

**Friendly Fifth Friday News**  
**August 23, 2019**

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**Update on Fall Leadership Conference**

The District Executive Committee had a conference call this past Sunday to solidify the agenda. We have some follow-up in asking presenters for the various sessions and are waiting on a couple of other details. We hope to have it all finalized by September 1.

In the meantime, please promote the information we shared last week and I'll insert some of it again for your use. Discuss it at your officer meetings and lodge meetings to see who might be interested in attending and if your lodge will provide any financial support. We will encourage carpooling from various areas and you can also request to share a room to help save money.

Thanks!  
District 5 Executive Committee

**Sons of Norway- Fifth District  
Leadership Conference (D5LC)**

**October 18-20, 2019**

**Cedar Lake Ministries  
13701 Lauerman St.  
Cedar Lake IN 46303**

If you would like registration information for this conference, please email [mikep@sonsofnorwayracine.com](mailto:mikep@sonsofnorwayracine.com).

**We hope your lodge will send one or more key lodge officers to the D5LC, because:**

- 1.) you will get ideas to make your lodge better.
- 2.) you will learn about important issues of concern to lodges.
- 3.) this will be a forum for you to share your lodge's best practices and state your opinions and concerns.
- 4.) you will develop valuable contacts with other lodges for resource and idea sharing.

## **Have you considered applying for a SN Foundation Grant?**

In keeping with our values of building the heritage of the future, sustaining the link to contemporary Norway and fostering a cohesive community of generosity, the Sons of Norway Foundation awards over \$20,000 in grants annually. Please go to [www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation](http://www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation) for full guidelines. Applications open October 1 annually.

<https://www.sofn.com/foundation/grants/>

### **Community Partnership Grant**

**Opening:** By October 15

**Deadline:** December 15

**Award amount:** Up to \$1,000

#### **Who can apply:**

This grant is open to individuals or groups who are **not** members of Sons of Norway and wish to share their Norwegian heritage and culture through the project for which they apply for funding.

#### **Eligible projects:**

Projects that promote and preserve the culture and heritage of Norway are eligible. Examples of previously funded projects are cultural classes, cultural fairs/festivals, instructional classes or video tapes, etc.

Notifications of awards will be made in March.

Payment to award recipients will be made in late March or early April.

### **Helping Hands to Children Grant**

**Opening:** By October 15

**Deadline:** December 31

**Award amount:** Up to \$500.00

#### **Who can apply:**

All Sons of Norway Lodges in Canada, Norway and the United States.

**Eligible projects:**

The Helping Hands to Children Grant will provide funds to be used to establish educational programming and/or mentoring for children. Examples of eligible projects are: Adopt-A-School, Barnas Norsk Klubb, children's heritage programming, books for reading programs, school equipment, mentoring services, supplies and other special programs for children.

Notifications of awards will be made in March.

Payment to award recipients will be made in late March or early April.

### Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant

**Opening:** By October 15

**Deadline:** December 31

**Award Amount:** Up to \$1,500

**Who can apply:**

All Sons of Norway Lodges in Canada, Norway and the United States.

**Eligible projects:**

Projects that promote and preserve the Norwegian culture and heritage are eligible. Examples of previously funded projects are cultural classes and presentations, documenting local cultural history, hosting of visiting groups, etc.

Notifications of awards will be made in March.

Payment to award recipients will be made in late March or early April.

### Lodge Vitality Grant

**Opening:** By October 15

**Deadline:** December 31

**Award amount:** Up to \$1,000

**Who can apply:**

All Sons of Norway Lodges in Canada, Norway and the United States.

## **Eligible projects:**

The Lodge Vitality Grant has been newly created to “give lodges a boost” in their operating budget that they would not likely receive from other sources. Applicants must provide an itemized budget, explain how they will use the funds and demonstrate how this grant will help with lodge maintenance and growth. Examples include replacement of aged or failing equipment that may be vital to the lodge’s meetings/programs, new initiatives to increase membership, a new program to engage younger generations, etc.

Notifications of awards will be made in March.

Payment to award recipients will be made in late March or early April.

## **Helping Hands to Members**

In 2004 the Sons of Norway Foundation established this grant to help current members by awarding funds of up to \$1,000 per family following natural disasters including floods, tornadoes, hurricanes and wildfires.

### **GUIDELINES & APPLICATION**

To receive further information please contact the Foundation Director at [foundation@sofn.com](mailto:foundation@sofn.com).

## **Are you committed to life-long learning and service? Join the Sons of Norway Foundation Board of Governors**

[https://www.sofn.com/foundation/oversight\\_governance/join\\_the\\_foundation/](https://www.sofn.com/foundation/oversight_governance/join_the_foundation/)

The Sons of Norway Foundation Board of Governors is seeking talented Sons of Norway members who wish to join in the governance of this well-respected, fifty-one-year-old organization. Skills that are desired include strategic planning and operations, social media influencing, development and fund raising and/or finance and accounting. The board is comprised of 10 voting members and four non-voting members from across the United States who are volunteers who serve without pay. A governor may serve up to three consecutive two-year terms.

The board supports the work of the Sons of Norway Foundation and provides mission-based leadership and strategic governance. While day-to-day operations are led by the Foundation director who reports to the Sons of Norway’s chief operating officer, the board-staff relationship is a partnership, and the appropriate involvement of the board is both critical and expected.

Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Working with the director and other board members to ensure that board resolutions are implemented;

- Approving the Foundation's annual budget, audit reports, business decisions, and financial statements;
- Serving on committees or task forces by accepting special assignments;
- Representing the Foundation to stakeholders, and acting as an ambassador for the organization; and
- Prioritizing personal giving by making an annual gift, reflecting the Foundation's priority.

The Foundation's core values are: Building the heritage of the future, sustaining the link to contemporary Norway, committing to life-long learning and service, demonstrating compassion for those in need, funding innovative individuals and opportunities and fostering a cohesive community of generosity. The application deadline is **Sept. 10, 2019**. Apply now, or call Corrie Maki Knudson at 800-945-8851 or 612-827-3611.

#### Board of Governors' Meetings

Biannual meetings are held in Minneapolis. Governors meet at least four more times throughout the year via video conference.

## **2019 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines**

(Updated 5/30/2019- changes in red)

### **September 10, 2019**

Photos for the Viking are due to District Publicity Director Karen Eberhardt- eber01dj@gmail.com

### **September 14, 2019**

Sons of Norway Nordkap Lodge 5-378 celebrates its 90th anniversary

### **October 10, 2019**

Photos for the Viking are due to District Publicity Director Karen Eberhardt- eber01dj@gmail.com

### **October 18-20, 2019**

District 5 Leadership Conference in Cedar Lake, IN

### **November 10, 2019**

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### **December 10, 2019**

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### **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
1	Thursday, Feb 21	Zone 1 Directors	Veterans Community Center, Hayward during the volunteer reception after Barnebirkie
2	April 27, 2019	Tom Boudreau and Karen Broadhead	Woodland Church ; 190 Hoover Ave., Plover WI.
3	Sat. Feb 16	Idun Lodge	Trinity Lutheran Church, Madison
3	Sunday, June 9	Cheryl Schlessner	Picnic and Fisheree - Edgerton
4	June 15	Mike Palecek	Heg Park, Wind Lake
5	Saturday June 8, 2019 9 am - 2 pm	Skjold Lodge 5-100	All Saints Lutheran Church 630 S. Quentin Road Palatine, IL
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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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## 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@sonsofnorway5.com](mailto:inputd5@sonsofnorway5.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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