

Friendly Fifth Friday News

November 10, 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. **Please feel free to cut and paste any of this information for your lodge's use!**

Darlene Arneson, District 5 Secretary

Send all web posting info to inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com

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

From our District Publicity Director!

We've moved!! So a new address to send Viking photos to!

Christina Fairchild
226 W River St
Rockton, IL 61072.

From the Sons of Norway website

Photo Guidelines - Whether submitting a photo to be used in Viking magazine, or for publication in a local newspaper, there are a few simple guidelines to follow.

First, always send a glossy, traditional film print, or high resolution (300dpi) color photo. These reproduce the best in most instances.

The ideal photo is one that can stand alone, telling a story and needing only a brief caption to accompany it.

There should be no more than five subjects in any one photo.

Always include a typewritten photo caption that identifies all the people in the photo.

Names should go in the order of left to right, or clockwise.

Never write on the photo itself.

Also, never staple the photo to its caption or a release. Instead, use a paperclip so as not to damage the photo.

There are several pdf's in regard to Viking photo submissions that I can't import into the FFFN. Please see the attachments this week!

Fly your Norwegian colors and support the SON District 5 Nordic Legacy Foundation!

When Norway became a sovereign nation in 1821, the Storting adopted a flag with the Nordic cross, similar to other Scandinavian countries. In the early 1800's, some countries were forming republics to better represent its citizens, and the red-white-blue of France and the United States flags influenced Norwegian flag creator Fredrik Meltzer to include those colors in the flag design. At the end of WW II, Norwegians flew national flag banned by the Nazis as a celebration. According to the Norwegian flag law of 1898 (updated in 1927) the Norwegian Flag is raised at 8 AM, between March and October, and at 9 AM in winter months. The flag is lowered at sunset, but no later than 11 PM during the "midnight sun" times. In the far north parts of Norway, in the winter, the flag is only flown between 10 AM and 3 PM.

The Norwegian flag is flown on these holidays:

- Jan. 1 - New Year's Day
- Jan. 21 - Princess Ingrid Alexandra's birthday
- Feb. 6 - Sami National Day Feb. 21 - King Harald V's birthday
- Easter
- May 1 - Labor Day
- May 8 - Liberation Day
- May 17 - Constitution Day Whitsunday (8th Sunday after Easter)
- June 7 - Union Dissolution Day
- July 4 - Queen Sonja's birthday
- July 20 - Crown Prince Haakon Magnus' birthday
- July 29 - Olsok (in memory of King Olav Haraldsson)
- Aug. 19 - Crown Princess Mette-Marit's birthday
- Sept - 2nd Monday (every 4 years) - General Election
- Dec. 25 - Christmas

ORDER FORM - NORWEGIAN FLAG (3x5 foot, 210 denier Oxford nylon with 4 rows of edge stitching on fly edge, designed for frequent outdoor use)

- ___ \$ 30 - one Norwegian flag (includes shipping)
- ___ \$100 - four Norwegian flags (includes shipping to one location)
- ___ \$250 - 12 Norwegian flags (include shipping to one location)
- ___ \$500 - 26 Norwegian flags (includes shipping to one location)

Please make your check out to "SON D5 Nordic Legacy Foundation"

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Lodge: _____

Send your order to Mike Palecek, SON D5 treasurer, 5747 Sandy Lane, Racine WI 53406 c: 262-497-2761 e:mikep@sonsofnorwayracine.com. Proceeds will be used to support Masse Moro & other District 5 Nordic heritage programs.

D63 – Officer Election Report- You must submit it whether it's an election year for your lodge or not!

Each year the D63 (Officer Election Report) is due on December 15. This report is either emailed or mailed to the lodge secretary from the International office.

We are going into a convention year so the sooner I have the directory done, the sooner that we can start the delegate and other processes.

If your lodge does not elect officers this year, the report still needs to be filed!! You can do this online or send in the form and check the box (no changes) and that's all you have to do! But you HAVE to file it.

Here is what last year's form looked like- your secretary should have received a mailing from Sherry Gorse with this year's report forms!

D63/Lodge Officer Update 2017 Lodge: _____

Lodge Officer Updates for 2017 are due at Sons of Norway Headquarters by December 15, 2017.

1. **Online Update** – Go to www.sonsofnorway.com click on log in and then click Lodge Officer Updates on the left side of your member profile page.
2. **Update via Fax or Mail** – If you don't have internet access, complete this form and fax it to 612-827-0658 or send it to Sons of Norway, Attn: Lodge Update, 1455 W Lake St., Minneapolis, MN 55408
3. **No changes for 2017** – Please x 'no' below or indicate 'no changes' online.
Your new officer roster will not be on the public area of the Sons of Norway website until the end of January, 2017.

Are their changes in your officer roster for 2017? Yes No

Meeting Location and Time

<input type="checkbox"/> No changes for 2017 (check box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes for 2017 (check box and fill out info below) Meeting Location: _____ Day/Time: _____ Website: _____
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C01 President

<input type="checkbox"/> Same member continuing in office for 2017 (check box)	<input type="checkbox"/> Different member filling office in 2017 (Check box and fill out info below) Member Number: _____ Name: _____ Street: _____ City: _____ St/Pw _____ Zip _____ Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____ Email: _____
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If member's contact information has changed, please make changes above in red pen.

Check boxes below if applicable

Office will be shared by two or more members in 2017 (provide member info at end of form)

Office will be vacant in 2017

C02 Vice President

<input type="checkbox"/> Same member continuing in office for	<input type="checkbox"/> Different member filling office in 2017
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If your secretary or whoever reports the officer election changes has questions, have them contact Sherry Gorse (fraternal@sofn.com) or I'd be happy to help them too!

District Calendar of Events: (new items in red)

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 and 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 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-July 1, 2018 at Hotel Radisson in La Crosse, Wisconsin.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 16-18, 2018 in Minneapolis, MN.

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