



Sons of Norway Mandt Lodge 5-314
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Dear Sons of Norway District 5 Lodges,

On behalf of Sons of Norway District 5 and Mandt Lodge 5-314, we are pleased to invite you to support the 2026 Sons of Norway District 5 Convention, to be held August 2–6, 2026, in Stoughton, Wisconsin. This will be the first time a District 5 convention is hosted outside a traditional convention center, allowing us to truly highlight the charm, culture, and beauty that Stoughton has to offer. District conventions are held every two years and serve as cornerstone events for fellowship, education, and organizational leadership. The 2026 convention week will include a mix of programming and business activities, such as tours, cultural classes, workshops, banquets, board and committee meetings, and the formal District Lodge business meeting. We anticipate 90+ attendees, including delegates, spouses, lodge members, and members of our host lodge. **Don't forget that non-delegates can also attend so please promote the special activities, bus trip, farm tours, meals, banquet, classes and workshops! Non-delegates can also sit in on the meeting!** Your delegates have received their packets with registration materials, schedules, and where to find more information. If your lodge is not sending delegates, we will miss not having you with us but encourage you to support the convention in some way!

We ask that you consider:

- We are seeking sponsorships and program advertisements to help offset convention costs while providing meaningful visibility for our sponsors. Opportunities range from program booklet ads to event- and convention-level sponsorships, each offering recognition throughout the week, including signage, schedule acknowledgments, and inclusion in the convention booklet. Full details, pricing, and submission instructions are included in the attached sponsorship and ad form.
- District 5 Silent Auction which benefits the SN District 5 Nordic Legacy Foundation. Items can be brought with your delegates and we encourage items of value. It is not a garage sale so please use judgement on used items! Vintage Norsk are fine!
- An additional highlight of the week is our celebration of the Sons of Norway Foundation—the charitable arm of Sons of Norway and a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, established in 1966. The Foundation supports members, lodges, and communities through education, humanitarian assistance, and cultural programming. Lodges interested in donating a gift basket or gift card (maximum \$25 value) are invited to contribute items that will be used as prizes during Tuesday's Foundation Night.
- Well wishers- a chance to list your lodge members names in the program book as a way to give greetings and off-set convention expenses.
- Purchasing convention pins or t-shirts that you can use in your lodge for a variety of purposes (gifts, door prizes, incentives).

Sponsorship and ad materials are requested by June 15, 2026. If you have questions or would like to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please feel free to contact: **Callie LaPoint:** (952) 380-7851 (call/text) or calliejo06@gmail.com. Thank you for considering support of the Sons of Norway District 5 Convention and for helping us welcome delegates to Stoughton in 2026. If your meeting is after that and you need a few more days, contact Callie!

Updates will be made and more details on items here

- District 5 Website: <https://sonsofnorway5.com/conventions/> There are multiple tabs so be sure to check them all out and watch for updates!
- District 5 Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1410575062591249> or **Sons of Norway District 5** (need to request to join)

Deadlines

- June 15- Well wishers, advertisements and sponsorships due
- July 1- Registrations and any additional meals
- July 4- Hotel blocks go off but we encourage you to book rooms ASAP- don't wait!

With appreciation,

Sons of Norway Mandt Lodge 5-314- Stoughton, WI