


Friendly Fifth Friday News November 9, 2018

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 to inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com

Do you get the Resource? If not, your email is not correct with the International office!




Resource

October 2018

2018 Leadership Conference Materials Now Available Online

Videos, presentations and handouts from the 2018 Leadership Conference that took place in the Twin Cities last August are [posted online](#). Please encourage your fellow lodge officers and members to view the materials and take away inspiration on how to maximize volunteer efforts and build awareness of your lodge in your community.



[View Materials](#)

This issue was emailed out on November 1. Make sure that your officers and member's contact information is updated! Take a copy of your membership list to meetings to have them verify them. This is best done BEFORE you submit your officer report form!

Leadership Conference materials available for all!

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https://www.sofn.com/international_convention/2018_leadership_conference/

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2018 Leadership Conference

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Leadership Conference Sessions

Welcome Presentation: Second Harvest Heartland CEO Rob Zeaske Download the presentation Watch the video
Panel Discussion: Lodge Volunteer Success Stories from Norway, Canada and the United States. Download the presentation Watch the Video
Hands-on Activity: Catholic United Financial, Gather4Good Watch the Videos:

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Did your secretary get the packet last week?

Watch for the Lodge Achievement Forms

Lodge Achievement Program packets have been mailed to all lodge secretaries. Each packet includes:

- Lodge Achievement Form (LAF)
- Family Lodge of the Year Form (FLOY)
- American Fraternal Alliance Year End Report (AFA Year End Report)

The LAF, FLOY and AFA Year End Report can be completed online or downloaded as PDFs. Access these forms by accessing the [Lodge Forms](#) section on www.sonsofnorway.com.

These forms are due to Sons of Norway headquarters by Feb. 15, 2019. Lodges who have tracked their AFA information using FraternalGive.org do not need to complete the AFA Year End Report.

Questions? Contact Membership Services, 800-945-8851 ext. 4654 or fraternal@sofn.com.

Lutefisk dinner season nearing an end!

Christ Lutheran Church Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner

Saturday, November 10, 2018

Christ Lutheran Church

220 S. Main Street

DeForest, WI 53532

Adults: \$18.00 4-12 Years: \$9.00 Under 4 Years: Free

Serving every hour from 11 AM-5 PM

Further Information: 608-846-4718

www.christlutherandeforest.org OR Google 'Lutefisk-CLC'

Handicap accessible-Use the Sunset Drive Entrance.

RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED THROUGH NOON, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

Myrmarken Lodge Dinner

Tuesday, November 13

Held at the Eagles Club, [1104 South Oak Avenue](#), Marshfield, WI

6:00 PM

Call Dorothy Berg at [715-305-9699](tel:715-305-9699) for reservations.

\$16.00 per person.

All are welcome with a reservation.

Lutefisk, lefse, Swedish meatballs, potatoes, salad, rutabagas, Scandinavian pastries) served family style

Christ Lutheran Church Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner

[700 County Road B, Stoughton, WI 53589](#)

Saturday, December 1

11:00-5:45 – by reservation only and reservations by November 23

Contact Gerry Ross at [608-835-8520](tel:608-835-8520) or stoughtonlutefisk@gmail.com with questions

Adults \$18; Kids 4-12 \$7; and under 4 are free

They request a form with 1, 2 and 3rd choice on times, self-addressed stamped envelope so contact them for the form!

St. Olaf Lutheran Church

W653 Roosevelt Road, Rubicon, WI 53078

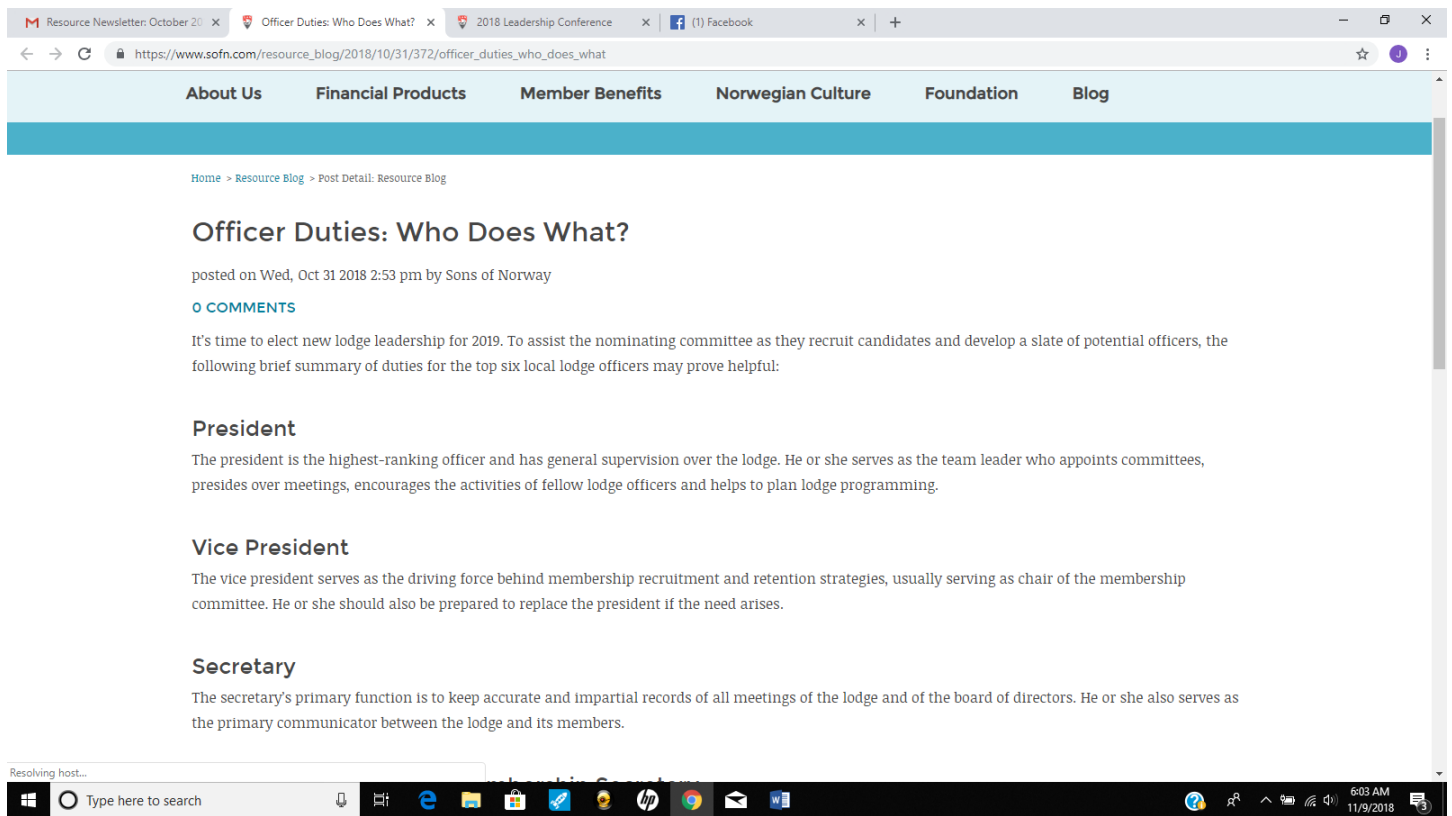
Located 8.5 mi. north of Hwy. 16 (Oconomowoc) on Hwy. P, then 1.5 mi east on County O to Roosevelt Rd.

December 1, 2018 Serving from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Lutefisk Dinner and Swedish Meatballs, Rutabaga, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Layered Cranberry Jello Salad, Homemade Rolls, Flatbread, Lefse, Sweet Soup and Large selection of Norwegian and Holiday Cookies. Tickets are Adults \$16.00, Youth age 5-10 \$8.00, and under 5 free See www.st-olaf.org for more information.

Need resources for your nominating committee?

https://www.sofn.com/resource_blog/2018/10/31/372/officer_duties_who_does_what



What Qualifies as Community Support/Volunteer Activities?

posted on Fri, Oct 26 2018 3:53 pm by Sons of Norway

Community Support/Volunteer activities have the primary goal of serving people outside of Sons of Norway. There are two general criteria that have to be met for an activity to qualify:

1) The lodge has to arrange for participation in a volunteer/community service event. (Hint: the volunteer activity likely appears on the lodge calendar and/or is listed in the lodge newsletter as a community service opportunity).

The lodge can organize the volunteer activity, partner with another group for a project or provide “workers” for a volunteer project sponsored by or coordinated by another group; the key is that participation is arranged by the lodge.

An example of a Community Support Event/Volunteer Activity organized by the lodge would be when the lodge “adopts” a stretch of highway and members pick up trash for two hours. Another example would be to arrange for a group of members to participate in a Habitat for Humanity building project, where they are part of the work crew.

2) A Community Service activity usually involves two or more members.

For example, shoveling an elderly neighbor's driveway is a kind act, but not something that would count as a lodge volunteer activity. However, if the lodge organizes a group of members to go together to shovel sidewalks and driveways for the elderly, then that would be an event or activity that should be counted as Sons of Norway Community Service. Or, a group of members, organized through the lodge, participates in a community-wide service project to assist elderly and disabled citizens by doing a day of shoveling.

There are some situations where members, under the Sons of Norway umbrella, do their volunteer work as individuals. For instance, cutting stamps for Tubfrim can be done by members in their home, after which the stamps are given to the lodge for shipment. Cutting stamps is considered volunteer time. Cutting fabric at home so that lodge members can make quilts for the homeless is another example.

Adopt A School is another example of individual or group involvement under the Sons of Norway umbrella. The lodge can coordinate with a school to provide volunteer workers to help with any number of activities, such as tutoring, assisting in classrooms and the lunchroom, monitoring recess time, helping out in the teachers' workroom, working at a carnival, listening to students read, etc. Or the lodge may put on an event, such as a cultural day. All of this would fall under the Adopt A School program and would be considered Community Service activities.

What isn't considered Sons of Norway Community Service/Volunteer Activities?

Member participation that is not coordinated/arranged through the lodge is not considered Sons of Norway Community Service/Volunteer activities.

For example, if a member volunteers to deliver meals because he/she feel it is a worthwhile activity or they sign up through their church, even if they make mention that they belong to Sons of Norway, the time is not considered a lodge volunteer activity. However, if the lodge arranges for a group of volunteers to provide drivers for a week of deliveries, those hours would be counted.

Turning Individual Involvement into Community Service for the Lodge

If your lodge is looking for opportunities to get involved in your community, start by asking your members for ideas. Where are they currently volunteering? What volunteer activities do they enjoy doing? Are they aware of any local organizations that are looking for volunteer groups to partner with for a community service project?

Tapping into your members' current volunteer interests and involvement to build a calendar of community service activities is a great way to get buy-in, increase participation and create excitement.

2019 District 5 and International Calendar and Deadlines

(Updated 10/21/2018)

December 2018

D17 and 990 forms, instructions and timeline sent to lodge treasurers.

December 15, 2018

Application deadline for Community Partnership Grant applications are due to Sons of Norway Foundation.

December 31, 2018

- Lodge Officer Update/D63 information is due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- To be recognized for achieving a 10% growth for the 2018 recruitment challenge, membership applications should be received by December 15 so that they can be entered into the database before the end of the year.
- Application deadline for: Helping Hands to Children Grant*, Lodge Culture and Heritage Grant*, and Lodge Vitality Grant*
- Deadline to order Barneløpet supplies.
- Tubfrim cards should be postmarked by December 31, 2018 to be entered into a drawing to win a plane ticket to Norway (up to \$1,000 toward a ticket purchase).

January 15, 2019

Deadline for scholarship applications for educational opportunities that involve international travel are due to Sons of Norway Foundation: Douglas Warne – Rolf & Wenche Eng Scholarship, Helen Tronvold Adult Learner Scholarship**, Helen Tronvold Folk High School Scholarship*, King Olav V Norwegian-American Heritage Scholarship, Lund Fund Scholarship*, and Oslo International Summer School Scholarship*

February 1, 2019

2018 officers will be listed in the online lodge directory.

February 15, 2019

- D17 financial form is due from the lodges to Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Lodge Achievement and Family Lodge of the Year forms are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.
- Community and Fraternal activities and hour totals, using AFA Year-end report form or online reporting at Fraternalsgive.org, are due to Membership Services at Sons of Norway Headquarters.

February 16, 2019

Zone 3 Meeting hosted by Idun Lodge in Madison, WI

February 21, 2019

Barnebirkie events and cookie tent in Hayward, WI

March 2019

Fraternal Funds packet mailed

March 1, 2019

Sons of Norway Foundation deadline for Scholarship applications for study in the United States are due to the Sons of Norway Foundation: Astrid G. Cates/Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship* and Orel and Marie Winjum Memorial Scholarship

March 15, 2019

District Five Scholarships due

April 1, 2019

Sons of Norway Foundation deadline for Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship*

May 15, 2019

- Fraternal Funds Report due to Sons of Norway Headquarters
- IRS filing deadline for tax form 990. Lodge treasurer needs to notify Sons of Norway Headquarters when 990 has been submitted.
- D17 & 990 filing deadline for lodges that own property

*Social membership with Sons of Norway required.

**Insurance membership with Sons of Norway required.

December 31, 2018 (new deadline)

D-63 Report of Elections due. Send one copy to International Headquarters and one to District Secretary.

DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

June 24-28, 2020 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison

INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

August 16-23, 2020 in Hamar Norway

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 2017-April 2018	4
April 2018-October 2018	6
October 2018-April 2019	1
April 2019-October 2019	3

Zone Meeting Schedule 2019

Zone	Date	Hosted by	Location
1			
2			
3	Sat. Feb 16	Idun Lodge	Trinity Lutheran Church, Madison
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 24-28 at the Radisson Hotel, Grand Canyon Drive, Madison hosted by Idun Lodge.
- The International Sons of Norway Convention will be August 16-23, 2020 in Hamar Norway

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