Polar Star is delighted that Josie G. is now officially a member of our Lodge.

**District 5 Bowling Challenge**  
**March 26<sup>th</sup> – Parkside Lanes**  
**2:00 p.m.**



**Contact Polar Star Sports Director,**  
**Jerri Lynn, if you will be**  
**participating at 630-554-2509 or**  
**email at [lovingmom@comcast.net](mailto:lovingmom@comcast.net)**

**Cost: \$5.00 + \$2.50 per game and**  
**\$2.00 for shoes**

## Polar Star 5-472 2016 PROGRAMS

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

**APRIL 2** Come for Coffee!

**MAY** PREPARING FOR SYTTENDEMAI

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Norway Museum Open House and Breakfast

**JULY 10,12, 14** “HOW TO BE A VIKING” CHILDRENS WORKSHOPS

**JULY 20-22** Polar Star Field Trip

**AUGUST 6** – The Lindebrekke Scandinavian Experience

**SEPTEMBER 10** VASA PARK 9:00 a.m.

**OCTOBER 1** : TBA

**NOVEMBER 5:** Høstfest begins at 11:30 a.m.

**DECEMBER 3:** JULETREFEST

## 2017 POLAR STAR KITCHEN COMMITTEE

<b>APRIL 2</b>	<b>NEEDED</b>
<b>MAY 7</b>	<b>Ed H. and Diana R. Don D.</b>
<b>OCTOBER 1</b>	<b>Jerri Lynn B Floyd and Sherry A.</b>
<b>DECEMBER 3</b>	<b>Polar Star Board Members</b>

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**TUBFRIM**  
NO-3540 NESBYEN - NORGE





Now hear this! ***“One Meeting of the Norway Temperance Association,”*** an original musical written by Rob Borchsenius, will be performed at the Norway, Illinois Community Building on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. Some of you will remember Rob from the 2016 Syttende Mai weekend where his father Wayne was honored, along with Dave Johnson, as grand marshals for the weekend.

In case you didn't know, Norway, Illinois was once (1909-1959) a hotbed of temperance activities, and the meetings of the Temperance Society, as well as many other community activities, were held in the Temperance Building in Norway. Rob is an extraordinary story teller and has in his possession minutes of one of the meetings of the Temperance Society. He has combined his story-telling talent with a talent for writing and performing music. This play is Rob's latest venture in the musical field, and it promises to be an evening of fun and entertainment... because it is rumored there will be beer and wine available at the dinner. Don't be surprised if Carrie Nation shows up wielding an axe to rid the place of demon rum! And, the waiters and waitresses will be the musicians and will perform while they are serving the meal.

This is a fund raiser for the Norsk Museum, and at \$35, it is a whale of a bargain. There are only 150 tickets being sold, so, if you're interested, let me or Steve Tanda know right away so you won't be left out.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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# POLAR STAR LODGE FIELD TRIP 2017 – FINAL SCHEDULE

## July 20-22. 2017

### Thursday, July 20:

- Arrive in Stoughton – Attend “Livsreiser” 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 - head for Madison to the Norwegian American Genealogical Center.
- **Participate in the Family History Research Workshop 8:30-5:00**
- 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
- Tour the Property by tram and/or attend the Laura Ingalls Wilder Exhibit Opening Day events
- Lunch 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 in Stoughton. **Call to reserve room 608-877-9000**

**Admission to Genealogy Center:** \$15.00 per person

**Registration fee for Genealogy Workshop: \$150.00**

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

**Lunch at Old World:** Clausing Café sandwich prices approx. \$10.00

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## Polar Star July Field Trip

**Please complete and return to Barb today**

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

I am interested in participating in the Polar Star field trip

YES  NO

I will be staying with the Polar Star group?

YES  NO

**PLEASE CONTACT BARB TO REGISTER FOR THIS WORKSHOP**

**630-553-7389 or at [barbjohnsonb@aol.com](mailto:barbjohnsonb@aol.com)**

## **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.

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

**MARCH**

19 Art Andersen  
19 Joni Koehler  
21 Ronn Vann  
22 Carol Devito  
23 Stephan Tanda  
24 Isabel Austin  
24 Stephan Solberg  
30 Richard Johansen

**APRIL**

2 Steven Saweikis  
14 Juliene Peterson



# POLAR STAR MEMBERS.....Do you know where this is?



If you think you know where this picture was taken in Norway, enter our new **WHERE IN NORWAY CONTEST** at the April meeting.

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## **6<sup>th</sup> Semi- Annual TORSK DINNER Saturday APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> – 3:30-6:30**



**Anderson Tree Farm – Rt. 126 and Ridge Road**

**Menu: Haddock, potato, onion butter, vegetable, limpa bread and dessert for \$14.00 ( kids under 12 free)**

**Contact Jeff (630-896-5449) or Karen (815-436-2140)**

# Syttendemai 2017

## \*2017 CONSTITUTION DAY BANQUET

Saturday

May 20, 2017 - 6:00 PM

Park Ridge Country Club

636 N Prospect

Park Ridge, IL

Banquet details are at the [Norwegian National League web site](#)

## \*2017 CONSTITUTION DAY PARADE

Sunday

May 21, 2017 - 1:00 PM

Syttende Mai Parade

Hodges Park, Park Ridge, IL

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO MARCH IN THE PARADE AS THIS SHIP MAKES ITS PARADE DEBUT !**

