

Newsletter

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Logan Square Preservation



lease join us Saturday, November 8 when our club member, Andrew Schneider, and the team at Logan Square Preservation will share a variety of exciting updates to the Emil Biorn Park & Museum project located at 2618 N. Albany in Chicago. In September the organization and volunteers welcomed Norwegian Consul-General Jo Seltbak and Honorary Consul-General Susan Meyer to the park. Work is officially progressing at the site and the project team is working with master carver Jock Holmen on the wooden elements for the project. But that's not all! Great things are happening.





Left to right: Norwegian Consul-General Jo Seltbak, Andrew Schneider, Honorary Consul-General Susan Meyer

Left: Museum site being cleared for new construction at 2618 N. Albany, Chicago

Torske Klub Luncheon - Nov 8, 2025—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 <u>by Sunday evening before the luncheon</u>. 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 a \$5 surcharge for late reservations.

Call **NOTE THE CHANGE** (630-336-6723) 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, 58, 98, 102, 120, 124, 149, 170A. 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 larsonko54@gmail.com 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 2025/2026 season, excluding Ladies day in February and Father/Son/Daughter day in March.

Reservation Line: **NOTE THE CHANGE** 630-336-6723



Closeup detail of the Logan Square Emil Biorn Park entrance posts created by master carver Jock Holmen. Learn more about Jock Holmen and his work at https:// www.norwegiantermite.n et/our-story.html.



Tom Peterson February 16, 1960 - October 20, 2025

The Chicago Torske Klub board sadly announces the passing of treasurer and recording secretary Tom Peterson, 65, of Arlington Heights, IL. Tom died suddenly on Monday October 20. He had been an active torske club member since 2015. He was on the board for several years and was always willing to pitch in and lend a hand were ever and when ever needed. Our deepest sympathies are extended to Tom and his fam-

As this goes to press there has not been any posted information about funeral services.

Skål til Tom — en ekte venn og en god mann. Må han hvile i fred, og må minnene våre aldri falme



Helen L. Olberg August 29, 1940 - October 14, 2025

It is with deep sadness to announce the passing of Helen Olberg, wife of Chicago Torske Klub Assistant Boss, Lowell Olberg. Helen L. Olberg (née Malott), 85, of Wheaton, IL passed away on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, with her family by her side.

She was always willing to advise on computer related problems which was shown by her management of IT matters in the Norwegian American Genealogy Center and in NorCham Chicago along with Lowell, her husband.

Visitation was held on October 23 and funeral services were held on October 24. Interment was on the same day at Norway Cemetery in Norway, IL

Future 2025-2026 Events

Nov 8 Emil Biorn Memorial Park update Andrew Schneider

Dec 13 Christmas Program

Jan 10 **Sweater Day** A ride on the Rio **Grande Zephyr** Fred Glure

Feb 14 Ladies Day Jamaican Heritage and Reggae Museum Olivene Malcolm



This month we recognize the birthdays of the following members who have contributed their dues money toward the purchase of the Line Aquavit we enjoy so much at our monthly gatherings.

Thank you for keeping our tradition alive.

> Ronald Betz Bruce Carlson Jorgen Laursen Robert Olberg

Gratulerer med dagen og Skål!

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