



Expanded Annual Christmas Celebration!

Our annual Christmas luncheon is being led by our good board member and shepherd Pastor David Langseth and with Kathleen West accompanying him on the piano. He has expanded his program with some family members accompanying the “Elves” that typically join us. Last year Ray Newgard suggested that we invite our wives, family members and friends to this annual event. As a result it was such a success that the board approved this arrangement as an annual event. So bring your singing voices and Christmas Spirit for the traditional sing along. We look forward to a few sopranos this year. We have been assured by the ladies this will improve the results.



The Pastor Langseth Carolers

Last Month Luncheon

An excellent torsk plate and a detailed powerpoint presentation from Dr. Egil Juliussen topped out our November Luncheon. Thanks to all who attended and especially the Swedish dancers who added a wonderful flair of color to our meal.

Torske Klub Luncheon - Dec 9, 2023—Reserve today!

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 Sunday evening before the luncheon**. Timely reservations insure that fish and a table space can be reserved for you. The fish order is called in after the deadline. There is \$5 surcharge for late reservations. Call **(847)886-4841** at any time day or night to leave a reservation. 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 **38, 51, 55, 58, 97, 98, 120, 124, 135, 149**. Board members note that they have a reservation automatically and must call or prearrange to cancel *or add guest to the count*. 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 2023/2024 season, excluding father/son/daughter day in March and excluding ladies day in February.**

Reservations
by
December 3

Reservation Line: 847-886-4841

This month we recognize the kids that got their Christmas presents combined with their birthday presents: Dr. Egil Fosslie, Michael Mogil, Harold Bendicsen, Dave Hall, our corresponding secretary Garry Grube, and our treasurer Milt Gustafson. Gratulerer med dagen, God Jul and Skål !

Do you know what next month is?

It's sweater month of course. And you have plenty of time to see if that sweater fits. If not you have time to get a new one to show off at our next meeting in January. Next month is when we ask members who haven't already paid their dues to pony up. Your dues help pay for the Linie aquavit, lefse, smoked salmon, flowers for ladies day, speakers fees, if any, and this newsletter.



Ladies Invited this Month!

Our wife and friends and friend's wives are invited this year to our celebration. Be sure to call in the reservation by Dec.3 to insure a portion of torsk, and if beef is preferred, denote that in your reservation. **If you wish to reserve a table of 10, send a representative to reserve it before noon.**



Reminders:

- 1)The price of our meal is now \$35, excluding cocktails and raffle.
- 2)The dues for the Klub are \$40 yearly, which covers the cost of the mailings and Linie Aquavit in honor of your birthday
- 3)Checks may be made out to "Chicago Torske Klub" once again.

Future 2024 Events

- Dec. 9—Christmas Party
- Jan. 13—Sweater Day
- Feb. 10 —Ladies Day

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Looking for a coordinator for our group to plan and contact speakers or programs. Most programs are suggested by members, *Usually an hour or so per month.*

Inquire to the boss



Wanted: Program Chairman

Vikings at work