

Friendly Fifth Friday News November 30, 2018

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 to inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com



From Sports Director Cheryl Wille-Schlesser: Attention! Birkie Fever is catching!

Whether they come by truck, car, or plane, Hayward, WI will soon host skiers from around the world for the *Greatest Show on SNOW-The American Birkebeiner*. The 2019 Barnebirkie event will launch the festivities on Thursday, February 21st. The kids' route will return to the golf course behind the Hayward Elementary Campus. Registration will occur at the big tent just off 5th Street, where skiers will pick up their bibs and hats. Participants in the Barnebirkie are between the ages of 3-13.

The Barnebirkie has been long supported by the Sons of Norway 5th District. Each year our members provide cookies by the thousands to ski families at the Celebration Tent in downtown Hayward. Our volunteers also assist with the ski registration, serve a hot lunch to our volunteers, play music at the VFW canteen, assist the classic skiers at the Expo, and fulfill other requests made by the Birkie Office. You will recall that our District was awarded the 2018 Shellie Milford *Spirit of the Birkie Award* for our unwavering support. 2019 will be no exception, and due to the loss of some workers we are needed in earnest!

BRING ON THE COOKIES!

The District 5 Board recently approved an incentive to Lodges for their baking efforts. Lodges are asked to gather their members for a Baking Day which will benefit the Birkie event. Take pictures of your efforts for posting on the District 5 website or on the D5 Facebook page. The Lodge that sends the most cookies to the event will be awarded a \$50.00 prize. In order to determine the winning lodge, it will be necessary for your lodge to label the boxes you send with the number of dozen per box OR

your lodge's president can send a tally sheet indicating the number of cookies (dozens) donated. A clipboard will be available in the cookie tent for any lodges delivering cookies to the tent that day.

One objective of the Baking Day is to create fellowship among your members, and it would be a great activity to welcome any new members into your fold. Lodges can incorporate specialized Norsk varieties of cookies that your lodge could later use at another event. This activity would also help your lodge to meet, in part, the Mission of the Sons of Norway, of promoting and preserving the heritage and culture of Norway. By doing so, your members would additionally earn credit toward a cultural pin! For more information on that pursuit, go to SofN.com: Select Cultural Programming and choose Cultural Skills. Traditional Norwegian Cooking requirements will be outlined. You will find the requirement for Baking and Desserts listed. Download the paperwork needed for this exercise, and you are on your way. Lykke til!

CAUTION-Due to the many individuals who have been diagnosed with allergies to tree nuts and peanuts, please DO NOT use them in your baking.

The classic skiers have also made a request for *healthy cookies*! Providing a spice cookie such as cardamom, molasses, ginger, pumpkin, or a fruit option would be fantastic. Oatmeal raisin cookies are popular, too.

*Additionally, some lodges choose to purchase cookies made in a controlled environment which is free from allergens. After discussion at the Board level, all cookies contributed will be entered into the prize contest.

Lodges that wish to send a support check for this event, should make it payable to the Sons of Norway-Fifth District. Mail it directly to the District 5 Treasurer, Michael Palecek: 5747 Sandy Lane, Racine, WI 53406. Indicate on the memo line of your check, Barnebirkie, so your lodge can also receive recognition.

If you would like to help us at the Barnebirkie in Hayward, WI, please select your area of interest from the options listed below. Send your interest to District 5 Sport and Recreation Director, Cheryl Wille-Schlesser: rogcher@mhtc.net, or contact me by phone: 608-219-4464. I will begin organizing a service record for this event.

Options for Service:

- 1) Assist with the set-up, serve food, and assist with clean-up at the District 5 canteen, if needed (inside activity)
- 2) Play live music in the canteen. (inside activity)
- 3) Meet and greet skier families, hand out cookies, and clean-up the tent area thereafter (outside activity, dress warmly and wear boots)
- 4) Deliver remaining cookies to the Ski Expo following the cookie event in downtown Hayward (deliver using your vehicle-carrying involved)
- 5) Register Barnebirkie and Junior Birkie skiers at the 5th Street tent (computer work, outside activity, dress warmly and wear boots)
- 6) Hand out medals in downtown Hayward, if needed (outside activity, dress warmly, wear boots)
- 7) Other area of service, please indicate.

An organizational meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, February 20th, at 6 PM. When the destination has been secured, an e-mail will be sent. The meal cost is your responsibility. Any special announcements will be made, job assignments will be announced, and nametags will be distributed. Please try to attend, if you are in town on Wednesday evening.

*Make your reservations for lodging now, as rooms are often limited! Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Cheryl Wille-Schlesser

From Vice President Kathy Secora:

District 5 will supply business cards to lodges who want them. The front will have a Sons of Norway logo and information about your lodge (website, facebook page, contact person with phone number). The back will have room for your member to write their own name and contact information to give to the prospective member. The idea is also to collect the prospect's information on a second card to return to your membership chairman.

To order cards, or get questions answered email ksecora@mc.net. We already have one order.

Fagernes Lodge is excited about the prospect.

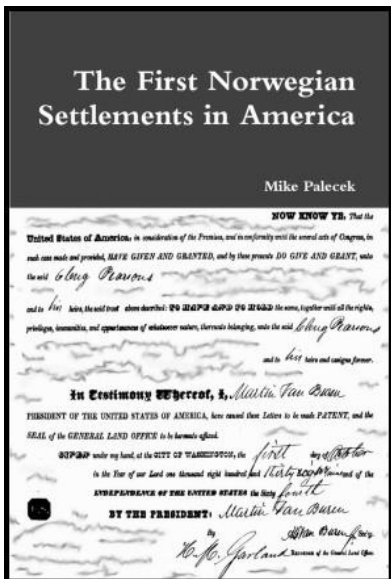
"I talked about the business cards. Told them about having 2 cards to hand to a prospective member, etc. Everyone liked the idea. We want them! Great idea to have a place on the back of the card for contact info. I'm excited about the good things happening at District 5. The business cards will be a big help in recruitment. Thanks."

LaVonne Wier-Fagernes 5-616

From District Treasurer and Fundraising Committee Members:

"The First Norwegian Settlements in America" is an excerpt of Rasmus Anderson's 120-year-old book, "The First Chapter of Norwegian Immigration (1821-1840): Its Causes and Results." Very interesting stories are related about the Restauration trip from Norway to New York state in 1825, followed by settlement stories in the Fox River settlement (Illinois), Chicago, Jefferson Prairie (Illinois-Wisconsin), Koshkonong (Wisconsin), Muskego (Wisconsin), and later settlements to Texas and Utah. There are short sections on White County Indiana, Beaver Creek (Illinois-Indiana), Shelby County Missouri/Lee County Iowa. The book concludes with a "Places to Visit" section, where readers can learn about modern Norwegian-American museums which focus on these settlements. These museums are the Norsk Museum (Norway, Illinois), Heg Memorial Park (Wind Lake, Wisconsin), Stoughton Historical Society (Stoughton, Wisconsin), Livsreise (Stoughton, Wisconsin), Old Muskego Log Church (St. Paul, Minnesota), Vesterheim Museum (Decorah, Iowa) and a day trip to the Jefferson Prairie and Koshkonong settlements. Research for the book includes 53 sources, 169 graphics (photos and illustrations) and 211 footnotes. Editing assistance came from Jerome Rud, Geoffrey Wodell and Diane Palecek. Consulted experts included Bill Andrews and Tom Grasso (upper New York State, Sloopers), David Johnson (Fox River settlement), Marilyn Canfield (Muskego settlement), John Peterson and Paul Daniels (Lutheran church history).

Please support Norwegian-American heritage and the Nordic Heritage Foundation



The Nordic Legacy Foundation is Sons of Norway's District 5 Norwegian heritage project. Profits from this book project will support Masse Moro youth camp and other District 5 heritage programs.

As a "tusen takk" for your donation, you can get the book "The First Norwegian Settlements in America." Learn about the Sloopers, the first group of Norwegians to come to America in 1825. As the west was opened, Norwegians had major settlements in Illinois and Wisconsin. Some of the earliest settlements in Missouri, Indiana, Texas and Utah are also covered in this volume.

Travel to some interesting Norwegian-American museums also featured in this book.

If you haven't earned a SON literature cultural skills pin, this book is a great way to get started.

ORDER FORM - HIDDEN HEROES: WORLD WAR II IN NORWAY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 (1 book) | allow 3 weeks for printing and shipping (shipping to one location) |
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Make checks out to "D5 Nordic Legacy Foundation"

Name: _____

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Send your order to: Mike Palecek, SON treasurer, 5747 Sandy Lane, Racine WI 53406

2019 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines

(Updated 10/21/2018)

December 2018

D17 and 990 forms, instructions and timeline sent to lodge treasurers.

December 15, 2018

Application deadline for Community Partnership Grant applications are due to Sons of Norway Foundation.

December 31, 2018

- Lodge Officer Update/D63 information is due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- To be recognized for achieving a 10% growth for the 2018 recruitment challenge, membership applications should be received by December 15 so that they can be entered into the database before the end of the year.
- Application deadline for: Helping Hands to Children Grant*, Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant*, and Lodge Vitality Grant*
- Deadline to order Barneløpet supplies.
- Tubfrim cards should be postmarked by December 31, 2018 to be entered into a drawing to win a plane ticket to Norway (up to \$1,000 toward a ticket purchase).

January 15, 2019

Deadline for scholarship applications for educational opportunities that involve international travel are due to Sons of Norway Foundation: Douglas Warne – Rolf & Wenche Eng Scholarship, Helen Tronvold Adult Learner Scholarship**, Helen Tronvold Folk High School Scholarship*, King Olav V Norwegian-American Heritage Scholarship, Lund Fund Scholarship*, and Oslo International Summer School Scholarship*

February 1, 2019

2018 officers will be listed in the online lodge directory.

February 15, 2019

- D17 financial form is due from the lodges to Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Lodge Achievement and Family Lodge of the Year forms are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Community and Fraternal activities and hour totals, using AFA Year-end report form or online reporting at Fraternalsgive.org, are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.

February 16, 2019

Zone 3 Meeting hosted by Idun Lodge in Madison, WI

February 21, 2019

Barnebirkie events and cookie tent in Hayward, WI

March 2019

Fraternal Funds packet mailed

March 1, 2019

Sons of Norway Foundation deadline for Scholarship applications for study in the United States are due to the Sons of Norway Foundation: Astrid G. Cates/Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship* and Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship

March 15, 2019

District Five Scholarships due

April 1, 2019

Sons of Norway Foundation deadline for Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship*

May 15, 2019

- 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

*Social membership with Sons of Norway required.

**Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required.

December 31, 2018 (new deadline)

D-63 Report of Elections due. Send one copy to International Headquarters and one to District Secretary.

DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

June 24-28, 2020 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison

INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

August 16-23, 2020 in Hamar 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.

Time period	Zone with chest
October 2017-April 2018	4
April 2018-October 2018	6
October 2018-April 2019	1
April 2019-October 2019	3

Zone Meeting Schedule 2019

Zone	Date	Hosted by	Location
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3	Sat. Feb 16	Idun Lodge	Trinity Lutheran Church, Madison
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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 24-28 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison hosted by Idun Lodge.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 16-23, 2020 in Hamar Norway

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