Sons of Norway District 5 - Friendly Fifth Friday News November 22, 2024

A District Weekly Newsletter to Keep Us Up to Date!

Lodge Officer Election Roundtable- November 24 at 7 PM CST

District Secretary Darlene Arneson will host a call for anyone wanting to discuss local lodge officer elections. It's a roundtable discussion so we'll cover some of the basics and then open it up to share ideas of what works, what doesn't, where to find resources and assistance, completing the D63 and more! Anyone is welcome to join the discussion!

Agenda-Lodge Officer Election Roundtable (and others interested) Sunday, November 24, 2024 7:00 PM CST

Review what's in our CCPP on officer elections and minimum officers needed

How is everyone doing?

- How do you recruit and use your nominating committee?
- · When are elections held and when are officers installed?
- One or two year officer terms?
- Training and transition- what happens at your lodge
- How do your officer meetings work?
- What else do you want to cover?

International website-

- Guide to Leadership
- Where to find information, run reports, download lists
- Where trainings are

Installation of officers – how we can assist!

How to complete the D63 Officer Election process

Other discussion and questions

Darlene Arneson is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SN D5 Lodge Officer Election Roundtable

Time: Nov 24, 2024 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89913930775

Meeting ID: 899 1393 0775

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- +16469313860,,89913930775# US
- +13017158592,,89913930775# US (Washington DC)

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Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kenDSt2FBi

Sons of Norway Foundation

Did you know...Sons of Norway District 5 received the third largest portion of monies from the Sons of Norway Foundation in 2024. In 2024, the Foundation awarded 4 scholarships totaling \$33,000 and 9 grants totaling \$16,850. The largest portion of the grant money received in our district was for the 2024 District 5 Convention in Indianapolis.

There is still time for your lodge to submit a grant application. <u>Deadline is December 31, 2024</u>. Grants can be written for a variety of things such as: lodge cultural programming, speakers fees and travel, lodge events; lodge equipment such as a printer, coffeemaker, flag poles, banners, etc.; bus or shuttle rental to events or museums such as Vesterheim in Decorah, IA. You can submit more than one grant application. Not all grants are awarded.

If your lodge needs help writing a grant or having any questions, reach out to Connie Aiello, District 5 Foundation Director at cdaiello31@gmail.com or 623-252-8861.

The Sons of Norway Foundation- "Together We Are the Future" campaign runs from October 1, 2024 through January 15, 2025. There is still time for your lodge to donate, if you haven't already. The campaign may end January 15, but Foundation fundraising can be done anytime of the year. Attached is a list of fundraising ideas that your lodge can do to raise money for the Sons of Norway Foundation.

- Just a reminder Applications are now open for both Sons of Norway Foundation grants and scholarships.
- Deadline for grants remains 12/31/24.
- Deadlines for <u>scholarships</u> vary, so please check the description for each fund, but they are generally in early 2025.
- Questions can be directed to foundation@sofn.com.

Sons of Norway Membership Benefits you should try!

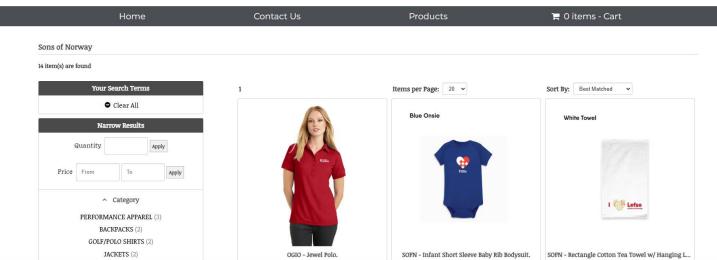
There are many membership benefits that most of us either aren't aware of, don't take advantage of, or don't know where to find them. Having time at meetings to show them **how to log-in** is a big first step as that opens up so many resources for members! Here is the video on how to do that: https://youtu.be/4q-7Mxuwv5Q?si=BNgdhKdlv2V687DT

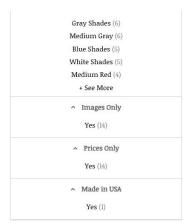
21. Promotional Items in the online store! https://sofn.logoshop.com/



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Other Dates to Note (changes in red)

November 24- Local Lodge Officer Elections Roundtable ZOOM call at 7 PM CST

December 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

December 31- D63 Officer Election Reports Due

2025 Calendar

January 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

February 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

February 20- Barnebirkie Race in Hayward, WI

March 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

April 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

May 17- Masse Moro Lodge Supporting Grants Due

May 17- Masse Moro Registrations Due

May 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

June 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

July 13-26- Masse Moro- Youth Heritage Camp in Fall Creek, WI

July 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

August 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

September 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

October 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

November 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

December 20- Viking Photos due to LaVonne Wier

Who to contact at the home office when you need help

- You can email cbs@sofn.com for any member updates that need to be made.
- Foundation, Scholarships & Grants- Amy Tuchenhagen foundation@sofn.com, atuchenhagen@sofn.com, (612) 821-4655
- Fraternal & Membership- Connie O'Brien and Kirsten Lehman fraternal@sofn.com, (612) 821-4643
- Culture, Viking & Language: Jana Velo ivelo@sofn.com
- Insurance Sales: Lori Gubash sonsofnorwaysales@sofn.com, (833) 707-0012 – option 2
- 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

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 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
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.