

Friendly Fifth Friday News

February 11, 2022

Send all web posting info and calendar dates/events directly to our webmaster at inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com. Feel free to share this with your lodge members!

Please fill out this survey about the proposed Adult Heritage Weekend on October 7-8, 2022. I will make an electronic copy of this too but don't have it ready today! Thanks Darlene



ADULT HERITAGE WEEKEND

INPUT FOR PLANNING

In order to create a meaningful weekend of activities for our members, please respond to the following questions.

1. Select all that are of interest. ☺ 0

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Craft or skill presentation , i.e. carving | <input type="checkbox"/> Author visit-Sandy Brehl, Kathleen Ernst, other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class on kolrosing, felting, or holiday gnomes | <input type="checkbox"/> Genealogy Tips and Tricks, Archival options, locations for work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class -Open face sandwiches | <input type="checkbox"/> Dramatic presentation or Reader's Theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Demo - <i>Sour cream or butter porridge</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Musical selections from Luther students |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking or biking the bluffs or hills in the area is of interest to me. | <input type="checkbox"/> Folk music, old time, accordion, Hardangerfele, |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History of Norway Ridge (Spring Grove) with a local historian | <input type="checkbox"/> Hayride |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meal at a local SofN Lodge or church (lutefisk and meatballs) | <input type="checkbox"/> Norwegian fjord horses |

Other (please specify)

2. For your convenience, select all that apply. ☞ 0

Snacks and coffee/drinks provided

Day begins at 9 AM

Built-in breaks throughout the day

List of optional hotels provided

Day begins at 8 AM

Suggestions for shopping/crafting venues nearby

3. Local architecture field trip ☞ 0

No

Yes

4. I am interested in Sunday activities in this area. ☞ 0

Yes

No

5. I am interested in visiting Vesterheim Norwegian American Museum in Decorah, IA.

☞ 0

Yes

No

Thank you for assisting me in planning this opportunity for our members.

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International Convention and Convention Cycle Update

Headquarters is planning for the International Convention. They are also helping our eight districts by reviewing the hotel contracts. In addition, they want to ensure that contingency plans are in effect if COVID-19 causes SofN to cancel its convention. The International Convention's contract language is being reviewed for any financial implications that a cancellation could cause. Decisions have not been made regarding any on-site COVID-19 protocols that could be required. Connie O'Brien, Director of Fraternal Development and Marketing, indicated that town hall discussions would be scheduled with district leaders to garner further input.

There have been discussions on how to handle virtual voting. Dave Ness (SofN legal counsel) is integral to these discussions. Several programs options exist.

The 2022 International Convention will have a shortened meeting time with delegates. In addition, our members will have more activities that center on cultural or heritage programming. These changes are being driven by the transition to a different governance structure. Delegates will handle fewer of the business decisions for the financial side of the SofN. Instead, an elected board of directors will be taking on that role.

Other topics could include planning for an exciting lodge year, engaging the membership in a lodge, and offering additional programming for members by virtual and in-person meetings. If you have ideas on what kind of breakout sessions would be helpful, please share these with me. I will be working with Connie to plan a meaningful convention for our members.

Thank you,

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Notice for Central Lodge Members



Central Lodge members are members of Sons of Norway who don't belong to a local lodge but are entitled to have their voice heard at District Conventions. If they want to be a delegate to the District Lodge Meeting in June, they must be elected. They need to reach out to the President Andrew Johnsen (aijohnsen@att.net) and Secretary Darlene Arneson (arnesonfamily5@gmail.com) by February 13. The District 5 ZOOM call will be on Sunday, February 20, at 6:00 PM Central Time. Deadline to notify either officer of their intention is February 13, 2022 so the meeting link can be sent to them.

Membership Numbers Update from International

SONS OF NORWAY

MEMBERS JOINING AND LEAVING * JANUARY YEAR-TO-DATE 2022									
District:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Members 01/01/2022	11,176	9,688	12,155	4,378	6,553	6,998	1,207	592	52,747
Dues Paid Lodge Members**									
Joining	184	122	346	40	138	64	3	1	898
Voluntarily Leaving	83	57	123	32	33	47	4	3	382
Involuntarily Leaving	49	24	41	11	25	16	3	0	169
Members 01/31/22									
Adult & Juv - Dues Paid	11,228	9,729	12,337	4,375	6,633	6,999	1,203	590	53,094
Ins Mem Non-Dues	2,376	881	735	717	730	589	4	15	6,047
Heritage Mem Non-Dues	<u>704</u>	<u>1,009</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>646</u>	<u>423</u>	<u>564</u>	<u>267</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>4,223</u>
01/31/22 Total Members	14,308	11,619	13,652	5,738	7,786	8,152	1,474	635	63,364
% Members Owning Ins	50.9%	20.5%	50.7%	28.0%	46.0%	35.0%	1.4%	6.6%	39.3%
Membership at December 31, 2021									
Members 12/31/21									
Adult & Juv - Dues Paid	11,176	9,688	12,155	4,378	6,553	6,998	1,207	592	52,747
Ins Mem Non-Dues	2,390	884	736	717	731	587	4	15	6,064
Heritage Mem Non-Dues	<u>712</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>646</u>	<u>415</u>	<u>564</u>	<u>270</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>4,216</u>
12/31/21 Total Members	14,278	11,572	13,470	5,741	7,699	8,149	1,481	637	63,027
% Members Owning Ins	51.1%	20.6%	51.1%	28.0%	46.1%	35.4%	1.5%	6.6%	39.5%
MEMBERS JOINING AND LEAVING * YEAR-TO-DATE 2021									
District:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Members 01/01/2021	8,783	9,488	6,667	4,545	4,862	5,739	1,135	703	41,922
Joining	277	78	427	25	153	140	5	2	1,107
Voluntarily Leaving	147	102	101	67	57	54	10	9	547
Involuntarily Leaving	47	15	14	21	12	16	1	0	126
Members 01/31/21									
Adult & Juv - Dues Paid	8,866	9,449	6,979	4,482	4,946	5,809	1,129	696	42,356
Ins Mem Non-Dues	2,384	889	706	735	727	538	3	15	5,997
Heritage Mem Non-Dues	<u>706</u>	<u>1,009</u>	<u>518</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>398</u>	<u>533</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>4,129</u>
01/31/21 Total Members	11,956	11,347	8,203	5,883	6,071	6,880	1,395	747	52,482
MEMBERS JOINING AND LEAVING * Jan-22 Dues Paid Adult & Juvenile									
District:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Members 12/31/21	11,176	9,688	12,155	4,378	6,553	6,998	1,207	592	52,747
Joining	184	122	346	40	138	64	3	1	898
Voluntarily Leaving	144	92	183	53	66	76	7	5	626
Involuntarily Leaving	49	24	41	11	25	16	3	0	169
Members 01/31/22	11,167	9,694	12,277	4,354	6,600	6,970	1,200	588	52,850
Increase for Month	-9	6	122	-24	47	-28	-7	-4	103

* THIS REPORT INCLUDES JUVENILE MEMBERS **Column descriptions reflect dues and non dues member status

Jan-22 Membership by Lodge

Dist	Ldg	Zone	12/31/2021			1/31/2022			Change in Membership			
			Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Adults	Juveniles	Adults & Juv	Adults		Adults & Juv	
			Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
5	0	0	3,166	55	3,221	3,253	56	3,309	87	2.7%	88	2.7%
5	999	0	71	0	71	71	0	71	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
		sub-total	3,237	55	3,292	3,324	56	3,380	87	2.7%	88	2.7%
5	29	1	74	9	83	74	9	83	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	53	1	55	3	58	55	2	57	0	0.0%	-1	-1.7%
5	220	1	20	5	25	20	5	25	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	353	1	66	13	79	67	13	80	1	1.5%	1	1.3%
5	625	1	19	1	20	19	1	20	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	670	1	17	0	17	17	0	17	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
		sub-total	251	31	282	252	30	282	1	0.4%	0	0.0%
5	28	2	218	15	233	216	15	231	-2	-0.9%	-2	-0.9%
5	286	2	15	0	15	15	0	15	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	457	2	86	3	89	86	3	89	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	496	2	38	1	39	38	1	39	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	534	2	31	6	37	31	6	37	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	556	2	32	2	34	32	2	34	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	580	2	30	0	30	29	0	29	-1	-3.3%	-1	-3.3%
5	609	2	27	7	34	26	7	33	-1	-3.7%	-1	-2.9%
5	616	2	45	1	46	45	1	46	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	627	2	62	0	62	64	0	64	2	3.2%	2	3.2%
		sub-total	584	35	619	582	35	617	-2	-0.3%	-2	-0.3%
5	74	3	128	9	137	126	9	135	-2	-1.6%	-2	-1.5%
5	314	3	239	2	241	239	2	241	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	513	3	174	14	188	172	13	185	-2	-1.1%	-3	-1.6%
5	544	3	35	2	37	35	2	37	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	642	3	37	1	38	36	1	37	-1	-2.7%	-1	-2.6%
5	650	3	32	8	40	32	8	40	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
		sub-total	645	36	681	640	35	675	-5	-0.8%	-6	-0.9%
5	82	4	186	5	191	187	5	192	1	0.5%	1	0.5%
5	183	4	105	11	116	106	10	116	1	1.0%	0	0.0%
5	491	4	68	6	74	68	6	74	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	549	4	46	5	51	46	5	51	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	632	4	69	2	71	70	1	71	1	1.4%	0	0.0%
		sub-total	474	29	503	477	27	504	3	0.6%	1	0.2%
5	100	5	139	13	152	137	13	150	-2	-1.4%	-2	-1.3%
5	168	5	74	4	78	73	4	77	-1	-1.4%	-1	-1.3%
5	472	5	65	3	68	64	3	67	-1	-1.5%	-1	-1.5%
5	525	5	63	3	66	61	3	64	-2	-3.2%	-2	-3.0%
5	593	5	32	0	32	31	0	31	-1	-3.1%	-1	-3.1%
5	689	5	35	0	35	38	0	38	3	8.6%	3	8.6%
		sub-total	408	23	431	404	23	427	-4	-1.0%	-4	-0.9%
5	378	6	174	0	174	175	0	175	1	0.6%	1	0.6%
5	490	6	25	0	25	25	0	25	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	523	6	45	1	46	47	1	48	2	4.4%	2	4.3%
5	568	6	31	0	31	30	0	30	-1	-3.2%	-1	-3.2%
5	600	6	50	0	50	50	0	50	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	610	6	80	3	83	81	3	84	1	1.3%	1	1.2%
5	614	6	93	2	95	92	2	94	-1	-1.1%	-1	-1.1%
5	657	6	83	0	83	83	0	83	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	662	6	44	0	44	44	0	44	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
5	677	6	67	0	67	68	0	68	1	1.5%	1	1.5%
5	681	6	47	0	47	47	0	47	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
		sub-total	739	6	745	742	6	748	3	0.4%	3	0.4%
Total District 5			6,338	215	6,553	6,421	212	6,633	83	1.3%	80	1.2%

Deadlines and Dates! **Changes in red!**

February 20, 2022

- Central Lodge ZOOM Meeting at 6 PM Central time for **central lodge members** want to be delegates. Notify President Johnsen and Darlene Arneson by February 13 if you are interested.

February 24, 2022

- **Barnebirkie Race in Hayward, WI**

February 26, 2022

- Registrations due for virtual rosemaking class held in March

March 1, 2022

- Application deadlines for the Lund Fund, Douglas Warne-Rolf & Wenche Eng, and Helen Tronvold Norwegian Folk High School Scholarships

March 1, 2022

- Deadline — Domestic scholarship applications due to Sons of Norway Foundation:
 - Astrid G. Cates Scholarship**
 - Bernt Anker Scholarship
 - Dan and Betty Rude Scholarship
 - Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship**
 - Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship**
 - Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship
 - Elaine Nelson Scholarship

March 5, 2022

- Delegate Election Form due to Darlene Arneson

March 10, 2022

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at eber01dj@gmail.com

March 15, 2022

- 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 Fraternalgive.org, are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Fraternal Funds packet is sent to the district treasurers.

Saturdays March 12, 19, and 26, 2022

- Virtual Rosemaling Class

April 1, 2022

- Proposed District Bylaw and Resolution Proposals due to Darlene Arneson
- Bids to host 2024 District Convention due to Darlene Arneson

April 10, 2022

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at eber01dj@gmail.com

April 15, 2022

- Sarah Paulsen Memorial Scholarship applications are due

May 10, 2022

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at eber01dj@gmail.com

May 15, 2022

- D18 property association financial form is due from the lodges to Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- 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.

June 10, 2022

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at eber01dj@gmail.com

*Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required

**Membership with Sons of Norway required (social or insurance)

DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

Idun Lodge will host the meeting on June 15-19, 2022 at the Madison Marriott West in Middleton, Wisconsin.

INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

The International Lodge Meeting will be held in 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. The convention will be held August 31th to Sept 1st 2022, with first time delegates arriving on the 30th of August for the First Timers Training. Delegates will depart the 2nd of September.

<https://youtu.be/S7TljcinVCU>- Omni Hotels and Resorts, Omni Viking lakes Hotel, 2611 Nordic Way, Eagan, MN 55121

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.

Compiled by Darlene Arneson, SN District 5 Secretary (arnesonfamily5@gmail.com or 608-873-7209)

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 4 am on Thursday morning. 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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