

## Friendly Fifth Friday News July 17, 2020

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### Dear Campers, Future Campers and Friends of Masse Moro:

Last week would have been our first days at camp; I am so sad the we were not able to get together in person!

I am working with our directors and staff to give you a small “taste of Masse Moro” and share some of the fun that we all have at camp.

Therefore, due to the coronavirus we will be having a 2020 Virtual Masse Moro – via teleconference!

#### Join us on July 18<sup>th</sup> and July 26 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Celebrate your Nordic Heritage - all are Welcome!

Meet and greet other Masse Moro campers, staff, presenters and some of your camp friends.

Invite your friends, who will be between the ages of 9 – 15 on July 18, 2021 to check us out.

See a demo on wood carving and rosemåling and much more.

Enjoy a “taste of Masse Moro” and enjoy “lots of fun” – Masse Moro style!

This teleconference will be at No Cost to you – email me at [packerland@baldwin-telecom.net](mailto:packerland@baldwin-telecom.net) for contact information.

As soon as I get this information from our provider; I will pass it on to you prior to our first event on Saturday, July 18.

Check out **Masse Moro on Face Book** for a day by day video calendar of our 2019 Masse Moro experience!

Details and other information can be found on <http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/> or <https://www.massemoro.org/>

We sincerely thank Sons of Norway District 5 for their support of this project. Have a great week and I will see you on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>.

Hilsen,

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## Nordic News this week...

Last week's "Nordic News" featured Debra Kraft in, "Viking Ship Burial." Debra is a member of Nordkap lodge in Detroit MI.

Debra's parents, Eric Colburn Hojberg and Inger-Marie Hojberg were early members of Nordkap lodge and were part of a large active Scandinavian community in Detroit. In this presentation, Debra tells how her family adapted the ancient tradition of using a boat for a funeral pyre to have a send-off for her father, when he passed away in 2018. Her story is a warm tribute to their lives.

### Upcoming "Nordic News"

July 21 – Erie Canal: Immigrant Gateway to the West (Darrell Wunrow – Fosselyngen-Milwaukee WI)

July 28 –The Viking Ship sailed to the 1893 Columbian Exhibition (Samantha Simera Bamberger)

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You can watch past episodes of Nordic News at:

[http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers\\_bureau.php](http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers_bureau.php)

## D5 Scandinavian Photo Contest

You can vote for your favorite “Troll” and 10 of your favorite pictures from July 17-31. Visit the contest photo gallery page, to view all of the 300 photos and write down the numbers of your favorites. Check again before you vote, because the photo gallery is still being updated with photos which came in just before the July 5 deadline. Over half the lodges have submitted entries.

The photo gallery page is: <http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/galleries/details/27-District-5-Scandinavian-Photo-Contest>

To vote (between July 17-31), you will click on a link from the D5 website, enter your name, your lodge name, the number of your favorite troll picture, and the numbers of 10 other pictures. You will be asked to submit your email, if you want notification when the Scandinavian playing cards will be available for purchase. The winning photos and at least one photo submitted from each lodge, will be placed on the face of each card. Please vote ONLY once.

Voting link: <https://survey.sogosurvey.com/r/NDjdPf>



This is an example of what the playing cards will look like. The cost will be \$10 per deck, plus postage.

## Next-Level Sports Medals Coming in August

Members asked for new goals, and we answered!

Two beautiful new medals will be available **August 2020** in the Sports Medals Program.

**Idrettshelt** [*ee-dretts-hellf*]*—*the sports hero pin*—*is the 5th level within any sports medal category. Earn the *Idrettshelt* pin by doubling the point or mileage value of the **enamel** level in that category.



**Hederspris** [*hay-dersh-prees*] *—*the outstanding achievement award*—*is for completing bronze, silver, gold and enamel levels in any three sports medal categories.

Stay tuned to the [Sons of Norway website](#) for details on submitting points toward these pins!

## From Vice President Cheryl Schlessner

### **Valkyrien Lodge from Woodville, WI, has made it to Norway! Really!**

Many members of the Valkyrien Lodge of Woodville, WI who are walking in their spare time for exercise have now reached Ringsaker, Norway for a total of 4,036 miles.

Nine people have earned a Bronze walking medal for 100 miles and five have earned their Silver Medal for walking another 180 miles. Two have earned the Gold medal for walking an additional 270 miles.

Now, we can turn around and see if we can walk home to Wisconsin.

Audrey Severson

President, Valkyrien Lodge

\*For more information about the Sports Medal program, dial 612-821-4640, Sons of Norway headquarters.

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### **New positions have been added to the membership division in Minneapolis.**

David Crabb oversees strategic planning and works on future fraternal engagement projects such as offerings that could appeal to a younger demographic. Contact: [dcrabbs@sofn.com](mailto:dcrabbs@sofn.com), Phone 612-821-4605

Connie O'Brien is the overall Membership Manager. Contact: [cobrien@sofn.com](mailto:cobrien@sofn.com), Phone: 612-821-4618

Doris Kamstra works with the annual lodge recruitment contest and other programs; she assists with membership issues as needed. Contact: 612-821-4697

Sherry Gorse enrolls new members, has access to lodge history, disbanded lodges, and can help you with membership reports. She can assist a lodge in finding people who may have been placed in the Spirit New Century or Central Lodges. Contact: 612-821-4643

(Sherry has the most tenure in this department and can answer your questions quickly.)

In addition, Lodges should report any member deaths to their membership or financial secretary who will in turn share this information with the headquarters staff.

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There is a new webmaster for the Order, Nick Hennin. Contact: [nhennin@sofn.com](mailto:nhennin@sofn.com) Contact Mr. Hennin if you wish to obtain your lodge's logo. A vector image will be created and returned to you that can be used for publicity purposes, placed on signage advertising your lodge, or it can be added and used on your lodge's letterhead or in electronic communications.

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Zone Directors, local Presidents and others from time to time may need to order membership materials. The Sons of Norway Supply Department is managed by Mary Henkels. Contact: 612-821-

4645--Please leave a voice mail message for her. The staff is taking summer vacation, and many individuals are working from home during the pandemic. Your lodge's membership committee should check your current inventory of items and prepare for post pandemic days. Most lodges are looking forward to possible fall events where membership information can be shared.

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Local Presidents...How have you kept your Lodge's programming in front of your members? Some lodges have opted for virtual meetings. Information can be shared in a Power Point presentation on a *Zoom* format. If a Lodge president would like me to schedule a virtual meeting for your lodge and you do not have Zoom capabilities, please notify me. You will have access to the *Go to Meeting* website where you can hold a lodge meeting, conduct any business that is needed, or invite a speaker to make a presentation.

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In case you missed it, a new electronic publication, *Viking for Kids* will launch in August 2020. It will contain a variety of content such as feature articles, puzzles, quizzes, coloring pages, and facts about Norway. It is produced by the Sons of Norway staff for readers ages 8 to 14. It is a quarterly publication and can be downloaded from [www.sofn.com](http://www.sofn.com). Print some of these for your next meeting or membership event! We must make Sons of Norway relevant to younger people if their membership is important to us.

As our lodges and districts look forward to new lodge activities and membership recruitment let us keep this quote in mind, *Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations-Zig Ziglar.*

Cheryl Wille-Schlesser

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## **2020 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines** **Changes in red!**

### **July 18, 2020**

- Virtual Masse Moro from 3-5 PM

### **July 21, 2020**

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## **July 26, 2020**

- Virtual Masse Moro from 3-5 PM

## **August 10, 2020**

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

## **September 1, 2020**

- Responses due to the Zone Alignment Committee

## **September 2020**

- Lodge liability premium sent to all lodge treasurers. This package includes information regarding the coverage, a certificate of insurance for the lodge and an invoice for the lodge's share of the premium.
- September 10 – Foundation Board of Governors applications due. If you are someone who loves nonprofits, governance and your Nordic values, running for a Foundation board position may be a perfect fit!

## **September 10, 2020**

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

## **October 2020**

- Lodge Officer Update/D63 form and instructions is mailed to lodge secretaries.
- The Sons of Norway Foundation portal is available for lodges and individuals to apply for grants and scholarships.
- Lodge Achievement, Family Lodge of the Year and AFA Year-end report forms and instructions is mailed to lodge secretaries.
- Lodge Barneløpet Coordinators are encouraged to contact Sons of Norway Headquarters to discuss plans for anticipated events.

## **October is Foundation Month**

- Help support our grant and scholarship recipients and share your Nordic values by celebrating Foundation month! Please consider a donation directly to the Foundation or plan a fundraising event through your lodge.
- October 1 Grant applications open – Our lodge grants award amounts go up to \$500-\$1,500 depending on a lodge's project.
- October 1 Scholarship applications open – Scholarship opportunities start at \$1,000 with an average scholarship of \$3,000.

## **October 10, 2020**

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

## **October 15, 2020**

- Lodge liability premium is due to Sons of Norway Headquarters.

## **November 10, 2020**

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

## December 2020

- D17 and D18 forms, instructions and timeline sent to lodge treasurers.

## December 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

## December 15, 2020

- District 5 Sports Challenge ends

## December 16, 2020

- Application deadline for:
  - Community Partnership Grant applications are due to Sons of Norway Foundation.
- Date that new member applications (paper forms) must be **received** at HQ to ensure processing in time for end-of-year delegate calculation and recruitment challenge recognition. (Online applications may be submitted through December 31.)

## December 31, 2020

- Lodge Officer Update/D63 information is due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Last day to enter new membership applications into the database for delegate calculations and 2019 recruitment challenge recognition. (**Paper applications should be received at headquarters by December 15** to ensure adequate time for processing.)
- Application deadline for:
  - - Lodge Helping Hands to Children Grant\*
    - Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant\*
    - Lodge Vitality Grant\*
- Deadline to order Barneløpet supplies.

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## DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

Idun Lodge will host the meeting in 2022 in Madison, Wisconsin. Hotel to be determined.

## INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

The International Lodge Meeting will be held in 2022. The location has not been announced.

## 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 2019-April 2020 | 5               |
| April 2020-October 2020 | 2               |
| October 2020-April 2021 | 4               |



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|---------------------------|---|
| April 2021-October 2021   | 6 |
| October 2021 – April 2022 | 1 |
| April 2022 – October 2022 | 3 |

## Zone Meeting Schedule 2020

| Zone | Date                        | Hosted by        | Location  |
|------|-----------------------------|------------------|---|
| 1    | Thursday, Feb 20<br>at 1:15 | Zone 1 Directors | Veterans<br>Community Center,<br>Hayward during the<br>volunteer reception<br>after Barnebirkie |
| 2    |                             |                  |   |
| 3    | Sat. January 25             | Mandt Lodge      | Stoughton, WI   |
| 4    |                             |                  |   |
| 5    |                             |                  |   |
| 6    |                             |                  |   |

### 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 25-28 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison hosted by Idun Lodge.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 19-23, 2020 in Ringsaker Norway

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## FFFN Basics

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 and calendar dates/events directly to our webmaster at [inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com](mailto:inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com)** With our new arrangement, I actually send the FFFN pdf to our webmaster on Thursday morning before I go to work. So if you have anything you’d like me to consider putting in, please send it by Wednesday night. Please do not send pdf’s as I have a hard time cutting and pasting them. The Word Document works best for me. Don’t forget that lodge events should be submitted to [inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com](mailto:inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com) as I have a hard time keeping track of all lodge activities. I’ll put some in but that is more the role of the website event calendar.

If you would like to get the MS Word document, just shoot me an email and I'll add you to the list. I send it out right after I send the email to the large group.

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