# Friendly Fifth Friday News January 27, 2023

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# SN District 5 Stamp Collecting Options- January 2023 History of SN and TUBFRIM

TUBFRIM was established in 1928 at Nesbyen by postmaster Ditlef Frantzen. TUBFRIM would collect and sell used stamps. The profits should be used for tuberculosis work among children in Norway. TUBFRIM was transferred to the National Association for Public Health in 1947. TUBFRIM built its own stamp house, Solstad, in 1958. At most, 14 people worked at TUBFRIM. Collection of stamps and other philateli has always been the main activity, although both Telecards and postcards have been additional products in later decades. There have also been changes to what the profits will be used for. Today, the profits go to health and well-being measures for children and young people in Norway, and to the fight against tuberculosis. From 1928 until 2021 TUBFRIM has distributed NOK 26 million to approximately 2700 good measures. For many years, **Sons of Norway** had a partnership with TUBFRIM. For each pound of trimmed stamps, an entry was put in a drawing to win a trip to Norway. Over the years, the incentive changed to \$1,000 and TUBFRIM covered the cost. In 2021, Sons of Norway International dissolved the partnership but some of the Districts continued to send stamps to Norway via various routes.

In November, we received an email that the owner of TUBFRIM, the National Association for Public Health, has decided this week to shut down Tubfrim's operations from the summer of 2023. The ordinary operations of TUBFRIM will therefore cease from 22. october 2022. TUBFRIM will continue to accept all used stamps until the New Year 2022/2023, while alternative solutions are being worked on. The society is digitizing, and the amount of collected stamps has decreased drastically. The last five years, 2017-2021, shows that it will be difficult to produce surplus in the coming years. Therefore, the decision to discontinue operations is necessary. The large reduction in the entry of stamps, already scaled operations with regard to the number of employees, and costs at a minimum provide very little action opportunities to continue expecting operating profits. With this backdrop, we can no longer defend operations at TUBFRIM without operating on saved up funds. The board of TUBFRIM has therefore decided that the ordinary operations of TUBFRim will cease from 22. october 2022. Starting on the 24th In three to 4 weeks in October, there will be a one-stop sale with good prices to our loyal customers.

In January, we saw a Facebook post that after 01/01/2023, everything will be sent directly to: Skanfil Auctions AS, Postbox 2030, 5504 Haugesund. Take note of the package with "TUBFRIM". We hope that everyone will continue the good fundraising work that is made as income for the TUBFRIM Fund and the National Association for Public Health. Skanfil Auksjoner AS is part of the Skanfil group, with headquarters in Haugesund and branch offices in, among other things, Oslo, Bergen, Sarpsborg and Trondheim. Skanfil is the country's largest collector's company with stamps as their main product. But not only that - the company also turns coins, banknotes, postcards, art and most of the items worth taking care of. This also allows for donations of such objects for income for the TUBFRIM fund. The website is https://skanfil.no/tubfrim/

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# **District 5 SN Options**

The District 5 Board asked TUBFRIM Coordinator, Mary Bennett, for her thoughts on what direction we should go. Mary explored the costs to ship stamps to the new TUBFRIM contact and it would be from \$250-\$500/20 pound box- very cost prohibitive. A conference call to discuss the options led to a recommendation to the District 5 Board that we help process and send the stamps that Mary currently has at her house. The board allocated \$300 initially to transport or mail the stamps to two domestic programs (Sisters at St. Mary's College in Nortre Dame, South Bend, Indiana and to Stamps for the Wounded in Virginia.

## The District is encouraging lodges to do the following:

- Continue to collect and trim stamps but to send them directly to the cause they want to support. We encourage the lodges to only send properly trimmed stamps that were the same criteria TUBFRIM had − a ½" border, one layer of stamp, and not torn/ripped.
- Mary is willing to process (clip, sort, discard) any stamps that still come to her but she
  encourages lodges to send them directly to the place of their choice.
- Lodges should count the stamp trimming hours in FraternalGives as community service hours.

### The options that we explored and recommend lodges consider:

<u>Sisters at St. Mary's College in Nortre Dame, South Bend, Indiana</u>
 <u>https://www.cscsisters.org/big-dividends-little-stamp/</u>

 If you have any questions about buying or donating stamps, please address them to: <a href="mailto:stamproom@cscsisters.org">stamproom@cscsisters.org</a>. **Mail stamps to:** Sisters of the Holy Cross-Stamp Room, 100 Augusta Hall—Saint Mary's, Notre Dame, IN 46556-5000

### Stamps for the Wounded

https://www.stampsforthewounded.org/

Stamps for the Wounded (SFTW) is a service organization dedicated to providing comfort and stimulating activity to U.S. veterans through stamp collecting. SFTW sends <u>donated postage stamps</u> and other philatelic material and supplies to wounded, ill, and isolated veterans.

If you have any questions, please feel free to <u>Contact Us</u> through the web form, by email, or via postal mail. The following kinds of donations are needed: <u>Used postage stamps saved from the mail;</u> Stamps, covers and other items from stamp collections; New and gently used philatelic supplies (album pages, mounts, hinges, stock books, perforation gauges, tongs, etc.); Philatelic literature (catalogues and reference books but not philatelic magazines or newspapers); and cash donations to help with operating costs.

How To Send Donations to Us by U.S. Postal Service: Stamps for the Wounded, P.O. Box 297, Dunn Loring, VA 22027-0297

# #3- New Option in Norway

STAMP COLLECTION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE CONTINUES. 4 After 01/01/2023. everything will be sent directly to:

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# TUBFRIM and Skanfil Auction https://skanfil.no/tubfrim/

Send stamps to: Skanfil Auctions AS, TUBFRIM-fondet, P.O. Box 2030, 5504 Haugesund, Norway. Feel free to contact us by tubfrim@skanfil.no or call us on tel.  $52\ 70\ 39\ 40\ /\ 924\ 90\ 761$  if you have any questions.

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# Masse Moro Cook Help Needed!

As you are all aware, Sons of Norway District 5 sponsors a very unique and specialized camp, Masse Moro. The camp is open to children 9 to 15 years old, and is located at the Beaver Creek Reserve in Fall Creek, Wisconsin and will run this year from July 16 to July 29. For over 40 years, our District and our awesome staff have promoted our Norwegian Heritage through the magic of Masse Moro.

### This is where we need your help!!

Our District 5 Board is in search of a **cook and two assistants** for our camp this year; these are paid positions. It is our intent to fill these positions with individuals who have camp experience and preferably a Norwegian background (not required). Our kitchen staff prepare three meals a day for approximately 50 campers and 20 staff.

Would you be available for this unique, rewarding experience or do you know of someone who would be qualified? Please see the attached flyer and feel free to pass it on to anyone who might be interested. We would like this position to be filled as soon as possible.

Tusen Takk for assisting us in our search to fill these positions!

Please contact **Lisa Rove-Williams**, **District 5 Youth Director**, at <u>rovewilliams@comcast.net</u> for more information and a complete job description.

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WANTED: HEAD COOK AND COOK ASSISTANTS
MASSE MORO NORWEGIAN HERITAGE CAMP

Are you looking for an exciting summer activity? We have the perfect job for you!

Wanted: Head Cook and 2 Cook Assistants

Where: Masse Moro Norwegian Heritage Camp

Sponsored by Sons of Norway District 5 Beaver Creek Reserve in Fall Creek, Wisconsin.

When: July 16 – July 29, 2023, (plus July 14 & 15 Staff Only)

Salary: Determined by experience and training; room and board provided.

### Qualifications:

Food Service major or minor in post-secondary educational environment, or equivalent experience.

Experience with quantity cooking at a camp, resort and/or public or private institution.

- Experience with planning menus and ordering supplies for 50-100 people for multiple meals and snacks.
- Knowledge of sanitation practices and procedures as mandated by the State Health Code.
- · Interest in preparing ethnic foods with an emphasis on Norwegian foods.
- · Current CPR, First Aid certifications are preferred, but not required.

Salary is determined by experience and training; room and board provided.

Please contact me for more information and complete job description:

Lisa Rove-Williams, Youth Director rovewilliams@comcast.net







### From Our Members

District 5 lodges are using the winter months to prepare activities to keep their members fully engaged. Discover some options your members might find appealing in the posts below.

**Skjold Lodge**, Palatine, IL--Showcase Norwegian open-face sandwiches or challenge your members to bring some of their favorites. Include a variety of meats: ham, shrimp, smoked or brined salmon, roast beef, or salami. Provide garnishes to dress the sandwiches and create a photo op with the final creations. Share ideas about the selections of bread, mayo, Miracle Whip, or tartar sauce used for the base. Add sliced fruit, cucumbers, lettuce, parsley, or dill.

Encourage your members to wear a favorite Norwegian sweater on the day of your event.

**Cleng Peerson Lodge**, Norway, IL--Polar Star Lodge, Yorkville, IL--Combine efforts with other Sons of Norway Lodges and bring the Stoughton Norwegian dancers to your community. The dancers are proud to showcase their skills, including lifts and jumps, gymnastic prowess, as well as traditional dance steps. In addition, there will be time for audience participation! If you would like to

attend the Norse Afternoon of Fun in Stoughton this year, a significant fundraiser for the dancers, it is scheduled for Sunday, February 5, beginning at 1:30 PM. Bunads are optional!

Have you ever attended a coffee log? Contact District 5 Board member Connie Kross to learn more about this social gathering. Connie will provide you with tips on holding a log for your lodge or the community.

Visit the Norsk Museum in Norway, IL, to learn about those who settled many villages and towns in this area. Then, attend the "Taste of Norway" event in June or return to enjoy a smorgasbord in October. Either opportunity brings great people together with outstanding options to enjoy traditional Norwegian fare.

**Dovre Lodge**, Chetek, WI--International Board member Dennis Rusinko will tell more about the lives of the Vikings. Dennis dresses the part which adds to his presentation. At the March gathering, Professor Lawrence Moe will speak about the life of Carl Ben Eielson: the Norwegian/American Lindbergh.

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Administrative-Winter is the perfect time to update your lodge's advertising: postcards, tri-fold brochures, and signage, and to determine whether your budget includes wider circulation. Does your lodge have a virtual presence? If you still need to do so, consider adding some posts electronically to capture the interest of younger members.

Update your lodge's website with upcoming events. Ask your publicity director to post articles about forthcoming lodge meetings and showcase the speakers. Don't leave potential members to chance.

Please continue sending me a copy of your lodge newsletter. Sharing your ideas makes all of our lodges stronger!

Tusen takk,

Cheryl Wille-Schlesser
D5 President
<a href="mailto:cwschlesser200bc@gmail.com">cwschlesser200bc@gmail.com</a>
608-219-4464-Please feel free to leave a voice message.

### **ZONE 3 OFFICERS AND MEMBERS...**

The due date for registering for the Zone 3 training seminar is Saturday, February 4, 2023. It will be held at Union Presbyterian Church, 2707 5th Street, Monroe, WI 53566.

Meal prep depends on your responses. Coffee and light snacks will be served at 8:30 AM, with the meeting beginning at 9 AM. A light soup and sandwich luncheon will follow. Door prizes will be awarded.

All lodges have been asked to send a team of three representatives, but more are encouraged. Anyone who wishes to learn more about the Sons of Norway should attend.

Updates from the home office will be discussed, as we have just entered a new normal for our organization. There are two ways to look at the changes, but I prefer to see the changes as giving our districts more autonomy.

Each lodge is asked to bring a list of interactive activities found to promote fellowship among its members. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, February 11th for a day of idea-sharing that will strengthen all lodges.

Thank you,

Scott Wegner Cheryl Wille-Schlesser Zone 3 Directors



January 17, 2023

To: Darlene Arneson, Dist. 5 Secretary
La Vonne Wier, Dist. 5 Publicity Director
Lisa Rove-Willigams, Dist. 5 Youth Director

## The Sarah Paulsen Memorial Scholarships for year 2023.

The Sarah Paulsen Memorial Scholarship Committee announces the following: There will be 2 scholarships made available for the year 2023, each in the amount of \$250.00 to cover 25% of the total fee for the year 2023 District 5. Heritage Youth Camp.

Like last year, the Scholarship Committee will not do any direct mailings to any Lodges or Lodge Officers. The committee feels and hopes that with your help this announcement can, via the Dist. 5 Web site, be shared with Lodges and members throughout District 5.

To everybody reading this message: Please, share this information with your newsletter Editor and fellow members. All interested Camp Applicants can also request application form(s) from the Scandiana Treasurer, Oleif Olsaker, 114 Maplewood Trl., Michigan City, IN 46360. Telephone: 219-877-7457 and E-mail: olsaker.o@gmail.com

The completed Application must be postmarked by April 15<sup>th</sup>, and mailed to the address above

I am really happy to see us still being able to continue this scholarship program this year and for a few years to come. Hopefully it will help promote 2 weeks of **MASSE MORO**, and providing an award for each of the deserving applicants.

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Oleif Olsaker, Treasurer



# The Sarah L. Paulsen Memorial Scholarship Fund.

### The Rules

In August 1995 eight year old Sarah Paulsen of our lodge passed away.

Because Sarah was very involved with the Sons of Norway, and was fascinated with her family's background and with Norwegian culture, friends and family, along with the Scandiana Lodge felt a scholarship established in Sarah's name would be appropriate.

The scholarship will not only carry on her love for the Norwegian Heritage, but will also enable other children to have the opportunity to attend the Sons of Norway Heritage Camp in Eau Claire, in honor of Sarah.

The scholarship will cover one quarter of the camp cost.

Parents may be concerned that getting this scholarship would prevent them from utilizing the District 5 Matching Fund Grant, but this award will have no bearing on other matching funds. This scholarship could be given in addition to District 5 and Local Lodge Matching Fund Scholarships. However, if the applicant's Local Lodge is financially unable to give their children Matching Fund Scholarships, the Sarah Paulsen Scholarship would qualify them for the District 5 Matching Fund Scholarship.

### Rules:

- 1. The scholarship is open to any child age 9-15, who is interested in learning about the language and culture of Norway.
- 2. The applicant must be a heritage member or a child or grandchild of a Sons of Norway member, and belonging to a District 5 Lodge.
- 3. The applicant will write an essay of no more than 500 words. The topic is "Why I believe it is important to know about our heritage" or "Why I want to attend Norwegian Heritage Camp".
- 4. All applicants will complete a brief application form.
- 5. Applicant will include 2 letters of reference, including one from a local Lodge officer.
- 6. Applications must be postmarked by April 15. Decisions will be made by May 1, and winners will be notified by mail. Checks will be issued and mailed directly to the Scholarship Recipient before June 1.
- 7. Judges will be the Scandiana 600 Sarah L Paulsen Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee.



Attachments: 2 written references:

# The Sarah L. Paulsen Memorial Scholarship Fund.

### APPLICATION FOR YEAR 2023

This year 2 Scholarships each in the amount of \$250.00 will be made available for children to attend the Sons of Norway Heritage Camp at Eau Claire County Youth Camp, The completed Application (follow instructions on "The Rules") must be postmarked by April 15, and should be mailed to: Oleif Olsaker, 114 Maplewood Tr. Michigan City, IN. 46360. E-mail: olsaker.o@gmail.com Telephone 219-874-7457 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Parent (s) Guardian: Address:\_\_\_ City ZIP State Telephone: ( ) Sons of Norway Membership Relationship to Camper Member Name Lodge Name and No. Will your local Lodge apply for Camp Scholarship Matching Fund from the 5<sup>th</sup> District? Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ "Why I believe it is important to know about our heritage" or "Why I want to attend Norwegian Heritage Camp": Add or use separate page(s) as needed. Camper's Signature: Signature of Parent or Guardian:

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### Notice to District 5 Lodge Members (those who were delegates in Middleton)!

A mailing was sent to the District 5 Delegates this week with the approved minutes from the meeting, the updated District 5 Bylaws, a bylaw proposal and the ballot postcard. Please read it and if you have questions, contact Bylaw Chair Wendy Kay Winkelman.

Here is the cover letter and bylaw proposal that was sent:



January 22, 2023

Dear District 5 Lodge Members,

The District Lodge members are those who serve as delegates at a District Lodge Meeting and they continue until the next set of delegates are seated. That means you are a District 5 Lodge member as you served as a delegate in Middleton in June 2022. The District bylaws can only be changed by the District Lodge members.

President Cheryl Wille-Schlesser has asked District Vice President, Wendy Kay Winkelman, to serve as the pro-tem Laws Chair as we address vacancies on the District 5 Board. We have had unprecedented changes on the Board since June with the resignation of two officers (Youth Director and Treasurer) and the need to fill vacancies due to lack of District Lodge members stepping forward to fill the roles.

We have been able to find a new Treasurer, Corey Olson, and to fill the Zone 4 Zone Director with Connie Aiello. We also found Lisa Rove-Williams to serve as the Youth Director but she is from a Zone that already has two directors. We also have the situation where no Zone 2 delegates stepped forward to replace Tom Boudreau as the Zone 2 Director so Tom volunteered to continue- although he had just completed two consecutive terms.

With numerous attempts to fill the vacancies from the elected delegates and researching what options we had, the District 5 Board is offering this bylaw proposal to help us maintain a full Board of Directors. Please see the attachment for the bylaw changes and explanations.

We ask that you vote by returning the enclosed postcard so we receive it by March 10, 2023. If you have questions, please contact Wendy Winkelman at wendyathadeland@yahoo.com. If we find there are many questions, we can set up a ZOOM meeting for the delegates to discuss the proposal.

Please return the postcard to Secretary Darlene Arneson by March 10. A 2/3 vote of ballots returned is needed to approve the proposal!

The Task Force that you, as delegates, voted to form will begin its work now in early 2023. President Wille-Schlesser has been working to fill the task force and they will be exploring many options for zone improvement, filling board vacancies, how zones are aligned, and how to move into the future with active, well-represented zones. In the meantime, this by-law proposal helps address our immediate needs.

Please contact Wendy if you have any questions! Enclosed are the minutes of the District 5 Lodge meeting that were approved by the District 5 Board on October 29, 2022. Thank you for your continued service to the District and we hope you are all doing well!

Thank you,

Wendy Kay Winkelman, Vice President & Laws Chair wendyathadeland@yahoo.com 618-534-0318

Darlene Arneson, District Secretary arnesonfamily5@gmail.com 608-873-7209

Form A – to change <u>written</u> bylaws (page 1)

# Sons of Norway Bylaw Proposal 1

Title of Resolution:		Filling District Board Vacancies During the Biennium
Submitted by:		☐ District 5 Board – Darlene Arneson, Secretary
Date approved by the above entity:  (If from a lodge, need 2		Date:
lodge officer signatures – Pres, VP, Secretary, Treasurer)		Lodge Officer Signatures:  ———————————————————————————————————
Resolution falls into this category (document you wish to change):		x District Bylaws ☐ District Policies & Procedures
CURRENT STATE:		
State specific chapter, sub- chapter and paragraph numbers as applicable. Write out current language of the law or policy.		ARTICLE VII OFFICERS AND SALARIES  Par. 4 All Zones shall be entitled to exactly (2)  representatives on the Board. The Secretary and Treasurer shall not be counted as a representative against a Zone. An alternate for the Secretary and Treasurer shall also be elected.
Exampl 1.2.3. 1.2.3.1.	DONUT POLICY The only donuts to be served at lodge meetings shall be cake, glazed, or jellied.	Par. 6 No District Officer or Director shall be elected to serve more than two consecutive terms in any office except the Secretary and the Treasurer whose term shall not be limited.

State reasons for making a change from present policies and written directives, or for creating a new policy or procedure, in one or more "WHEREAS" statements.	<ul> <li>WHEREAS a District Lodge Officer elected at the District Convention resigned before completion of the term; and</li> <li>WHEREAS the District Nominating Committee and Board unsuccessfully reached out to the District Lodge Members to solicit names to fill the vacancy; and</li> <li>WHEREAS the District reached out to the District Members to solicit names for consideration; and</li> <li>WHEREAS interest for an office comes from a zone that already has fulfilled their two representatives on the board; and</li> <li>WHEREAS the zone caucus did not have anyone willing to serve on the board as a Zone Director; and</li> <li>WHEREAS the current Zone Director, having completed their second consecutive term, is willing to serve one more term;</li> </ul>
Follow the request for change as a "THEREFORE" statement. This is a statement of the action you wish to happen.	THEREFORE be it resolved that in order to fill a vacancy for that biennium, that a zone will be allowed additional board members providing only two serve as Zone Directors.  And a Zone Director can complete a third consecutive term only if the caucus could not find any other willing candidates.
DESIRED STATE: Follow with the actual proposed change:  Use a strikeout font to indicate suggested deletions, and underline proposed new additions.	ARTICLE VII OFFICERS AND SALARIES  Par. 4 All Zones shall be entitled to exactly (2) representatives on the Board. The Secretary and Treasurer shall not be counted as a representative against a Zone. An alternate for the Secretary and Treasurer shall also be elected. In the event of a vacancy or resignation, the Board can elect an officer who would be a third representative from a Zone but the said officer would not be a Zone Director.  Par. 6 No District Officer or Director shall be elected to serve more than two consecutive terms in any office except the Secretary and the Treasurer whose term shall not be limited. In the event a caucus cannot find a willing nominee to serve as a Zone Director and the current Zone Director has completed two consecutive terms, the Zone Director can complete a third term.
If there is a known, quantifiable financial impact, state it here:	The additional cost of having the Officer attending Board Meetings and the District Lodge Meeting as it would be one additional person on the board.

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

• February 5- Photo submissions for the Viking to LaVonne Wier at <a href="mailto:2nor1rus@gmail.com">2nor1rus@gmail.com</a>

- February 11- Zone 3 meeting in Monroe
- March 1- Some SN Foundation Scholarships Due (see deadline listhttps://www.sofn.com/foundation/scholarships/)
- March 5- Photo submissions for the Viking to LaVonne Wier at 2nor1rus@gmail.com
- March 10- Bylaw proposal ballots due to District Secretary from the District 5 Lodge members
- March 15-
  - D17 Financial Statements are due to Sons of Norway Headquarters. Lodge Treasurers can file electronically from their profile page on <u>sofn.com</u>. An editable PDF is also available from the forms area of the website. <u>This can only be filed online this</u> <u>year- no hard copies or email versions!</u>
  - Lodge of the Year (LOY), Family Lodge of the Year (FLOY), and AFA Year End Reporting forms are due to Sons of Norway Headquarters. Lodge secretaries can file the LOY and FLOY electronically via the forms section of <u>sofn.com</u>, where they can also download PDF versions of the LOY, FLOY and AFA Year End Reporting Forms. Note: lodges using <u>www.fraternalsgive.org</u> don't need to file an AFA Year End Reporting form.
  - D64 Property Officer Forms are due to Sons of Norway Headquarters from lodges with property/building associations. These forms can be downloaded from the forms section. Online entry is not yet available.
- April 5- Photo submissions for the Viking to LaVonne Wier at <a href="mailto:2nor1rus@gmail.com">2nor1rus@gmail.com</a>
- April 14-16- Spring District 5 Board Meeting in southern Illinois
- April 15- Sarah Paulsen Scholarships due to Scandiana Lodge for Masse Moro
- May 5- Photo submissions for the Viking to LaVonne Wier at <u>2nor1rus@gmail.com</u>
- May 15-
  - D18 Lodge Property Association forms are due to Sons of Norway Headquarters.
     They can be entered electronically via the lodge treasurer's profile page. A PDF can be downloaded from <u>sofn.com</u>.
  - 990 The 990 tax forms are due to the IRS by 5/15/2023. Lodges who fail to file a 990 three years in a row will lose their not-for-profit status and cease being a Sons of Norway lodge.
- June 5- Photo submissions for the Viking to LaVonne Wier at <a href="mailto:2nor1rus@gmail.com">2nor1rus@gmail.com</a>
- July 5- Photo submissions for the Viking to LaVonne Wier at 2nor1rus@gmail.com
- July 16-21- Masse Moro Camp

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### Who to contact at the home office when you need help

- You can email <a href="mailto:cbs@sofn.com">cbs@sofn.com</a> for any member updates that need to be made.
- For anything fraternal- Connie O'Brien (COBrien@sofn.com) or Amy Tuchenhagen (<u>ATuchenhagen@sofn.com</u>). Sherry Gorse is no longer employed at Sons of Norway.
- For matter like submitting a death, a change to a members address or other info please email cbs@sofn.com
- For issues with passwords or website use ithelp@sofn.com.
- The 800 number to call in for member support is 800-945-8851
- If you need something related to sales, you can use sales@sofn.com

### **Viking Chest / Immigrant Trunk Schedule**

Oct 2022 to Apr 2023:

Chest--zone 1

Trunk--zone 2

Apr 2023 to Oct 2023:

Chest--zone 4

Trunk--zone 3

Oct 2023 to Apr 2024:

Chest--zone 6

Trunk--zone 5

Apr 2024 to Oct 2024

Chest--zone 2

Trunk--zone 1

Oct 2024 to April 2025

Chest--zone 3

Trunk--zone 4

### 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)

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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!

Send all web posting info and calendar dates/events directly to our webmaster at <a href="inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com">inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com</a> 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 <a href="inputd5@sonsofnorway.com">inputd5@sonsofnorway.com</a> 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