

NORDLANDET LODGE 5-620

Notice of Nordlandet Lodge Dissolution

This will be your last newsletter – Sept 2017.

On July 13th at the membership meeting of the Nordlandet Lodge 5-620 there was an unanimous vote to dissolve the lodge. Disbursement of funds will be started immediately. Minutes from that meeting can be found on next page. Members will receive a notice from Minneapolis with options for retaining membership in SON.

Scandinavian Group.....

Marie Marin is planning future informal gettogethers for coffee and conversation at local restaurants for any interested people. I will send out an email notice when I receive the date, place and time. Please email me with any changes in your email address.

Judy Groh, editor jgroh41@frontier.com

SON LODGES- District 5

The nearest lodge is in Barron or Superior

Dovre 353, Barron, Wisconsin Meets 2nd Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Barron County Courthouse, 330 East LaSalle Avenue, Barron,

Norrona 27, Superior, Wisconsin November & February Meets 4th Wed. 9:30 a.m. Other Months Meets 4th Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Barkers Island

SON District 5 Lodge directory at......http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/lodges/

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The vision of a Sons of Norway lodge in the north woods began in the spring of 1992. Lu Albrecht was visiting her sister in Janesville where she picked up her sisters copy of the "Viking" and found it to be very interesting. Lu then contacted the Sons of Norway headquarters in Minneapolis to find out if she could get a subscription to the Viking. She received a surprise visit from Jack & Sigrid Kahoun, members of Sons of Norway. The main purpose of their visit was to ascertain whether there would be any interest in establishing a lodge in the area.

On October 24, 1992, Nordlandet 5-650 was officially formed with 80 charter members. The lodge had a grand banquet with members and guests including 5th district president and board members.

For the next 25 years Nordlandet Lodge was well-known in the community, promoting Scandinavian heritage meetings with interesting programs, hosting Syttende Mai & Julefest celebrations, which were open to the public and the annual Norwegian bakesale at Pioneer Park in Rhinelander.

Sadly all good things come to an end.

NORDLANDET LODGE 5-650 MEETING JULY 13, 2017

At Trinity Lutheran Church, Rhinelander, WI on July 13, 2017, the final meeting of Sons of Norway Lodge Nordlandet 5-620 was held at 2 PM. There were 10 members present to vote on the dissolution of the lodge: Fred Olsen, Helen Sigurdson, Gladys Miller, Sharon and Lee Samuelson, Char Schowwalter, Helen Brandow, Judy Groh, Lauralee and Jack Martin.

Jack Martin moved to dissolve the lodge. Motion seconded by Sharon Samuelson. A short discussion followed. As was the result of the June 8, 2017 meeting, it was once again decided we had no choice. The final date for the lodge to be in operation will be October 1, 2017. Time is being given so Gladys Miller can close out the treasury. The vote was 10 to 0. LODGE CLOSED EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2017. NO FURTHER MEETINGS WILL BE HELD.

Helen Sigurdson posed the question of what do members do who want to continue being Sons of Norway members and receive the Viking magazine? I told all that I would once again ask Darlene Arneson but that I understood each member would receive notification from Minneapolis regarding membership.

The "possible" expenditures from the June 8 meeting became the lodge's final expenditures by vote of the members present. Gladys Miller handed out the checks for some of the lodge donations agreed upon by the June 8 meeting. The donations from the treasury will bring the balance to \$185 which will cover all final bills. \$300 checks were given out to the members from Minocqua, Elcho and Eagle River to be given to the school backpack programs of those communities. The rest of the donations will be sent out prior to October 1, 2017 to the appropriate organizations. See June 8 minutes.

The 6 flags owned by the lodge will be delivered to the Cable WI organizations which sponsor the Birkebeiner Ski Race each year. The portable PA system was donated to the Elcho WI UCC church.

Judy Groh was complimented as having put out excellent final notices to all lodge members with June 8 minutes attached.

Gladys Miller read out how long we had to keep what documents. All else is to be discarded. She also handed out the hand painted rosemaled name tags the lodge has used for years.

Fred asked if anyone had final comments for the record. None were received. Very sadly, he adjourned the meeting at 2:45 PM. To all of you- THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES and don't ever forget the lyrics to the Norwegian National Anthem!!! We have learned them through the years.....Takk fra sist (Thanks for the last time we saw each other.)

Respectfully submitted with saddened heart, Lauralee Martin Secretary of the former Nordlandet Lodge 5-620