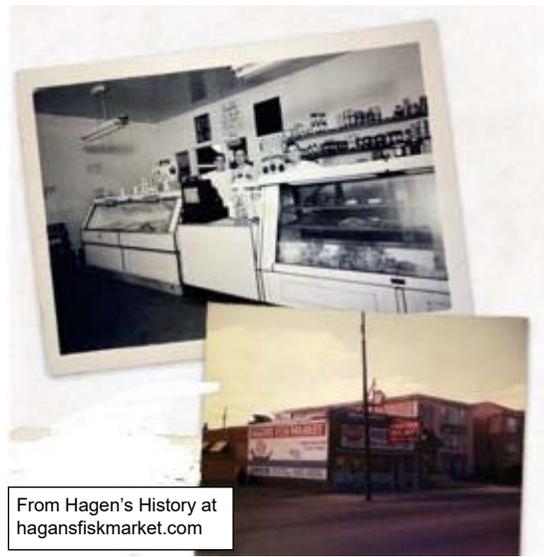




May Luncheon with Hagan's Fish Market

It seems appropriate to celebrate the 57th anniversary of the Chicago Torske Klub with a speaker on fish. We have Hagan's Fish Market, a local destination in the northwest side of Chicago. From their story: No one knows the exact date when the two Hagen brothers and their wives opened the market in 1946, but when asked they'll tell you, "it was sometime in summer." Their father, a commercial fisherman on Washington Island, WI, mortgaged the family home to provide the brothers with enough seed money to start their own store. They decided to build in an area "on the outskirts of Chicago" (Montrose & Parkside) because they could afford the land. They recall fellow church members feeling sorry for them for opening a business "so far out in the middle of nowhere." Determined to succeed, the brothers and their wives worked long hours, insisted on selling only the very freshest fish, and made their customers feel welcome and appreciated. Over the years as the business grew, the family looked on as the Jefferson Park and Portage Park neighborhoods also grew around them.



From Hagan's History at hagensfiskmarket.com

Now the third generation continues to operate one of the last surviving natural hardwood smokehouses in Chicago, and serve the finest seafood using guarded family recipes and fresh fish.

Join us for the last meeting before summer break, and celebrate the day!

April Luncheon

Tusen Takk to our speaker Brian Ibsen for his update on the historic Viking Ship. We also thank all that attended and supported the April Luncheon, including Ken Nordan, who was Torskemaster for the day.

Torske Klub Luncheon - May 13, 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 May 8, 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 (not .org) with your total number of reservations, including yourself and guests. We will respond with a confirmation email.

**Reservations
by
May 8
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



Catching up on the photo album this year.

Thanks for photos from Thor Fjell, Ken and Julie Nordan, and Ken Larson.



Mark your calendar for this Torske Klub 2017 season:

- May 13, 2017**— Anniversary Luncheon—Hagan's Fish
- May 21, 2017**— Syttende Mai Parade—Park Ridge
- Sept. 9, 2017**— Luncheon

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

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

Chicago Torske Klub Board of Directors



Member Birthdays and News

This month we celebrate the birthdays of May:

Nels Nelson, Per Loseth, Jim Stoga, Henry Hansen, Thor Fjell, Fred Gilbertsen, our assistant Boss, Roger Elmer, our good board member Rev. David Langseth, our faithful Treasurer and newly minted sexagenarian Ken Nordan. To these gentlemen, we proudly raise our glass to another year and say "Skol"!

At printing time we were saddened to hear of the passing of Karen Tengsdal, sister of Dr. Ray Newgard. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ray and his family. Visitation May 3, funeral May 4.

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