

## Friendly Fifth Friday News June 24, 2022

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### Lots of news from Convention!!



### Address to the 2022 District 5 Delegates, June 18, 2022

#### MIN VENNER-MY FRIENDS,

We sit poised on a precipice. Our choices are to lean over the rock face's edge and spiral downward or to look up and soar with the eagles. In my opinion, the Fifth District needs to SOAR upward!

The outgoing District 5 Board has done everything in its power to keep the district moving forward despite the many challenges. They served for an extended number of years.

#### **BUT-WE PERSEVERED!**

- District officers organized Zone training in virtual formats.
- Other districts from across the Order called for information so they could offer this experience to their members.
- Virtual meetings became the norm, and local lodge leaders received updates.
- The Masse Moro staff presented activities to our campers in unprecedented ways.
- Scholarships were awarded to our youth.
- Cultural classes were offered to our members via Zoom. The Viking chests continued their rounds.
- District officers wrote new grants to offset the costs for cultural, sports, and membership pins.
- The district's playing card photo contest engaged members and raised several thousand dollars.
- Local lodge Foundation fundraising continued.
- The Nordic News Show began using much talent from our members.
- A walking challenge had over 100 participants from all six zones.
- The Barnebirkie continued with changes, and cookies returned in 2022!
- The publicity director sent photos to the Viking magazine.
- The webmaster posted district events and celebrations on the D5 website.
- Our Zone Directors continued their visits to local lodges, installed officers, and made presentations.
- The district's business was addressed, challenges were faced, and solutions were found.
- Since the governance structure of the Sons of Norway (SofN) has changed, our International Director is writing new language items for SofN.

- She was integral in creating the Together We Are the Future campaign, helping raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for the SofN Foundation.
- Many members of the district board attended special lodge anniversaries.

## LOCAL LODGES CARRIED THE BANNER OF FRATERNITY

- ❖ Members maintained connections with others via phone calls, postcards, email, and videoconferencing.
- ❖ Small items of appreciation were delivered to older or shut-in members.
- ❖ Lodge meetings and activities came back to the delight of many, beginning in 2021.
- ❖ New members joined our ranks.
- ❖ Syttende Mai revelry occurred despite the pandemic.
- ❖ Floats were brought out of storage to the delight of parade attendees.
- ❖ Retention ideas have kept the flame of Sons of Norway alive!

Our imaginations only limit us. So join me in making the 2022-2024 biennium one for the record books. **Tusen takk!**

Cheryl Wille-Schlesser  
 District 5 President  
[rogcher@mhtc.net](mailto:rogcher@mhtc.net)

### From: Lucy Ghastin- Idun Lodge Convention Committee

Thank you to all District 5 Sons of Norway members who attended our District 5 Convention last week at the Madison Marriott West. It was great that we could all gather together again after four years of being apart. I have received many positive comments on the event. In case you missed receiving an evaluation form, I have attached a copy you can print, scan and return electronically to Lucy via email: [legghastin@gmail.com](mailto:legghastin@gmail.com)

Please return your evaluation by Friday, July 1, 2022. This form will also be posted on the D5 website.

## **Norway D5 Convention Evaluation Questionnaire**

Thank you for participating in the 2022 D5 convention. Please respond to this questionnaire and place it in the collection box at the Atrium Coat Room or give it to a volunteer before you leave. **Please circle** the number that best represents your choice and add your own comments.

		Poor					Excellent	Not
Applicable								
HOTEL GUEST ROOM:	Cleanliness	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Comfort	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Value / Cost	1	2	3	4	5		NA
FOOD: Breakfast	Quality	1	2	3	4	5		NA

	Choices	1	2	3	4	5		NA
Lunches	Presentation	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Quality	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Quantity	1	2	3	4	5		NA
Banquet	Presentation	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Quality	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Quantity	1	2	3	4	5		NA
MEETING ROOM:	Lighting	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Space	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Temperature	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Sound system	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Screen placement	1	2	3	4	5		NA
EXTRA OFFERINGS:	Speakers							
	Topics	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Variety	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Scheduling	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Demonstrations							
	Topics	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Availability	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Informative	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Classes							
Circle one if you took a class:	Genealogy							
	Informative	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Interesting	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Bus Trip							
	Informative	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Enjoyable	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Sangerfest Activities							
	Informative	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Enjoyable	1	2	3	4	5		NA
ENTERTAINMENT:	Koshkonong history							
	Informative		1	2	3	4	5	NA
	Enjoyable	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Viking presentation							
	Informative	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Enjoyable	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Norwegian character act							
	Enjoyable	1	2	3	4	5		NA
	Wiscandia and Friends							
	Enjoyable	1	2	3	4	5		NA

COMMENTS:

## **Meet your 2022-2024 Board!**

We are in the process of updating all the contact information on the website and other places. But in the meantime, meet your 2022-2024 Board of Directors!

### **District President- Cheryl Wille-Schlesser** **Vennelag Lodge- Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin**

A member of the Sons of Norway since 1999, Wille-Schlesser has served her local lodge, Vennelag 5-513, in many officer positions. She is currently the lodge counselor and the newsletter editor. She will be chairing this summer's Kaffe Stue on July 16<sup>th</sup>. On the heritage side of the coin, Cheryl's maternal great-grandparents were both born in Norway and immigrated to America in the late 1800's. Sigrid Olsen departed from Rogaland, and Marin Phillips left Solvorn bound for the Midwest where other relatives had settled. They met and married in Stoughton, Wisconsin in 1899. She is a retired middle school science teacher and works part-time positions at the University of Wisconsin and for Bergey Jewelry in Mt. Horeb, WI her hometown.

### **District Vice President and Zone 6 Director- Wendy Kay Winkelman** **Shawnee Skogen Lodge- Cobden, Illinois**

I joined Sons of Norway in 2002 and quickly got started working on my Genealogy Cultural Skills Pin. Enjoying SON so much, I volunteered to be the Lodge Editor. Since then, the volunteering has continued to Lodge Editor, Secretary, and now President of Shawnee Skogen 5-689 in southern Illinois- District 5's newest lodge! At the District Level, I have been District Public Relations Officer, District Secretary and now District Vice President. Sons of Norway seems to be in my DNA. Sons of Norway ROCKS!

### **District Secretary- Darlene Arneson** **Mandt Lodge- Stoughton, Wisconsin**

I am a Verona native and attended the University of Wisconsin- Madison and graduated with a degree in Agricultural Education. I taught high school agriculture in Cashton and when John and I were married in 1987, I taught at Cambridge until we were "having kids and milking cows"! We have three children, Lars (now 33), Jens (31), and Sigrid (29). After the kids were all in school, I worked for Wisconsin Farm Bureau for 15 years as the Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom coordinator. I left that position in December and work part-time for Moving Forward (helping seniors downsize and move) and the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society. John and I are very active in the Stoughton community. I have served as the Sons of Norway Mandt Lodge 5-314 President since 2002. I have served as the District Secretary since 2008. We are also active in the FFA Alumni, church activities, Stoughton Historical Society, Relay For Life, and work closely with our Stoughton Chamber of Commerce on numerous projects. We do not have a lot of leisure time, but we love to go to old-time dances (German polkas and waltzes) and play kubb.

### **District Treasurer- Nathan Nutter** **Shawnee Skogen Lodge- Troy, Illinois**

Nathan Nutter is an experienced data and software engineer currently working for the St. Louis Cardinals. He graduated from Illinois State University with a B.S. in computational physics in 2006. Bringing in-depth personal experience with financial record keeping, budgeting, and forecasting as well as a strong work ethic he is honored to serve as treasurer for Sons of Norway District 5 and the Nordic Legacy Foundation. He attends Shawnee Skogen, lodge 5-689, out of Carbondale, IL but lives in Troy, IL in the Greater St. Louis area.

### **Publicity Director and Zone 2 Director- LaVonne Wier**

#### **Fagernes Lodge- Galesville, Wisconsin**

Before retiring in 2009, I was with the Social Security Administration in LaCrosse for 22 years; preceded by 15 years working for the Dept of the Air Force in Minneapolis; Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA; and Antigo WI. I retired in 2001 after 20 years with the Air Force Reserves. My unit was the 934 Airlift Wing in Minneapolis. My specialties were in Supply, Training, and then the Chaplain Service. I am married to Leland Wier, and we live on his home farm in rural Galesville, Wisconsin. We have one son, Jack. We belong to Bethel Lutheran Church in Galesville, where I am a Sunday School teacher and the choir director. I belong to Fagernes Lodge 5-616 in Blair WI, and hold the offices of Secretary, Publicity and Adopt-a-School coordinator. My hobbies include sewing, cross stitch, singing, canning, growing flowers, and keeping in touch with our extended family. I have worked various part-time jobs since retiring. Recently I have been a baker during the apple season in the local apple orchards bakeries. My motto is borrowed from Ziggy: "Today is a gift. That's why it's called the Present." I am truly blessed in so many ways!

### **Cultural Director and Zone 4 Director- Judy Ghastin**

#### **Norse Valley Lodge- Appleton, Wisconsin**

Judy is a retired elementary school teacher with experience in levels kindergarten through eighth grade also partnering with special education teachers to work with students with special needs. She now owns a retail business featuring Scandinavian merchandise and offering home-made bread by order. Judy has been an active Sons of Norway member since the late 1970s serving Norse Valley Lodge as Cultural Director, Social Director, and President. She has served on planning committees for District 5 conventions in Appleton, Marshfield, and Middleton. Judy belongs to Sogndalag, Sognefjordlag, Vestlandslag, and NAGCNL in honor of her maternal great-grandparents, the immigrant generation from Sognefjord in Norway. She was elected to the office of Cultural Director in the spring of 2019 and has served in that capacity for four years due to the extension of terms of office during the pandemic. During the next two years of service, Judy plans to work closely helping local lodge Cultural Directors, continuing virtual classes in winter, and working with other District Cultural Directors to share best practices.

### **Sports & Recreation Director and Zone 1 Director- Robert Fossum**

#### **Døvre Lodge- Chetek, Wisconsin**

Robert Merle Fossum was born on May 1, 1938, in Northfield MN, just 100 years after his fraternal grandfather, Ole Johnsen Fossum, was born in Soknedal Trøndelag Norway. Ole immigrated to Meridean Dunn County Wisconsin. His maternal grandfather Anton Selius Gaudland was from Sokndal Rogaland Norway and immigrated to Norman County Minnesota. Both grandmothers were from Nord Trøndelag. Robert grew up in Northfield, MN just off the campus of St. Olaf College, where his father managed the college bookstore. He attended St. Olaf College and then earned a PhD in mathematics from the University of Michigan. He taught and conducted research at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign for 44 years. Upon retiring he and his wife Robin moved to Chetek WI where they now reside. His mathematical career can be marked by appointments to: The Royal Norwegian Society of Sciences and Letters (DKNVS), Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Fellow of the American Mathematical Society, St. Olaf College Alumni Achievement Award, among others. He was a Fulbright Fellow at the University of Oslo and then was a visiting professor there for a year. He has also had visiting positions at Aarhus University, University of Copenhagen, and the University of Paris VI. He served as Secretary of the American Mathematical Society for over 10 years. Since retirement to Chetek, he has volunteered for many organizations including Chetek Area Museum, Red Cedar Symphony, Waldemar Ager Association, Norwegian American Genealogy Center, and Trønderlag of America. His wife Robin and he have 6 children and 8 grandchildren between them, all of whom occasionally visit Chetek

**Youth Director- Elle Taylor**

**Grønnavik Lodge- Green Bay, Wisconsin**

My name is Elle Taylor, and I am honored to be the new Youth & Zone 4 Director! Nordic culture has always been a huge part of my life, as I grew up in a “house-divided” of Norwegian and Swedish ancestry. Throughout middle and high school, I attended multiple Norwegian language immersion camps at Skogfjorden in Bemidji, MN. At the University of Wisconsin - Madison, I majored in Scandinavian Studies and International Political Economics. During this time, I received a scholarship to study abroad at the University of Oslo’s International Summer School. My love for Scandinavian culture grew into a love for travel and learning about all cultures around the world, eventually causing me to leave the world of Human Resources and become a travel agent. My husband, Mike (he has predominantly Finnish and Italian heritage) and I are college sweethearts. We moved around the Midwest for a while and enjoyed living the ‘city-life’ in downtown Chicago and Minneapolis. For the past 6 years, we and our fur babies (Siberian cats Leo and Sasha) have called Green Bay aka Titledown home. In my free time, I enjoy reading, kayaking, and playing board games with my friends and family. Thank you for the opportunity to serve the district!

**Zone 2 Director- Tom Boudreau**

**Elvedal Lodge- Nekoosa, Wisconsin**

Tom is married to Susan Boudreau, and they have three children and three grandchildren. Tom is now retired after working in a chemical plant for 36 years! He has been a Sons of Norway member since 1989. He and Susan have served on the board in a variety of roles since 1996! They are snowbirds and enjoy traveling to Orange Beach, Alabama in January, and February! He is a life-long resident of central Wisconsin.

**Zone 3 Director- Scott Wegner**

**Mandt Lodge- Stoughton, WI**

Have been an active member of Sons of Norway Mandt Lodge for about 14 years. Am on the Lodge Cultural Committee, part of the Bingo crew, Elevator assistant, fire control in the Lodge kitchen, permit specialist for fish boils, Building Trustee and share Marshal duties with another member of the Lodge. Married to wife Janis. Have three grown children with families of their own and have 8 grandchildren between 2 and 11 years old. Pre-pandemic I retired as a Fire Chief after 38 years of Service to the Communities we served. Hobbies include woodworking, some carving, travel, cars, and beekeeping. Currently I am a sideliner apiarist, and we sell at local farm markets. I enjoy the Nordic culture and traditions and look forward to learning more about you and your Lodges in the Sons of Norway District 5 friendly 5th.

**Zone 5 Director- Lisa Solak**

**Skjold Lodge- Crystal Lake, Illinois**

I serve as President of Skjold Lodge. I am an archivist and currently is employed as part of the Archives team with the National Archives and Records Administration, Barack Obama Presidential Library. I live in Crystal Lake with my husband, two kids, and a dog. I serve as Chair on the Historic Preservation Commission for my city. I love music and reading in my spare time.

**Zone 5 Director- Connie Benson Kross**

**Cleng Peerson Lodge- Sandwich, Illinois**

I have two married daughters, Christy, and Corey. Christy and her husband Tim, have grown sons, Drew, and Evan. Corey and her husband Greg, have one son Jack, who will be a junior at Sandwich High School in the fall. My husband, Chuck, passed away in 2019. I have made 3 trips to Norway with my mom and 2 sisters, Barb and Joni. We were lucky enough to connect with some Norwegian Cousins while we were in Norway, and they visited us in 2018. We hope to make another trip to Norway next summer. I am a member of Cleng Peerson Lodge in Norway, Illinois and attend many

meetings of my sisters' Polar Star Lodge, too. I am a retired educator of Primary age students and still enjoy working with youngsters. My sister and I have organized and planned a library program for the Yorkville Library called "How to be a Viking" which we ran for several years before Covid.

**Zone 6 Director Bill Bultinck**  
**Shawnee Skogen Lodge- Cobden, Illinois**

I have been a SON member for 16 years. I was VP at Nidaros Lodge 1-001. We moved to AZ in 2007 and joined Overtro Fjell Lodge 6-153. I was VP and President there for 3 terms. I was elected as Alternate International Director in 2016. We then moved in 2016 to Southern Illinois and we started to work on creating a new SON Lodge. The Shawnee Skogen Lodge 5-689 was chartered in 2019. I was elected District 5 Zone 6 Director in 2022. I worked in the plastic injection molding industry for 42 years. I was a toolmaker, designer, Project Engineer, and Engineering Manager. I am retired now but drive school bus and tour buses on the wine trail for part time work.

**International Director – Robin Fossum**  
**Døvre Lodge- Chetek, Wisconsin**

Robin Fossum, Dovre Lodge 5-353, Chetek Wisconsin, is the District 5 International Director. She is also serving as a Governor of the Sons of Norway Foundation, and for the past 10 years as president of Dovre Lodge. Following retirement to their second home in Chetek, both Robert and Robin became active in local organizations. Robin is currently the executive director of the Chetek Area Museum, and president of the Red Cedar Symphony. When the snow melts, she enjoys gardening on six acres and golfing with friends.

**A recap of the fundraising activities at the Marriott Convention**

Silent Auction

**Top Selling Items**

<u>Item</u>	<u>Donated By</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Price</u>
Norwegian Sweater	Sally Knutson	Robin Fossum	\$100.00
Aquavit & Fun Items	John & Darlene Arneson	Jim Secora	\$99.00
Viking Ship	Polar Star 5-472	Erik Krosnes	\$85.00
<b><u>Item with most bids</u></b>			
Troll Basket	Vennelag 5-513	Corey Olson	14 bids \$55. winner
Konge Tinn Napkin Rings	Fosselyngen 5-082	Clark Brekke	13 bids \$60. winner

- There were a total of 85 items available to bid on. The total amount collected to be designated for Masse Moro support was \$2,302. This amount includes \$879 from credit/debit card sales.
- Heads and Tails at the Friday noon lunch was a net income of \$285 after paying \$50 to Steve Frame (Vennelag 5-513) as the winner.
- Stamping Sets sales were \$320. gross sales which results in a net after sales tax income of \$303.32
- Sales of merchandise (cards, sweaters, flags, books etc.) was a total of \$1,365. gross sales but after sales tax the net sales is \$1,293.84.

Total of all combined from the convention was gross sales \$4,272. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed items for sale and to everyone who participated or bought items.

## Congratulations to the Lodge Achievement and Family Lodge of the Year Winners

2018 Small Lodge – Ostestaden

2018 Large Lodge- Vennelag

2018 Family Lodge of the Year- Nordkap

2019 Small Lodge- Elvedal

2019 Large Lodge- Nordkap

2019 Family Lodge of the Year- Gronnvik

2020 Small Lodge – Myrmarken

2020 Large Lodge- Mandt

2020 Family Lodge of the Year- Nordkap

2021 Small Lodge- Valkryrien

2021 Large Lodge- Mandt

2021 Family Lodge of the Year- Fagernes

## Merit Awards Presented at the District Lodge Meeting

Each year, Sons of Norway lodges who score high points on their Lodge Achievement Forms are awarded a Merit Certificate. These Gold, Silver and Bronze awards are based on their total Lodge Achievement scores. They are presented at the biennial District Conventions.

The highest score a lodge can achieve is 100 points. In 2018 and 2019, lodges scoring 80 points or higher earned a Gold Merit Award, lodges scoring 65 to 79 received Silver and lodges hitting 50 to 64 points were awarded Bronze. The thresholds for 2020 and 2021 were adjusted due to the pandemic. In 2020 and 2021, lodges needed to score 65 or more to be Golden, 50 to 64 to be Silver and 35 to 49 for Bronze.

D	L	Name	LA	Year	Zone
5	28	Wergeland	92	2018	2
5	314	Mandt	93	2018	3
5	353	Dovre	82	2018	1
5	378	Nordkap	92	2018	6
5	457	Solvang	80	2018	2

Merit Levels for  
2018/2019

Gold 80

Silver 65

Bronze 50

Merit Levels for  
2020/2021



5	472	Polar Star	86	2018	5
5	513	Vennelag	98	2018	3
5	610	Askeladden	92	2018	6
5	632	Grønnvik	84	2018	4
5	642	Ostestaden	87	2018	3
5	29	Løven	66	2018	1
5	53	Valkyrien	68	2018	1
5	74	Idun	70	2018	3
5	82	Fosselyngen	75	2018	4
5	100	Skjold	79	2018	5
5	168	Valhall	72	2018	5
5	525	Cleang Peerson	70	2018	5
5	549	H R Holand	68	2018	4
5	556	Elvedal	72	2018	2
5	614	Circle City	66	2018	6
5	616	Fagernes	67	2018	2
5	657	Edvard Grieg	72	2018	6
5	677	Vikings Of The Smokies	68	2018	6
5	534	Fossen	50	2018	2
5	593	Elvesund	56	2018	5
5	625	Viking	59	2018	1
5	681	Music City Vikings	52	2018	6

Gold	65
Silver	50
Bronze	35

(adjusted for pandemic)

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5	28	Wergeland	88	2019	2
5	74	Idun	86	2019	3
5	82	Fosselyngen	81	2019	4
5	314	Mandt	93	2019	3

5	353	Dovre	87	2019	1
5	378	Nordkap	96	2019	6
5	472	Polar Star	92	2019	5
5	513	Vennelag	94	2019	3
5	525	Clengpeerson	94	2019	5
5	556	Elvedal	94	2019	2
5	600	Scandiana	93	2019	6
5	610	Askeladden	88	2019	6
5	642	Ostestaden	88	2019	3
5	657	Edvard Grieg	81	2019	6
5	29	Løven	68	2019	1
5	53	Valkyrien	73	2019	1
5	100	Skjold	66	2019	5
5	168	Valhall	77	2019	5
5	183	Nordlyset	79	2019	4
5	549	H R Holand	76	2019	4
5	609	Myrmarken	68	2019	2
5	616	Fagernes	69	2019	2
5	632	Grønnavik	77	2019	4
5	677	Vikings Of The Smokies	71	2019	6
5	491	Norse Valley	61	2019	4
5	523	Sognefjord	62	2019	6
5	534	Fossen	51	2019	2
5	593	Elvesund	58	2019	5
5	681	Music City Vikings	53	2019	6
5	689	Shawnee Skogen	56	2019	5

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5	28	Wergeland	67	2020	2
5	314	Mandt	90	2020	3
5	353	Dovre	72	2020	1
5	378	Nordkap	74	2020	6
5	472	Polar Star	71	2020	5
5	609	Myrmarken	68	2020	2
5	610	Askeladden	68	2020	6
5	632	Grønnvik	65	2020	4
5	681	Music City Vikings	68	2020	6
5	74	Idun	54	2020	3
5	82	Fosselyngen	61	2020	4
5	513	Vennelag	58	2020	3
5	523	Sognefjord	50	2020	6
5	642	Ostestaden	57	2020	3
5	29	Løven	48	2020	1
5	53	Valkyrien	49	2020	1
5	490	Sonja Henie	43	2020	6
5	549	H R Holand	41	2020	4
5	556	Elvedal	41	2020	2
5	616	Fagernes	45	2020	2
5	625	Viking	39	2020	1
5	677	Vikings Of The Smokies	46	2020	6

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5	616	Fagernes	65	2021	2
5	632	Gronvik	80	2021	4
5	642	Ostestaden	65	2021	3
5	657	Edvard Grieg	76	2021	6
5	28	Wergeland	63	2021	2
5	29	Løven	53	2021	1
5	491	Norse Valley	50	2021	4
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5	689	Shawnee Skogen	60	2021	5
5	549	H R Holand	40	2021	4

## **No bids for 2024**

We didn't have any bids for hosting the 2024 convention. If your lodge has an interest in hosting it, please contact Darlene Arneson for details. If we don't have a lodge show interest with a venue that can handle it, then the board will host it. We'd like to have a final plan for the convention host by the fall board meeting in October. You can see the convention hosting guidelines at

<https://sonsofnorway5.com/library/original/docman/Biddingguidelinesfor2024convention.pdf>

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

### **July 17-30, 2022**

- Masse Moro Norwegian Heritage Camp

\*Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required

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

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## **INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING**

The dates of the International Virtual Convention:

Wednesday, August 31, 2022, 10 a.m. – 2:45 pm central time and  
Thursday, September 1, 2022, 10 a.m. – 2:30 pm central time

### **Note:**

- Check correspondence from the International and District and the International ([www.sofn.com](http://www.sofn.com)) and District ([www.sonsofnorway5.com](http://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.

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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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