



Torske Klub Anniversary and Ladies Day: CBS2's Mary Ann Childers to speak

The final dinner of this Torske season will be held on May 12 when we will celebrate our Torske Klub 47th anniversary and the ladies in our lives. Our members are invited to attend with their wives, as well as friends and relatives of any gender.

We are honored to have as our guest speaker an icon of Chicago news and broadcasting, Mary Ann Childers. Ms. Childers has served the community as a news anchor, reporter, writer and producer. She is currently assigned as the Medical Editor and special projects reporter at CBS Channel 2 in Chicago. She is married to another notable broadcaster in Chicago, Jay Levine.



Mary Ann Childers
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Dr. Ray Newgard will be the Torskemaster.

This dinner meeting is expected to be fully attended, so make your reservations early. Note that early reservations total 88 already; that is more than many dinners total. This day will also find some other special situations:

You are advised to make reservations early by phone (630-443-6839) or email to secretary@torskeklub.org. If the phone voice mail fills, try again later.

The May Dinner allows either strip steak or the regular fish. Please identify your preferences for the reservations when you reserve, for instance: "2 fish; 1 steak; total of 3". Reservations made already are noted in the adjoining paragraph.

The "table of 10 rule" will apply: Tables of ten MUST be reserved by 12pm that day by a representative of your table. Conversely, ONLY tables of ten may be reserved before 12pm. Late arrivals may find themselves negotiating with others for seating in groups.

Dinner tickets will be provided for the day and collected. Your badges and guest tags are not required for dinner, but will be available.

The ordered Torske Klub Shirts will be paid for and distributed that day. See the article below.



Our last luncheon of the season will be held on May 12, 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, May 8
NOON**

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 ensure that an adequate portion and a table space can be reserved for you. **ANY reservation made after noon on Tuesday will have a \$5.00 late fee imposed, making your dinner charge \$25.**

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.

We have reservations from the following members: 3(2), 5A(2), 8(2), 12B(2), 13C, 16(4), 17B(2), 22, 39(3), 40(2), 44(2), 47(2), 51(4), 55, 59(3), 73C, 85(3), 95(2), 98(4), 103(2), 109(2S), 110(1+1S), 114, 114A, 115(2), 126(2), 140(2), 141, 142(2), 143(3), 145(2), 150(2), 151(2), 152(2), 153(2), 154(2)163(2), 167(4), 168(2), 171(2), 177(2). () indicate reservations for the member number. (1S) means one steak dinner.

We also take 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.**

Note that Ladies day is excluded from receiving a free raffle ticket for bringing guests.

Dinner Reservation Phone: ☎ (630) 443 6839

News from the Boss

Here we are in our 47th year and we are growing! We now have 140 members of Torske Klub thanks to all of you and your Board of Directors. Our Programs, Raffles, Financial proficiency, Print Media and Website all add up to a healthy Klub on the go! I especially want to thank Don Hoganson this year for organizing, designing and arranging for our first Torske Klub Shirt. I don't think that it could have turned out better. Tusen Takk, Don.

Have a great summer and I look forward to seeing all of you again in September.

Birthdays

We have more birthdays in May than any other month. Past Norwegian Hon. Consul General Per Ohrstrom, the Rev. Bob Furreboe, Carl Hansen, Nels Nelson, Don Nowicki, the Rev David Langseth, Marv Meyer, Paul Solberg, Steve Klos, Ray Nilsen, Ron Jacobsen, Henry Hansen, Thor Fjell, Christian von Kirchbach, Andy Andersen, Roger Elmer Jr., Fred Gilbertsen, and Leonard Zielinski. Special greetings to Board member Ken Nordan who is halfway to 100, and to our regular attendee Bob Jaeger who will see 100 in 5 more years!

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April Torske Klub: Judge James Wascher

The Torske Klub was pleased to welcome James Wascher to speak about our jury system. Recall that he was with the law firm of Friedman & Holtz, P.C.. The Illinois Supreme Court appointed Mr. Wascher as a Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, where he served from June 2001 until his appointment expired in December 2002. He spoke on the jury system, supported by our own member and retired judge, the Hon. Perry Gulbrandsen, as Torske-

Pick up Torske Klub Shirts at May Meeting

Our Torske Klub shirts will be available for pick up at our Ladies Day May meeting. They will not be mailed out to members because of the cost of mailing. Please have a check made out to "Torske Klub" or exact change when picking up your shirt(s), it will make it easier for everyone. Those not attending the meeting will be able to pick it up at Rob's house over the summer. Shown above, Boss Rob Alsaker and Assistant Boss



Don Hoganson working hard to finalize the Torske Klub shirt order.

Orders were checked and double checked for accuracy. When their work was completed they celebrated in true Torske Klub style...with a glass of Linie Aquavit! Over 180 shirts have been ordered!

Calendar: Syttende Mai Events ...

Annual Norwegian Constitution Day Parade – Sunday May 20, 2007 – Torske Klub lines up at 12:30 from Talcott & Cumberland. Honorary Grand Marshall, Inge Lønning, President of the Norwegian Lagting (Parliament).

Norwegian Constitution Day Banquet – Saturday, May 19, 2007 – Hosted by Norwegian National League. \$45. Chevy Chase C.C. Wheeling, IL. Reservations at 773-631-8338

NACC Norwegian Constitution Day Luncheon – Friday May 18, 2007 – Mid American Club, Wheaton, IL. \$65 members \$70 non-members- See Lowell Olberg

Norwegian Constitution Day Church Service - Thursday May 17, 2007- 7:00 PM featuring the Church Choir, the Grieg Ladies Singing Society, the Bjornson Male Chorus and the Chicago Nordic Choir. Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church, 2614 N. Kedzie Blvd., Chicago

Norwegian Constitution Day- Thursday May 17, 2007 - Hosted by the Norwood Life Care Foundation, Norwood Crossing, Chicago, IL 12:00 PM noon, Marcia Mahood 773-577-5310.

Thanks to Truman Eddy for forwarding these updated events.