



Chicago Bear & NIU Legend Garrett Wolfe at Father, Son, Daughter Day



Garrett Wolfe
—photo by Wikipedia

We are pleased to open our doors this March 9th to our annual Father, Son and Daughter day. Our speaker is Garrett Wolfe, a local football legend and All-American Running Back from Northern Illinois University and the Chicago Bears from 2007-2010.

He is a Chicagoan from Fenwick High School, finishing his high school career at Holy Cross High School. He is currently on active roster with the Montreal Alouettes.

Our members are invited to bring fathers, sons and daughters, besides the regular guests. Note that this is not a general ladies day luncheon like last month, but our daughters and grand daughters are invited as we have done for our sons and grandsons in in years past. Make your reservations early.

Ladies Day Well Attended but...

February saw another good turnout of members, spouses and friends. Unfortunately, our speaker, Polar Explorer and author John Huston, was a no-show for the event due to some scheduling confusion. However, through a fortunate series of events, we found ourselves with an appropriate substitute. Our good member and assistant boss emeritus, Don Hoganson, had attended a dinner the night before with David Jones of Class Afloat, who found himself stranded in Chicago due to flight delays. As many have done, what better place to go than the Chicago Torske Klub? As he was in attendance and met our attendees, we collectively noted that he would have an interesting topic for a future dinner, should he be in town. As the afternoon progressed, our speaker was missing and Mr. Jones was drafted to speak. His slides were repurposed and we enjoyed the day. Mr. Jones is the president of Class Afloat,

Torske Klub Luncheon - March 9, 2013

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 the evening of March 4, 2013. ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR DINNER. Timely reservations insure that fish and a table space can be reserved for you. The fish order is called in after the deadline.



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. The same information is required when you reserve for other members. We have reservations from the following members : **3, 13C, 38, 40, 47, 51, 55, 84, 98, 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.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 2012/2013 season, excluding father/son/daughter day in March and excluding ladies day in February.

Luncheon Reservation Phone: ☎(312) 233-2887

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SS Sørlandet—Wikipedia.com photo

a private boarding school for high school aged students, but on a tall ship sailing the Atlantic Ocean. That ship has Norwegian roots as the tall ship SS Sørlandet.

By the way, commemorating the 80th anniversary of its appearance at the 1933 Worlds Fair in Chicago, the SS Sørlandet

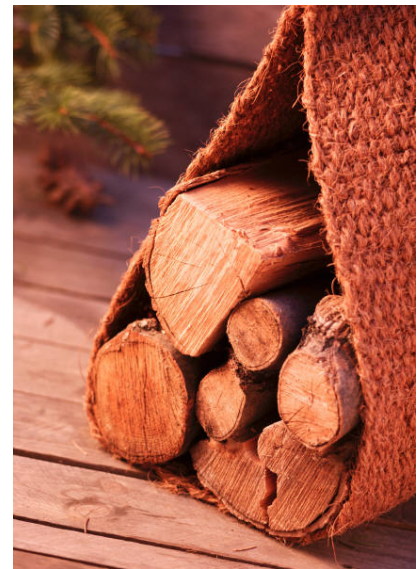
will lead a fleet of tall ships sailing to Navy Pier for the Tall Ships Challenge, Great Lakes 2013 festival August 07 -11. In 1933 the Sørlandet took her first transatlantic voyage to serve as the Norwegian pavilion at the Chicago Worlds Fair. See <http://www.classafloat.com> for more detail.

Our scheduled speaker for the day, Mr. Huston, has agreed to address us in a future event.

Norwegians Bark About Firewood

One of the popular TV programs in Norway is “National Firewood Night”, a program that reviews sawing, stacking, splitting and burning of firewood. According to the New York Times author Sarah Lyall on February 19, 2013, this has caused a real controversy in Norway: Is firewood to be stored and dried bark side up, or bark side down? As the program aired, Norwegians texted and responded that they were doing it wrong. Half complained that the bark was facing up, and the other half complained that the bark was facing down.

This may sound minor to most of us in the USA, but in a country where the long, cold winters are supplemented by the warmth of a wood fire, the program and books about firewood have resonated and interested over 20% of the population to watch. So when you greet your Norwegian friends and relatives, prepare to take a position on the topic: Should the firewood be stored bark up, or bark down?



Birthdays & News for March

We honor the birthdays of the members born in thre month of March:

Scott Solberg, Ray Syverson, Rodney Lee, John Halversen, Thor Torger, Hugo Lanessskog, Roald Harr, Richard Peterson, and Board Member and past Raffle chairman David Bentsen Sr. Special birthday greetings to our member serving in active duty, Daniel Cord.

A tip of the aquavit to you all, gentlemen. Have a great day.

Save the Date

April 6, 2013 is the annual Friends of Vesterheim Luncheon at the Park Ridge Country Club. Contact Stephanie Johnson at snjohnson@vesterheim.org, or 563-382-9681 for reservations

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