

## **Friendly Fifth Friday News**

### **September 3, 2021**

**Send all web posting info and calendar dates/events directly to our webmaster at [inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com](mailto:inputd5@sonsofnorway5.com). Feel free to share this with your lodge members!**

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### **District 5 Lodge Officer Election Roundtable Follow-Up**

Thank you to everyone who was on the call Tuesday night. Lots of good information, ideas, challenges and help was shared! I have some follow-up to do from the call and will get on that this weekend.

Link to the meeting recording: <https://youtu.be/vrzZ6cYfh0w>

I had shared our Mandt Lodge officer descriptions and was asked to share the condensed version of them. I will also ask our webmaster to post this on the District website (under forms section) so you can download and manipulate the document for your needs.

### **Sample Officer Descriptions**

**These descriptions are general guidelines from the International office as each lodge can alter them based on lodge's needs**

- President – Responsible for coordinating all activities, scheduling, legal and other required reports and tax filing, and all activities of the Lodge with the assistance of the other officers and members.
- Vice President - Assist with any duties the President request, encourages membership and outreach, and conducts the meetings in the absence of the President.
- Secretary -Responsible for writing and maintaining the minutes of the lodge. If requested, assist with any other correspondence and reports required of the lodge.
- Treasurer Keep accurate accounts of the receipts and disbursements of the lodge, filing 990 forms and other tax related forms, and coordinating closely with the Financial Secretary.
- Financial Secretary -Collecting and depositing income of the lodge, submit a detailed report of the receipts during the preceding period and prepare the membership reports of the lodge, working closely with the Treasurer, and handling membership applications.
- Bingo Chairman-Works with treasurer to oversee the bingo game, license and reporting requirement, game set up and other details.
- Counselor- Aid, assist and counsel the other officers in the performance of their duties. This is normally a past lodge President or person with leadership experience.
- Marshal and Assistant Marshal -Help the President with ceremonial functions of the lodge are conducted in the proper manner such as draping the charter and any special room set up.
- Greeters-Welcome visitors and guests to our lodge. Help staff the door entries and when people come into the lodge. Advise the president of guests or other needs.

- Trustees -You the trustees of the lodge, are the custodians of the personal property of the lodge and coordinating projects.
- Cultural Committee – Assists with planning meeting night programs.
- Musician-Lead the group in singing Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary, and work with the Cultural Committee in offering musical activities for the lodge monthly programs.
- Editor/Publicity Director –Publish the lodge newsletter, assist with Facebook page, secure sponsors for the newsletter, and work with lodge President and other officers on publicizing lodge events.
- Foundation Director- Give the lodge complete and updated information about the Sons of Norway Foundation and its outreach programs and organize an October Foundation meeting event.
- Sunshine Director – Bring greetings, cheer and comfort to members of our Lodge who are suffering from illness, loss of loved ones or who are celebrating a joyous occasion. Sends flowers for funerals/visitations of current members.
- Librarian: Supervise and control the lending of books belonging to the library. Helps encourage participation in the Cultural Skills program.
- Historian– Record the historical events of the lodge and maintain the scrapbooks.
- Youth Director-Assisting with any youth activities including 3rd grade event, Family Christmas Event and other activities to welcome youth and families to our lodge.
- Sports and Recreation Director - Planning and supervising of a well-rounded program of sports activities and recreation, encourage use of Sports Medals Program, and promote District sport events.

## **Gearing up for fall programs...**

As we begin planning for fall meeting programs, don't forget about these resources!

- District 5 Speakers Bureau- [https://sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers\\_bureau.php](https://sonsofnorway5.com/programs/speakers_bureau.php)
- Nordic News Programs- [https://sonsofnorway5.com/programs/nordic\\_news\\_radio.php](https://sonsofnorway5.com/programs/nordic_news_radio.php)
- Norwegian History Programs- [https://sonsofnorway5.com/programs/norwegian\\_american\\_history.php](https://sonsofnorway5.com/programs/norwegian_american_history.php)
- Your Zone Directors for updates and information- [https://sonsofnorway5.com/board\\_of\\_directors/](https://sonsofnorway5.com/board_of_directors/)
- Masse Moro campers your lodge sponsored
- Travel programs- did any of your lodge members travel? And if not due to COVID, does anyone have pictures from previous trips to Norway?
- Playing the About Me Game that District 5 Treasurer Mike Palecek developed
- Does your school have foreign exchange students?
- Lodge Programming resources (International website- must log in)- [https://www.sofn.com/member\\_resources/lodge\\_leadership\\_resources/lodge\\_programming/](https://www.sofn.com/member_resources/lodge_leadership_resources/lodge_programming/)
  - Idea Bank programs
  - Information Bank programs
  - Mini Presentations

## **Genealogy Resources from SN International-**

**[https://www.sofn.com/member\\_resources/genealogy/](https://www.sofn.com/member_resources/genealogy/)**

As you dive into your research, you'll get to know your ancestors – who they were, where they came from and what they did with their lives.

The Sons of Norway Genealogy resources will help you through this process with insights to Norwegian society, names, language and more; while also providing lists of additional resources, organizations and websites. Enjoy the journey – we'd love to hear what you learn. Download your copy of the **Genealogy Cultural Skills Program**.

**More helpful resources for your genealogy study include:**

### **Cultural Skills Program Overview**



Genealogy Tips and Hints  
Connecting with your family history



**Genealogy Guide** – Use this updated guide, as you begin to research your family roots. This handy 10-page guide will provide background on Norwegian-North American immigration along with information about Norwegian names and places.

## **NAGC & NL – Madison, WI- <http://www.nagcnl.org/>**

Norwegian American Genealogical Center & Naeseth Library (NAGC & NL) serves a worldwide audience by building and sharing stellar research collections, publishing useful and popular genealogical materials, and reaching out to all those who seek to know and venerate their Norwegian roots.

Genealogy Classes- <http://www.nagcnl.org/classes/>

Webinars- <http://www.nagcnl.org/webinars/>

Videos- <http://www.nagcnl.org/videos/>

Research help- <http://www.nagcnl.org/getting-started-guide/>

## Deadlines and Dates!

### Changes in red!

#### September 10, 2021

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at [eber01dj@gmail.com](mailto:eber01dj@gmail.com)

#### Weekend of October 8-10, 2021

- District Board Meeting – **Madison, WI**

#### October 10, 2021

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at [eber01dj@gmail.com](mailto:eber01dj@gmail.com)

#### November 10, 2021

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at [eber01dj@gmail.com](mailto:eber01dj@gmail.com)

#### December 10, 2021

- Photos due for The Viking – send to Karen Eberhardt, District 5 Publicity and Zone 3 Director at [eber01dj@gmail.com](mailto:eber01dj@gmail.com)

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#### DISTRICT FIVE LODGE MEETING

Idun Lodge will host the meeting on June 15-19, 2022 at the Madison Marriott West in Middleton, Wisconsin.

#### INTERNATIONAL LODGE MEETING

The International Lodge Meeting will be held in 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. The convention will be held August 31<sup>st</sup> to Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 2022, with first time delegates arriving on the 30<sup>th</sup> of August for the First Timers Training. Delegates will depart the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September. Here is the information about the venue, be sure and watch the virtual tour of the site!

**(<https://youtu.be/S7TljcinVCU>)-** Omni Hotels and Resorts, Omni Viking Lakes Hotel, 2611 Nordic Way, Eagan, MN 55121

#### **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!**

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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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