

## Friendly Fifth Friday News November 27, 2020

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### Nordic News this week...

Last week's "Nordic News" "Ole Bull's Ill-Fated Pennsylvania Colony" was presented by Karen Oswald (Polar Star – Montgomery IL), Bob and Louise Giles (Nordkap-Detroit MI); Beth Nelson and Cheryl Miller (Nordlyset-Racine WI). World famous violinist Ole Bull wanted to help the common Norwegian come to the U.S. and bought a large tract of land in the Pennsylvania wilderness to start a colony. Problem was that Ole Bull was swindled by crooked land agents who didn't really own the land they "sold" him. Ole Bull played benefit concerts to try to keep the colony going, but it eventually failed, and some of the colonists resettled in the Midwest, including northwest Wisconsin. View it at: <https://www.screencast.com/t/anr3LMs0QSx>



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**"Farm Animals which descended from Viking animals"** will be the topic of the **December 1st Nordic News**. Glenn Borrison has presented twice before on Nordic News and everyone loves his presentations.

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 can watch past episodes of Nordic News at:

[http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers\\_bureau.php](http://www.sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers_bureau.php)

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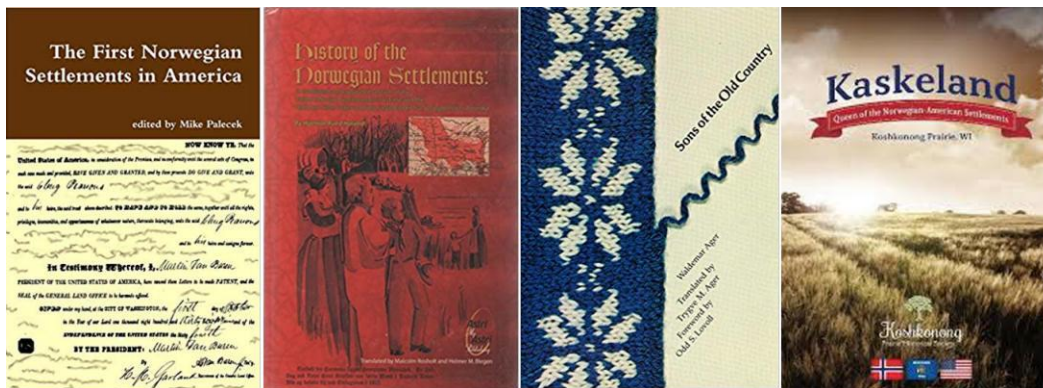
The D5 Norwegian-American virtual history course, “**Norwegian-American Settlement in IL, MI and WI**” will start with sessions offered on Saturday, January 23 (9:00-10:30 AM CT/10:00-11:30 ET) and Monday, January 25 (6:30-8:00 PM CT/7:30-9:00 PM ET). The course will be 16 weeks long.

Learn more about this course by watching: <https://www.screencast.com/t/xvmXYm26PS>

Faculty include: Bill Injerd, historian of The Slooper Society; Kirk Mies, vice president of The Slooper Society; Dave Johnson, president of the Norske Museum in Norway, Illinois; Dana Kelly, executive director of the Norwegian-American Genealogy Center; and Mike Palecek, editor/author of The First Norwegian Settlements in America.

To get the most out of this course, we recommend that participants purchase the following books (\$99 w/tax and shipping) and begin reading them ASAP:

- The First Norwegian Settlements in America; Palecek, Mike (ed.)
- History of the Norwegian Settlements; Holand, H.R.
- Sons of the Old Country; Ager, Waldemar
- Kaskaland DVD (Koshkonong Prairie Historical Society)



Our faculty believe that these books are very accessible reading which gives the beginning historian a very good overall background about Norwegian-American history from early settlement through 1880. It is a great Christmas gift for yourself or someone you want to share Norwegian-American history with.

**NORWEGIAN-AMERICAN SETTLEMENT IN IL-MI-WI**

**ENROLLMENT FORM**

\_\_\_ (\$25) I want to enroll in the Saturday (16 week) course, beginning on Jan. 23

\_\_\_ (\$25) I want to enroll in the Monday (16 week) course, beginning on Jan. 25

\_\_\_ I understand that the virtual classes are recorded and give my consent to my image and voice being recorded as part of participating in the class.

\_\_\_ (\$25) I want to take the class as "independent study"; email me info on how to do this

\_\_\_ (+\$25) I am not a **D5** Sons of Norway member and will pay the additional \$25 non-member fee

\_\_\_ (\$99) I want to order the book/DVD collection (tax and shipping included; if ordered before Dec. 10, you will get them before Christmas)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail this form plus a check to:

Nordic Legacy Foundation

5747 Sandy Ln.

Racine WI 53406

Questions: contact [mikep@sonsofnorwayracine.com](mailto:mikep@sonsofnorwayracine.com)





## VIRTUAL FOLK ART CLASS

# Whittling a Red Squirrel

**Level: beginner – intermediate | 12 students**

**Instructor: James Miller**

**Cost: \$60 + materials**

**February 4, 11, 18, 2021 | 6:30-8PM**

*The Sons of Norway District 5 Cultural Committee is pleased to announce this virtual folk art class, which is created specially for Sons of Norway members.*

Learn to carve a Norwegian red squirrel with just one knife through group carving sessions and instructional videos between sessions.

Guidance will be provided for members seeking to complete Level 1 of the Figure Carving Cultural Skills Program.

Please sign up here: [son-class1.jamesraymiller.com](http://son-class1.jamesraymiller.com)

*If you register by December 10, your instructional book can arrive by Christmas*

### About the Instructor

James started carving at age 11 under the tutelage of a supportive Community Education carving group. The members of this group introduced him to the flat-plane style, which sparked his ever-expanding interest in Scandinavian culture as a whole. This interest led him to become the youngest Vesterheim Gold Medalist woodworker, teach carving classes, demonstrate in various small town events, and even travel to Norway. Since then, he has written several articles for *Woodcarving Illustrated* and an instructional book titled *Whittling Flat-Plane Animals*.

For more of his work, visit [fb.com/jrm.woodcarving](https://fb.com/jrm.woodcarving).

Clickable link: [son-class1.jamesraymiller.com](http://son-class1.jamesraymiller.com)

# Whittling a Red Squirrel Virtual Class

Instructor: James Miller | [carving@jamesraymiller.com](mailto:carving@jamesraymiller.com)

**NOTE:** This document is provided as a backup to the user-friendly online form, accessible here: [son-class1.jamesraymiller.com](https://son-class1.jamesraymiller.com) Please try filling out that form first. It includes photographs of most of the materials, and in case of a full class, it will ensure your response gets to me as soon as possible. If you have troubles with completing it, then this form can be printed and mailed in.

## Class Description

This is a virtual class that will be offered over Zoom on February 4, 11, 18, 2021 from 6:30-8PM. The first 12 applicants will be registered, and any additional registrants will be contacted with future class possibilities.

Over the course of the three sessions, you will learn to carve a Norwegian red squirrel with just one knife. Instruction and discussion will be provided during class sessions, and further instruction will be provided through pre-made videos created just for class participants.

Topics that will be covered include:

- An overview of the history of Scandinavian Figure Carving
- Wood preparation methods
- General and specific carving techniques
- Sharpening
- Painting using acrylic paints
- Designing patterns

During demonstrations, I will have one camera on the work I am doing so that participants can follow along.

Guidance will also be provided for members seeking to complete Level 1 of the Figure Carving Cultural Skills Program.

Required materials will be described on the next page, and can be purchased through this form.

Please fill out the questions on the following pages.



# Registrant Info- Whittling a Red Squirrel Virtual Class

Your name (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Your email (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient of class registration's name (if not yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient of class registration's email (if not yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

Address to ship materials to (required): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ (\$60) Class registration fee

**Materials-** *One squirrel cutout (block of wood sawn to rough shape) and instructional videos will be provided free of charge. Tax and shipping fees are included. All other materials on this page can be purchased elsewhere OR added to your registration and shipped in one package. I will send you an invoice after you submit this form—no payment should be made before then.*

\_\_\_ (\$18) Book: "Whittling Flat-Plane Animals", Fox Chapel Publishing (required)

*Please provide materials similar to those listed below OR select what you'd like to purchase from me. For example, I tend to use a knife called a "Harley Knife," created by Pinewood Forge, but they are more expensive and are often in short supply.*

\_\_\_ (\$26) Knife, OCC 1 7/8" straight knife

\_\_\_ (\$5) Glove with rubber grip dots, AirGas | Size: \_\_\_ Small \_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_ Large

\_\_\_ (\$10) 9 Apple Barrel acrylic paints + brush

Sharpening Materials I can provide

\_\_\_ (\$5) Stropping compound: aluminum oxide powder, .5 micron, 1 oz

\_\_\_ (\$5) Materials for making a basic leather strop: leather strip + unfinished plywood block. You provide the glue. Required for the Cultural Skills Program Level 1

\_\_\_ (\$15) Basic premade leather strop

\_\_\_ (\$8) Optional: Additional squirrel cutout (wood sawn to rough shape) | Quantity: \_\_\_\_

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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If the online form at [son-class1.jamesraymiller.com](http://son-class1.jamesraymiller.com) does not work for you, please print, fill out, and mail this form to me at: James Miller, 2404 Crystal Bay Ct, Rochester, MN 55902.

In case of a filled class, please do not send payment until you receive an invoice from me via email.

**Thank you for your interest in Scandinavian folk art, and I look forward to carving with you!**

**I had this email from Robert Schuck who was our parliamentarian at the 2018 District Lodge Meeting**

Special Membership Meeting  
of the Wisconsin  
Association of Parliamentarians

You are invited to an informal special meeting  
and educational opportunity on Zoom.

Saturday, December 5, 2020  
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Central Time

A Zoom meeting link will be sent to members who register for the meeting.  
There is no cost to attend this special membership meeting.

The purpose of this Special Membership Meeting is for sharing information and to learn from other members of the Wisconsin State Association of Parliamentarians.

There will be two different educational lessons on Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. The new 12th edition of RONR will be the text, order your copy from the NAP Bookstore at <http://www.parliamentarians.org>.

We hope you will join us!

Questions, contact Robert Schuck, WAP President at (608) 513-6830 or Email: [wap71959@gmail.com](mailto:wap71959@gmail.com)

**[Please register by December 4, 2020](#)**

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Provisional Membership Dues are \$20.00 and now is the time to renew membership for 2021.

NAP Members, if you are interested in making a year end donation directly to the Wisconsin Association of Parliamentarians. Donation checks and WAP Provisional Membership Dues can be made payable to WAP and mail your check to:

Elaine Staley, WAP Treasurer  
933 Magnolia LN  
Madison, WI 53713-2514

**[Click Here to Register for the Special Meeting](#)**

## **Hello Sons of Norway Leadership,**

The "Together We Are The Future" campaign - an effort to raise \$100,000 for the Foundation before the end of the year is off to a great start. A big thank you to Jon Tehven, Robin Fossum and the District Foundation Directors for their leadership with this campaign.

We have raised **\$81,538** in donations/pledges for the matching funds! I will be sending updates throughout the campaign to let you know our progress and to let you know how many members/lodges have donated.

In addition, we have raised **\$16,243** from our Direct mail letter campaign with return envelope and **\$10,302** from the Viking Envelope Insert!

Total of all three efforts: **\$108,083**

Total of **479** donations have been received of which **76** were from our Lodges.

In addition, we received a donation to the Jensen Memorial Scholarship fund in the amount of **\$53,000**. This donation was unexpected and is greatly appreciated.

Connie O'Brien  
Director of Fraternal Development & Marketing

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

### **Nordic News Weekly Program- Every Tuesday night**

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

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#### **November 30- December 1, 2020**

- NAGC & NL and District 5 Genealogy Class

#### **December 2020**

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

#### **December 8-10, 2020**

- **Virtual 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration-** <https://www.sofn.com/125years/virtual-party/>



### **December 10, 2020**

- Lodge photos are due to the District Publicity Director by the 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **January 9 and January 16, 2021**

- NAGC & NL and District 5 Genealogy Class

### **April 16-17, 2021**

- District 5 Board Meeting- Nashville, TN

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### **DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING**

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

### **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](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** 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