

Friendly Fifth Friday News March 10, 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

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Around our District...

From Nordlyset Lodge-

Racine Theatre Guild presentation -Saturday - March 18 - 8 PM of Ole & Lena's 50th Wedding Anniversary and Vow Renewal (very funny) - \$16 per ticket.

If you are interested in going, we have a few tickets available, for members who at the last minute cannot go, and who would like to resell their tickets:

2 tickets - call John and Phyllis Kamperscher - 554-9642

2 tickets - call Carol Nelson - 886-3640 (Mike Palecek currently is holding her tickets and could give them to you at the Theatre Guild on Saturday night.)

THANKS,

Mike Palecek

District Directory mailed!

I mailed the District Directories out yesterday. Lodge Presidents and Lodge Secretaries get a copy. We have two lodges that don't have a president so I sent a copy to their Vice President. Keep in mind the directories are for Sons of Norway use only and should not be given out as a database for other groups or businesses.

If the information isn't correct for an officer, then they need to update their membership profile with the International as we download the lists directly from that source. Also let me know and I'll update my list but I can't update it with International. Hopefully everyone did this before it was printed as we've been reminding lodges since November!! ☺

If you had asked me to take you off of the FFFN email list, you'll have to do that again. This is the first issue that I'm using the email addresses on the 2017 master list.



The clock is ticking!

❖ *Attention District 5 College-bound Students...*

The deadline for all District 5 Scholarships is next Wednesday, March 15, 2017!

- **Go to: our District webpage: sonsofnorway5.com.**
- **Select *Benefits* and download the scholarship application you desire.**
- **Complete them this weekend and post them by Monday.**

I would love to present a scholarship to someone in your lodge!

Lykke til-Good luck!

**Cheryl Wille-Schlesser
District 5 Youth Director**

2016-2018 Biennium District 5 Lodge Calendar and Other Deadlines

Last updated January 20, 2017

March 2017

- March 1 – SN Foundation **Astrid G. Cates & Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarships** due
- March 15- District Scholarship Applications due
- March 18- Zone 3 meeting hosted by Vakkertland Lodge – Mauston
- March 31- Chili Cook off information and pictures due to Sports Director Michaela Decker

April 2017

- April 1 - **Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship** due
- April 7-8- District 5 Board Meeting in Stoughton, WI
- April 30- District Bowling Tournament Ends. Send forms in by May 10 to District Sports Director

May 2017

- May 10- Bowling forms due to District Sports Director
- May 15- Deadline for filing the **990 form**
- May 17- Early registration deadline for **Masse Moro Norwegian Heritage Camp** to qualify for additional deductions in the cost of camp from the Draxten Fund.

June 2017

- June 27- Balance due for **Masse Moro Norwegian Heritage Camp** registrations.

July 2017

- July 16-29 - **Masse Moro Norwegian Heritage Camp** - Beaver Creek Reserve - Eau Claire, WI

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 27-July 1, 2018 at Hotel Radisson in La Crosse, Wisconsin.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August ____ in Minneapolis, MN.

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For those in Zone 3 going to the Zone 3 meeting on March 18, here is the final agenda! For those not in Zone 3, here is what we do in Zone 3 for our winter meeting (we also have a summer picnic). If your zone meeting hasn't been scheduled yet, please contact your zone directors with your ideas and suggestions for what would work in your zone!

Zone 3 Meeting Agenda

Saturday, March 18, 2017

**UPDATED,
February
28, 2017**

Hosted by Vakkertland Lodge, 5-570
Bethany Lutheran Church
701 Grove Street
Mauston, Wisconsin 53948

Phone Contacts: Lodge President, Don Hoffmann-608-847-2153

Zone Directors: Lucy Ghastin-608-225-1412 or Cheryl Wille-Schlessler-608-219-4464

Please bring 40 one-page (can be printed double-sided) handouts with...

- Ideas for incorporating new members into your lodge-Games, Special meals, gatherings, or events
- The descriptions of three new programs or classes you have hosted (Provide contact information for the presenters.)
- Describe any Syttende Mai or Juletre Fest ideas that have been successful.

Hosts: Cheryl Wille-Schlessler and Lucy Ghastin, Zone 3 Directors

Agenda

8:30-9:00 AM Registration and socializing, Sign-in with Member Name and Lodge Affiliation
Create a nametag for yourself.

9:00 Welcome and icebreaker

Everyone present: Name, lodge, city they live in, current office held

**Identify a challenge your lodge has faced or is facing now.*

9:30 Required reports, volunteer hour reporting system, keeping track of hours worked at Lodge events, Darlene Arneson

10:00 Coffee and comfort break

10:15 Update from Greg Ragan, Financial Benefits Counselor

10:40 An introduction to the District 5 website: Duane Kittleson, Darlene Arneson

New for Lodges-*Cultural Programming Speakers Bureau*-Cheryl

11:00 Report from International Board-2018 Dues Structure-its benefits- District 5
International Director Jon Grinde

11:20 Masse Moro-District Five Youth Heritage Camp, its updated website-Sarah Barnes

Masse Moro Lodge Gifts/Current Enrollment/ Apply by May 17th to qualify for District 5 support and Recruitment Incentive-Cheryl

Fundraising from Hidden Heroes book sales-ordering-Mike Palecek, District 5
Treasurer

- 11:50 Update on the Articles of Incorporation for District 5's 501 C3 tax exempt status and its benefits to the District, District 5 Treasurer's report-Mike Palecek
- 12:10 PM Break for lunch-Mingle with members from other lodges and swap ideas!
- 12:45 Ingunn Linnerud, Nancy and Duane Kittleson, Cheryl Schlessler-Adopt a School idea
- 1:15 Demonstration on the resources on the International, District, Norway Connects-Darlene Arneson, Duane Kittleson
- 1:30 Information Sharing- Breakouts or large group format
- Public Relations- *How to Toot Your Own Horn*-Darlene Arneson
 - Rita Schraepfer Derke-Scrapbooking, Event Displays
 - Newsletter Ideas-Gage Trader via Skype
 - Fundraising and legal issues to consider- Duane Kittleson
 - *Informal response to your challenges that were raised earlier-Cheryl with input from all gathered.
 - Working together-helping one another to succeed-events, classes, travel, assistance, membership breakfasts, creating a social network-How Mandt reaches out to others with their offerings-Darlene Arneson

Timely updates:

1. Tubfrim Rep--Mary Bennett
2. Using the Resource-Darlene Arneson
3. Cultural Skill Medals-Darlene Arneson
4. Sports Medals-Darlene Arneson
5. Barnebirkie Report-Michaela Decker, District 5 Youth and Recreation Director
6. Chili Cook-off-New District 5 Event-Michaela Decker
7. Barnebirkie PR and Cookie Contest at Vennelag Lodge-Cheryl
8. Foundation Offerings-Cheryl
9. Scholarships-District 5-Cheryl
10. Zone 3 Picnic-Darlene Arneson
11. Box Tops for Education-Mary Bennett

2:30 Remarks for the good of the order and Question & Answer Time

3:00 Adjourn