

## Friendly Fifth Friday News March 6, 2020

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### **District Directories were sent out yesterday!**

The contact information for the officers is from the SN membership database- **if it is incorrect, please have that officer go online to: [www.sonsofnorway.com](http://www.sonsofnorway.com) and into the Members Only Section to update their information.**

**If your lodge is making any officer changes online, please email me as well with what the change is. I get the full list of officers when changes are made, but not what is changed!** That saves me a tremendous amount of time if you shoot me an email with what you updated.

If you want additional copies of the directory, simply remove the staple and you can make your own copies. We do not post the directory on the District website as it contains emails that spammers like to access! This document should not be used outside of Sons of Norway and should not be given to others for solicitation or other uses.

### **Who gets the District Directories?**

I distribute it to Lodge President and Secretaries; District Board Members; D5 International Board Member; Financial Benefit Counselors that serve our District; copies to the International Office; and our Webmaster. If you serve in several of these roles, I sent one per address.

Thank you for your role in Sons of Norway. I use this listing for the email addresses for the Friendly Fifth Friday News (FFFN). If an officer requests not to receive that weekly resource, they can contact me. I send it to all officers that have an email address listed in this directory. If their email is incorrect or bounces back, then they need to update it with the International and also contact me.

Please contact me if you have any questions!

Darlene Arneson, Secretary

District 5 Sons of Norway

### **Delegate Election Information was due yesterday!**

Thank you to all the lodges that have returned their forms! I have several that are meeting early next week and I'll need their reports ASAP. I will be contacting those I haven't heard from this weekend.

Once I have all the reports, I will send the convention committee the list so they can contact you with registration information. Hotel reservations can be made already as the information has been on the District website. I will also give President Johnsen the delegate and he will be selecting his committees. As soon as I get the lists from him, I'll send out the committee invitations.

**Please note for both resolutions, bylaws, and convention bids:** The due date is April 1. I must HAVE them in hand by then as the District Board meetings April 3-4 and I need to get them out to the board so they can review them before the meeting. We also need to do a site visit at the proposed hotel if it's one we're not familiar with. So please don't wait until the last week to be sending these to me! I am also out-of-state for work from that Friday, March 27-April 1 so ideally it would be great to have those before I leave.

## **Is your lodge sending in any resolutions or bylaws?**

Your lodge may wish to propose resolutions or by-law changes to be considered at the District or International Conventions. These resolutions, along with any proposed changes to the District 5 By-Laws or International Constitution, **must be submitted to the District Secretary no later than April 1, 2020. Please note that we are using the new template approved and recommended by the International Board.**

## **Is your lodge going to submit a bid to host the 2022 District Convention?**

If your lodge is interested in hosting the 2022 District Lodge Meeting, you are asked to send a written notice of your intention to the District Secretary prior to April 1, 2020. Should your lodge wish to present a bid, we ask that you make arrangements for a "walk through" of the facilities by a District 5 Board Member. This should be done prior to the June convention in order to identify proposal merits as well as needed additions or changes.

## **From our FBC's**

In honor of our 125th anniversary, we are offering an extra 1.25% interest rate bonus on your first year when you purchase an annuity from us! This is a limited-time offer, so don't delay. With an annuity from Sons of Norway, you can count on predictability and safety for a portion of your portfolio—your principal and earned interest are never subject to market risk.

## **Why purchase a Sons of Norway annuity?**

- Income predictability in retirement
- Protection from market volatility
- Tax deferral
- Penalty-free withdrawals
- Avoids probate

## This is a limited-time offer!

Purchase an annuity from Sons of Norway before June 1, 2020 to claim your extra 1.25% interest rate bonus for the first year!

Annuities can be a great addition to an overall retirement plan, but it's an important decision that you should consider carefully. I can help you evaluate your options based on your unique goals and circumstances.

**Please reach out to an FBC for more information!** [https://www.sofn.com/financial\\_products/find-an-agent/](https://www.sofn.com/financial_products/find-an-agent/)

### **Information on the International Convention in Ringsaker**



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[https://www.sofn.com/international\\_convention/](https://www.sofn.com/international_convention/)

## **Don't forget that District 5 Scholarships are due March 15**

[http://sonsofnorway5.com/financial/district\\_scholarships.php](http://sonsofnorway5.com/financial/district_scholarships.php)



The screenshot shows the website for Sons of Norway District 5. The header includes the organization's logo and the slogan "The Friendly Fifth" with a list of states: Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Tennessee. A search bar is present. The main navigation menu includes Home, About Us, Lodges, Programs, News & Events, District Conventions, Benefits, Photo Galleries, Links, and JOIN. The main content area is titled "Scholarships from District 5" and lists various scholarship types. A large arrow labeled "Applications" points to a list of scholarship types: 2020 D5 Norwegian Folk High School Scholarship, 2020 District 5 Lodge Book Scholarship, and 2020 District 5 International Summer School Scholarship. Below the arrow, there is a section titled "Cyril K. Wittrock Recipient 2019" with a photo of a young man and text describing his achievements and the scholarships he received.

## **2020 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines**

### **March 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.

### **March 15, 2020**

- District Five Scholarships due- Book Scholarship, Folk High School, and International Summer School

### **April 1, 2020**

- Deadline to register for Masse Moro
- Deadline for resolutions and bylaws for District 5 Lodge Meeting
- Deadline for submitting bids for hosting 2022 District Lodge Meeting

### **April 3-4, 2020**

- District Board meeting in Stoughton, WI

**April 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.

**April 15, 2020**

- Sarah Paulsen Scholarships due for Masse Moro Campers

**May 1, 2020**

- Advertising due for District 5 Convention

**May 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.

**May 15, 2020**

- Fraternal Funds Report due to Sons of Norway Headquarters
- IRS filing deadline for tax form 990. Lodge treasurer needs to notify Sons of Norway Headquarters when 990 has been submitted.
- D17 & 990 filing deadline for lodges that own property

**May 17, 2020**

- Lodge Grants & Scholarship Deadline for Masse Moro

**June 1, 2020**

- Final payment due for Masse Moro

**June 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.

**June 15, 2020**

- District 5 Sports Challenge ends

**June 20, 2020**

- Remittance forms due for District 5 Sports Challenge

**June 25-28, 2020**

- District 5 Lodge Meeting and Convention in Madison, WI

**July 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.

**July 12-25, 2020**

- Masse Moro Youth Heritage Camp in Fall Creek, WI

**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.

**August 19-23, 2020**

- International Lodge Meeting and Convention in Ringsaker, Norway

**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 Berneløpet 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 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**

June 25-28, 2020 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison

**INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING**

August 19-23, 2020 in Ringsaker Norway

**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.

<b>Time period</b>	<b>Zone with chest</b>
October 2019-April 2020	5
April 2020-October 2020	2
October 2020-April 2021	4
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 at 1:15	Zone 1 Directors	Veterans Community Center, Hayward during the volunteer reception 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!**

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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@sonsofnorway.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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