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## Fra Presidenten!

Don Danielson

It looks like we are finally starting to have a nice spring. We hope all our members will have a great summer and come back for a positive and energized year in 2008 and 2009.



A special thank you and commendation to all who worked so hard and so long for our Torsk Dinner. The overwhelming consensus of our guests as they departed was that the dinner was as outstanding as always and they were looking forward to next year.

We need to know how many of our members have internet access and who they are for two reasons. Reason one is to get information to as many members as possible when necessary. Reason two is to get our Newsletter to as many

members as possible electronically. The Newsletter can be received as an attachment. The better and easier way is to read it on the website ([www.polarstarlodge.com](http://www.polarstarlodge.com)). If desired it can be printed directly from the website and does not need to be downloaded to take up space on the hard drive. The electronic Newsletter comes in color and it saves on printing and postage costs. Please return the following information:

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Beste hilsen,

Donald D. Danielson

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**VOLUNTEER HOURS:**

Volunteer workers at the Torsk Dinner are reminded to log all hours related to the Dinner.

**Attention All Polar Star Members:**

Financial Secretary, Lee Olson, is our official membership record keeper. It is necessary to route all new member applications through her so that our lodge records match Sons of Norway records in Minneapolis.

## The Polar Star Lodge picnic June 7...

The Polar Star Lodge picnic will be held this year at Leisure Lake Member Resort at Shorewood, Illinois. See map and directions elsewhere. Activities available are miniature golf, horseshoe pits, paddle boats, fishing (license needed), swimming pool, swimming lake with sand beach, children's playground, boats, basketball court, tennis courts and hiking trail. There will be a hayride at 3:00. For the swimming lake it is suggested that lawn chairs and/or blankets be brought. There is a cost of \$4.00 per

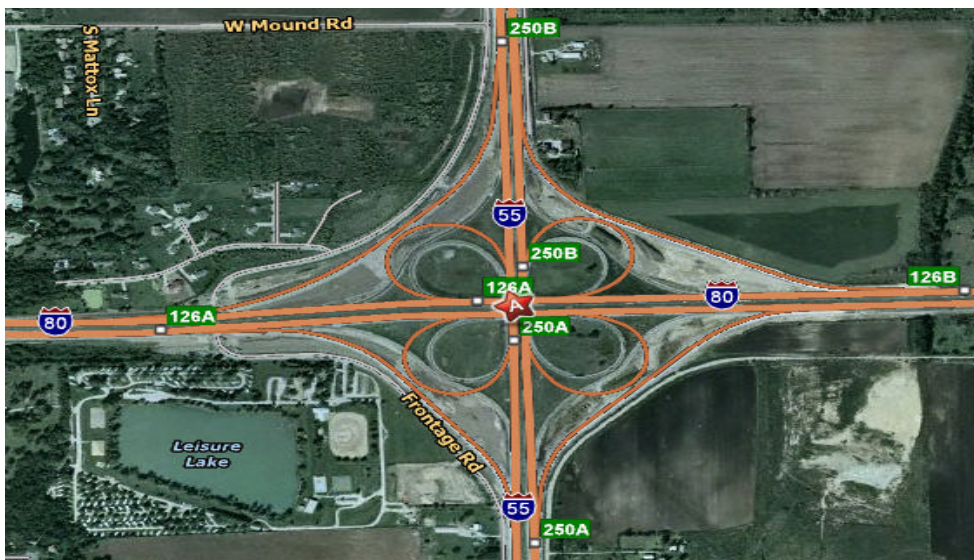
person and will be collected at dinner time. The committee will be lodge officers.

Others bring regular Pot Luck dishes and your own table settings as usual.

Arrival time has been set at 10:00 a.m. or anytime following. Tell the gateguard that you are with Sons of Norway – Polar Star Lodge. For reservation call Phoebe Bergh at (630) 585-8422. For questions call Don Danielson (630) 299-3661. Come early and make maximum use of the facilities.

Coming south on 59 through Shorewood continue south through the U.S 52 intersection to the next traffic light just before 59 connects to I-55. Turn right at the light, then left and left again back to the frontage road.

Continue south on the frontage road as it curves westward and under I-80. The entrance to Leisure Lake is just beyond the underpass. The guard at the gate will direct you to our location. There will also be signs.



## Upcoming Events:

Polar Star Lodge Events: - See more events on our website.

- Jun 7 Picnic at Leisure Lake Member Resort  
Serving Committee:  
Polar Star Officers
- Aug 3 Cultural Program -Al Bergh  
Serving Committee:  
Vi & Tom Skogen, Truman Eddy, Thor Fjell

Norwegian  
costumes



## Other Events:

In preparing your 2008 calendar please include the following Park sponsored events and plan to join with us in celebration.

- June 21 Midsommar Festival & Picnic -- Vasa Park, South Elgin
- Jul 23-25 Annual Nordic Fest in Decorah, Iowa
- Aug 9 Cray Fish Sampling & Steak Fry -- Vasa Park, South Elgin
- Sep 7 Scandinavian Day Festival -- Vasa Park, South Elgin
- Oct 12 Fish Boil/Harvest Festival -- Vasa Park, South Elgin
- Oct ??? Annual Meeting -- Location TBD
- Nov 1 End of Season Clean Up & Luncheon for Volunteers -- Vasa Park, South Elgin

## From the Secretary.

Next Newsletter  
print date:

**July 14, 08**

Content due:

**July 4, 08**

More than 1160 visits on  
our  
Polar Star Website.

### Parade Participation

Polar Star Lodge will be participating in the Constitution Day Commemorative Parade on Sunday, May 18, 2008 in Park Ridge and in the Swedish Days Parade in Geneva on Sunday, June 22, 2008.

### Did you know?

Vicks VapoRub chalks up another use. It is claimed that it helps cure toe-nail fungus when applied.

Harriet Eklund

### "ABOUT OUR YOUNG FOLK"

We now know Julianna Olson won the state competition for her "Oral Interpretation of Scripture" The next step will be the National Competition in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in June.

Also, Julianna will be graduating from high school the end of this month.

Brother Seth, will be off to the Mission Field in Australia a little later this summer for a period on the mission field.

Hannah Kaspersen, will be leaving for Spain in just a few days for a semester of Spanish classes.

Jennifer Van Winkle will be graduating from Calvin College this month.

Lois and Harold Michalsen, have a grandson graduating from seminary.

To all of these young folks. Congratulations and God Bless from all of us here at Polar Star.

To everyone else. See you at the picnic. This should be a new and exciting adventure for all of us.

Harriet Eklund

## You should know that...

### MOBILE PHONES CAN IGNITE FUEL OR FUMES

#### Four Rules for Safe Refueling

- 1) Turn off engine
- 2) Don't smoke
- 3) Don't use your cell phone - leave it inside the vehicle or turn it off
- 4) Don't re-enter your vehicle during fueling

The Shell Oil Company recently issued a warning after three incidents in which mobile phones (cell phones) ignited fumes during fueling operations. Also there have been warnings about leaving cell phones on while charging them, the reported possible danger being in answering a call with it being plugged in.

# Midsummer's Celebration at Little Norway - Sat, June 21, 2008

Midsummer's Celebration at Little Norway  
 Saturday, June 21, 2008, 4:00 to 8:00 pm

Activities consist of a Pig Roast for \$7.00, performance by the Greig Chorus, Old Time Music, Bonfire at dusk, touring Little Norway at your leisure.

You will need to bring your own tableware, beverages and lawn chairs or blanket. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

If anyone is interested in carpooling for the event contact me at (630) 299-3661 for coordination.

Little Norway is just west of Madison, WI at 3576 County Road JG, Blue Mounds, WI. 53517

Going to Little Norway on the browser brings up several Little Norway websites.

One is [www.littlenorway.com/](http://www.littlenorway.com/). (608) 437-8211.

You can take a visual tour of Little Norway on this website.

## Gratulerer med dagen!



### June:

Lois Michalsen  
 Nilslee A Kreppert  
 Benjamin H Moe  
 Barbara A Brungart  
 Julia A. Bergh  
 Gerald L Rucks  
 Sarah A Van Winkle  
 James R Van Winkle  
 Roald Berg  
 Richard J Hatteberg  
 Harold E Broten

### July:

1	Emily Jo Arcilla	2
3	Raymond O Nerhus	7
3	Barbara L Stemple	7
6	Leona N Olson	12
8	Norman A Olson	12
10	Martha R Vogen	13
17	Jeffery L Anderson	21
21	Judith M Wuchte	28
23		
26		
29		

Polar Star  
Member Total  
as of Mar 2008:

127

### Meeting attendance in 2008:

Jan 6, 2008

Members: 35  
Visitors: 2

Feb 3, 2008

Members: 35  
Visitors: 3

Mar 2, 2008

Members: 25  
Visitors: 10

April 6, 2008

Members: ?  
Visitors: ?

May 4, 2008

Members: 29  
Visitors: 4

## New Members:

**April 2008**

Edward Hatteberg

## Congratulation Seth Olson

Seth Andrew Olson son of Norman and Betsy Olson graduated from Pensacola Christian College with a degree of Bachelor of Science , Graphic Design on May 7, 2008

## Sons of Norway Norwegian for Reading

The goal of this program is to help you read texts written in any form of Norwegian for basic comprehension. The intention is not to train you to translate every single

word with total precision, but rather to identify the key concepts, and come to solid conclusions about what a text means. Go to Sons of Norway website

[www.sonsofnorway.com](http://www.sonsofnorway.com) Go to "Member Resources" and choose Norwegian Language.

## Norway Museum

The Norway Museum in Norway, Illinois will be open in June, July, August and September from 1 to 5 o'clock on Saturdays and Sundays. Volunteer hosts

are needed. Polar Star Lodge members have answered the call in past summers. If there are any members interested in being a host call (630) 299-3661. It

is an interesting experience to meet and greet the number of visitors that come through. The annual "cleaning" of the museum will be on Saturday, May 24, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Norway Store is also an interesting place to "stop in"



Drammen 17 May, 2008  
Cold and rain..

## Get to know a Polar Star member: - Bill Lindoo



William C. Lindoo was born November 18, 1921 in Aurora, Illinois to Rodney William Lindoo and Anna (Gierden) Lindoo. Bill has one brother, Robert, (wife Elaine). His education was received in Aurora graduating from West Aurora High School.

On October 10, 1974 William

C. Lindoo and Iva "Tommy" Horgesheimer were married in Redeemer Lutheran Church in Aurora. He has two sons, William Jr. and Robert. Bill Jr. and wife Ronda live in Big Rock with son William and daughter Laura. Robert and wife Janet live in Aurora with their children Joshua, Christopher, Annie and Nathaniel. Tommy Lindoo died May 31, 2006.

Bill worked 40 years for Illinois Supply Company as an engineer. He joined Sons of Norway December 3, 1972. Since then he has served as president and as sports director, perhaps his biggest impact has been his efforts and leadership in the Torsk Dinners every year. Bill liked to organize

trips and lodge activities.

We have record of one line of Bill's ancestry. His grandfather William E. Lindoo, also known as Axel Wilhelm Olson, was born April 21, 1866 in Gothenberg, Sweden to Olaf Swenson and Gustsava Johannesdotter and emigrated to the United States September 24, 1886. His final destination was Elgin, Illinois. He first married Augusta Anderson and later Gertrude Conboy. Bill's father was born to William E. Lindoo and Augusta (Anderson) Lindoo March 20, 1895.

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