



## Brian Ibsen talks Viking Ship in April

Our April luncheon will feature a talk by Brian Ibsen, who is on the Board of “Friends of the Viking Ship”. He will be updating us on the status of the ship, research of locations to host her (including Jackson Park), support from museums, and the dream of the committee for her future.



The Viking, hand-built in Norway, sailed across the Atlantic, up the Hudson, through the Erie Canal and the Great Lakes to the 1892 Chicago World's Fair, demonstrating the seamanship, shipbuilding, and navigation needed for voyages around 1000 AD from Europe to the New World

Brian’s background sustains this mission. Brian Ibsen helps mission-driven organizations fundraise for key objectives. He helps presidents and executive directors learn to successfully fundraise. He is a manager, mentor and teacher who motivates people to exceed all expectations. He knows higher education, international development, and key industry sectors such as technology and innovation, natural resources, and life sciences. He is committed to the ideals and programs of the Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations in September 2015. He is a strategist and a creative innovator. He is ready to help organizations that are streamlining and as well as ones that are scaling up.

From 2012, Brian consulted to The Aga Khan, who founded and heads the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN). Brian’s role was to reach beyond the Aga Khan’s community of faith to find new

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## March Father/Son/Daughter Event a Hole-in-One

Our members and guests that day were featured to a talk by the journalist Rory Spears, including his recollections of the many Chicago championship teams he got to interview and attend over the last years. Over 60 members and guests attended.

### ***Torske Klub Luncheon - April 8, 2017***

The 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 April 3, 2017. 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. No fish dinner can be promised for late reservations.

Call **312-233-2887** at any time day or night to leave a reservation. If there is voicemail difficulties, call Gary 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, 38, 40, 42A, 47, 51, 55, 84, 97, 98, 115, 120, 149**. Board members note that they have a reservation automatically and must call for additional guests 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](mailto:reservations@torskeklub.com) (not .org) with your total number of reservations, including yourself and guests. We will respond with a confirmation email.

**Reservations  
by  
April 3  
Please**

**FREE Raffle Ticket** to each member that brings one or more guests to the dinner this 2016/2017 season.

**Luncheon Reservation Phone: ☎(312) 233-2887**

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sources of support for its higher education work in South Asia and East Africa. Before that, at the University of Chicago, Brian led a focused campaign to support the founding of its new engineering programs. He was part of the management team for Chicago Biological Sciences and Medicine, organized around the U. of C. Hospital.

Brian’s fundraising for higher education and medicine includes work at Rush University Medical Center, the University of New Mexico, the University of Connecticut, Clark University, and Cheshire Academy. Brian’s first career was as a teacher of history and English in the Boston Public Schools and at the Park School in Brookline, Massachusetts. Brian’s international work began as a tour guide on camping and driving tours of Russia. He has worked with alumni in Pakistan, India, East Africa, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, Hong Kong, China, Colombia, Venezuela, Aruba, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, France, the UK, and Canada. Make your reservations today.



The Viking ship as it is stored today in temporary shelter at Good Templar Park in Geneva, IL

## A Short Lesson in Norwegian

It really isn’t hard, a Norwegian is a person of few words.

English	Norwegian
Excuse me, I didn’t quite catch what you were saying. Will you please repeat that?	Hæ?
Sorry for bumping into you like that. It was very clumsy of me.	Oi!
It’s you! How lovely to see you!	Nei, men!
And how are things with you and your family	Ellers?
Excuse me, can I disturb you for a second?	Du?

## Member Birthdays and News

This month we celebrate the birthdays of April:

Peter Nielsen, Lars Ohrstrom, Jim Severson, Richard Elmer, Richard Fjeldheim, Carl Graf, Jr, David Hardy, Doug Conte, Richard Nelson, Jr., Rolf Larson, John Eisenmann, and Fred Olk.

To these gentlemen, we proudly raise our glass to another year and say “Skol”!

### An Observation for April Fool’s Day



I’ve seen these protest signs for years.

Honestly, I don't think they're working.

### Mark your calendar for this Torske Klub 2017 season:

**April 8, 2017**– Luncheon—Viking Ship

**May 13, 2017**– Anniversary Luncheon—Hagan’s Fish

**May 21, 2017**– Syttende Mai Parade—Park Ridge

Check for updates on our website <http://www.torskeklub.org>

Remember that the cost of meal is now \$25 per plate

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