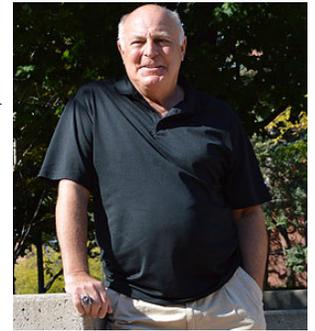




## Terry Sullivan - Red Sox Scout on Father/Son/Daughter

The Chicago Torske Klub annual father/son/daughter day was set aside over the last decades to bring those that don't typically attend our meets.

We are honored this month to have Mr. Terry Sullivan speak to our collective luncheon. Terry retired as a teacher and baseball coach in the Lyons Township in 2000, but wasn't done yet. Beginning in 2003, he traveled Illinois and the Midwest as a scout for the Boston Red Sox, evaluating promising players from behind the backstop of countless high school and college diamonds, and accumulating a couple of World Series rings for his contributions along the way, we understand. He also founded the Walk Chicago Tours in 2004, which is a topic that could be interesting on it's own in the future. Our thanks to our good members Kurt and Milt Gustafson for facilitating this speaker for this day.



Mr. Terry Sullivan—  
photo by Elmhurst.com

## February Ladies Day Luncheon

Our February Ladies Day Luncheon was relatively well attended to greet the Honorary Norwegian Consul for Chicago, Susan Meyer. Our thanks to Ms. Meyer, and all that worked to make the luncheon successful. Roses were acquired from CR Flowers and Things in Des Plaines to distribute after a bountiful raffle.

## Board of Directors Meeting

The Board met briefly on Feb. 26, 2020 to resolve some questions and review the status of our group. Highlights include:

- Membership— 84 ; 94 letters mailed.
- Treasury = Healthy and capable of supporting our activities.

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### ***Torske Klub Luncheon - March 12, 2022—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 the evening of Sunday March 6** 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. 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, 84, 97, 98, 120, 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 2021/2022 season, excluding father/son/daughter day in April and excluding ladies day in February.

***Reservation Line: 847-886-4841***

Birthdays for March include Ray Syverson, Hugo Lanesskog, and Roald Harr. . Skål and best wishes! A note for our members who have not had their birthdays acknowledged. We never received your birth month on your application nor your yearly dues. If you are on this list, let us know by email, phone or when you sign up for dinner. Those members are: 2, 12, 12A, 15A, 20,58A, 58B, 91,152A.

## In Cod We Trust...

We have published some stories in the past regarding the depleted cod and regulated fishing in the North Atlantic. Most of the fresh cod comes from Iceland, Norway and Russia. Fishing quotas, and supply disruptions and rising costs have made our fresh cod more difficult to acquire. Most cod is frozen and prepared on the ship. When frozen cod is prepared as traditional torsk, it is rubbery or mushy. Our current fresh cod source is restricted to Supreme Lobster in the Chicago area, we understand, and their costs have risen as has most of food stocks these days.

**Notice:**  
**The price of our meal is now \$35.**

As such, the Elks have informed us that their price for our fresh cod meal has risen to \$37, passing their costs to us. The Torske Klub board has met on February 26 to discuss our options. We have agreed that the price must increase to \$35, with the Klub absorbing the \$2/plate for now. Non-fish meals have also risen and the Elks are charging the same, so all meals will be \$35.

Some members and board have investigated and proposed other options. A letter and vote for each member is enclosed separately for consideration.

## Board of Directors (continued from p.1)

- Open Board Responsibilities—Two members have been identified and will be announced later.
- May luncheon is changed to May 7, so it does not coincide with multiple Syttende Mai dinners and activities.
- Review of dinner, new costs and options for the future.

The board notes that these have been challenging times, but we have seen challenges in past decades as well. As the COVID restrictions seem to be clearing, we look forward to the future.

## The Cod Experts say...

According to seafoodsource.com, agreements between Norway and Russia, who represent almost 50% of the North Atlantic Cod supply, have decreased the quotas and thus the supply of cod. Iceland (almost 30% of the supply) has already reduced their supply. Much of this is due to the stress on the existing fisheries, but the fishing and transport costs has also been affected by COVID.

The recent political unrest in eastern Europe can only serve to affect this further and as the supply decreases to increasing demand, the price goes up.



**Future 2022 Events**  
Mar.12- Father, Son Daughter Day—Terry Sullivan—Red Sox Scout  
Apr. 9- Luncheon  
May 7\*— 62nd Anniversary Luncheon.  
**[\*Note May meeting date change to 1st Saturday of May]**

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