

Friendly Fifth Friday News May 15, 2020

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DON'T FORGET!!

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- D17 & 990 filing deadline for lodges that own property

From James Nelson of Scandiana Lodge

Dear District 5 friends,

This brief but charming announcement told the English-speaking people of the greater Eau Claire area of a forthcoming Sons of Norway social event. Løven lodge was founded in 1904, only five years earlier. Whoever wrote this event up for the "yankee" paper (as my newlywed grandmother Anna Nelson would have called it), I doubt that it was Waldemar Ager, editor of *Reform*, Eau Claire's Norwegian-language paper.

I had the honor of performing for Løven lodge once, in about 1993. My cousin Evvy Krigsvold was president at the time, and she managed to bring in half a dozen family members from Elk Mound, including my uncles Emil and Gilman, and my father's friend LaVerne Ausman and Eyvind Ager.

I hope the same enthusiasm can still be used when describing District 5 lodge events now, over a hundred years on!

Kos dere / Enjoy,

Jim Nelson, president

Scandiana lodge 5-600, Chesterton, Indiana

Eau Claire Leader, Jan. 19, 1909.

P 1: "The Coming Social Events: Sons of Norway"

These fine and hospitable people will give their annual masquerade at Laycock Hall on Monday, January 25, and you can depend on its being a hummer. Further particulars will be divulged as the time approaches. The costumes are now being prepared. These Sons of Norway can be depended upon when it comes to doing things up in style.

From Louise Giles of Nordkap Lodge

May 17th Celebration Moved to an Online 'Zoom' Event!

Live Gatherings Put on Hold during Coronavirus Emergency

Nordkap Lodge has cancelled its three upcoming live events due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the need to maintain social distancing for everyone's safety. The three events being cancelled at the Swedish Club are the lodge's April 26 gathering, the Norwegian Constitution Day celebration in May, and the Midsummer event on June 23.

However, **the celebration** of Norwegian Constitution Day will go forward as a virtual gathering, using the internet and the Zoom video conferencing app. You are invited to take part!

The virtual event will happen at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, and last about an hour. Our May 17th chairperson, **Heather Vingsness**, will lead the video conference.

You will need a smartphone or a computer with a built-in camera and microphone-- typically found on laptop computers--to join our video conference on the Zoom app.

Shortly before 1 p.m. May 17, go to the link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/863549638> . Then enter the password nordkap, all lower case. (For more detailed instructions on how to download the Zoom app and join the conference, see the following story.)

The timeline, as currently planned, includes the following:

1:00 - Everyone logs on and says "hi"

1:05 - Virtual Parade (everyone marches around their house waving Norwegian flags, shouting hurra!)

1:10 - Singing of the Norwegian national anthem

1:15 - Welcoming message from Nordkap President **Erik Duus**

1:20 - Updates and news from Norway with **Dennis Flessland**, Honorary Consul of Norway to Michigan

1:30 - Bunads and updates from families - People can use the "raise my hand" button on Zoom to let us know they want to share or show off their bunads.

1:50 - Closing statements - families invited to make themselves a good Norwegian lunch of hot dogs and ice cream (preferably ice cream on a stick), and toss codfish (or maybe baseballs) in the comfort of their own homes

Also from Louise- How To Celebrate Syttende Mai at Home

Even if you're not joining our Zoom video conference on May 17, you can still celebrate Norwegian Constitution Day at home in your own festive way.

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

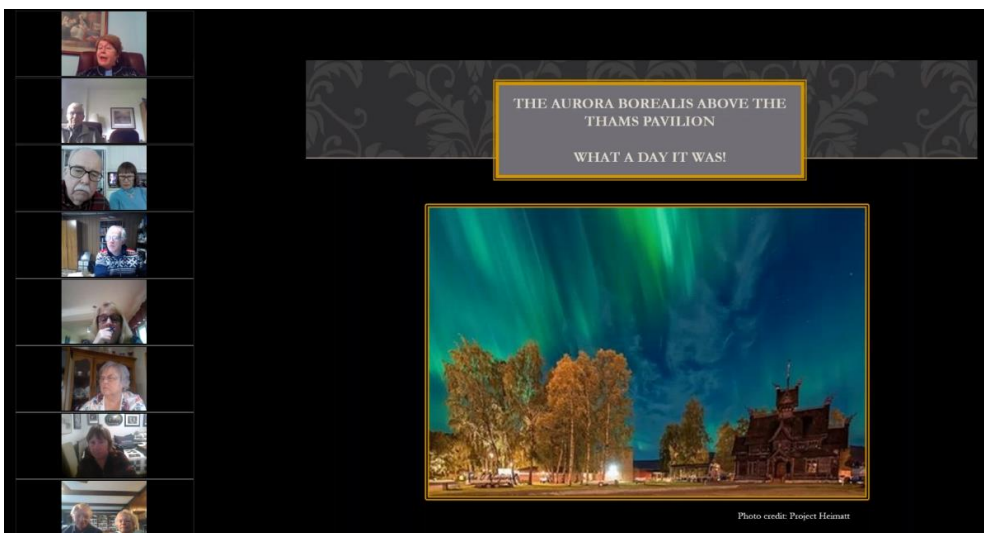


- Get dressed up for the occasion—wear your bunad, something with Hardanger embroidery (like an apron), special Norwegian jewelry (even your Sons of Norway membership pin), or a necktie with a Norwegian flag or rosemaling design.
- Display your Norwegian flag, if you have one. If you don't, you could draw one. Or decorate a cake with a Norwegian flag-design icing.
- Sing the Norwegian national anthem, "Ja Vi Elsker Dette Landet." See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nLjIyL4gWtg>
- Say the Norwegian table prayer.
- Enjoy the traditional foods for the holiday—polse (hot dogs) and ice cream (preferably on a stick).
- Make a delicious Norwegian dessert.
- Lead a toast to Norway with a shot of Linie Aquavit. Skål!



Nordic News

Cheryl Wille-Schlesser shared the story of "Project Heimatt" at this week's Nordic News. A replica stave church was built as Norway's exhibit for the 1893 Chicago World's Fair. This stave church eventually became part of the Little Norway heritage site in Mount Horeb, Wisconsin. When Little Norway closed in 2012, the stave church was relocated to Norway. Cheryl tells the story of this historic building's trip back to the homeland. In this slide, Cheryl told about the Northern Lights they saw while on Vennelag lodge's visit there.



Nordic News introduces you to experts on Nordic and Nordic-American heritage. It is a “radio show” produced by the Fifth District, on every Tuesday at 6:20 PM (Central), 7:20 PM (Eastern).

Nordic News also brings you Fifth District news. Karen Eberhardt, D5 Publicity Director discussed photo submissions for the Viking Magazine. This month, Viking Magazine is seeking pictures showing Syttende Mai celebrations or other ways our lodges are interacting together, while practicing social distancing.

Tune in with your computer: <https://gotomeet.me/SofN-D5>
(You will be prompted to download the GoToMeeting application)

iPhone, iPad, Android tablet or phone: Go to the Apple or Google Play Store and download the GoToMeeting app. Launch the app and join the meeting: SofN-D5

By telephone (audio only): 646-749-3112 (access code: 509-077-557)

Upcoming Nordic News:

05/19/2020: 75th Anniversary of the End of WWII in Norway: Eyewitnesses
(Ola Hirth)

05/26/2020 - Chicago's Eastland Disaster and Norwegian-American Heroes
(Andy Johnsen)

06/02/2020 - Coffin Ships: Death on the Ocean Crossing - One Family's Story
(Glenn Borreson)

You can watch archived Nordic News:

04/28/2020: Norwegian Midwives in the Midwest
(Glenn Borreson)

<https://transcripts.gotomeeting.com/#/s/7ab13de6a5248410f73d372de1aa754c9bf19b9c22a748f3b14894d96caadf49>

05/05/2020: Norwegian-Americans in Michigan: A Short History
(Nordkap lodge)

<https://transcripts.gotomeeting.com/#/s/5058baf48cca7ffade131989450f8de48f480248b3265fe2a7a53936008bd2e7>

05/12/2020: Project Heimatt: Norway Stave Church
(Cheryl Wille-Schlesser)

<https://transcripts.gotomeeting.com/#/s/039516a17f5436ccddcb31ce0f645f231b775c3a0c1a7b33e1c2f6d7b4007f1f>

To download these for future use, click on the “download (arrow and line)” button on the upper right corner of the screen, when you are watching an archived Nordic News file. You can then replay these presentations at your lodge meetings, if your computer can play MP4 files.

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What SofN members are saying about Nordic News:

“Susan and I enjoyed the Nordic News tonight, thanks for making that happen!”

- Jim Herman, Edvard Grieg lodge, Cincinnati OH

2020 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines

Changes in red!

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

June 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the ‘Viking’ Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

July 5, 2020

- **Deadline for submitting photos for the District 5 Scandinavian Photo Contest**

July 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the ‘Viking’ Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

August 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the ‘Viking’ Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

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 10th 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 10th 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 10th 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 10th 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.

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
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			
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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 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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