

# Sons of Norway

## Polar Star Lodge 5-472

Meetings on the first Sunday of the month – Potluck at 1:30 p.m.  
St. Olaf Lutheran Church – Douglas Road, Montgomery, IL

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### President's Message



Skoal! Its time for Vasa Park!

### Hilsen Polar Star Lodge!

What a fun time we had at our Polar Star August Piknik in spite of Barb's pølses disaster!

The Vasa Park Scandinavian event is fast approaching. I hope everyone is planning what they will bake or donate for this fund raiser. It would be helpful if everyone would let Nancy Andersen know what you will be bringing so we know what to put on the menu fliers. I encourage everyone to come to Vasa Park to work at least one shift. It's a lot of fun!

Warm up those singing voices because our choir will begin rehearsing September 12<sup>th</sup> thanks to our Director, Doris Pittman.

Your President, Ken Johnson



Scarlett Anderson attended Masse Moro Youth Camp

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Scandinavian Festival

at Vasa Park

**September 8, 2019**

Polar Star Bakery and Flea Market

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**October 6, 2019**

**Polar Star Lodge  
Event**

**Masse Moro!**

**at St Olaf Lutheran  
Church**

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**Polar Star  
Taste of Norway**

**Høstfest**

**Sunday Nov. 3rd**

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**Polar Star Newsletter Deadline  
Will be the 14<sup>th</sup> of every month.**

Please submit all articles to Barb  
Johnson at

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**Sons of Norway – Polar Star  
Lodge**

**OCTOBER 6<sup>th</sup> LODGE EVENT**  
**Masse Moro**  
**Norwegian Heritage**  
**Youth Camp Program**

**Polar Star earns**  
**Sports Medals**



**Ed earns Gangemerke Enamel**



**Barb earns Gangemerke Enamel**

Polar Star is proud to announce that Scarlett Anderson, Floyd and Sherry Anderson's granddaughter, attended the Sons of Norway District 5 "Masse Moro" Norwegian Heritage Youth Camp from July -14-July 27, 2019 . We are delighted that she will attend our October Lodge meeting and provide us with an overview of her camp experience.

Lunch Buffet begins at 1:30 followed by Scarlett's Masse Moro Presentation

**Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service**



**Sports Director, Jerri Lynn, congratulates herself for earning an enamel Gangemerke medal**

# Polar Star Singers and Friends Needed.....



**Fox Valley Norwegian Choir Rehearsal  
will begin Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>  
at 7:00 p.m. at St. Olaf church for our  
Høstfest performance  
More information to follow from our  
choir director, Doris Pittman**

# CULTURE CORNER

by Barb Johnson

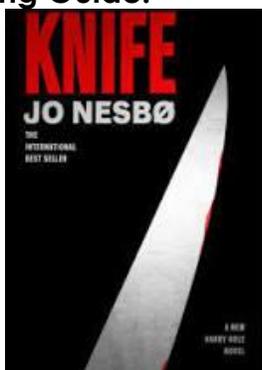
## Polar Star Språktime



The Polar Star Norwegian lessons with Inger Langsholt continue at the Hinckley, Illinois, Public Library on Friday mornings from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Join us as we continue to solve the “Mystery of Nils” as we complete Part 1 Language Culture Medal requirement.

## Polar Star Sjokolade og BókaFlód

Hopefully, this Summer you have devoted some time to reading three books to complete the requirements for Part Part I of the Norwegian Literature requirements. Here are some of the books that were on my reading list inspired by the Norwegian American Summer Reading Guide.



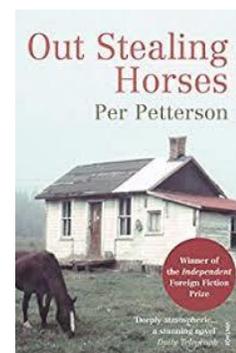
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### 1. **Knife by Jo Nesbø**

Harry Hole is back! Jø Nesbo's latest crime novel, "Knife" featuring Oslo's famous crime investigator has just been released in English. Harry is more damaged than ever and is probably not in any condition to investigate anything, but when a murder hits him personally he is pulled back into action. I have not been happy with Nesbø's last two novels, but this one I loved and couldn't put down! If you are a Harry Hole fan, I think you will like this one as much as I did!

2. **Naiiv.Super. by Erlend Loe** is the book that inspired Presidential candidate, Pete Buttigieg, to learn Norwegian. I was curious about the content of a book that could inspire someone to learn Norwegian, a language that has certainly given me my share of challenges to learn. I read the English version first and then found the book written in Norwegian with vocabulary assistance in English! Perfect! It is a very simple book about a twenty-something Norwegian man who is trying to find purpose in life. I enjoyed it in both languages.

3. **The Iron Chariot by Stein Riverton** is credited with being the original Norwegian crime novel. Riverton's 1909 novel is written in the first person by a nameless author who narrates the story. He describes his shock when he discovers that a fellow guest at the Norwegian resort he is visiting is murdered and he was the last person to see the victim alive. Shortly after the murder he (the narrator) is disturbed by a noise that sounds like rattling chains that the locals describe as "the iron chariot" of death. An Oslo Detective is brought in to investigate the murder and the story continues. Norwegian Crime is my favorite genre so I definitely had to read this one. Although the genre has moved forward since this novel was written, I can honestly say I was quite entertained and would definitely recommend it!

4. **Out Stealing Horses by Per Petterson**. If you have not read a Per Petterson novel, this should probably be your first. Petterson was the featured author in the Norwegian American and this book is listed as one of the top ten novels in Norwegian Literature. I am a fan of any novel set during WWII and this is one of the first ones that I read. Briefly the main character, Trond, suffers a personal tragedy and retreats from the world, until a chance encounter sets him off into memories of the past. In 1948, during a summer spent with his father in the countryside near the Swedish border, the 15-year-old Trond follows his friend into a field to steal horses, unaware of a shooting accident that has left a young boy dead. This book is a story of Norway during and after the second world war, of innocence lost and families destroyed. Petterson has a very interesting writing style and the book is definitely worth reading.

# SKOGFJORDEN ADULT NORWEGIAN LANGUAGE CAMP September 29- October 5, 2019



***Velkommen til Skogfjorden!*** You will feel like you're in Norway while spending time in the culturally authentic buildings looking down upon your own local *fjord*. Exercising your Norwegian language skills—whether beginner or advanced—is central to our programs. The staff is eager to help you improve your pronunciation, expand your vocabulary and learn new conversational skills. No matter how much or how little Norwegian you know when you arrive, we will work with you to make sure your skills have grown by leaps and bounds before the session is over. Dynamic presentations about literature, music, history and Vikings, fun activities and time to explore the woods enrich your *Skogfjorden* experience.

While these programs are tailored to the needs and preferences of adults, participants still enjoy authentic current-day Norwegian meals, adult-friendly schedules and a supportive community. Welcome to *Skogfjorden* for adults! We can't wait to meet you.

Visit [www.ConcordiaLanguageVillages.org/Adult](http://www.ConcordiaLanguageVillages.org/Adult)  
Contact Sara at 800-450-2214 to register



# VASA PARK SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL

## Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019



TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.



We will be making Norwegian vafler served with lingonberries on site and selling pre-packaged baked goods and Norwegian knit items and collectibles.

**The following pre-packaged baked goods are really needed.**

- Norwegian cookies and breads
- Norwegian specialty cakes
- Homemade lefse

**Please contact Barb & Kenny if you need us to pick up your baked goods.**

<http://www.scandinaviandayil.com/>

# **Sons of Norway - Polar Star Lodge**



## **“Tate of Norway” Høstfest – Fall Festival Sunday, November 3, 2019**

**St. Olaf Lutheran Church – 1233 Douglas Ave.**

**Noon - 3:30 p.m.**

**Montgomery, IL**

**Taste Traditional Norwegian Food**

**Shop for Scandinavian gifts, and jewelry**

**Lefse and Krumkake demonstrations**

**Norwegian Craft demonstrations**

**Rosemaling**

**Jewelry**

**Knitting**

- Fox Valley Norwegian Choir Performance at 1:00 p.m.**

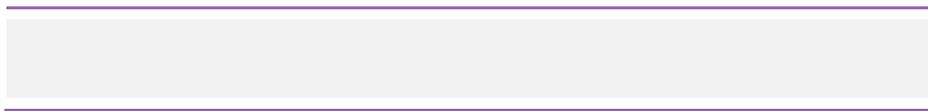
**Contact: Polar Star Cultural Director - Barb Johnson  
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# ALL HANDS ON DECK FOR THE NORSK MUSEUM!



Please contact Smørgåsbord Chair, John Morrow, to sign up for one of the serving stations below. His email is [jmorrow@fgs.com](mailto:jmorrow@fgs.com)  
**Set up for the Smørgåsbord will be Friday November 15<sup>th</sup>**

<b>SMØRGÅSBORD SERVING STATIONS</b>	<b>STATION COORDINATORS</b>
<b>TICKETS/FRONT DOOR</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Ralph Johnson</b>
<b>MAIN DINING ROOM</b>	<b>Ken Johnson &amp; Linda Anderson</b>
<b>KITCHEN</b>	<b>John Morrow</b>
Chuck Kross	
<b>SALADS</b>	<b>Lynette Johnson</b>
<b>DESSERTS</b>	<b>Barb Johnson &amp; Connie Kross</b>
<b>BEVERAGES</b>	<b>Ed Hatteberg</b>
Diana Raimond	
<b>CLEAN UP</b>	
<b>PARKING</b>	<b>Rob Borchsnius</b>



# Gratulerer Med Dagen Polar Star!



## AUGUST 15-30

19. Pat Baughman
20. Floyd Anderson
23. Penny Ray
26. Betsy Olson

## SEPTEMBER 1-14

1. Michael Seidel
2. Sheldon Rosenberg
4. Frances Berg

## POLAR STAR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**SEPTEMBER 8 - VASA PARK Scandinavian Festival - 9:00 a.m.**

**OCTOBER 6 - Mase Moro Heritage Presentation – 1:30 p.m.**

**NOVEMBER 3 - Høstfest begins at 11:30 a.m.**

**NOVEMBER 16 – Norway Museum Smorgasbord**

**DECEMBER 8 - JULETFEST**