

Friendly Fifth Friday News

June 19, 2020

Send all web posting info and calendar dates/events directly to our webmaster at inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com

From District Foundation Director Darlene Arneson

We had an update from the new Sons of Norway Foundation Director Anne Olson this week.

Below is the Sons of Norway Foundation's June Update. Hope you are all staying safe and healthy and enjoying your summers so far!

Fundraising

As of May 27, the Sons of Norway Foundation has raised \$42,322 (\$18,273 unrestricted) this fiscal year.

Marketing

The Foundation's 2019 annual report is available online now! Click here: https://www.sofn.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/2019_Foundation-Annual-Report.pdf

Foundation Month

Planning is underway for Foundation Month in October. The Foundation plans to communicate directly to members through multiple channels and provide lodges with materials to fundraise together. Because many lodges may not be able to meet in person or hold events, the Foundation help lodges facilitate virtual or online events for their lodges to support the foundation. These will be interactive, fun and easy for lodges to implement. We will discuss more during our call, stay tuned!

Sons of Norway Headquarters Update

As you may have seen, our new headquarters building was very close to a lot of the unrest happening in Minneapolis. Thankfully we did not receive any substantial damage and are moving into the new location this weekend. When it is safe to do so, we would love to show you our new offices in

Minneapolis when you are in town! Anne is also available for virtual tours by request



Anne Olson

Foundation Director

Make the Most of Your Membership- take advantage of those member benefits!

https://www.sofn.com/member_benefits/member_discounts/

Next to *Viking* magazine, one of the most valuable benefits of membership is our discount program. As a member you will enjoy access to discounts on a wide spectrum of products and services from local and national retailers.

Members Enjoy Access to Discounts from a Variety of Companies



PerkSpot

By visiting Sons of Norway's exclusive PerkSpot portal you can start saving today on products and services, like travel, clothing, food, entertainment and electronics. But that's not all! Every month new discounts are added to enhance the benefit and, once you create your account, the discounts you see will be tailored to the area in which you live!

Films of Norway

Films of Norway offers Norwegian movies and TV series via an internet streaming service for a monthly subscription rate. Sons of Norway members in the United States qualify for 25% off the regular monthly subscription rate.

Avis and Budget Car Rental

Members receive a 30% discount at participating locations worldwide.

Best Western Hotel

Members receive a discount of up to 10% at any of Best Western's 3,400 hotels in the United States, Canada, and select properties in Scandinavia.

Borton Overseas

Members enjoy a 5% Sons of Norway member discount when booking a qualifying inclusive tour package. **Click here** to learn more.

Radisson Hotels

Members qualify for 5% off the regular rate at Radisson Blu, Radisson®, Country Inns & Suites By CarlsonSM, Park Inn by Radisson, and Park Plaza® hotels.

Icelandair

Members receive a 10% discount on any published Icelandair airfare when tickets are booked through select travel agents.

Porsgrunds Porselænsfabrik

Members receive a 25% discount on Porsgrunds porcelain.

Norwegian Map Service

Sons of Norway Map Service offers members and nonmembers access to a variety of maps. Genealogists, travelers, and map lovers have discovered this handy mail-order method of obtaining maps. All maps are produced by Statens kartverk, the official mapping authority for the Norwegian Government. **[Click here](#)** for more information.

Want to do a virtual board (or lodge) meeting and need help setting it up? Løven (Eau Claire WI) 5-29 recently decided to try this new technology to keep their lodge connected in these trying times. District 5 can help you with this. Contact Mike Palecek at 262-886-5547 for more information.

Nordic News this week...



Last week's "Nordic News" featured a presentation by James Ray Miller, "[The Joy of Norwegian Woodcarving](#)." James is a member of Valkyrien lodge in Woodville WI. He is the youngest person to be awarded a Vesterheim Gold Medal in Norwegian-American folk art.

In his opening slide, we see examples of Scandinavian flat plane style carving. James will be back on Nordic News in October to do a virtual book signing on his new full color book on carving Nordic wildlife. You can watch James' presentation and other past episodes of Nordic News at:

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

Upcoming "Nordic News"

6/23/2020 - Norwegian Tales to Tell: The Art of Storytelling - Joy Bashara

6/30/2020 - Norsk Museum, Norway IL - Dave Johnson

7/7/2020 - Norskadalen Norwegian-American Cultural Center - Lori Dubczek

7/14/2020 - Viking Ship Funeral - Debra Kraft

7/21/2020 - Erie Canal: Immigrant Gateway to the West - Daryl Wunrow

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

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You have just over two weeks to get your entries in for the D5 **Scandinavian Photo Contest**. After seeing the contest entries so far, 92-year-old D5 member Betty Breiwick and her daughter Deanna recently said they are going to go through Betty's photos and make a submission. "That will be a fun thing to do, while we are cooped up at home," they said.

View the pictures submitted so far: <http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/galleries/details/27-District-5-Scandinavian-Photo-Contest>

Here is a sample of some of awesome photos submitted by D5 members:



Please encourage your lodge members who have been to any Scandinavian country to submit their photos to the contest. **Deadline is July 5.**

Rules are here: http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/conventions/convention_contest.php

2020 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines **Changes in red!**

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July 5, 2020

- Deadline for submitting photos for the **District 5 Scandinavian Photo Contest**

July 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

August 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

September 2020

- Lodge liability premium sent to all lodge treasurers. This package includes information regarding the coverage, a certificate of insurance for the lodge and an invoice for the lodge's share of the premium.
- September 10 – Foundation Board of Governors applications due. If you are someone who loves nonprofits, governance and your Nordic values, running for a Foundation board position may be a perfect fit!

September 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

October 2020

- Lodge Officer Update/D63 form and instructions is mailed to lodge secretaries.
- The Sons of Norway Foundation portal is available for lodges and individuals to apply for grants and scholarships.
- Lodge Achievement, Family Lodge of the Year and AFA Year-end report forms and instructions is mailed to lodge secretaries.
- Lodge Barneløpet Coordinators are encouraged to contact Sons of Norway Headquarters to discuss plans for anticipated events.

October is Foundation Month

- Help support our grant and scholarship recipients and share your Nordic values by celebrating Foundation month! Please consider a donation directly to the Foundation or plan a fundraising event through your lodge.
- October 1 Grant applications open – Our lodge grants award amounts go up to \$500-\$1,500 depending on a lodge's project.
- October 1 Scholarship applications open – Scholarship opportunities start at \$1,000 with an average scholarship of \$3,000.

October 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

October 15, 2020

- Lodge liability premium is due to Sons of Norway Headquarters.

November 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the 'Viking' Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

December 2020

- D17 and D18 forms, instructions and timeline sent to lodge treasurers.

December 10, 2020

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10th of the month for the ‘Viking’ Magazine consideration in the edition three months out.

December 15, 2020

- District 5 Sports Challenge ends

December 16, 2020

- Application deadline for:
 - Community Partnership Grant applications are due to Sons of Norway Foundation.
- Date that new member applications (paper forms) must be **received** at HQ to ensure processing in time for end-of-year delegate calculation and recruitment challenge recognition. (Online applications may be submitted through December 31.)

December 31, 2020

- Lodge Officer Update/D63 information is due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Last day to enter new membership applications into the database for delegate calculations and 2019 recruitment challenge recognition. (**Paper applications should be received at headquarters by December 15** to ensure adequate time for processing.)
- Application deadline for:
 - - Lodge Helping Hands to Children Grant*
 - Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant*
 - Lodge Vitality Grant*
- Deadline to order Barneløpet supplies.

DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

Idun Lodge will host the meeting in 2022 in Madison, Wisconsin. Hotel to be determined.

INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

The International Lodge Meeting will be held in 2022. The location has not been announced.

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 2019-April 2020	5
April 2020-October 2020	2
October 2020-April 2021	4
April 2021-October 2021	6
October 2021 – April 2022	1
April 2022 – October 2022	3

Zone Meeting Schedule 2020

Zone	Date	Hosted by	Location
1	Thursday, Feb 20 at 1:15	Zone 1 Directors	Veterans Community Center, Hayward during the volunteer reception after Barnebirkie
2			
3	Sat. January 25	Mandt Lodge	Stoughton, WI
4			
5			
6			

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 25-28 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison hosted by Idun Lodge.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 19-23, 2020 in Ringsaker 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!**

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 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.

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