

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



"På Låven Sitter Nissen" (President Ken) at Høstfest 2016

Hilsen Polar Star Lodge!

President Ken has a short message this month....
Bake, Bake, Bake and be prepared to Work, Work, Work!
We have two major events in November to prepare for;
Hostfest Taste of Norway on November 5th and the Norway Museum
Smørgåsbord on November 18th! See you all there!

Your President
Ken Johnson



Thanks Jeff Olson for demonstrating
"kolrosing" at our October event

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fox Valley
Norwegian Choir
Rehearsal continues...
Thursday night at 7:00

Polar Star
"Taste of Norway"
Høstfest

Sunday Nov. 5th

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Polar Star
Julefest
Sunday Dec. 3rd

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Polar Star Newsletter Deadline
Will be the 14th of every month.
Please submit all articles to Barb Johnson
at barbijohnsonb@aol.com
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Members in Action.

Polar Star Past President

Don Danielson

Honored at Disney World



Disney World has a daily ceremony honoring a “Veteran of the Day”. The ceremony begins at 5:00 p.m. when the American flag is lowered for the day. The flag is folded and placed in the hands of the selected veteran who is publicly recognized. Our own Don Danielson was selected on July 23, 2017 for his service to our country in three wars:

World War II 1944-46

Korean War 1954-1959

Vietnam 1961-1968

Congratulations Don!
We are all very proud of you and thank you for your service!



Don flies again after 61 years!



Last Christmas Don’s present from his kids was two hours of flight time over the farms and community where he lived as a child. He was even able to take the controls and fly the plane! It had only been sixty-one years since his last logged flight in May of 1956!



“Taste of Norway”
Høstfest – Fall Festival
Sunday, November 5, 2017
St. Olaf Lutheran Church – 1233 Douglas Ave.

HØSTFEST WORKERS NEEDED

Please sign up to help with our Høstfest November 5th. We are really in need of workers again this year since many of us will be singing in the choir right before we open at noon and again at 1:00p.m. Here’s what we need:

Work Crew

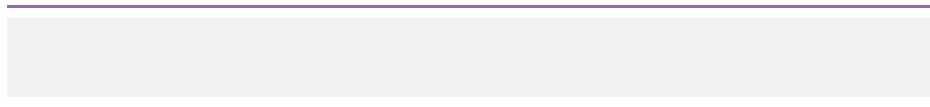
- Saturday afternoon (November 4th) set up help
- Sunday workers (Nov. 5th)
 - Set up – 11:00
 - Kitchen Help any time between 11:00 - 3:00 p.m.
 - Food Servers from noon to 3:00 p.m.
 - Craft Table from noon to 3:00 p.m.
 - Krumkake and/or vafler demonstrators
 - Clean up at 4:00 until we are done.

Food: We would like each member who is able to bring at least two dozen open-faced sandwiches (smørbrør), plus some Norwegian dessert(s). Here is a list of the dessert items that have been well received in the past:

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| Fruit Soup | Bløtkake or other cream cakes |
| Lefse (homemade only) | Lingonberry Bars and Cake |
| Julekake | Almond Bars and Cake |
| Kringla | Ice Cream with Lingonberries |
| Eplekake | Krumkake |
| Kransekake | Kardamom rolls/cake/cookies |

Please contact Nancy Andersen (640-377-2956 or email her at nancyandarthur@comcast.net) and let her know when you will be working or what you will be bringing so we can avoid last minute phone calls.

Høstfest Schedule:
Fox Valley Norwegian Choir Performs for the 10:15 church service
11:30 Lunch is served and Market opens
1:00 Fox Valley Norwegian Choir Performance



The Norsk Museum sponsors the 2017 Norwegian Smørgåsbord with the help of Polar Star and Cleng Peerson Lodges...

Norsk Museum presents a
NORWEGIAN SMØRGÅSBORD
Sat., November 18th, 2017
Seating at 4:00 OR 5:30 p.m.
Norway Community Building
Norway, IL.

ADVANCE TICKET SALES ONLY
\$18 - Adults
\$7 - Children
(10 & under)

For tickets or Information please call:
815-343-5070

Carry Outs Available!

*Sponsored by the Norsk Museum,
Sons of Norway Polar Star and Cleng Peerson Lodges.
Proceeds benefit the Norsk Museum Building Fund*

Polar Star members are being asked to make two salads (containers will be provided) and work one of the two shifts. Please email or call Barb Johnson with your choice of work shifts: 4:00-5:30 or 5:30-7:00. If you purchase tickets you may eat anytime during the shift you are not working. If you work the entire event, you do not need to buy a ticket and will eat with all of the event workers at the end of the second seating.

Culture Corner...by Barb Johnson

“Campers go “viking” at Skogfjorden!

I have just returned from “Skogfjorden”, the Norwegian Language Camp, held at the Concordia Language Villages on Turtle Lake outside Bemidji, MN. What a wonderful week in the North Woods with other “Professional Norwegians” who are as passionate about their heritage as I am. I have developed life-long relationships with the other campers who come from all over the country. This year the theme for camp was “Understanding our Norwegian backgrounds through the lens of Pre-Christian Norway”. This is a long way of saying we studied all things “Viking”. We began our day with folk dancing and ended our day with Viking lectures and movies. In between is spraktime (Language class), lectures on Norwegian culture/history, games, crafts and plenty of wonderful Norwegian food! I would highly recommend marking your calendars and arranging your schedules to attend this outstanding camp!

Skogfjorden 2018 Dates and Rates

Spring Adult Weekend April 26-29 - \$465-510.00

Summer Nordic Family Week – July 16-21 - \$570-\$950.00

Fall Adult Week – September 23-29 - \$870-950.00



Left: Our friend, Gardis Dahle from Elvesund 593 Lodge flag heising at her 20th Skogfjorden camp. Middle: My sister, Connie and I with our Sråktime teacher, Christine Midelfort. Right: My mom, Phyllis Benson, and sister, Joni Koehler, performing the “Elg” play at the final night banquet.

POLAR STAR 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PROGRAMS 1:30 p.m. (unless listed)

NOVEMBER 5TH - Høstfest

POLAR STAR JULETREFEST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 2017

Tree trimming at 1:00 p.m.

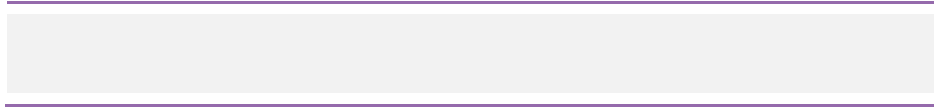
POTLUCK BEGINS AT 1:30



Plan to attend our Traditional Norwegian Christmas Celebration with your children and grandchildren. Bring your favorite Christmas dish to pass and your own table service.



POLAR STAR ADULT GIFT EXCHANGE. Bring a wrapped gift (\$15.00-\$20.00 value) and participate in the gift exchange organized by our very own Polar Star Julenisse. This is not a white elephant exchange – so be creative and bring a gift that you would be happy to receive. Children will receive their own gifts – so parents and/or grandparents please bring a wrapped gift with your child’s name attached to the gift so that the Julenisse will know who to deliver it to. Tree trimming will begin at 1:00 p.m followed by our potluck at 1:30 p.m. Singing around the tree and the gift exchange will begin after we finish eating.



Gratulerer Med Dagen (Happy Birthday) Polar Star!



OCTOBER 16-31

- 19. Donna Kristensen
- 27. Kathleen Hatteberg
- 30. Karen Oswald

NOVEMBER 1-15

- 4. Cole Johnson
- 9. Gelaine G. Gallucci



GO CUBS!



