

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 presents Karen with her Norwegian Literature medal
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;
**Høstfest "Taste of Norway" on November 3rd and the Norway
Museum Smørgåsbord on November 16th! See you all there!**

**Your President
Ken Johnson**



Singers still needed!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

**Polar Star
"Taste of Norway"
Høstfest
Sunday Nov. 3rd
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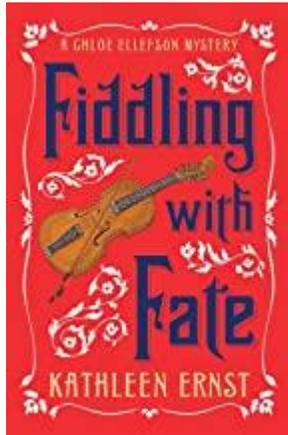
**Norsk Museum
Smørgåsbord
Saturday, Nov. 16th**

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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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Sons of Norway – Polar Star Lodge

**Norway Museum Website
www.norskmuseum.org
Polar Star Website**

Polar Star Book Club



It's out and ready to read!!!!

I have not read my copy yet – but I have heard from fans that this is her best book.

Description of book below taken from Amazon.com

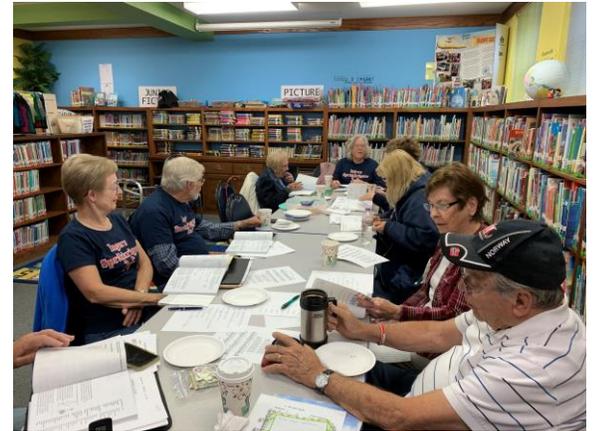
Chloe has a devil of a time unraveling the mysteries of Norway's fiddle and dance traditions

After her mother's unexpected death, curator Chloe Ellefson discovers hidden antiques that hint at family secrets. Determined to find answers, Chloe accepts a consultant job in Norway, her ancestors' homeland. She's thrilled with the opportunity to explore Hardanger fiddle and dance traditions . . . and her own heritage.

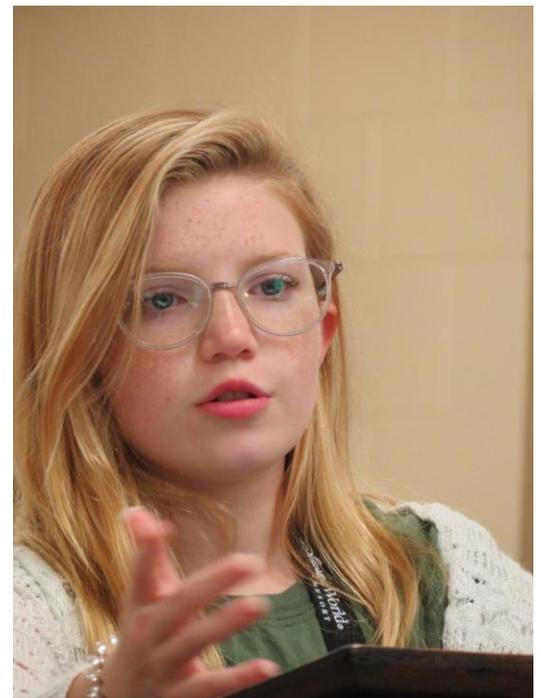
Once their plane lands, however, Chloe and her fiancé, cop Roelke McKenna, encounter only disharmony. Chloe's research reveals strong women and the importance of fiddle music in their lives. But folklore warns against "the devil's instrument" and old evils may yet linger among the fjords and mountains. As Chloe fine-tunes her search for the truth, a killer's desire to stop her builds to a deadly crescendo.

Members in Action.

**Ingers
Språkkrigere
(Language Warriors)
Part I : Norwegian Language
Culture Medal Class**



The Mystery of Nils continues on Friday mornings from 10-00-12:00 at the Hinckley Public Library



Thanks Scarlett Anderson for sharing your Masse Moro Norwegian Language Camp Experience at the October 5th Lodge Meeting



“Taste of Norway”
Høstfest – Fall Festival
Sunday, November 3, 2019
St. Olaf Lutheran Church – 1233 Douglas Ave.

HØSTFEST WORKERS NEEDED

Please sign up to help with our Høstfest November 3rd. 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 2nd) set up help
- Sunday workers (Nov. 3rd)
 - 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 (smørbrød), 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

Norsk Museum presents a

NORWEGIAN

Smørgåsbord

SAT. NOVEMBER 16,
Seatings at 3:30 or 5:30 p.m.
Norway Community Building
Norway, IL

\$20 – Adults
\$7 – Children
Carry Outs Available!

ADVANCE TICKET SALES ONLY
For tickets or information, please call:
815-343-5070

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

The Norsk Museum sponsors the 2019 Norwegian Smørgåsbord with the help of Polar Star and Cleng Peerson Lodges...

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: 3:00-5:15 or 5:15-7:30.** 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. If you feel ambitious, we are also in need of desserts!



Smørgåsbord help needed.....

November 7th at 9:00 a.m to peel potatoes

November 8th at 9:00 to make Kumla

November 15th at 9:00 set up tables

November 16th work the event - one or both seatings

Culture Corner...by Barb Johnson

Plan now to attend Skogfjorden 2020!

I have just returned from “Skogfjorden”, the Norwegian Language Camp, held at the Concordia Language Villages on Turtle Lake outside Bemidji, MN. This was the ninth year I have attended this camp with my mother (Phyllis Benson) and my sisters, (Connie Kross and Joni Koehler). We had another wonderful week in the North Woods with other “Professional” Norwegian Americans who are as passionate about their heritage as we are. We have developed life-long relationships with the other campers who come from all over the country. This year we were fortunate to have a fun and fabulous guest teacher (Erik Brakstadt) who attended Skogfjorden as a child and teachers at the kids camp every summer. His grandfather was a Norwegian teacher and his father a student during WW II. They were both arrested during the German occupation and sent to concentration camps. Erik shared their stories, p and their journal entries with our group and we were also one of the first groups to watch a new documentary movie called, “The Teacher’s Protest”!



We began every day with folk dancing and ended our day with Norwegian movies. In between we had 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!



Folk Dancing and Baking with Ole



The Benson girls 2019

Skogfjorden 2020 Dates and Rates

Spring Adult Weekend: April 23-26, 2020 - \$490.00

Fall Adult Week: September 27 – October 3 - \$910.00

POLAR STAR 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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



NOVEMBER 3rd - Høstfest

December 8th Juletrefest

January 5th – Polar Star 2020

POLAR STAR JULETREFEST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th 2019

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**
- 30 . Karen Oswald**

NOVEMBER 1-15

- 4. Cole Johnson**
- 9. Gelaine G. Gallucci**
- 9. Jean Kutrovatz**



Three Generations of Polar Star

