

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

President's Message



President Ken Johnson

Hilsen Polar Star Lodge!

It's July!!! Time to start planning for our "fun" fundraising season. Hope everyone has marked their calendars to work at Vasa Park on September 13th at Vasa Park and at St Olaf at our annual Høstfest on November 1st. We need everyone in the Lodge to help in order to make this another successful season!

**Your President
Ken Johnson**



Upcoming Events

"Viking Kubb"
POLAR STAR PIKNIK
2ND SUNDAY'

AUGUST 9th

1:30 p.m.

Details on page 2

Scandinavian Day

at

VASA PARK

September 13, 2026

See details on page 3

"Celebrating Leif"

October 4th

St Olaf Lutheran Church

1:30

Polar Star Newsletter Deadline
Will be the 14th of every month.

Please submit all articles to Barb Johnson at

barbjjohnsonb@aol.com

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Sons of Norway – Polar Star Lodge

VIKING KUBB FAMILY PIKNIK

SUNDAY - AUGUST 9, 2026

Indoor Picnic at 1:30

followed by the family Kubb Tournament



Round up a team of 3 or 6 members and join the Polar Star Family Kubb tournament fun.

Please **register your team** with

barbijohnsonb@aol.com

or text to 630-632-2329 **by July 31st**

Please bring a picnic dish to pass and a lawn chair



Norsk
Håndverkkubb
Weaving Workshop
June 26, 2026



Next club meeting....

July 31, 2026

Felted Fingerless
Gloves Workshop

Esther Place

Big Rock, IL.

10:00 a.m

Call to register

630-556-9665

VASA PARK SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL

Sunday, September 13th, 2026



TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Mark your calendars and plan to attend and work in the Polar Star
“Bakeri” Booth.**

**Start baking (and freeze) your favorite Norwegian baked goods to sell
in the booth and look for Norwegian collectibles at garage sales to re-
sell in our loppemarked (flea market).**

**We will be baking Norwegian Vaffler with Lingonberries on site and
selling pre-packaged baked goods and Norwegian knit items and
collectibles.**

<http://www.scandinaviandayil.com>



**Editor's note... If you bake but need us to pick up your baked goods
just call or text Barb at 630-632-2329**

POLAR STAR 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2026 PROGRAMS 1:30 p.m. (unless listed)”

AUGUST 9th – Polar Star Family Picnic

SEPTEMBER 13th - VASA PARK 9:00 a.m.

OCTOBER 4^h - Celebrating Leif

NOVEMBER 1st - Høstfest

DECEMBER 6th - Juletrefest

District 5 Upcoming Events

Aug 2-6, 2026 - District 5 Convention

In Stoughton, Wisconsin

October 11, 2026 Slooper Annual Meeting

Norway Community Building - Noon

Pre-paid lunch reservations required

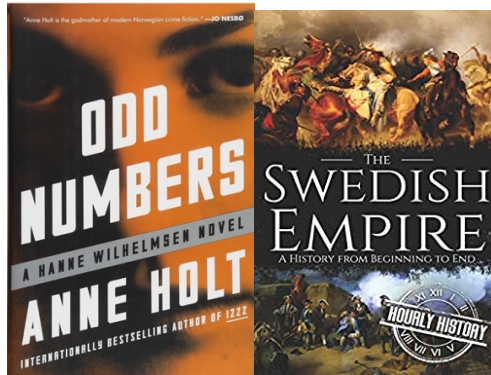


**The Polar Star invasion at the Swedish Day Parade
June 28, 2026**

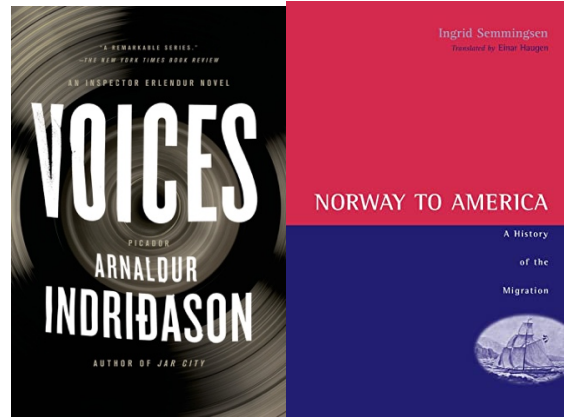
Polar Star Culture Corner

By Barb Johnson

Polar Star Summer Literature Selection



August Mystery and Main Read



September Mystery and Main Read

Editor's Note: It's never too late to join the Zoon Book Club!
Great books and great people who love to read!!

To join the Sons of Norway Book Club Zoom Discussion
email sonsofnorwaybookclub@gmail.com for the zoom link

Last Monday of the month at 8:30 p.m.

Last Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

District 5 Culture Arts Display

If you have a hand-made item that you would like to have
displayed at the District 5 Convention

Cultural Arts Display please contact Barbjjohnsonb@aol.com so that
the item can be registered.

CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF AMERICA



POLAR STAR POET...Carol Vigsnes

250th POEM

They pledged their sacred honor, may we do
the same,
Brothers and sisters celebrating Freedom's
flame.

Hailing from oceans wide,
Having heritage and American pride
Standing together side by side.

Salute the red remembering blood shed.
Salute the blue To Be justice true.
Salute the white To Be Liberty's light.

In peace may we forever unite

Carol

Editors' note: if you have a poem to share please forward it to me
at barbijohnsonb@aol.com by August 14th.

Gratulerer Med Dagen (Happy Birthday)

POLAR STAR JULI BIRTHDAYS



.16 Marian Mickelsen
.16 Barb Johnson
.18 Cary Hatteberg
.25 Frank Krawcyk
.27 Beatriz Ruiz Vann

Polar Star July Membership Anniversaries!



.1 Daniel Todd
.1 Emilia Todd
.26 Beatriz Ruiz Vann
.28. Blake Chuassey

In Memoriam

Editor's Note: Polar Star mourns the loss of two Norwegian Americans who have both had such a positive impact on our Lodge as active members, mentors, teachers, spiritual leaders and friends.

Reverend Alvin J. Bergh

February 4 ,1933 – July 3, 2026



Polar Star Member since 02-06-2000



Bergh Family at Syttendemai Parade 2026



Slooper Sunday October 5, 2025



Celebrating Phoebe's 90th birthday



Enjoying a Polar Star Buffet

Takk for Alt

Lynn Sove Maxson
January 11, 1944 – June 18, 2026



Heritage Weekend October 3, 2026

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