



Self-Driving Cars on Father/Son/Daughter Day

The auto industry has already seen tremendous changes in the last decades, but "you ain't seen nothing yet". Cars are already connected to telematics services, Smartphone and the Internet cloud and this will accelerate in the next few years. The typical car has nearly 100 embedded computers and over 50 million lines of software code. But the truly revolutionary vehicles will be the self-driving cars that are emerging in the next decade. The presentation will get give you answers to the question: When can I buy a self-driving car? Our speaker is Egil Juliussen, Ph.D. He is the Director of Research & Principal Analyst with IHS Automotive Technology.



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Egil has over 35 years' experience in computers, mobile devices and automotive electronics. He has extensive experience in technology and market forecasting and competitive analysis. Egil's recent research is focused on autonomous driving, self-driving cars, automotive software, connected cars and apps in the car. Egil was co-founder of Telematics Research Group, which was acquired by IHS via iSuppli. Join us for this fascinating insight into the present and future and celebrate St. Paddy's day too.

This is our annual father, son and daughter day, where we invite sons and daughters of any age, and also fathers of any age. Recall that mothers and spouses had their day last month. All members may invite their guests as usual, following the directions in the box note below.

Ladies Day Remembered

We had about 120 reservations for an outstanding day. We've received many positive comments about the event, the speaker, Normennenes, the raffle, and the roses that the ladies received. We hope that we can get John Radzinski in the future to finish his interesting talk on the presidents. We'll note to those who asked, the hearty roses we acquired were from a florist down the street from the Elks Club: CR Florist Inc., 1932 River Rd, Des Plaines. They looked good the week after Valentine's Day. Special thanks to Richard Nelson Jr., who mastered the craft of Torskemaster for the day.

Torske Klub Luncheon - March 14, 2015

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 March 9, 2015. ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR DINNER *noting dinner preference of steak or fish*. 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. Call **312-233-2887** at any time day or night to leave a reservation. If there is voicemail difficulties, call Garry at 312-497-6407. As usual, please leave your MEMBERSHIP NUMBER, NAME, and the TOTAL number of people in your party, as well as NUMBER OF FISH DINNERS. The same information is required when you reserve for other members. We have reservations from the following members : **3, 38, 40, 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. 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 2014/2015 season, **excluding father/son/daughter day in March** and excluding ladies day in February.



Luncheon Reservation Phone: ☎(312) 233-2887

Member Birthdays and News

Birthdays for March are Ray Syversen, Rodney Lee, John Halversen, Eric Skoien, Hugo Lanesskog, Roald Harr, David Bentsen Sr., and Dan Cord. As they say in Ireland (a notable viking colony), "May you live to be a hundred years, with one extra year to repent!"



Ken Vesterli

We noted by email that a couple of our members are recovering from illness and injury and should be in our prayers. For those without email, we were saddened to hear that our long time member Ken Vesterli was hit by a car while on his bicycle in July and still recovering from head and spinal cord injury. His niece Deanne sent us a photo of Ken thanking us for the card signed by our group in February.

We are pleased to welcome our newest member Perry Straw of Oregon, IL. Perry and his wife Lorainne joined us for lunch in February.



The Boss rings for lunch

We were saddened to hear of four deaths. Vern Bengtson was a dedicated and long time member who passed away in Florida last month after surgery. Shirley Skoien was the mother of Gary Skoien and sister-in-law of Howard Skoien. Jeanette Grube of El Paso, IL passed away; she was the mother of our Secretary Garry Grube. Rolf Larson emailed us that one of our new members from late 2014, Hank Sander-son, passed away on 1/17. Our prayers are with these families.

We also received word that our honorary member and former Norway Minister of Fisheries and Fylkesmann of Troms County in Norway, Svein Ludvigsen, is battling cancer. We wish our best for his recovery.

Finally, thanks to Julie Nordan for sharing some photos from last month.



2015 Vesterheim Benefit Luncheon

Saturday, April 25th, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. at Park Ridge CC.
 Nordic Marketplace open from 9:30-12:30, followed by luncheon, raffle, silent auction, entertainment & more. Reservations required. Invitations will be mailed in March. Reservations include entrance to the marketplace, luncheon and program. Call Stephanie at Vesterheim at 563-382-9681 Ext. 103 for information or an invitation.

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