



Excursions into Space, Matter and Time



Ron Moore

We will welcome Ronald Moore from the particle accelerator at Fermilab in Batavia, IL. He will discuss “Getting to The Heart of Matter: An Overview of Fermilab” and introduce the physics they study at Fermilab, describe the particle accelerators and experiments used as tools. This facility has discovered significant facts about the nature of matter and science. However by 2009 the famous

Fermilab Tevatron may close and the future of such discoveries will yield to the Large Hadron Collider in Cern, Switzerland. Thanks to Wolfgang Gruener for arranging our speaker. He recently wrote an extensive article about Fermilab for his noted website TG Daily, which can be viewed at <http://www.tgdaily.com/>

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is our American holiday that most of us learned about in school during this time of the year. The story of the Plymouth colony pilgrims celebrating their survival and 1st harvest in 1621 after a shaky start is legendary. The invitation to their survival instructor, Squanto, and the Wampanoag native people led to a three day feast at the time. No football was involved at that 1st event.

You may be surprised to know that we are not unique. Canada celebrates the same holiday, but in the 2nd Monday in October. Many countries in Europe celebrate some kind of harvest festival as well. The U.K., Germany, Ireland, China, Nigeria and many other countries have some sort of harvest festival. The Norwegian colony has readily adopted the tradition, and so we enjoy the traditional turkey, stuffing, gravy, sweet potatoes, and cranberries with the rest of America. Some of us will sneak in a smoked salmon, herring, lefse or a taste of aquavit. So, enjoy the day, enjoy your family, and give thanks to He that provided it all.

Birthdays

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

Vern Bengtson, Jorgen Laursen, Gary Ruud, Richard Fredrickson, Robert Olberg, and Ron Betz. Gentlemen, we raise our Thanksgiving glasses of Linie Aquavit to you and wish you a “Happy Bird-Day”!

New Members

We would also like to welcome our newest members, Douglas Conte from Streamwood, IL and Paul Fleck from Chicago.

Welcome!



Our luncheon will be held on November 10, 2007 at the Des Plaines Elks Club, 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL. 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, Nov 6
NOON

Make Your Regular Dinner Reservation by TUESDAY Noon, November 6, 2007 ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR DINNER. 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. ANY reservation made after noon on Tuesday will have a \$5.00 late fee imposed, making your dinner charge \$25.

Call 630-445-1263 (the New Number) at any time day or night to leave a reservation; call 630-443-6829 if you can't get through. 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 a few times before answering.

We have reservations from the following members: 3, 13C, 22, 39, 40, 47, 51, 55, 73C, 85, 97A, 98, 114, 115, 126, 132, 141, 149, 163, 168.

We also the email reservations if you choose. Please send to secretary@torskeklub.org with your number of reservations, including 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 or number/letter by your name.**

You will get one free raffle ticket to each member who brings one or more guests, excluding Father/son/daughter day and ladies day.

NEW! Dinner Reservation Phone: ☎ (630) 445 1263

Greetings to Wally Ellertson

Recall from the letter last month that Wally joined the Chicago Torske Klub last month. We were told shortly after that he had a fall at home with a major concussion and is now resting at home. We look forward to seeing you around soon Wally!

Torske Klub Dues

The dues statement was sent last month and about 75% of our members have responded. Remember to send in your dues or your newsletter and membership will lapse next year. Membership cards will be issued in the January mailing.

Dues for 2008 are \$40, payable in American money by check to the "Torske Klub" or by cash at the dinner.



July 2007 - Members of the Torske Klub visited the Governor of Troms and past Minister of Fisheries Svein Ludvigsen on his island home of Sommarøy while traveling to Tromsø in the Norwegian arctic. Left to right: Don Hoganson, Ken Larson, Hank Solberg, Dick Fjeldheim, Kjell Ove Hoveding (our host at the Sommarøy hotel), Hugo Lanneskog, Bill Schiederich, Sam Smith, Per Ohrstrom, the Rev. Bob Furreboe, Lowell Olberg, Robert Alsaker, Gov. Svein Ludvigsen. Missing is Lodve Solholm, Norwegian Storting Representative.

October Meeting: Bomb and Arson

The speaker for October was Edward J. O'Donnell, Commander of the Bomb and Arson Section of the Chicago Police Department. Thanks to Roger (Rusty) Elmer Jr., another of Chicago's finest from Bomb and Arson, for acquiring our speaker and for his outstanding work as Torskemaster. Thanks also to Ken Nordan for filling in as Treasurer that day.

Do you also have an interesting speaker or topic? Contact our Program Chairman. We have some program opportunities next year.

The Vote is in ...

No, not the presidential election ... *the Viking boat vote.*

Recall that the Partners in Preservation, <http://www.partnersinpreservation.com/>, supported by American Express sponsored a vote for which Chicago landmark. The first place winner was the On Leong Merchant Association/Pui-Tak Center and the 2nd place was the Viking ship, now located in Geneva, IL. One million dollars has been earmarked for donations to the winners and will likely be apportioned among the top vote gatherers. This will be announced on November 13,, so stay tuned.

Thanks to all of our members who braved the wilds of the Internet to vote like true Chicagoans: Early and often.

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