

Chicago Sons of Norway



Newsletter



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The Spiritual Side of the Chicago Bulls

Te are honored to welcome as our speaker Reverend Henry Soles, who is Baptist Minister from Wheaton/Hinsdale area and the senior chaplain for the Chicago Bulls. Soles leads pre-game Christian chapel services and helps the athletes reflect upon their lives away from the basketball court. There are few people who are as close to the basketball team as Soles and of course we are looking forward to learning about the importance of Chris-



tian belief at the Bulls as well as some unique insight and stories about the team.

Aside his involvement with the Bulls, Soles serves as associate minister to Du-Page County A.M.E. Church in Lisle, Illinois, and is the corporate consultant for the Chicago-based Owens Group. He also is the founding board chairman of the DuPage County Housing Association, a nonprofit agency providing 260 housing units for low- and moderate-income persons, and is a founding trustee of the DuPage Prayer Breakfast Committee. He has served on the boards of various organizations, including Gospel Outreach, Serenity House, the Chicago Mental Health Council, the DuPage Prevention Partnership, the Mid-America Leadership Foundation, the Wheaton-Carol United Way, the DuPage Housing Authority and the Wheaton History Center.

Neeedless to say, this is one presentation you do not want to miss!

Birthdays

This month, we honor the birthdays of the following members:

Truman Eddy, Peter Hastings, Kaare Nevdal, Kristian Ronning, Samual L. Smith, Max D. Strokes, Eivind Torske and Thorkil Winther.

Gentlemen, we raise our Linie Aquavit glasses and wish you a Happy Birthday!

Member News

Roger Elmer Sr. and our Secretary Ken Larson underwent surgery in September.

We wish both of you a speedy recovery and hope to see you back at our meetings soon!



Our October will be held on October 14, 2006 at the Des Plaines Elks Club, 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL (847-824-1556). Cocktail hour begins at noon; dinner starts promptly at 1:00 P.M. when, according to our tradition, our BOSS, Robert Alsaker, rings the bell to seat us for dinner.

Reservations due by: Tuesday, Oct 10 NOON

ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR DIN-

The Elks Club needs time to order the fresh fish. Timely reservations insure that an adequate portion and a table space can be reserved for you. Noon means noon. A call at 12:30 on Tuesday is no better than a call on Friday evening; the fish order is

Call 630-443-6839 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. It will ring 4 times before answering.

NO EMAIL RESERVATION THIS MONTH.

Please use the phone for reservations. The secretary will not be able to receive your email reservation.

**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 2006/2007 season, excluding father/son/ daughter in March and ladies day in May.

Dinner Reservation Phone:

(630) 443 6839

Ålesund, Norway

Forty-five persons including 12 Torske Klub members (pictured above) joined our Assistant Boss and Norwegian American Chamber of Commerce President, Don Hoganson, for a memorable trip in early September to Ålesund, Norway. Our good friend and Honorary Torske Klub member, Lodve Solholm, a leader in the Storting, assisted Don in the planning of the festive tour and one week later he spoke at our September luncheon.



Ålesund, a city of 41,000 residents is on seven islands on the Western Coast of Norway, north of Bergen. We visited the town of Hellesylt, Geiranger, Saebo and Sykkylven. We toured and had lunch at the Ekornes furniture factory home of the "Stressless Chair".

A cruise on the Geirangerfjord, with a memorable lunch at the Union Hotel and a full day boat trip on the Hjørundfjord including mackerel fishing, were highlights of the trip. Another memorable lunch of Bacalao at Ålesund's Rica Hotel and a wonderful dinner of Reindeer filets were unforgettable. Congratulations Don on providing us all with a lifetime memory! Mange tusen takk!

2007 Dues

It's the time of the year again: The \$35 dues for the Torske Klub are due annually. We have enclosed a out a slip of paper with your address and membership—information—in this mailing, which you can use to update any contact information. Please submit the slip together with your dues using the enclosed envelope. You can also bring the membership slip simply to the next meeting.

We have set the due date for the dues as 12/31 of each year, but we will gladly accept your dues payment at any dinner from now on. A couple have already done this in September. In such a case, your dues payment slip is market as "PAID".

Please note to the secretary if you pay your dues at the dinner. Dues cover the cost of this mailing, and pay for the aquavit in honor of your birthday.

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