

Friendly Fifth Friday News February 12, 2021

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!

Nordic News this week...

Donna Olson did an absolutely wonderful presentation about **Hardanger Embroidery** on *Nordic News* on Tuesday Feb. 9. It was one piece of "Hardanger eye candy" after another. Donna is teaching D5's newest virtual class which begins on March 4 and lasts for six Thursday evenings (6:30 PM Central / 7:30 PM Eastern). Learn about Donna's class

here: http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/cultural_classes.php

Watch this GREAT HARDANGER EMBROIDERY 101 lecture (51:05)

here: <https://www.screencast.com/t/C6oDmvsN>



"Nils Otto Tank" will be the topic of the **February 16th Nordic News**. Tank was the son of Norway/Sweden's prime minister at a time when there was the possibility that there was a vacuum in the succession of royalty. His father had designs to make Nils Otto king. Instead, Nils Otto married "below his station" and his father disowned him. Nils Otto came to Green Bay, Wisconsin and started a religious colony. For the rest of the story... tune in to Nordic News...

Tune in at 6:20 PM (Central); 7:20 PM (Eastern) every Tuesday.

By computer: <https://gotomeet.me/SofN-D5>

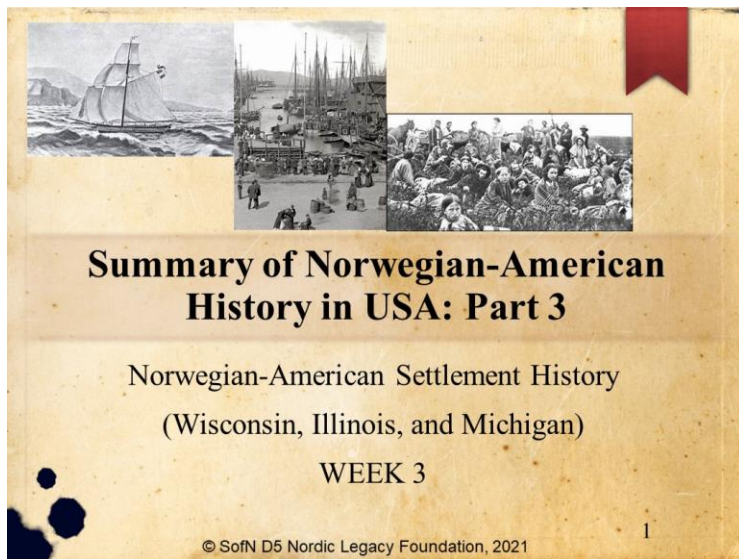
By phone: 646-749-3112 (access code: 509-077-557)

By iPhone, iPad, or Android tablet/phone: download the GoToMeeting app from the Apple or Google Play Store. Launch the app and enter the meeting code: SofN-D5

You can watch 40 past episodes of Nordic News at:

http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers_bureau.php

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The **D5 Norwegian-American settlement history course** continues to grow with 86 D5 members enrolled. Some members have joined from as far away as Washington state, Arkansas, and Texas, and who belong to D5 lodges.

Week 3 topics included Civil War and Norwegian-American attitudes towards slavery, agricultural change, lumbering and the Great Lakes, urbanization, generational and educational changes, and surge of immigration. Jim Nelson, president of the Scandiana lodge presented Indiana Norwegian-American settlement history.

You can also watch the recorded sessions, **posted the Friday after each class is over** at:

www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/norwegian_american_history.php

From Jerry Rud

Recently I discovered a book that was written about mangle boards. I thought they were uniquely Norwegian, but they were used all over northern Europe. The author also wrote a book about beautifully designed irons. Thus the confusing website link:

<http://streamlinedirons.com/index.php>

This email came on February 10 from the International SN

If you hold CTRL and then click on the links, they should open!

Leadership Resource

A Newsletter for Sons of Norway Lodge Leaders - *February 2021*

Recruitment Update

Updated Member Join and Renewal Forms

The credit card payment option has been removed from our paper forms as of January 4. Updated paper enrollment forms are available for lodges to order, or can be printed from sofn.com by going to the lodge form area. Members may still pay by credit card when joining or renewing a membership online.

2020 Recruitment Results

Thank you for continuing to invite new members to join Sons of Norway! Despite 2020 being a challenging year, we were successful in attracting thousands of new financial and social members. In total we added 7,815 new members—exceeding our goal of 6,300 new members by 24 percent! Congratulations to the 54 lodges that met their recruiting goals. After logging in at sofn.com, you can view the detailed recruiting results in the Leadership area of the website under [2020 Member Recruitment Challenge](#).

Foundation Update

The Sons of Norway Foundation's "Together We Are The Future" campaign was an overwhelming success!

Because of you, the Foundation received a total of \$210,164 in donations. Here is a breakdown as of January 13:

- \$106,590 in unrestricted donations
- \$103,574 in restricted donations

The restricted donations included \$53,000 to the Jensen Scholarship, \$17,013 to the Humanitarian Fund, and \$33,561 donated to other scholarship funds.

Donations were received from over 700 members and 113 lodges.

On behalf of the Sons of Norway Foundation Board of Governors, we cannot thank you enough for your support.

Always remember: The Foundation is here for you . . . for good and forever.

Order Lodge Supplies Online

<https://sofnlodge.logoshop.com/>

Sons of Norway recently implemented a new, streamlined process for ordering supplies. **This change applies to most supply orders, including Sports Medals and Cultural Skills pins, as well as general lodge supplies like table flags, placemats and napkins.**

These supplies can now be easily ordered directly through our online lodge supply store.

Sports Medals and Cultural Skills

In November we rolled out a new process for ordering **Sports Medals and Cultural Skills pins along with other lodge supplies.** We have received questions on this process and created a FAQ page for the ordering process. This FAQ is a live document which we will update as we hear from lodge leaders. If you have questions to add, please send a message to culture@sofn.com.

Coming soon: Look for updates to the submission guidelines on the Cultural Skills and Sports Medal member pages of our website.

Share your Syttende Mai greetings in Viking magazine!

https://www.sofn.com/resource_blog/share-your-syttende-mai-greetings-in-viking-magazine/

Thank you for the many innovative ways you have supported your fellow members and helped us grow over the last year! Now we have another way your lodge can stay connected with members across the organization. Through special arrangement with our magazine publisher, Sons of Norway headquarters invites lodges and districts to share their **Syttende Mai greetings** with discounted ads in the May 2021 issue of *Viking*.

Email Scams Announcement

We've recently had a number of complaints of what seemed to be spam emails from various district or lodge leaders. These emails would typically seem as if they were coming from a lodge leader and would ask for money, a gift card, etc.

[Read more](#)

Local Lodge Financial Statement (D17) and IRS Form 990.

Every year, each lodge is required to file two financial forms. These are the Local Lodge Financial Statement (Form D17) and the IRS Form 990.

Lodges that own property also must complete the Local Lodge Property Financial Statement (D18).

The Local Lodge Financial Statement (Form D17) : due date March 15, 2021

[Read more](#)

Golden Membership Procedures for 2021

Sons of Norway Headquarters will be sending out one more Golden Membership mailing to Lodge Presidents for people who became Golden Members in the last quarter of 2020. This will be the last automatic mailing of Golden Certificates and Pins to lodges.

[Read more](#)

If you have questions about any of the topics in this issue, or if you would like to share a programming/recruitment tool that your lodge uses, contact us at sonsofnorway@sofn.com.

Fraternally,

Sons of Norway

District Directories- coming soon!

I received the master list of lodges so will be working on the District Directory this weekend. I hope to get it printed early next week and then sent to local lodge Presidents and Secretaries. Next week I will also switch over to the new email list of lodge officers for the FFFN email reminder. But remember that it's available for all members to see on the website – so you really don't need the reminder!

http://sonsofnorway5.com/news/friendly_fifth_friday_news.php

Making the news in Green Bay!

Here (link below) is the Green Bay Press article about Sons of Norway.

Karen Eberhardt- District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director

<https://gopresstimes.com/2021/02/08/certain-groups-embrace-hygge-and-friluftsliv/>

Virtual Hardanger Embroidery Class: The Basics of Hardanger Embroidery

Thursdays, March 4 - April 8, 2021 (six weeks)

6:30pm to 8:00pm central time

7:30pm to 9:00pm eastern time

Sons of Norway members \$50

non-members \$75

The Sons of Norway District 5 Cultural Committee has arranged a special Hardanger embroidery virtual class with well-known Stoughton, WI, area teacher, Donna Olson.

Donna became interested in Hardanger embroidery in the early 1970s when she and her husband moved to Stoughton, WI. She learned the craft from descendants of Norwegian immigrants who were preserving the tradition of their families.

Donna has continued to maintain and celebrate the Hardanger tradition through her teaching, first in the community, then at Madison Area Technical College where she now teaches virtually. She also has taught at seminars for the national Embroidery Guild of America. That organization honored her last March with a feature article about her Hardanger embroidery work in their magazine.

Whether you are just beginning to do Hardanger embroidery or have a piece started that just never got finished, this class is for you. The class is all about technique, whether on the class project or your own project. The class project is Pattern 750 Small Treasures. It consists of four 6" x 6" doilies of different designs.

In this class you will work through thread count stitching issues, beginning/ending threads, clean back side of doily, various flower styles, weaving/lacing styles and more!

Working together online face-to-face is a challenge yet showing your work to others and getting the feedback is great.

Judy Ghastin D5 Cultural Director

Hardanger Embroidery Class Registration Form (updated from last issue!)

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Lodge: _____

Membership #: _____

Non-Member: _____

**Registration for the class is by date received. The maximum number of students is 12.
The Registration Deadline for classes is February 25, 2021.**

Orders for materials will be shipped upon registration. Cultural Awards information will be emailed to registrants. Zoom information will be sent close to the time of the first class.

Make checks payable to Donna M. Olson.

Mail registration to Judy Ghastin, 718 Bruce Ct., Madison, WI 53705

Class Registration Fee: \$50 Sons of Norway member _____

\$75 Non-member _____

Class Materials Kit: pattern, needles, thread, fabric (22 ct. Fine ariosa cotton, rayon),

how-to information \$30 _____

Scissors option: Ginger - thin blades, sharp pointed \$25 _____

Plus Shipping: \$11 _____

Deadlines and Dates!

Changes in red!

Nordic News Weekly Program- Every Tuesday night

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February 5, 2021

- Registrations due for rosemaling classes

February 12

- Registrations due for Virtual Norwegian Cooking Class

February 15- March 22

- Virtual Norwegian Cooking Class- Cooking with Connie and the Kittlesons

February 15, 2021

- Deadlines for Lodge Achievement, Family Lodge of the Year and AFA Reporting **have been extended to 03/15/2021.**

February 20, 27 and March 6, 2021

- Rosemaling session #1

February 25, 2021

- **Registrations due for Hardanger class**

February 25-27, 2021

- Barnebirkie and Birkie Ski Races Hayward, WI. Cookies will not be needed this year from the lodges.

March 1, 2021

- 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

March 4 - April 8, 2021

- Virtual Hardanger Class on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:00pm

March 15, 2021

- D17 financial form is due from the lodges to Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- D18 property association 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.

April 16-17, 2021

- District 5 Board Meeting- Tentatively planned for Nashville, TN- watching COVID restrictions

May 15, 2021

- 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.

*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.

Viking Chest Rotation

The Viking Chest has not traveled since the health emergency began, and the new schedule cannot be announced until it is safe to hold in-person meetings. Therefore, the rotation schedule is suspended until further notice.

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.

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@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.

Darlene Arneson – arnesonfamily5@gmail.com