

# Friendly Fifth Friday News August 11, 2017

In an attempt to help our lodge leaders become more familiar with resources, changes, deadlines and other information, I will compile a weekly "Friendly Fifth Friday News" email to our leadership. Some of the information you might already have, but hopefully it will be a good reminder for all of us (me included) of all the great resources that Sons of Norway has to offer. **Please feel free to cut and paste any of this information for your lodge's use!**

Darlene Arneson, District 5 Secretary

Send all web posting info to [inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com](mailto:inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com)

Questions on the new dues structure? [2018dues@sofn.com](mailto:2018dues@sofn.com)

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Sons of Norway website. The URL is [https://www.sofn.com/member\\_resources/lodge\\_leadership\\_resources/administrative\\_resources/leadership\\_roles\\_guidelines/](https://www.sofn.com/member_resources/lodge_leadership_resources/administrative_resources/leadership_roles_guidelines/). The page features the Sons of Norway logo and navigation links such as "Convention", "Donate", "FBC Resources", "E-Post Signup", "Events", and "Profile". A red "MEMBER RESOURCES" button is visible. Below the navigation, there are links for "About Us", "Financial Products", "Member Benefits", "Norwegian Culture", "Foundation", and "Blog". The main heading is "Leadership Roles and Guidelines", with a sub-heading: "Discover the roles, responsibilities and guidelines for achieving success for each leadership position in your Sons of Norway lodge. Click each title to download the full description and details." A sidebar on the left lists "MEMBER RESOURCES" including "Lodge Leadership Resources", "Administrative Resources", "Lodge Forms", "Leadership Roles & Guidelines", "Communications Tool Kit", "Viking Resource", "Tubfrim", "Training and Presentation Resources", "Important Deadlines", "Lodge Programming", "Recruitment & Retention Archive", and "Volunteering". The main content area lists "Order of Ceremonies", "President", and "Vice President" with brief descriptions. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows the Windows logo, search bar, and various application icons, with the system clock indicating 5:49 AM on 8/11/2017.

## **D63 – Officer Election Report- Set your officer election date now!**

Each year the D63 (Officer Election Report) is due on December 15. This report is either emailed or mailed to the lodge secretary from the International office.

**I encourage lodges to set their officer election date now and to insure that it is done by December 15 so the report can be filed on time.** We are going into a convention year so the sooner I have the directory done, the sooner that we can start the delegate and other processes.

So if your election is usually in December but that's your Christmas party or your meeting date is after the 15<sup>th</sup>, then I encourage you to elect in November. Please don't wait until January meetings!

If your lodge does not elect officers this year, the report still needs to be filed!! You can do this online or send in the form and check the box (no changes) and that's all you have to do! But you HAVE to file it.

**Please don't start reporting officer elections yet (wait until the International sends out their materials in October)-** I just wanted to get the topic on your lodge agendas and your nominating committees started so all elections can take place before December 15 so we can get ALL lodges reporting on time!

There are resources on the website about officer positions if you need for newsletters. I can send you some as well that we use at Mandt Lodge. The use of a nominating committee is crucial for helping to solicit candidates for offices. The make up of that committee may vary from lodge to lodge but on your August and September agendas, the nominating committee should be selected or identified so they may begin their work. If you need help downloading membership lists or other resources, please let me know!

## Here is what last year's form looked like- watch for the 2018 report form to come in October!

**D63/Lodge Officer Update 2017** Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Officer Updates for 2017 are due at Sons of Norway Headquarters by December 15, 2017.

- Online Update** - Go to [www.sonsofnorway.com](http://www.sonsofnorway.com) click on log in and then click Lodge Officer Updates on the left side of your member profile page.
- Update via Fax or Mail** - If you don't have internet access, complete this form and fax it to 612-827-0658 or send it to Sons of Norway, Attn: Lodge Update, 1455 W Lake St., Minneapolis, MN 55408
- No changes for 2017** - Please 'x' below or indicate 'no changes' online.

Your new officer roster will not be on the public area of the Sons of Norway website until the end of January, 2017.

Are their changes in your officer roster for 2017?  Yes  No

**Meeting Location and Time**

<input type="checkbox"/> No changes for 2017 (check box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes for 2017 (check box and fill out info below)
	Meeting Location: _____
	Day/Time: _____
	Website: _____

**C01 President**

<input type="checkbox"/> Same member continuing in office for 2017 (check box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Different member filling office in 2017 (Check box and fill out info below)
	Member Number: _____
	Name: _____
	Street: _____
	City: _____ St/ Pk _____ Zip _____
	Home Phone: _____
	Other Phone: _____
	Email: _____

If member's contact information has changed, please make changes above in red pen.

**Check boxes below if applicable**

Office will be shared by two or more members in 2017 (provide member info at end of form)

Office will be vacant in 2017

**C02 Vice President**

<input type="checkbox"/> Same member continuing in office for	<input type="checkbox"/> Different member filling office in 2017
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## Masse Moro, 2017



**What a summer it was! After much work in the off-season, Masse Moro sat poised to provide our youth with a tremendous camping experience. Our efforts did not disappoint. We literally had many “Happy Campers!” Some campers are already registered for 2018.**

**I would like to extend a tusen takk to our co-administrators Kaia Ellis and Sarah Barnes. I don't know where we would be without them. In addition, the camp director Abby Marose should also be complimented. Her attention to detailed advanced planning and organization, supervision, coordination, staff training, and insight were priceless, and these skills enabled District 5 to provide a meaningful heritage experience for our youth. I look forward to working with each of them as we plan the 2018 session!**

**A special thank you is extended to Mike Palecek, the District 5 Treasurer, who realized the creation of an Internal Revenue Service 501 c3 Tax Exempt Foundation. Aptly named the *Nordic Legacy Foundation*, donations sent in care of this entity will enable the donor to receive a receipt for a tax deduction.**

**In addition, Mike also used past immigrant stories and created a paperback book which has been sold to many lodges, creating more funds for our treasury and it has helped with Camp funding. Some lodges in other Sons of Norway Districts, have purchased the book and plan to use it as a fundraiser for their own lodges! District 5 will continue to receive revenue from these sales.**

**The Masse Moro team sees the *Nordic Legacy Foundation* opening doors for District 5, as they continue to apply for Camp funding from Scandinavian organizations. Many of these groups require a 501c3 status as a prerequisite for providing funding.**

**Donations can be made payable to Mike for any District purpose or individuals may identify Masse Moro as the recipient of their generosity. Mike's home address is: 5747 Sandy Lane, Racine, WI 53406.**

**Look for additional information on camp demographics in an upcoming FFF News.**

**Submitted by Cheryl Wille-Schlessler, Youth Director**

**2017 Sons of Norway Zone 3 Picnic (But all are welcome!!!)**

**Sunday, August 13, 2017 at 12:30 PM**

**John and Darlene Arneson home  
2056 Skaalen Rd., Stoughton, WI 53589**

Join members from our neighboring lodges for some food and fellowship at the home of John & Darlene Arneson. **Please bring a dish to pass!** Tableware, coffee, juice and other beverages will be provided. You are welcome to bring along yard games if you'd like. There will be Kubb available so you can test out your Viking skills! All members of your lodge, prospective members, and Masse Moro campers (past and present) are encouraged to attend. Bring along items for "Remarks for the Good of the Order". For more information, call Darlene Arneson at 608-873-7209 or email arnesonfamily5@gmail.com

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**From Madison via Interstate:**

Go east from Madison going towards Chicago on the Interstate 39-90. Exit 147 on Hwy N and turn right. Go about 2-3 miles and you will come to a 4-way stop. Turn left on Skaalen Road and go about 1 ½ miles. We are the first long drive way on the left after you pass the housing development. We have a Norwegian farm sign at the end of the driveway.

**From Madison via Hwy 51:**

Go south on Hwy 51 from Madison, through McFarland and almost to Stoughton. Before you get to town, take a left on Hwy B by the Evergreen State Bank. Stay on Hwy B until you come to the 4-way stop sign at Hwy B and Hwy N (the county garage will be on your left). Go straight and the road turns into Skaalen Rd. Go about 1 ½ miles. We are the first long drive way on the left after you pass the housing development. We have a Norwegian farm sign at the end of the driveway.

**From Oregon: (2 options)**

- ✓ Come to Stoughton on Hwy 138. You can go all the way through town on Main Street and continue out of town on Hwy 51. After about 1 ½ miles, turn left on Pleasant Hill Road. Come to a t-intersection with Skaalen Rd, take a right and we're the first long drive way to the left. We have a Norwegian farm sign at the end of the driveway.
- ✓ **Or** when you come into Stoughton on Hwy 138, take a left on Hwy 51. Go out to Hwy B and take a right on Hwy B (by Evergreen State Bank). Stay on Hwy B until you come to the 4-way stop sign at Hwy B and Hwy N (the county garage will be on your left). Go straight and the road turns into Skaalen Rd. Go about 1 ½ miles. We are the first long drive way on the left after you pass the housing development. We have a Norwegian farm sign at the end of the driveway.

**From the South (Janesville):**

**Starting April 21st, the I-39/90 northbound ramp, Exit #156 at the US 51 interchange for Coachman's will be closed until August 1, 2017. Please use Exit #160 for Hwy 73. Left off exit, take a right onto Albion Road/Cty A. Coachmans will be located 4 miles up.**

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## **2016-2018 Biennium District 5 Lodge Calendar and Other Deadlines (new this week in red)**

### August 2017

- August 13- Zone 3 Picnic at Arneson's farm, 2056 Skaalen Road in Stoughton

### September 2017

- September 30- **Lodge liability premium due** to International SN office

### October 2017

- October 20-21- District 5 Local Lodge President's Conference and District 5 Board Meeting
- Nominating Committee report due to Lodge

### November 2017

- Elect Lodge Officers for coming year (unless you have two-year officer terms)

### December 2017

- December 1 – SN Foundation **General Heritage and Culture** grants due
- December 15 –SN Foundation **Local Lodge Partnership and Helping Hands to Children** grants
- December 15- **D-63 Report of Elections** due. Send one copy to International Headquarters and one to District Secretary.

### **Note:**

- **Check correspondence from the International and District and the International ([www.sofn.com](http://www.sofn.com)) and District ([www.sonsofnorway5.com](http://www.sonsofnorway5.com)) websites for any updates and changes**Additional deadlines for the District 5 and International Conventions/Lodge Meetings will be added as those dates are established. Watch for future mailings and the District 5 website.
- The District 5 Convention will be June 27-July 1, 2018 at Hotel Radisson in La Crosse, Wisconsin.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 16-18, 2018 in Minneapolis, MN.

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