# Friendly Fifth Friday News January 15, 2016

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

### January is a time for:

- Appoint your audit committee so they can help complete your D17 and Lodge Achievement Forms. These are due March 1 and financial information from the audit is needed for both and your auditors must sign the D17 form!
- Set your goals for 2016 for your lodge!
- Conduct lodge officer training if you elected officers this year. Do all officers know where to find the Guide for Leadership?
- If you haven't acquainted yourself with your zone director, invite him/her to a meeting and make sure they are on your newsletter and email lists.
- Keep up by visiting the District and International websites on upcoming deadlines for various District activities (i.e. Barnebirkie, scholarships, Masse Moro), International (i.e. grant deadlines, scholarships, required reports).
- The D17 Audit Report only needs to be sent to the International Office. You no longer need to send a copy to the District Secretary.
- Mary Bennett is continuing to be the Tubfrim Coordinator.
- You can find the District Board's contact information on the District Five website (www.sonsofnorway5.com)
- We are collecting cookies for Barnebirkie and also welcome financial donations!

<u>Lodge Achievement and Family Lodge of the Year forms should be completed and sent to your ZONE DIRECTOR</u>. I'd suggest making a copy for your lodge records.

District 5 Lodge Assignments 2014-16 Updated: May 10, 2015

Zone 1	
David Hermundson	
Loven 29	Norrona 27
Trygvason 220	Valkyrien 53
Nordlandet 620	Dovre 353
Viking 625	Sjoland 635
Ulseth 670	
Zone 2	
Ron Iverson	Owen Christianson
Wergeland 28	Rib Fjell 496
Jotunheimen 286	Elvedal 556
Solvang 457	Norskeland 580
Fossen 534	Myrmarken 609
Fagernes 616	Vennligfolk 627

Zone 3	
Duane Kittleson	Cheryl Wille-Schlesser
Nordland 544	Mandt 314
Vakkertland 570	Vennelag 513
Norsemen of the Lakes 650	Idun 74
	Ostestaden 642
Zone 4	
Diane Hesseltvan Dinter	Joy Bashara
Fosselyngen 82	H R Holand 549
Norse Valley 491	Vennskap 622
Nordlyset 183	Gronnvik 632
Hafrsfjord 206	
Zone 5	
Christina Fairchild	Kathy Secora
Valhall 168	Leif Erikson 97
Polar Star 472	Skjold 100
Cleng Peerson 525	Trollhaugen 417
	Elvesund 593
Zone 6	
Andrew Johnsen	Esther Charlton
Nordkap 378	Circle City 614
Samhold 473	Tre Elver 628
Sonja Henie 490	Knute Rockne 634
Sognefjord 523	Edvard Grieg 657
Christian Radich 568	Arcic Circle 662
Scandiana 600	Vikings of the Smokies 677
Askeladden 610	Music City Vikings 681

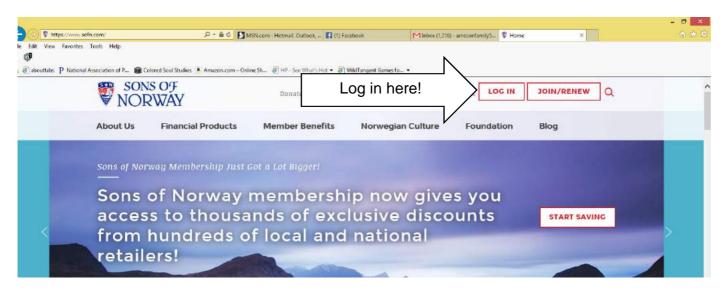
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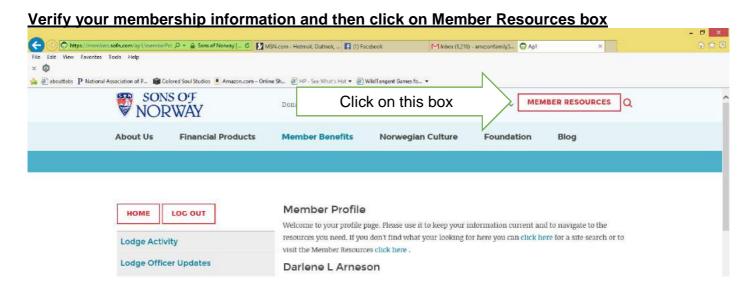
The true hidden gem on the International Website is the Members Only section. It contains so much information that is important for our members, lodge leaders, and others involved with our organization.

At this time of year, it is also the source of many of the required report forms, officer resources and guidelines, and other documents that will help with your lodge transition.

I have done a series of screen shots to walk you through the new International website so you can find them!

#### The first step though is logging in. If you haven't done that before, you need to begin there!

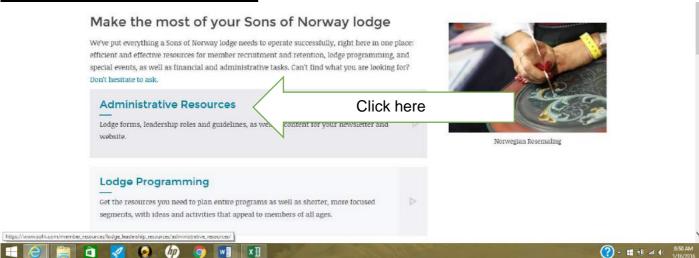




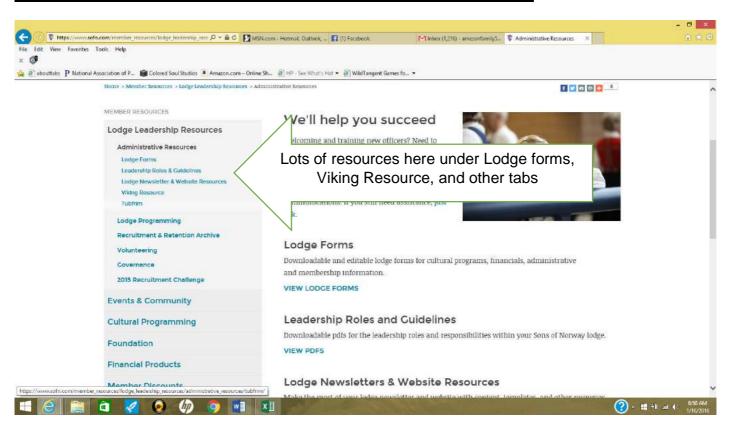
#### Once in that section, click on Lodge Leadership Resources



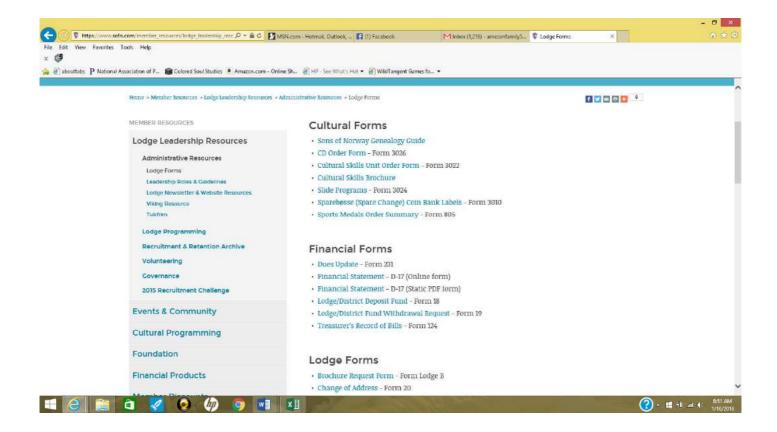
#### **Click on Administrative Resources**



<u>Lodge forms has the required reports, supply catalog, cultural and sports form.....This is also</u> where you'll find issues of Viking Resource – a REALLY valuable tool!



The administrative Resources section is full of many items that are important. I encourage lodge's to review these resources, print off copies of some, share with your members in your newsletters/meetings/bulletin boards, and for District Board Members to share during zone meetings, lodge visits and emails to your assigned lodges.



## **Other updates:**

- We had an email from Sherry Gorse and District 5's officer lists should be updated online. They still have a few other Districts to report and then we'll get a master list from Sherry. Check to make sure yours are correct!
- I will be sending out the District Lodge Meeting delegate election information this week. There is a convention planning meeting on Monday, January 18, so I'll know more about details at that time.
- I also have to learn the on-line fraternal hours reporting system. Once I've worked with it more, I'll share what I know. There have been webinars earlier in 2015 that we can access on the new reporting system but I haven't gotten it figured out yet either! It's a learning time for all of us!