

Friendly Fifth Friday News January 26, 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

Questions on the new dues structure? 2018dues@sofn.com

Galen Berg- former District Youth Director passes away



Galen Roger Berg, 80, of Ettrick, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on Saturday, January 20, 2018, surrounded by his loving family at Marinuka Manor Nursing Home in Galesville, WI. He was born in Galesville on January 11, 1938, to Gerald and Selma (Husmoen) Berg. He was baptized, confirmed and a member of French Creek Lutheran Church.

On September 26, 1959, Galen married Marleen Potter at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cataract, WI. They were blessed with 58 years of marriage and four children. Galen attended Gale-Ettrick High School and graduated in 1956. After high school he served in the U.S. Navy. After marrying the love of his life, Marleen, they made their home in Kenosha, WI, where Galen worked at City Lumber Company, American Motors, Twin Disc, and built many homes. In 1971, they purchased the family farm in Ettrick, WI, where he milked cows for a short time and in 1972, became the manager and later the owner of Ettrick Lumber Company, before retiring in 2005.

Galen will be remembered for his love for life, hunting, fishing, traveling to all 50 states and Norway, dancing, golfing and playing cards. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family and watching his children and grandchildren's activities throughout the years.

Galen was proud of his Norwegian heritage and was an active member of the Sons of Norway – Fagernes Lodge 616 and served as the District 5 Sons of Norway Youth Director. He also served on the church endowment foundation, church council, Wisconsin Lumbermen's Board of Director's and as a 4-H woodworking leader.

Survivors include his wife; Marleen, daughters; Susan (Marty) Zubke, Carla (Tim) Klingfus, sons; Gene Berg (significant other, Holly Martin), Gary (AnnMarie) Berg, seven grandchildren: Benjamin (Kyla) Zubke, Philip (Kayla) Zubke, Joshua (Kelsey) Zubke, Tyler (Erica) Klingfus, Hannah Klingfus, Brendan Berg and Julia Berg. Great-grandchildren, Bowe and Nora Zubke. Siblings; Larry (Sue) Berg, Sonia (Lonnie) Manske and Renee (Ralph) Solberg. Several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Galen was preceded in death by, his parents; and a sister Elda Alexander.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, January 29, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. at French Creek Lutheran Church, rural Ettrick, WI. Pastor Anna Sorenson will be officiating. Burial will follow the service in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held at French Creek Lutheran Church on Sunday, January 28, 2018, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and one hour prior to the service.

D17 Forms that are done hard copy need to be sent to President Andrew Johnsen! If you enter the information online, then it will automatically be sent to him by the February 9 deadline!

Andrew Johnsen

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Year-end Reports

A packet of year-end forms were mailed to lodge secretaries at the beginning of November. The packet included:

Lodge Achievement Form

This form, with yes and no questions about lodge programming and activities done during 2017, can be completed online or by returning the completed paper form to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.



This Year-End Report mailing contained three documents. All are due February 1, 2018!! This was sent to the lodge secretary and Mandt's was postmarked November 14. If you have a new secretary, they need to get it from the previous secretary!

- American Fraternal Alliance Year End Report- one page and if you enter the hours online at FraternalGives.org, you don't need to fill out the form.
- Lodge Achievement Form- this is a REQUIRED REPORT. Due February 1, 2018.
- Family Lode of the Year- not required but I highly recommend you fill it out. Due February 1, 2018 and needs to be signed by the Lodge President and Secretary.

Also due in February, the D17 Lodge Audit Report! I don't have a copy of this one so am not sure of the instructions. It will be sent to the lodge treasurer. If you own a building, both the lodge and the building corporation must fill these out **and I was informed that the building corporation D17 form will be revised and different than the lodge one!** The D17 forms are due February 9, 2018 and sent to the District President Andrew Johnsen.

What I asked and what I learned today from the International Office!

1. When will the online officer listing be changed to show the new officers?

The 2018 officers will be listed on the site starting tomorrow afternoon (1/26/2018).

2. Do you know about when we will get the District master list of officers?

The end of next week (2/2/2018)

3. Just to clarify one of the questions that someone had: If someone's renewal date was in 2017, they still pay the 2017 membership rate. But for all new members and ones who have a renewal date of January 1, 2018 and going forward, they pay the new dues structure.

Yes, if their renewal date was in 2017, then they pay the 2017 rate. If their renewal date is in 2018, they pay the new 2018 rate.

2018 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines

(Updated 1/25/18)

January 1, 2018

- Simplified dues structure takes effect for U.S. lodges.
- District Bowling Tournament begins and ends April 30
- Chili Cook-off begins and ends on April 30

January 2018 - D17 financial form and 990 filing instructions will be mailed to lodge presidents and treasurers.

January 15, 2018

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**
- *Oslo International Summer School Scholarship**

**Social membership with Sons of Norway required.*

***Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required.*

February 1, 2018

- 2018 officers will be listed in the online lodge directory.
- 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 Fraternalgive.org, are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.

February 9, 2018

- D17 financial form is due from the lodges to their district president.

February 21, 2018

- Barnebirkie cookies will be picked up from Open House Imports in Mt. Horeb. Please call Cheryl Wille-Schlesser: 608-219-4464-West Madison and points north along I-90/94, & Hwy. 53N or Michaela Decker: 262-498-2085-Milwaukee area lodges, if you would like to arrange a cookie drop!

February 22, 2018

Barnebirkie race in Hayward, WI

March 1, 2018

- D17 financial form is due to Sons of Norway Headquarters from the district presidents.
- Scholarship applications for study in the United States are due to the Sons of Norway Foundation:
 - Astrid G. Cates/Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship*
 - Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship
 - Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship*

*Social membership with Sons of Norway required.

**Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required.

March 3, 2018

Zone 5 Seminar hosted by Cleng Peerson Lodge

March 15, 2018 - District 5's Scholarships are due

- Norwegian Folk High School Scholarship Application
- International Summer School Application
- Cyril K. Wittrock Book Scholarship
- Olav J. Eide Book Scholarship

April 13-14, 2018

District 5 Board Meeting in Stoughton, WI

May 15, 2018

IRS filing deadline for tax form 990. Lodge treasurer needs to notify Sons of Norway Headquarters when 990 has been submitted.

May 17, 2018

- Masse Moro Scholarship Application due for first-time and returning campers
- Masse Moro Lodge Supporting Grant Endorsements due

April 30, 2018

- Bowling forms are due to Michaela Decker, District Sports Director
- Chili cook-off information due to Michaela Decker, District Sports Director

March 5, 2018

All delegate election reports are due to Darlene Arneson (or earlier as they should be sent within five days of the election)

April 1, 2018

- Bids for 2020 District 5 Convention are due to Darlene Arneson
- Any proposed resolutions or by-law proposal changes are due to Darlene Arneson

June 27-30, 2018

District 5 Lodge Meeting and Convention in La Crosse, WI

June 29, 2018

Due Date for Masse Moro enrollment

July 7, 2018

Final payments due for Masse Moro

July 15-July 28, 2018

Masse Moro Camp

August 16-18, 2018

International Sons of Norway Lodge Meeting and Convention, Minneapolis, MN

August 26, 2018

Zone 3 and Mandt Lodge Picnic at Arneson's in Stoughton, WI

September 30, 2018

Lodge liability premium due to International SN office

December 15, 2018

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

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

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-June 30, 2018 at Hotel Radisson in La Crosse, Wisconsin.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 16-18 in Minneapolis, MN.

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