

Friendly Fifth Friday News February 3, 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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Why your new officers might now show up yet!

I have had a number of emails asking why new officers might not be showing up yet or why my database hasn't changed yet to include new officers. It's a process that starts when ALL the lodges get their D63 reports in. They were due December 15 and we are still trying to get a few more in. Uff da.

Once that is done (I hope by Monday....), then Sherry Gorse sends a master list of officers to all the District Secretaries so we can update our records and databases. That is also when she uploads the lists that you see online and download from the Members Only section.

So that is the importance of:

- Getting the D63 submitted on time
- Making sure that your officers have updated their contact information. If they haven't, we are going to publish and list incorrect data.

Thanks for understanding and for your help in getting this done!

D17 Financial Report (Audit) Report- Due February 10 and send to District President Andrew Johnsen, 11906 Hawthorne Place Cedar Lake, IN 46303

This form is the one that I didn't catch the changes of due date or the information requested on it. This is now where you show how many \$ were spent for Community Service and Fraternal activities.

- If your lodge owns its own building, both the lodge AND the building corporation must fill out a D17. You also should be filing a 990 for both entities.
- This also is due earlier than before- February 10.
- Send to: Andrew Johnsen, SN District 5 President, 11906 Hawthorne Place Cedar Lake, IN 46303
- If questions on the D17, contact Lindsey Rasmussen, but use the taxinfo@sofn.com.
- Don't worry about the second District Officer signature. That is something the International Office can deal with.
- If it asks you to list an item, be sure to write down what that category is.

The District 5 Website- have you checked it lately?

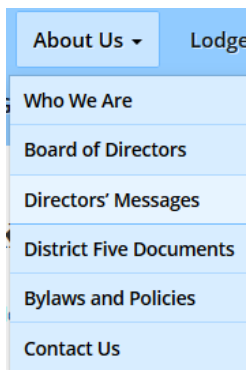
Send all web posting info to inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com

Homepage: The home page provides a welcoming message to visitors and highlights our purpose and mission statement. The Home page features:

- 1) Scrolling images provided by Sons of Norway members.
- 2) Newsflash – where you will find current items of importance.
- 3) A Facebook link to the District 5 Facebook page.
- 4) A sign-up link for membership.
- 5) An upcoming events link.
- 6) Ole’s corner; a link to past Ole Bull news and current district newsletters.
- 7) A “Contact us”.

Looking at the links across the top of the home page:

About Us: This section includes a brief overview of who we are, the current Board of Directors (including their contact information & zone assignments) , Directors Messages, District 5 documents, Bylaws and policies (secretary Information) and a “Contact us” link.

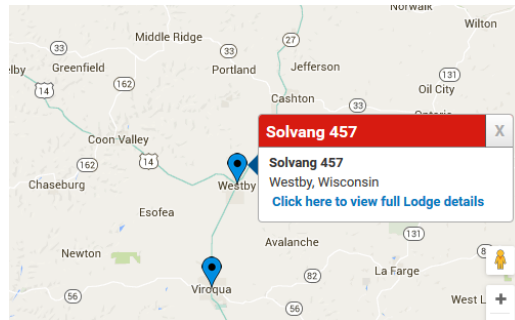
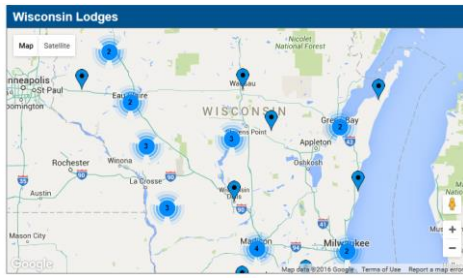


Lodges: This section includes the new District 5 Lodge Directory, a complete list of Lodge zone Assignments, Local Lodge Newsletters, and a History of the Lodges.



- An exciting new feature is the Lodge Directory. Click on the state or the graphical markers to see exactly where each lodge is located and see its contact information. Click on “view lodge details” for more lodge information.

- View Lodges By State
- Wisconsin
 - Illinois
 - Michigan
 - Indiana
 - Ohio
 - Tennessee
 - View All



Programs: Here you will find information on the Masse Moro camp, Cultural skills and Sports related topics.

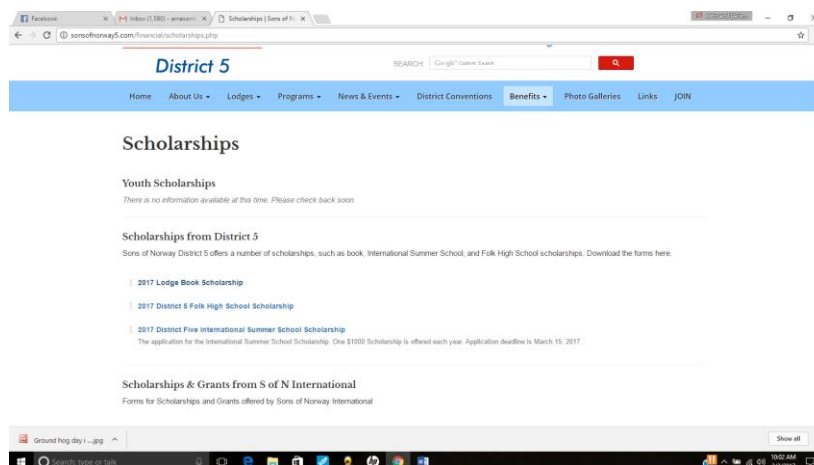
- Programs ▾ News & Events
- Masse Moro Heritage Camp
 - Cultural Corner
 - Cultural Director's Cream
 - Sports and Recreation

News & Events: Includes a link to upcoming events, a district events calendar, current news, archived news, Ole's corner and the Friendly 5th Friday news.

- News & Events ▾ District Conventions
- Upcoming Events
 - Events Calendar
 - Current News
 - Archived News
 - Ole's Corner
 - Friendly 5th Friday News

District Conventions: will have information on the current and past conventions and any documents relating to conventions.

District Scholarships Due March 15- forms on the website!



Barnebirkie Cookies Delivery- Pick up

Michaela Decker and I plan to leave for Hayward on Wednesday morning, February 22nd. I would like to get the cookies either on Monday the 20th or Tuesday the 21st to cover all bases in the event of inclement weather. Thank you! Cheryl Schlessler

For those outside of the Racine and Madison area, I hope to hear from Michaela with a list of volunteers heading up to Barnebirkie so we can post that and you'll know your closest delivery point!

Calling all Cookie Bakers in District 5



The 2017 Barnebirke is coming up in February!

We need **COOKIES**, **COOKIES**, **COOKIES!!!**

If your lodge is able to contribute cookies and you need someone to pick-up and deliver the cookies to the Barnebirke, please contact me and we'll see what we can do to facilitate this wonderful contribution!



ALLERGY ALERT:

Remember cookies must be made without nuts!!

Sons of Norway District 5

1st Annual Chili Cook-off!

There are as many different types of chili as there are members in each Lodge! Share your best chili in the 1st annual District 5 chili cook-off! Pick a meeting and make it a social extravaganza by getting members to create their famous chili for one and all to enjoy! Each Lodge will judge all chili entries and decide on a winner—either by a panel of experts or by a consensus of the members. The winners will get their names (and hopefully a picture) on the D5 website, a blue ribbon, a certificate and most importantly, “bragging rights” for the year! Please complete the activity and report to District Sports Director Michaela Decker by March 31, 2017 by emailing report and photos to michaeladecker@wi.rr.com



2016-2018 Biennium District 5 Lodge Calendar and Other Deadlines

Last updated January 20, 2017

February 2016

- February 10- Deadline for **D17 Financial Report** – send to District President (NEW)
- February 22- (Wednesday) Volunteer dinner for Barnebirkie volunteers, cookie exchange and tally, Cookie goal :1,000 dozen cookies
- February 23 (Thursday) Barnebirkie Race in Hayward, WI, Volunteer meal provided in the PM

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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