



February Luncheon- Ladies Day

Our annual ladies day luncheon is on February 9, 2019 with an open invitation to all gentlemen and ladies to dine with us. Our speaker this month is Nancy B. McCully, who will close our Illinois Bi-



centennial Celebration for the Torske Klub with a talk, “*Stepping into Illinois History*”. The recent Illinois Bicentennial celebration makes this the perfect time to sample the fascinating historical sites in our state. Discover the ancient Native American city at Cahokia Mounds, the seat of the French government at Fort de Chartres, and Camp DuBois where Lewis and Clark spent the winter before their Voyage of Discovery. We will see how early Illinois residents lived in Bishop Hill and Nauvoo, and visit the homes of Presidents Lincoln and Grant.

Additionally, we will be entertained by the Normennenes Singing Society during Cocktail hour and at the start of the luncheon.

This event has historically been extremely well attended, and the **table of ten rule applies**. For those parties of ten requiring a table to sit together, *one of the party* should reserve the table before 11:45am on the day of the luncheon. No individual seating will be reserved before that time, but all seating will be open after 11:45am to reserve by each diner, pair or group. Cocktails are at noon, luncheon at 1pm.

Order Fish or Beef when you reserve this month

January Sweater Day Luncheon Well Attended

We celebrated January with our annual Sweater Day photo (p.2) and a talk on significant events in Illinois from speaker Gary Midkiff. The luncheon was relatively well attended, the aquavit was cold and the fish was good. Thanks to all that stepped in to help, especially Garry Grube, who was acting Treasurer this meeting while Mr. Nordan mended. More news about Garry on p.2.

Torske Klub Luncheon - February 9, 2019

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 February 4 for 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. \$5 surcharge for late reservations. **THIS MONTH SPECIFY FISH OR BEEF.**

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: **3, 38, 42A, 47, 51, 55, 84, 97, 98, 115, 120, 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 2018/2019 season, excluding father/son/daughter day in March and excluding ladies day in February.



Luncheon Reservation Phone: ☎(847)886-4841



Chicago Torske Klub– January 2019

Meet Your New Assistant Boss



Garry Grube

The board met by conference call on Jan. 19 and can report we are in good shape. We have lost a few members and gained a few.

One significant decision: Garry Grube agreed to serve as Assistant Boss, filling the vacancy of the late Rusty Elmer.

Garry has been on the board for decades, and has served as Aquavit Chairman, Recording Secretary, and pinch hitter when someone is missing. Recall he was our speaker on Beekeeping in 2014. Be sure to buy him a drink next meal [no designated driver needed, he rides the EL train home]. Thanks for stepping up Garry!

Birthdays and News

This month we celebrate the birthdays of the February: Perry Straw, Jim Beyris, Ed Grendahl, Neil Andersen, Edward Ekstrom, Fred Durler, Cedric Syrdahl, charter member Dr. Ray Newgard, Phil Waters, David Svendsen, Recording Secretary Tom Peterson and our Program Chairman Thor Jondahl.

Welcome and farewell to Chris Gruener, who joined us in January and left for boot camp in the Illinois National Guard. Thanks for your service!



Men of Lane-
Graduates of Lane Tech, various years

Future Events for 2019

- ◇ Feb. 9– Ladies Day– Nancy McCully– IL Bicentennial
 - ◇ Mar. 9– Father/son/Daughter Day
 - ◇ April 13– Luncheon
 - ◇ May 11– Anniversary Day
- See <http://www.torskeklub.org> for more info

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