

# 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 tasting the Polar Star chili**

### Hello Polar Star Lodge

It was good to see the turn out for our ever popular “Penny Social”. Special thanks to Carol and Frank for helping to organize and run this special “event”. Thanks to the kitchen crew; Roald, Frances and Karen. Congratulations to Steve and Barb for their chili cook off championships. Thanks also to everyone who took the time to share their fabulous chili recipes. They were all delicious! Keep walking Polar Star Pilgrims! Don't forget to keep bringing your passports to have them stamped every month. Thanks also for the great effort to supply dozens of cookies for the Barnebirkie ski event!

Your President,  
Ken Johnson

### POLAR STAR CHILI BAKE OFF WINNERS!



Steve Tanda and Barb Johnson tie for the best of Polar Star Chili makers!

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### Upcoming Events

Fern Dell Museum

Kumla Dinner

Feb. 17th

Newark, Ill

Fire Barn

Tickets: \$13.00

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## POLAR STAR CULTURE EVENT

Sunday, March 4, 2018

St. Olaf Lutheran Church

12:00 cooking

1:30 p.m. potluck

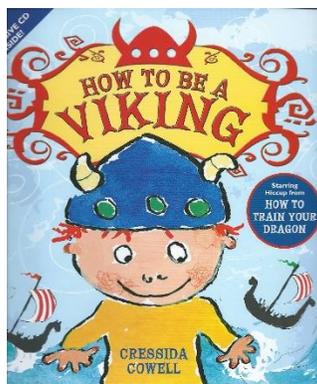
2:00 “How to Be A Viking”

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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 [barbjohnson@aol.com](mailto:barbjohnson@aol.com)  
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Sons of Norway – Polar Star Lodge

# HOW TO BE A VIKING

March 4, 2018



The March meeting will be devoted to all things Viking.

Our food teams will prepare Viking Stew beginning at noon, followed by our Viking Feast at 1:30 p.m.

We will make and learn how to play “Hnefatafl”.

Viking food and costumes are welcome but not required! Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

## 2018 POLAR STAR KITCHEN COMMITTEE

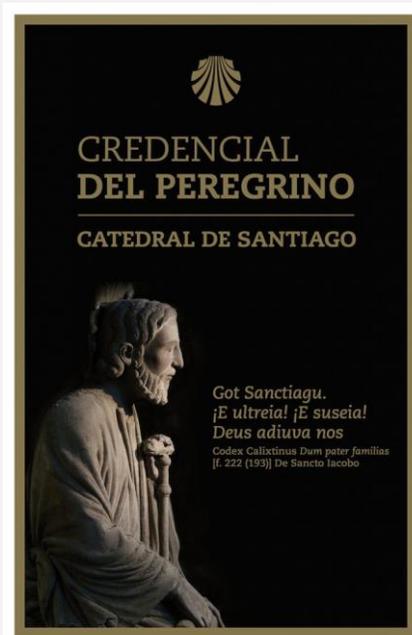
March 4	Karen L., Sue and Steve T.
April 8	NEEDED
May 6	Carol and Frank
Aug. 5	NEEDED
Oct. 7	Jerri Lynn B. Al and Phoebe
Nov. 4	All Members - Høstfest
Dec. 2	Polar Star Officers

## Member News!

### KEEP WALKING!



We should all be well on our way to Santiago de Compostela!  
Who will arrive first????



It's not too late to get your credentials from Polar Star Sports Director, Jerri Lynn.

## KUMLA DINNER Feb. 17, 2018



Fern Dell Historic Association in Newark will hold their 32nd annual ham and kumla supper Saturday, Feb. 18 at the Newark fire station. Tickets are available on a presales basis only. In order to properly prepare for this dinner, prepaid reservations are required by Feb. 16.

Seatings will be at 4, 5, 6 and 7 p.m. The menu consists of ham, kumla (potato dumplings), applesauce, beverage and dessert. Baked potato may be substituted for the potato dumplings.

Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$5 for children 8 and under. Carry outs are available for 50 cents extra. Tickets may be purchased at Heartland Bank in Newark and Millbrook, or by sending your check and order to Fern Dell at PO Box 254, Newark, IL 60541. Please indicate the time you prefer to eat and send appropriate amount for the ticket order. You may call Van at 815-695-5656, Arlene at 815-695-5638, Vic at 630-957-7346, or Ben at 630-553-2798 for further information.

A silent auction will be held in conjunction with the supper. There will be a great variety of items, donated by friends and businesses, to bid on. Anyone wanting to donate items for the silent auction should contact Emma at 815-252-4499.

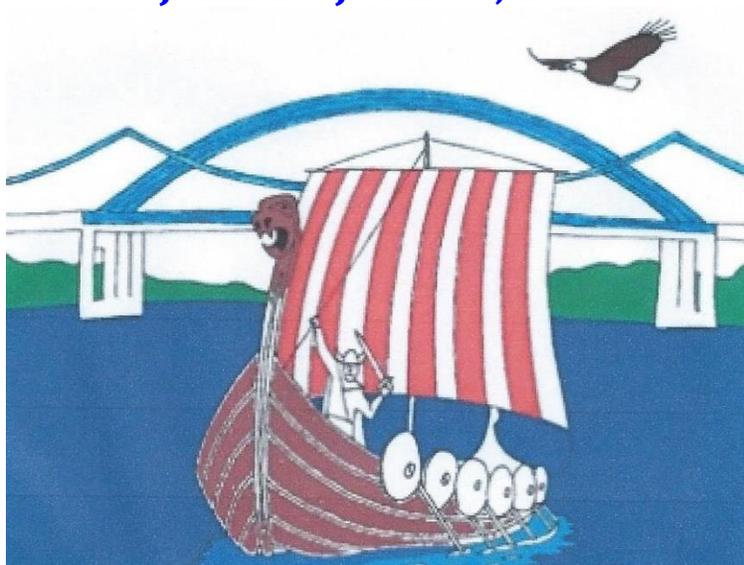
Money raised through this event will be directed to the maintenance and betterment of the four museum buildings Fern Dell supports. The two Fern Dell museums are open year around on Saturdays and Sundays, from 1 to 4 p.m. The museum at 9 East Front Street will be open until 7 p.m. the night of the supper. The one-room school house is open by appointment and the Misner blacksmith shop is open when the blacksmith is on duty and by appointment. Call 815-695-5656 for further information or to make an appointment.

# SET A COURSE FOR LACROSSE, WISCONSIN

Fifth District Sons of Norway

2018 Convention

JUNE 27-JUNE 30, 2018



Hosted by Wergeland Lodge at the Radisson Hotel

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## Polar Star 5-472 Calendar of Events

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

### POLAR STAR 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>MARCH 4</b>	<b>HOW TO BE A VIKING</b>
<b>APRIL 8</b>	<b>Curt B. Vevang – Author, Poet, Woodworker</b>
<b>MAY 6</b>	<b>POLAR STAR MEMORIAL SERVICE</b>
<b>MAY 18 &amp; 19</b>	<b>POLAR STAR STOUGHTON SYTTENDEMAI FIELD TRIP</b>
<b>JUNE 2nd</b>	<b>NORWAY MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE AND BREAKFAST</b>
<b>JUNE 27-JULY 1</b>	<b>District 5 Convention – LaCrosse, WI</b>
<b>AUGUST 5</b>	<b>Program TBA</b>
<b>AUGUST 15-18</b>	<b>International Convention – Bloomington, MN</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER 9</b>	<b>VASA PARK 9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>OCTOBER 7</b>	<b>PROGRAM TBA</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 4</b>	<b>HØSTFEST begins at 11:30 a.m.</b>
<b>DECEMBER 2</b>	<b>JULETFEST</b>

# 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.



## 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



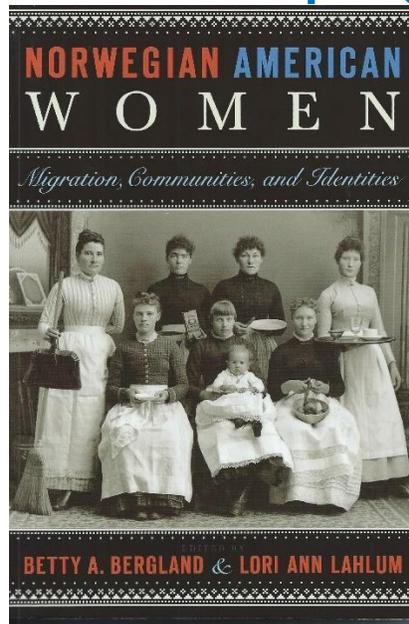
# Polar Star Culture Corner

By Barb Johnson



The Polar Star Knitting Club is busy working on “The Little Hats for Big Hearts”.  
Join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month  
Orchard Road Panera in Aurora from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

## Polar Star Book Club Spring Selection



**Editor’s Note:** My great grandma, Bertha Karina, was still alive when I was a little girl. She and my great-grandfather emigrated from Norway in 1894. I remember that she spoke English with a very heavy Norwegian accent. She was not a very warm person, and I did not really enjoy visiting her. Now that I have become a “professional” Norwegian, I am very interested in understanding her life and her decision to leave such a beautiful country to settle in DeKalb County, Illinois. This is the first book that I have found that focuses solely on the Norwegian emigrant women and the lives they lived in America. I hope we all enjoy this non-fiction selection and that it leads to a great discussion about the role Norwegian women played in American immigration.

\*\*\*\*\* **Polar Star Syttende Mai Field Trip**\*\*\*\*\*

Ten (10) rooms have been reserved at \$123.49+ tax per night at the  
Quality Inn in Stoughton

Reservations must be made before April 6, 2018.

**Please complete and return to Barb so group plans can be completed.**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ YES I (we) am interested in participating in the Polar Star field trip

\_\_\_\_\_ YES I (we) will be staying with the Polar Star group?

**For a complete schedule of events.....**

**<http://www.stoughtonwi.com/schedule>**

## **Mandt Lodge Syttende Mai Weekend Activities...**

Visit us at Sons of Norway- Mandt Lodge During Syttende Mai Weekend - May 18-20, 2018 Serving the only full Norwegian meals in Stoughton and we have bake sales in two locations all weekend!

Friday, Saturday and Sunday: Outside Bake Sale, Downtown on the corner of Main and Water Streets by Slinde's Interiors- Norwegian and American baked sale items, packages of lefse and donuts, coffee and cold beverages. Open on Friday 4-9, Saturday 10-6, Sunday 11-4.

Outside Bake Sale Stand at 317 South Page Street (south side of lodge). Open Friday 1pm-6pm; Saturday 10am-5pm, and Sunday 11am-3pm (or after parade). Norwegian and American baked goods, packages of lefse and donuts, rømmegrøt, coffee and cold beverages. Carry-outs will be available here after the parade on Sunday!

Saturday and Sunday: Sit-down Meals inside Mandt Lodge 317 South Page Street- Syttende Mai Luncheon serving on Saturday, 10am-4pm and Sunday, 11am-2:00pm. Ala carte luncheon buffet with Norwegian and American items (varme pølse, meatballs) and baked goods, lefse, rømmegrøt, søt suppe, riskrem, and beverages. Reservations are not needed for the inside meals. All items are priced individually. We are handicapped accessible with a lift located on the south side of the building.

Saturday night: SN Mandt Lodge Bingo- Saturday at 6:00 PM. Join SN Mandt Lodge as they host an evening of bingo and fellowship. Bingo (with a Norwegian flair) with cash prizes. Food will be offered after 5 PM and during the bingo break. 317 South Page Street. We are handicapped accessible with a lift located on the south side of the building.

Please contact arnesonfamily5@gmail.com or 608514-4951. "Like us" on Facebook at Sons of Norway StoughtonWI. Visit [www.stoughtonwi.com](http://www.stoughtonwi.com) for more details on Syttende Mai!

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