

# Newsletter



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**May** 2013

### May Luncheon: Norwood Life Society

There was a time that our care options for the elderly were much different than they are now. Many of us have had to make or advise on choices for our parents, grandparents, and aged relatives and friends. As we age, we have choices and opportunities for ourselves as well.

Our speaker for the final luncheon of this torske season is Michael Toohey. He is the Chief Executive Officer of Norwood Life Society. Norwood Life Society is a non-profit senior services provider located on the Northwest side of Chicago that helps over 2,300 seniors annually, and is comprised of Norwood Crossing (which provides Assisted Living, Alzheimer's & Memory Support Care, and skilled Nursing and Rehab care), Norwood Seniors Network (which provides private duty caregiving and other services to seniors in their own homes), Norwood Park Senior Center (provides drop-in wellness, dining, exercise, and social programming – run in conjunction with the City of Chicago), NorVOLution (300+ senior volunteers providing over 16,000 hours of volunteerism to aid seniors), and the Norwood Life Care Foundation (raises funds to support the programs mentioned above). His talk will cover the programs and services offered by Norwood discussing a framework of senior services, outlines of costs and how to best shop for and access senior services, along with pitfalls to avoid. Norwood has roots in the Norwegian culture, including the Heritage room named for our late friends Per and Liv Ohrstrom. Join us for this last luncheon before the summer break. See http://www.norwoodlifesociety.org

This is the anniversary day for the Chicago Torske Klub which met in May 1960. We have made it tradition to dispense with the coat and tie if you wish, and wear your favorite golf shirt. As many still own their Torske Klub shirt we printed a few years ago, it is appropriate attire this month.

#### **April Luncheon**

Thanks to all who participated and attended the April luncheon, featuring Jon Satrum speaking of Roald Amundsen and his polar expeditions. The torskemaster of the day was Greg LeDuc, who mastered the podium for our journey with Mr. Satrum. Tusen Takk!

#### Torske Klub Luncheon - May 11, 2013

The next luncheon will be held at the Des Plaines Elks Club, 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL (847-824-1556 for directions that day). Cocktail hour begins at noon; dinner starts promptly at 1:00 P.M. when, according to our tradition, our BOSS rings the bell to seat us for dinner. Make your regular dinner reservation by the evening of May 6, 2013. ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR DINNER. Timely reservations insure that fish and a table space can be reserved for you. The fish order is called in after the deadline.

Reservations May 6

Call 312-233-2887 at any time day or night to leave a reservation. If there is voicemail difficulties, call Garry at 312-497-6407. As usual, please leave your MEMBERSHIP NUMBER, NAME, and the TOTAL number of people in your party. The same information is required when you reserve for other members. We have reservations from the following members: 3, 13C, 38, 40, 47, 51, 55, 84, 98, 114, 115, 120, 149. Board members note that they have a reservation automatically and must call or prearrange to cancel. If you are not a member and wish to attend, call the same number and leave your name according to the principle "Once a guest, twice a friend, three times a member!" If you prefer email reservations, please send to **reservations@torskeklub.com** (not .org) with your total number of reservations, including yourself and guests. We will respond with a confirmation email. \*\*TIP - Don't know or remember your membership number? Check the mailing label. It is the number by your name. FREE Raffle Ticket to each member that brings one or more guests to the dinner this 2012/2013 season, excluding father/son/ daughter day in March and excluding ladies day in February.

Luncheon Reservation Phone: (312) 233-2887

#### Syttende Mai

The month holds a number of events for the month of May, especially surrounding the Syttende Mai or 17th of May Norwegian Constitution Day celebrations. We enclose a calendar of known events for your consideration and convenience:

- Norwegian Constitution Day Concert—May 17, 2013– at Norwegian Memorial Lutheran Church (Minnekirken). (708)867-7071 for information. Featured is the Church Choir, the Grieg Ladies Singing Society, the Bjornson Male Chorus, the Chicago Nordic Voices and Chicago Spelmanslag
- ♦ 17th of May Banquet—May 18, 2013— Hosted by Norwegian National League, call Carol at (847)358-1527 for reservations before May 14. The guest speaker is Zenia Chrysostomidis, Consul Cultural Affairs at the Royal Norwegian Consulate General in New York. Dancing to Dave Kyrk Trio.
- ♦ NACC Luncheon—May 17, 2013—Norwegian American Chamber of Commerce hosts a luncheon at the Willis Tower. See <a href="https://www.naccchicago.org">www.naccchicago.org</a>.
- Viking Ship Visitors Day—May 18, 2013—The Friends of the Viking Ship host an inspection of the historic Viking ship currently at Good Templar Park in Geneva IL from 1-4pm. \$5 admission, Children under 12 are \$1. See <a href="https://www.vikingship.us">www.vikingship.us</a>
- Syttende Mai Parade—May 19, 2013— Pre-parade Activities, refreshments and food at Hodges Park in Park Ridge IL at 12pm. Entertainment by Kyle Elsbernd and Dave Kirkeby for Norwegian folk, pop and rock songs. Grand Marshall Perry C. Straw, Jr. Illinois Norsk Rosemalers Assoc. will also meet. Parade kicks off from Cumberland and Talcott Ave. at 1pm. Torske Klub lines up at 12:20. Join us.

#### Birthdays & News for May

We honor the birthdays of our members born in May: Nels Nelson, the Rev. David Langseth, Marv Meyer, Leonard Zielinski, Jim Stoga, Per Loseth, Henry Hansen, Eric Grendahl, Thor Fjell, Fred Gilbertsen, our Treasurer Ken Nordan, and Assistant Boss Roger Elmer.

We are pleased to welcome a new member this month, Per Loseth of Chicago.

The Chicago Torske Klub Board of Directors will meet at the Elks Club on May 18 at 10am.

This May luncheon is the final luncheon of the 2012-2013 torsk season. We will reconvene on September 14, 2013. Have a great summer gentlemen, and we'll see you in September.

#### Join Us for the Parade

The Chicago Torske Klub has participated in the 17th of May Parade for many years. It is a good day for a walk with your friends. For those who cannot make the walk, we can offer a ride on the route, if arranged in advance.

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