



Pastor Grindheim Addresses Members in October

The Chicago Torske Klub is pleased to welcome Pastor Sigurd Grindheim, who is the pastor of the Norwegian Memorial Church (Minnekirken) in Logan Square, Chicago. He will speak of his ministry and missionary work in Ethiopia.



Make your reservations early for the luncheon. Our torskemaster this month is our own good member Howard Skoien, who made the recommendation for asking Pastor Grindheim to join us.

September

We were entertained in September by the presentation of Sara Drower as she presented slides of the city of Copenhagen, Denmark.

Thanks to Garry Grube as he steered the meeting as torskemaster. We were happy to welcome back Rob Alsaker for his first torsk dinner since his illness, and also Assistant Boss Lowell Olberg as he opened the meeting for the first time.

Thanks also to Board Member Roger Elmer, as he manned the secretary's desk this month and Bob Frost for his assistance.



Fredericksborg Castle in Denmark

November Date Change

You may recall that we have competed for parking and the big room downstairs with a Swedish women's group that has met in the Elk's facility on the second Saturday of November. There were three events booked this year, so we approached the Elk's Club about changing the date to the first Saturday, **November 5, 2011**, instead of the regular second Saturday date of November 12th.

Our speaker for November has graciously agreed to change the date, and we should have adequate parking and access to the facility as usual. Please mark your calendar!



Torske Klub Luncheon - October 8, 2011

The next 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 TUESDAY Noon, October 4, 2011.

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 fish and a table space can be reserved for you. Noon deadline means noon. The fish order is called in directly after noon.

Call **630-445-1263** at any time day or night to leave a reservation. If there is voicemail difficulties, call Ken L. at 630-336-6723. 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, 13C, 40, 47, 51, 55, 114, 115, 120, 149.**

Board members note that they have a reservation automatically and must call or prearrange to cancel. 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 **secretary@torskeklub.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 2011/2012 season, excluding father/son/daughter day in March and excluding ladies day in February.

Luncheon Reservation Phone: (630) 445-1263

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October 4**

This month, we toast the monthly birthdays for the emerging autumn: Eivind Torske, Peter Hastings, board member emeritus Kristian Ronning (now in Minnesota), Board Member Sam Smith, Thorkil Winther and one of our oldest members, Kaare Nevdal. We also tip our Torske Klub cap to Trygve Lonnebotn for his birthday this month. Trygve is the Boss Emeritus of the Madison Torske Klubben, and the past honorary consul general of Norway for Wisconsin.

Happy birthday to all of our good members, and skål.



Lofoten Islands near Henningsvær

Annual Dues Requested this Month

This month we start the request for annual dues.

We have tried to make this as easy as possible to submit your annual dues and also to review the information for mailing and contact. The slip with your member info should be reviewed for accuracy, and we would appreciate you correcting any omissions or errors. Send corrections back whether you owe dues or not either by mailing, or drop off at the luncheon. We have provided an addressed envelope with your return address. Member information can always be changed by an email to secretary@torskeklub.org as well.

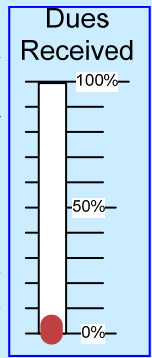
Commonly, we have errors in email addresses, or spelling of names. If you have not been getting email, check your address and check if your provider accepts the bulk mailing from torskeklub.org or from l Larsonk@sbcglobal.net. We have many who fail to get email. We request a birth month from all members to acknowledge your birthday for the month. Optionally supply the day and year only if you wish to. We will acknowledge milestone birthdays of known ages.

A few of you receive complementary mailings or have already paid in anticipation of the dues collection. If so, your notice is marked "PAID-DO NOT PAY"; please verify information only. For all others, you are requested to send \$40 by December 31. If you are joining or rejoining the Torske Klub after a "sabbatical", send your \$40 as well. We do not back bill for past years.

We do not give out information to external groups.

Dues Received

We'll measure our dues response in this block for the next couple months, as a reminder to submit that before the deadline of December 31. Thanks to those who already anticipated the collection and paid in September at the luncheon.



Future Dates

- ◇ Oct. 8, 2011—Rev. Sigurd Grindheim
- ◇ **Nov. 5, 2011*** (*note this changed date, now the first Saturday of November)— Steve Goreham, Climate Coalition of America
- ◇ Dec. 10, 2011— Christmas Program by Pastor David Langseth
- ◇ Jan. 14, 2012—Bob Nordin—Gokstad Ship
- ◇ Feb. 11, 2012—Ladies Day- Eric Dregni—Author of "Vikings in the Attic" and "In Cod We Trust"
- ◇ Mar. 2012—Father/Son/Daughter Day- Bob Lew—Pop Culture
- ◇ April 2012—Fred Glure on Trains
- ◇ May 2012—Anniversary of Torske Klub—Speaker from NBC.

Also see <http://www.torskeklub.org> for more information.

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