

Friendly Fifth Friday News December 7, 2018

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!**

Send all web posting info to inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com

One more lutefisk dinner!

Sons of Norway Dovre Lodge 5-353

Annual Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, December 11, 2018 – 6:00pm

Lutefisk, Norwegian meatballs, lefse and more!

Scandinavian entertainment following dinner

Rolling Oaks Restaurant, Barron WI

Lodge Members \$15 (over 85 years \$7.50), non-members \$18

For reservations by December 6, contact Carol Anderson
715-658-0044 or 715-704-0231 or rkfossum@gmail.com

December deadlines!

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Community Partnership Grant

<https://www.sofn.com/foundation/grants/>



Deadline: December 15

Award amount: Up to \$1,000

Who can apply:

This grant is open to individuals or groups who are **not** members of Sons of Norway and wish to share their Norwegian heritage and culture through the project for which they apply for funding.

Eligible projects:

Projects that promote and preserve the culture and heritage of Norway are eligible. Examples of previously funded projects are cultural classes, cultural fairs/festivals, instructional classes or video tapes, etc.

Notifications of awards will be made in March. Payment to award recipients will be made in late March or early April.

Helping Hands to Children Grant



Deadline: December 31

Award amount: Up to \$500.00

Who can apply:

All Sons of Norway Lodges in Canada, Norway and the United States.

Eligible projects:

The Helping Hands to Children Grant will provide funds to be used to establish educational programming and/or mentoring for children. Examples of eligible projects are: Adopt-A-School, Barnas Norsk Klubb, children's heritage programming, books for reading programs, school equipment, mentoring services, supplies and other special programs for children.

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Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant



Deadline: December 31

Award Amount: Up to \$1,500

Who can apply:

All Sons of Norway Lodges in Canada, Norway and the United States.

Eligible projects:

Projects that promote and preserve the Norwegian culture and heritage are eligible. Examples of previously funded projects are cultural classes and presentations, documenting local cultural history, hosting of visiting groups, etc.

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Lodge Vitality Grant



Deadline: December 31

Award amount: Up to \$1,000

Who can apply:

All Sons of Norway Lodges in Canada, Norway and the United States.

Eligible projects:

The Lodge Vitality Grant has been newly created to "give lodges a boost" in their operating budget that they would not likely receive from other sources. Applicants must provide an itemized budget, explain how they will use the funds and demonstrate how this grant will help with lodge maintenance and growth. Examples include replacement of aged or failing equipment that may be vital to the lodge's meetings/programs, new initiatives to increase membership, a new program to engage younger generations, etc.

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From Sports Director Cheryl Wille-Schlesser

Good Day, District 5 Sons of Norway members,
I hope this message finds you well.

I am sending this message because many of you have been previous volunteers for the American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation.

On this day, in 1985, the United Nations created the 'International Volunteer Day' (more information below).

So, in celebration of International Volunteer Day, I wanted to let you know that volunteer shifts for **Birkie Week are open and on-line at: www.birkie.com/volunteer**

With shifts starting as early as Wednesday, February 20th through Sunday, the 24th, and even a shift Wednesday, February 27th, 2019.

Your assistance helping the American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation put on World Class events does not go unnoticed. From the Participants, the Race Chiefs and Birkie Staff, we cannot express our gratitude enough. Truly, we deeply thank you.

Should you have any questions, comments or concerns about any of the upcoming volunteer shifts for the American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation don't hesitate to message me, or the Race Chief in charge or your specific area.

Until we meet again, Happy Trails!

Yours truly,

Ronda Tworek
Volunteer & Participant Services Director
American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation
www.birkie.com/volunteer
ronda.tworek@birkie.com

International Volunteer Day (IVD) 2018, "Volunteers build Resilient Communities", recognizes volunteers worldwide – with a special focus on local community volunteers – who contribute to making their communities more resilient against natural disasters, economic stresses and political shocks. The campaign theme combines the recognition of volunteers with concrete evidence from the State of the World's Volunteerism Report (SWVR) 2018.

#IVD2018 focuses on the values of volunteerism through the appreciation of local volunteers, including the marginalized groups and women, who make up nearly 60 per cent of volunteers worldwide, and their impact on building #Resilient Communities.

<https://www.unv.org/internationalvolunteerday2018>

Tubfrim Postcards should be sent in by December 31 for this year's drawing!!

There are many ways in which we are asked to assist our fellow human beings who are in need. Participation in the Tubfrim program is one of the more simple yet successful ways to do just that. Tubfrim is an organization in Norway that resells cancelled stamps and donates the proceeds to help children with disabilities. Sons of Norway is proud to support Tubfrim in their work to support children in need.

In 1928 Ditlef Frantzen, postmaster of the small Norwegian town of Nesbyen, got the idea to collect and market canceled stamps as a way of raising funds for the Tuberculosis Association in Norway. Within a few years, his idea caught on and many communities in Norway and beyond were collecting and sending bags of canceled stamps to Nesbyen.

When Frantzen left Nesbyen in 1943, he donated his stamp collecting institution to the Norwegian Health Service. Since tuberculosis is no longer the threat to health that it once was, today disabled and needy children receive the proceeds from the resale of the stamps. Last year Tubfrim made a profit of 520,000 Kroner (that's almost \$80,000).

How can I help?

To help Tubfrim do its crucial work, simply clip canceled stamps from envelopes, leaving at least a quarter of an inch around the edge. When you have collected a pound of stamps, ask your Tubfrim chairperson or lodge secretary to weigh and verify them.

Tubfrim cards should be postmarked by December 31, 2018 to be entered into a drawing to win a plane ticket to Norway (up to \$1,000 toward a ticket purchase).

In District 5, we encourage you to bring your stamps to zone meetings, conventions or when you see a District Board member. Don't waste money mailing them please! The board members will get them to Mary Bennett who goes through each bag to make sure they are properly trimmed! Uff da! Then she gets them to Minneapolis via someone traveling there.

You can send in one card for each pound of stamps that were collected and transported to Mary Bennett or your zone director during the past year! The cards go to the International office and I'm attaching the file if you don't have postcards. If you want to just print out the card, fill it out, and stick it in an envelope, I'm sure that is fine too!

For every pound you collect, send an official **postcard** (available by contacting supply@sofn.com or (800) 945-8851) to **Sons of Norway, Attn: Mary Bennett, 1455 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, MN 55408**. All postcards must be received by December 31st. to be eligible for a drawing to win a ticket to Norway (up to \$1,000 value).

I'm updating my Tubfrim help sheet so will try to get that done by next week.

Mary Bennett is the District 5 coordinator as well as the International coordinator. Specific questions can go to her at:

Mary Bennett

6414 Irving Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Phone: (608) 837-8335

E-mail: mjbenn4@gmail.com

† TUBFRIM STAMPS †

Name for drawing _____
Contact Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____
One pound certified by _____
Lodge Name, District, Lodge # _____



www.sonsofnorway.com

Form #3000 0118

Postage
Due

**Sons of Norway
Attn: Mary Bennett
1455 West Lake Street
Minneapolis, MN 55418**

From the Parliamentarian we had at the District Convention

Effective Meeting Tips & Tools - 1 Day Workshop

A Public Leadership Workshop & Luncheon

Presented by Wisconsin Association of Parliamentarians

Officer Training & More

Who Should Attend: current and future elected officials, clerks, presidents, chairs, vice presidents, vice chairs, secretaries, student leaders, and **anyone who wants to know *Robert's Rules of Order***

When: Saturday, January 19, 2019

Location: Stoughton Fire Department Training Room

401 East Main Street, Stoughton, Wisconsin, 53589

Workshop Program:

9:00 a.m. - Registration & Refreshments

9:30 a.m. - Part 1 Topic: *Tips for Effective Meetings*

10:00 a.m. - Part 2 Topic: *Agendas, Minutes & Scripts*

11:00 a.m. - Part 3 Topic: *Tools for Effective Meetings - Using Motions*

12:00 a.m. - Recess for Lunch provided by Sons of Norway - Mandt Lodge

12:30 p.m. - Part 4 Topic: *Practice using the Tools for Effective Meetings*

3:00 p.m. - Workshop Wrap-Up

3:30 p.m. - Adjournment

Registration Fee \$50.00/person - Student Discounted Fee \$25.00/student

Registration Includes: Refreshments, Lunch, Workshop Handouts, and Educational Materials.

Payment Information: Make checks payable to: **WAP**

Mail payment to: Robert Schuck PO Box 127, Winter, WI 54896

Contact Robert Schuck to register: robertschuckrp@gmail.com or Call 608-513-6830

Registrations will be accepted on site; however, please contact Robert by **Sat. Jan 12th**, if you plan to pay and register at the door.

2019 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines

(Updated 10/21/2018)

December 2018

D17 and 990 forms, instructions and timeline sent to lodge treasurers.

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January 15, 2019

Deadline for scholarship applications for educational opportunities that involve international travel are due to Sons of Norway Foundation: Douglas Warne – Rolf & Wenche Eng Scholarship, Helen Tronvold Adult Learner Scholarship**, Helen Tronvold Folk High School Scholarship*, King Olav V Norwegian-American Heritage Scholarship, Lund Fund Scholarship*, and Oslo International Summer School Scholarship*

February 1, 2019

2018 officers will be listed in the online lodge directory.

February 15, 2019

- D17 financial form is due from the lodges to Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Lodge Achievement and Family Lodge of the Year forms are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Community and Fraternal activities and hour totals, using AFA Year-end report form or online reporting at Fraternalsgive.org, are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.

February 16, 2019

Zone 3 Meeting hosted by Idun Lodge in Madison, WI

February 21, 2019

Barnebirkie events and cookie tent in Hayward, WI

March 2019

Fraternal Funds packet mailed

March 1, 2019

Sons of Norway Foundation deadline for Scholarship applications for study in the United States are due to the Sons of Norway Foundation: Astrid G. Cates/Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship* and Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship

March 15, 2019

District Five Scholarships due

April 1, 2019

Sons of Norway Foundation deadline for Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship*

May 15, 2019

- Fraternal Funds Report due to Sons of Norway Headquarters
- IRS filing deadline for tax form 990. Lodge treasurer needs to notify Sons of Norway Headquarters when 990 has been submitted.
- D17 & 990 filing deadline for lodges that own property

*Social membership with Sons of Norway required.

**Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required.

December 31, 2018 (new deadline)

D-63 Report of Elections due. Send one copy to International Headquarters and one to District Secretary.

DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

June 24-28, 2020 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison

INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

August 16-23, 2020 in Hamar Norway

Viking Chest Rotation

- The rotation will begin again with this rotation.
- The zone directors are responsible for keeping track of the whereabouts and letting their lodges know that the chest is in their zone for that time period.
- The chest should be brought back to the District Board Meeting to be given to the next zone.

| Time period | Zone with chest |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| October 2017-April 2018 | 4 |
| April 2018-October 2018 | 6 |
| October 2018-April 2019 | 1 |
| April 2019-October 2019 | 3 |

Zone Meeting Schedule 2019

| Zone | Date | Hosted by | Location |
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| 3 | Sat. Feb 16 | Idun Lodge | Trinity Lutheran Church, Madison |
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Note:

- Check correspondence from the International and District and the International (www.sofn.com) and District (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 24-28 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison hosted by Idun Lodge.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 16-23, 2020 in Hamar Norway

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