Friendly Fifth Friday News March 31, 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. <u>Please feel free to cut and paste any of this information for your lodge's use!</u>

Darlene Arneson, District 5 Secretary

Send all web posting info to inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com

Due March 31~ 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**

Not everyone gets the FFFN- why not?

I've had a few emails asking why not all their officers don't get the FFFN? It's been a busy week and I apologize if I haven't gotten to everyone's questions.

If they aren't getting it, it's for one of several reasons:

- 1. Their email is not on their member profile. That is where the officer lists were pulled from and what I use to send out the FFFN.
- 2. Their email is incorrect. Each week I probably get 15-20 bounce backs because the email is incorrect for that officer. I don't always have time to go one by one to see who it belongs to.
- 3. They've asked to not get it!

I will try to get caught up on those this week but encourage you to check your profiles and contact information.

TUBFRIM

Update from Mary Bennett- February 2017

Tusen takk to all District 5 lodges that donated stamps to Tubfrim in 2016. Thanks to your efforts, District 5 sent 250 pounds of stamps to Norway. Your help will improve the quality of life for handicapped children and youth.

If your lodge is not involved with the Tubfrim program, I encourage you to participate. Clip stamps from envelopes or postcards leaving a margin of at least 1/4 inch. Tubfrim also accepts stamp collections, old envelopes, covers and postcards. If envelopes and postcards are more than 50 years old do not cut off the stamp, send the whole item. Stamps may be given to your zone director, brought to conventions or mailed to me at 6414 Irving Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590. For every one pound of stamps, the lodge can mail in an entry card for chance to win \$1,000 towards a ticket for a trip to Norway. Cards are available from the home office. If you have any questions, contact me at <u>608-837-8335</u> or <u>mjbenn4@gmail.com</u>.

Kids on Spring Break? Go Bowling!!

You can enter as individual families too so if the kids or grand kids are home, go bowling!

Sons of Norway 2017 Bowling Tournament Instructions

Tournament Dates: January 1, 2017- April 30, 2017

Categories: Adult men lane bowlers

Adult women lane bowlers

Youth ages 12-17 lane bowlers

Youth ages 11 and under lane bowlers

WII bowling (all ages)

There is an entry fee of \$5.00 for each bowler that bowls in the tournament. Please make checks payable to *Sons of Norway District Five Scholarship Fund*.

Rules: Lane bowlers shall submit electronic results from the bowling facility or the WII bowling results including the entry fee to Michaela Decker by May 10, 2017. The bowling score used to determine the high scoring bowlers will be the average of 3 games. The high-scoring bowler for each category will receive a District 5 Bowling Certificate and also will be acknowledged on the D5 website. Please be sure to include the lodge name and number, the category for each bowler and the high-scoring bowler's names and addresses when submitting results. Please submit the bowling results, bowler's and lodge information and entry fees to:

Michaela Decker, D5 Sports Director, 1247 Center St., Racine, WI 53403 Email: michaeladecker@wi.rr.com

2016-2018 Biennium District 5 Lodge Calendar and Other Deadlines

March 2017

• 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 10- Bernt Anker Scholarship and the Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship applications due (NEW THIS WEEK)
- 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

September 2017

October 2017

- October 15- Lodge liability premium due to International SN office
- Nominating Committee report due to Lodge

November 2017

• Elect Lodge Officers for coming year (unless you have two-year officer terms)

December 2017

- December 1 SN Foundation General Heritage and Culture grants due
- December 15 –SN Foundation Local Lodge Partnership and Helping Hands to Children grants
- December 15- **D-63 Report of Elections** due. Send one copy to International Headquarters <u>and</u> one to District Secretary.

Note:

- Check correspondence from the International and District and the International (www.sofn.com) and District (www.sonsofnorway5.com) websites for any updates and changesAdditional 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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