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# **JOTTINGS**

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#### ENDOWMENT FUND

# Recent DAAL Board Actions Demonstrate Optimism For Future

Leading the board decisions that bode well for The Archive's future is that of increasing Assistant Jill Hennick's hours from fifteen to twenty-five a week and increasing her hourly wage from \$10 to \$11. This action brings further relief for the director, and it prepares the way for a paid director in the future.

Other decisions are designed to increase DAAL's visibility in the Danish-American community. This will be done by again being a sponsor of the Danish American Heritage Society's Conference. This year's conference is in Minneapolis, October 1-4, 2009. Former conferences co-sponsored by the DAAL were held in Omaha in 2002 and Des Moines in 2005. Sponsorship enables the DAAL to have exhibit space promoting its activities and Lur Publications.

A second public contact for the DAAL will be by having representatives present at the Danebod Festival in Tyler, Minnesota, and at the Farstrup-Mortensen Lectures in Solvang, California. A third promotional effort being considered is the hosting of one or more invitational coffees for people and professional leaders of the Blair-Omaha area.

Like the decisions regarding the assistant, another directly related to the operation of the DAAL is that to purchase additional shelving for the Nielsen Room. This is necessitated by the ever-expanding number of boxes used to house the various collections.

# Nominations Open for Two DAAL Board Positions

Two three-year spots will be filled at the annual meeting of The Danish American Archive and Library during the Volunteer Week in October. Board members must attempt to be present at both the April and October archive weeks at their own expense.

Currently the two spots are held by Sandra Wigdahl of Blair and Edward Hansen of Edina, Minnesota. Both are eligible for reelection. The Bylaws specify that one must live within a radius of 75 miles of The Archive. Please send any nominations for these two positions to the director, John W. Nielsen, before July 21, 2009. E-mail

nominations can be sent to <a href="mailto:archive@dana.edu">archive@dana.edu</a>. U.S. mail nominations should be sent to John W. Nielsen, Director, The Danish American Archive and Library, Dana College, 2848 College Drive, Blair, Nebraska 68008. Nominations will be announced in the August *Jottings*.

### **Generous Gifts Strengthen Financial Status – Endowment and General**

Although an institution such as the DAAL cannot exist without the support of hundreds of individuals making contributions of \$25, \$50, and \$100, neither can it expand and realize its full potential without donors of significantly larger amounts.

Since the annual meeting last October two such donors made their appearance. One is Elna Nielsen Bellows of Edina, Minnesota; the other, Ruth and Duane Benson of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

The Benson gift of \$20,000 was given in memory of Dorothy Larsen, Ruth Benson's sister. Dorothy was a Dana graduate whose quiet, unassuming manner won her a host of friends. This entire gift was placed in the Endowment Fund. (It was recently learned that Duane died in Tucson on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Sincere sympathy is extended to Ruth and the family.)

The Bellows gift of \$15,000 (\$10,000 to Endowment, \$5,000 to General Fund) came with a note expressing gratitude that her collection of letters from both the Hansen and Nielsen sides of her family had found a place of preservation where they would be accessible to future generations of scholars. Elna is a graduate of Grand View.

Other gifts of \$1,000 or more have been received from Borge M. Christensen, Rochester, MN, Frederick Hansen, Wichita, KS, Roger and Marilyn Hanson, Cedar Falls, IA, C.I. "Jerry" and Maryann Lund, Mukilteo, WA, John W. and Elizabeth Nielsen, Blair, NE, and Joan Sorensen, Ankeny, IA

### Thanks for The Bridge

Tim Jensen and DAAL wish to thank all those who responded to the appeal for past copies of *The Bridge* that completed our collection.

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### Researchers Avail Themselves Of Archive Collections

Marianne Paasch from Aalborg University has just finished using DAAL materials for her research on the division that occurred in the Danish Lutheran Church in America during the late 1880s and '90s. This division was what led to two separate Danish churches in the United States which breach was not finally overcome until 1990 with the formation of the ELCA.

Marianne divided her three-month stay in the United States between time at Grand View College and at The Danish American Archive and Library.

Coming to The Archive for the month of August is Aarhus professor Michael Boos. His August visit is preparatory for a longer stay during the 2009-2010 school year. Working with Professor Boos will be Dr. Iain Anderson of Dana's history department and Dr. John Mark Nielsen, director of The Danish Immigrant Museum.

# War Games Covers Lead-Up to Nazi Occupation of Denmark

Recently published by Historical Trust Publishing of Madison, Wisconsin, is *War Games* written by Lucille Wilder and edited and prepared for publication by Torben Tvorup Christensen.

This book concentrates on the weeks and days leading up to the Nazi invasion of Denmark on April 9, 1940. Here is a detailed study of diplomatic negotiations and intrigue seldom portrayed.

Upon her death Ms. Wilder left extensive manuscript notes for a second volume treating the actual occupation. Whether that volume is ever completed depends partly on the sale of this first volume.

This soft-cover book sells for \$19.95 plus shipping. Negotiations are underway for DAAL to sell the book. The editor, Torben T. Christensen, is the first Bodtker Grant recipient of the DAHS. His research under that grant was on the Hans Jorgensen family's Americanization as reflected in DAAL holdings.

# **Immigrant Romance Unfolds In Archive Correspondence**

The director's heart skipped several beats when he opened the box. Here was a packet of 58 letters from Jacob Riis! Could it really be? What a treasure – personal letters of the famous Danish American author and social work pioneer, the friend of Teddy Roosevelt.

Hopes of a national treasure were soon dashed. The letters were from Jacob Riis, but not the friend of Roosevelt.

Sampling the Danish letters, Nielsen's excitement revived. Here was the record – only one side of the correspondence all be it – of an immigrant romance. Jacob Riis and Jorgine Enghoff met on a ship coming to America. Those days were sufficient, however, to ignite the flame of desire and love in Jacob's breast. A problem, however, existed. There was a handsome Swede onboard. He also was attracted to Jorgine. So a triangle prevailed as the ship made port.

Not only was there the Swede, but the daunting problem of distance confronting Jacob's dreams. He was scheduled to go to California, Jorgine to assume a position in Rhode Island. A nation would separate them. That in a day when travelling to the neighboring county was a challenge, not to mention another state. Here an entire continent would separate them. What would be the resolution?

The packet of letters was originally given to The Danish Immigrant Museum in Elk Horn in 1999 before being transferred to the Danish American Archive and Library this year. Ten years separated the Archive staff from the museum donors – Robert and Esther Riis. Who were the donors? Did Jacob and Jorgine ever marry? Would the Archive ever know? Assistant Jill Hennick discovered that there was still a Robert and Esther Riis listed in San Diego. A follow-up letter and response verified that Jacob and Jorgine did marry. They had a son, and Esther was his widow. Her son Robert was therefore their grandson. The Archive is presently awaiting further information and pictures.

John and Minna Mortensen of Cleveland, Ohio, are translating the letters – all from Jacob. He, it seems – perhaps in the fashion of men – failed to save Jorgine's letters to him. The Mortensens, however, already see the developing intimacy between these two Danes as the salutation moves from "Dear Miss Enghoff" to "My own sweet girl". Will this be a forthcoming Lur book or just another Archive treasure?

# Minneapolis Conference and UELC Gathering in Coming Months

The traditional gathering of friends and former members of the UELC will be held at Dana, June 13-14. This year's event will commemorate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Trinity Seminary and Dana College.

Dr. Bill Christensen, Emeritus Professor of History at Midland College and author of *Saga of the Tower*, will speak on Saturday morning on the founding of the seminary. In the afternoon Ann George will moderate a panel on "Growing up in the UELC". The Sunday morning worship will have Ken Jensen of Albert Lea preaching and serving as liturgist.

Saturday morning will also see a presentation on "The Legacy of John Neihardt and Black Elk". Dana Professor Bill Thomsen devoted his last years to these two figures.

The Minneapolis Conference of the Danish American Heritage Society occurs October 1-3 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel under the theme "Innovation: The Danish Way." The keynote speaker is Jørgen Mads Clausen, President and CEO of Danfoss A/S, a Danish manufacturing giant in the global marketplace. The Conference will feature other presentations on Danish American innovation such as design, art, culture, and social endeavors.

Information on detailed program and registration may be received by contacting Dana College, Blair, NE 68008, Attn: Carrie Reed for the Dana event and Susan Jacobsen (612)870-3204, sjacobse@artsmia.org, www.artsmia.org for the DAHS Conference.

### **Lur Publications Reactivates With Release** Of Two Books This Spring

Lur Publications with Ruth Rasmussen serving as director of operations has just released two books. The first, a reprint of the Dana College centennial cookbook, Recipes and **Reminiscences**, appears again for the college's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The second is a reprint of Boats in the Night, the account of Knud Dyby's role in the Danish resistance movement and the rescue of the Danish Jews.

Working to make the recipe book available have been Ann George, editor of the original book, Helga and Verlan Hanson and Ruth Rasmussen. The book is available for \$10.95 plus \$3.00 for shipping for the first book plus \$1.00 shipping for each additional book. Send orders to The Danish American Archive and Library with checks made out to Lur Publications.

Boats in the Night written by Martha Loeffler and edited by John Mark Nielsen is a third printing of the second edition of this bestselling book. The book sells for \$18.95 with the same shipping charges as mentioned above. However, the two books may be combined for calculating shipping.

Arrangements are being made with the Mortensen family to publish Enok Mortensen's last novel, Plough to the Setting Sun. This novel was written in English, but when Mortensen was unable to find an English publisher, he translated it into Danish in which language it has been printed. Now it is hoped to have the original English text available for the public by the time of the Danebod Festival in Tyler in August and the DAHS Conference in Minneapolis in October.

The book is the story of a Danish immigrant pastor during the days of early settlement. As such it preserves many insights into immigrant Danish church life.

#### **Danish Family Recipes Released**

The Carl Holm family of Livermore, California, has released a recipe book of family experiences and life in the Livermore hills. Inquiries and orders may be placed by contacting Nancy Mueller, cowgirlpress@yahoo.com.

#### **DIRECTOR'S NOTES:**

When Marion Hansen was asked during Volunteer Week, "How are you?" her reply was, "Grateful." That is my reaction to this quarter in the DAAL. Actually, gratitude and thankfulness are foundations of a meaningful life.

First of all Elizabeth and I want to thank all who remembered us on our 60th anniversary with cards and notes. Then we are joined in our gratitude by DAAL who was the beneficiary of many gifts given in our honor. The sum was impressive.

I early surmised that the response was not wholly spontaneous and that suspicion was confirmed when Dody Johnson brought a kransekage to our Volunteer Week coffee. It was she, the director of Archive Week activity and my friend since childhood, who orchestrated the whole event. Thank you.

Next my gratitude extends to the 33 volunteers who were here for the week. Not only did they perform diligent and essential service, but they contributed the cost of their travel, lodging and meals - no small gift in today's economy.

Then, of course, Elizabeth and I were grateful and thrilled to meet Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary – not so much to shake their hands as to have them instantly respond to our identification as directors of the DAAL,"Oh, that is where researchers work. We have heard about it!" Obviously someone at the Embassy briefed them well.

I have been grateful also for the response to Pete Petersen's suggestion of last May that perhaps 52 people would make gifts of \$150 a week's salary for an assistant. Your response was tremendous, and Jill Hennick has more than met our expectations. Now to meet an ever-expanding need, we are hoping that the number will be doubled to 104 or the amount increased to \$275. Sandra Wigdahl has led off with a \$275 gift, and Dody Johnson has made a \$100 initial contribution. Remember the lines from Victor Herbert's New Moon - "Start me with ten...and I'll soon give you 10,000 more." Is this wishful thinking or something waiting to be realized? The August Jottings will be an indication.

Finally, again I want to express our sincere sympathy to those individuals and families who have lost loved ones and friends. Pressures make it impossible to write personal notes to each of you, but know that you have been in my thoughts and most of the time in my prayers also. We thank you for making The Archive the beneficiary of your memories.

# **ARCHIVE REPORT**

TO: Tom Nielsen, Library Director

FROM: John W. Nielsen, Archive Director

**VOLUNTEERS:** 1,568 hours by 38 volunteers from Blair, Fremont, and Omaha, Nebraska, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, South Dakota, Texas, and Wisconsin.

VISITORS: 33 visitors from California, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Nebraska, Tennessee, Texas, Wisconsin and

USERS: 34 users from California, Colorado, Hawaii, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Ohio, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Denmark.

#### **ACQUISITIONS:**

- 1. Clipping of Duane and Ruth Benson's 80<sup>th</sup> birthdays. Funeral folder and letter concerning Duane's death. (Presented by Ruth Larsen Benson, Council Bluffs, Iowa.)
- Cassettes: "Syng med På Julens Sange," "De Tre Glade Gøglere Lidt af Hvert." CDs: Ann & Aberne "Skru' Så Op Mor,"
  "Søværnet Ønsker God Vind," and Sct, Jørgens Kirkes Pigekor: "Jeg tror, der er skønnest I Danmark." (Presented by Erna
  Berthelsen, Albert Lea, Minnesota.)
- 3. Jean & Edith Matteson's **Blossoms of the Prairie: The History of the Danish Lutheran Churches in Nebraska.**Obituary for Ruth Hermansen Larsen. (Presented by Peter and Laura Berthelsen, Elba, Nebraska.)
- 4. **Dansk Almanak 1934.** (Presented by Barbara K. Bolts, Orchard, Nebraska.)
- 5. Letter about Elizabeth L. Boos and an inventory list of items sent. Clipping about music award to E. Boos from American University and four letters about the award. Certificate of award. Program for The Collegium Musicum directed by E. Boos. Programs for Boos recitals at Washington Cathedral and Lutheran Church of the Reformation. Clipping on Menotti's "Unicorn" directed by Boos. Numerous other clippings and programs. Death notice and memorial folder for Elizabeth L. Boos Memorial folder for service at Church of St, Catherine of Siena, Cincinnati, OH. "Alleluia Cum Psallite" by E. Boos and printed by American Institute of Musicology in Rome. Antoine de Feoin's "Sancta Trinitas" edited by Boos. Copy of Boos' article in **Die Musik in Geschichte und Gegenwort.** Various Danish brochures and music compositions, clippings and postcards. (Presented by Ann Boos, Washington, D.C.)
- 6. Mona Giersing's **Mine 100 Bedste Opskrifter Morgenmad.** (Presented by Jeremy Bowman, Blair, Nebraska, from unknown donor.)
- 7. Three family accounts: "Christian and Bertha Peterson Family," "Christian Nels Peterson Chris," and "Bertha Berg Peterson." (Presented by Arlys Boyum, Northfield, Minnesota.)
- 8. Obituary for Ingeborg K. Knudsen. (Presented by Borge M. Christensen, Rochester, Minnesota.)
- 9. **War Games,** an account of diplomatic events preceding the 1940 Nazi invasion of Denmark, written and edited by Lucille Wilder and Torben Tvorup Christensen. (Presented by Torben Tvorup Christensen, Aalborg, Denmark.)
- 10. P.S. Vig's **Danske I Kamp** and **Dansk Luthersk Mission I Amerika**, M.T. Marzolf's **The Danish Language Press in America**, C.B. Christiansen's **Recollections of our Church Work 1877-1927**, Ewald's **Svenskerne paa Kronborg** and **Den skotske Kvinde**, and 20 Dana LARP books. (Presented by C. Art & Gwen Christiansen, St. Paul, Minnesota.)
- 11. Phonograph records: "Champagnegallopen," Helmuth's "Opad eller Nedad," Aksel Schiotz's "Sangeaf C.E.F. Weyse I," "Musik fra Tivoli," "Sangen I Danmark," Erik Paaske's "Mine Yndlingssange," Kjeld Ingrisch's "Muld og Malm (Presented by The Danish Immigrant Museum from an unknown donor.) Gravengaard's **En Julegave fra Amerika**, L. Petersen's **Unge Hjerter**, Erna Juel-Hansen's **Efter Solnedgang**, **Eventyr**, and **Danmark**. (Presented from Irene Schmidt, Audubon, Iowa, by The Danish Immigrant Museum.) Nine booklets: "Ritual for Danish Brotherhood in America," "Handbook for Conducting Meetings," "Articles of Incorporation and Constitution and By-laws" 1963 and 1967 editions, "By-laws for Cut-Off Lake Lodge #195. (Presented from Ed and Gay Terkelsen, Omaha, Nebraska, by The Danish Immigrant Museum.) Facsimile printing of 1550 Danish Bible given to Rev. A.W. Warren of Clarks Grove, Minnesota, by Odense Baptist Conference during his 1929 visit to Denmark. (Presented from A.J. "Pete" Petersen, Kennewick, Washington, by The Danish Immigrant Museum, Elk, Horn, Iowa.)
- 12. Family history and genealogy folder on Claus Andersen Olsen (1841-1894) and Brangstrup Ellegaards. (Presented by James and Merete Duarte, Ham Lake, Minnesota.)
- 13. **Danmarks Melodier** 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> collections. Record albums: Danish Songs sung by Aage Emil Jacobsen," and "Lauritz Melchior: Danish Songs." Single records Aksel Schiotz "Flyv Fugl, Flyv" and "Husker di I Host." Carl Brison: "Kærlighedens Klokker" and "Nåd De Lyse Lærke Syngger Over Danmark." (Presented by Elverhoj Museum of History and Art, Solvang, California.)
- 14. Copy of confirmation class picture 1943, Our Savior's, Racine, WI. Articles on "Danish Design in Racine" and on Danish ship hanging in Gethsemane, Racine. Fremont **Tribune's** account of Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary's visit to Blair. Obituaries: Howard E. Andreasen, Robert Jensen, Evelyn Olsen, James R. Johnson, Michelle D. Nelsen,

Patricia A. Nelson, Joshua Pedersen, Marie K. Federsen, Thomas Erickson, Sheryl I. Hanson, Lawrence Johnson, Ruby Freund Larsen, Elsie Foster, Marie N. Hansen, Cpt. Bradford Ableson, Rodney W. Johnson, Kenneth C. Johnson, Janis Nelson, Helen Peterson, Kenneth E. Hansen, G.B. Anderson, Jeanette Jacob, Donna L. Jensen, Catherine Nelson, Patricia Christensen, Sandra E. Jorgensen, Jack A. Jensen, Errol K. Jacobsen, Shirley Boysen, Duane Beck, Fred Nelson, Harold E. Olsen, Catherine Stinger Petersen, LaVerne C. Andersen, Shirley Andersen, Betty Christensen, Kenneth I. Peterson, John W. Hansen, Raymond C. Hanson, , Sr., Mary Theodore Jensen, Candace Peterson Gotschall, Calvin Jorgensen, Charlene Pedersen, Oscar Nelson, Dwight Hollins, Dale Gene Mattson, Lana Roubal Hansen, Jean V. Peterson, Harry E. Mathisen, Richard Lee Andersen, Sr., Twila Johansen Robert M. Swenson, Gary L. Hansen, Mildred Masters Nielsen, Iryle "Kay" Petersen, Bernice Robertson, Ruth Ritzen Hansen, Phyllis Andersen Clarke, Marie Ericksen, John E. Larsen, Diane Wiese Hansen, Donald R. Hansen, William L. Erickson, Karen Frederickson, Leslie Thiessen, Roxane Andersen, Marlene Lynn Olsen, Sally Jean Johnson, Jean Rae Hansen, Thomas G. Erickson, William Alden Nelson, Cynthia Fredericksen Rossow, Lorraine M. Fransen, William Nelson, Jr., Carla A. Rasmussen, Robert P. Petersen. (Presented by Esther Freund, Fremont, Nebraska.)

- 15. Packets of material on 1. Earl and Dorthea Jensen's engagement and marriage, 2. Dorthea's acting, 3. Earl's high school, education, 4. Dorthea's documents, 5. Earl as Danish Vice-Consul, Knight of Dannebrog, 6. Photographs of Earl and Dorthea, 7. Correspondence, 8. Earl's work at Grain Dealers Mutual, 9. Earl's awards, programs, miscellaneous, 10. Dorthea's death certificate, will, 11. Danish Brotherhood material, 12. Omaha memorabilia, 13. Savings and Bank records, 14. Pictures, 15. Clippings on births and deaths. (Presented by Christie Jensen Gehringer, Omaha, Nebraska.)
- 16. Omaha **Sunday World Herald Parade** article on Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary. (Presented by Ann George, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 17. Photos of early twentieth century china bearing pictures of Dana and Blair. (Presented by Eric George, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 18. Copies of Anna Knudsen's baptismal and confirmation certificates. (Presented by Steven Godwin, Medford, Oregon.)
- 19. Obituaries: Kirstine D. Thomsen, Ben Dale Pedersen, Ellen Hansen McCoy, Richard B. Kjelgaard, Marvin Raymond Jensen, Conrad N. Nelson, Kathleen Pedersen Dietrick, Hans Borge Nielsen, Jens Andersen Henecke, Ann Jorgensen Blanchard, Richard L. Stueland, Margaret Holk Aanenson, Norman Lewis Nielsen, Allen P. Holm, Elna Andersen McCoy, Elsie Olsen Eschenbacher, Elgin B. Hundtoft, Ralph Soren Jensen. (Presented by Esther Grindberg, Circle Pines, Minnesota.)
- 20. Account of his grandfather, Jens Hansen as well as "Excerpts from the Course of My Life" by Jens Hansen. (Presented by Edward A. Hansen, Edina, Minnesota.)
- 21. Olfert Ricard's **Ungdomsliv**, Knud Skytte's **Politik og Svogerskab**, Christen Møller's **Bibelhistorie for Seminarier og Højere Skoler**, Sverdrup's **Udtog af dr. Erich Pontoppidan Forklaring**, N.P. Madsen's **Anita**, Knud Wiese **Fange I Tyskland**, **Ny dansk Læsebog**, Kr. Mikkelsen's **Dansk Sproglære**, Espersen & Pinholt's **ABC Bogen**. Memorial card for John P. West (1852-1925). Notebook of Anna Marie West. Picture of 1940-41 Dana choir. Diary of Anna West's 1929 trip to Denmark (translated by Maynard Hansen). Copies of Argo church and cemetery records. Photo of Argo church and congregation. Copy of Otto Hansen family picture. Picture postcard of Anna Goldbeck. Death certificate for Anna West. Funeral folders or obituaries: Olga O. Hansen, Magnus P. West, Alma Anine Munksgard, Herman Adolph West, Ruth M. Lawrence, Dagmar K. Goldbeck, Chris Pedersen, Lillian Pedersen, Ellen Black, Morris D. Mortensen, Ray C. Hansen, Rev. William Goldbeck, Delmer C. West. (Presented by Maynard and Marion Hansen, Springfield, Missouri.)
- 22. Information on the Family of Mads and Gjertrud Marie Petersen Hansen. (Presented by Robert R. Hansen, Sioux City, Iowa.)
- 23. Account of German occupation of Denmark by Ove Bjieriegaard. (Presented by William and Doris Hanson, Edina, Minnesota.)
- 24. **Trinity's Centennial Album** and **History of Trinity Lutheran Church: The Second 100 Years.** (Presented by Harold R. Hanson, Albert Lea, Minnesota.)
- 25. Funeral bulletin for Cleo Hanson. "Reminiscences of Cleo" by Verlan Hanson (cousin). (Presented by Verlan and Helga Hanson, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 26. "Lands of Opportunity" article from the **Economist** on Israel, Denmark and Singapore. "Rasmussens Abound" on Denmark's prime minister's appointment to NATO position. (Presented by Michael and Jill Hennick, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 27. 47 copies of **Hermes 1956-1958.** (Presented by Harold and Grace Holm, Racine, Wisconsin.)
- 28. Obituary: Beulah Skousen Brady. (Presented by Jim and Marge Iversen, Ames, Iowa.)
- 29. Biographical tribute to Sine Sorensen Jacobsen Sorensen by her granddaughter, Geraldine Phyllis Peterson Jasan. Packet of relevant documents and materials. Notebook of 1992 Reunion of Immanuel Lutheran people Hazelwood, Minnesota. Packet on 1944 Golden Jubilee of Immanuel. Packet of items from 1950-1960. Packet on 1982 reunion. Packet on 1994 centennial. 12 packets on Danish Days Gatherings at St. Peter's, Northfield, Minnesota 1988-1999. (Presented by Geraldine Jasan, Northfield, Minnesota.)
- 30. Issues of <u>Den Danske Pioneer.</u> "Spire Echoes" (St. Paul's, Neola, Iowa, August 2998 to January 2009). Sunday bulletins from St. Paul's, Neola, and Immanuel, Orum, Nebraska. (Presented by Tim and Sharon Jensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 31. Christen Jeppesen's financial record books: 4 volumes covering 1910 to 1965. 15 pastoral appointment books from 1954 to 1971 (1969 missing). 5 **Salmebog, Sangeren,** and **Psalmebog.** Funeral folders and death certificates for Anna and Christen Jeppesen, Clippings covering C. Jeppesen's death. "Trinity Lutheran Church 1882-1982" Westbrook, Maine.

Clipping of Brooklyn Lutheran, Wisconsin. Material on Frank and Hilda Nielsen's 50<sup>th</sup>. Frank Nielsen's pension material and death announcement. Hilda's Funeral folder and death announcement. 1914 Dana program sponsored by Dannebrog and Hesperian societies. Correspondence between Bishop Fritschel and Herbert Jeppesen concerning C. Jeppesen's retirement. Packet of material on Bethany Lutheran, Ord, Nebraska. C. Jeppesen's financial status at Dana-Trinity 1910-1915. 1912 Dana commencement program. Packet of postcards between C. Jeppesen and Anna Nielsen. Packet of 12 letters to Anna Nielsen while a child at the Children's Home in Elk Horn, Iowa about 1892-1900. Packet of material on C. Jeppesen's personal and pastoral activity. Pictures of historical marker plaque for Holy Rosary-Danish Church Historic District in Indianapolis taken by Herbert Jeppesen. (Presented by Lynda Jeppesen, Chicago, Illinois.)

- 32. Picture of a 1952 UELC convention gathering at the Deppe Jensen home in Albert Lea, Minnesota. Obituaries: Oscar Johnson, Stanley Carlsen, Shirley Pedersen Sondergard, Jean Nielsen Urbanek. 4 cassette tapes of Argo Church records, registry and treasurer's report. (Presented by Dody Johnson, Iowa City, Iowa.)
- 33. Niels Peter Stilling and Anna Lisbeth Olsen's A New Life. (Presented by Paul Johnson, Fremont, Nebraska.)
- 34. 1991-92 Washington County License Directory and 1978 Plat Book of Wash. Co. **Blair -1869-1969.** "Libertyville" signed poem by Joseph Landland. Poster for Dana's 1959 production of Victor Herbert's "The Fortune Teller." Program and clippings on Sustainable Enterprise Conf. at Dana. Obituaries: Henrietta Lippincott, R. Carol Thorson. (Presented by Richard Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 35. 6 copies of **Danmarks Posten.** (Presented by Mogens Kiehn, Scottsdale, Arizona.)
- 36. 7 cups and saucers of Bing and Grondahl "Falling Leaf" pattern. (Presented by Nathan Kramer, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 37. Clipping on visit of Denmark's Crown Prince and Princess. (Presented by Bee Krantz, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 38. 10 photos of 1939 visit of Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Ingrid to Dana. (Presented by Ezra Larsen, Boulder, Colorado.)
- 39. **Gyldendals Røde Ordbøger: Dansk-Engelsk** and **Engelsk-Dansk, Retskrivings Ordbogen.** (Presented by Mary Larsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 40. **Den Hellige Naduere** DLPH, 1919. (Presented by Nancy Larsen, Ashland, Ohio.)
- 41. Copy of family album photo and text for Milton Christian and Margery Larsen Nielsen. Congregational photo directory for Gethsemane Luth., Racine, 1997. 24 copies of pictures of family members. Photo of Rev. A.T. Schultz. 10 pictures of family members. Obituaries: Margery Nielsen Adelsen, DeWayne Larsen, Otto Larsen. Obituary for Norman M. Winther. (Presented by Karen Nielsen Lorence, Aurora, Illinois and Seneca, Wisconsin.)
- 42. Funeral bulletin for Norman M. Winther. (Presented by Frank and Margaret Madsen, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.)
- 43. Baptism (1897) and Confirmation (1911) certificates for Sigrid Jorgensen (Koldenborg). Kenosha nursing certificate (1926). Marriage announcement and certificates for Sigrid Jorgensen and Clifford Koldenborg (1934). 2 photos of Sigrid and Clifford; 2 miniatures of Sigrid and Myrtle Jorgensen 91903). Photo album belonging to Sigrid. Photo of Thomas Clifford Koldenborg and birth and baptismal certificate (1935). Clipping on Thomas' tragic death. 9 photos of Gail Koldenborg. (Presented by Gary and Diane Madsen, Verona, Wisconsin.)
- 44. Obituaries: Ingrid Yobiassen, Howard A. Jensen, Alice Holm Homerlah, Karsten Munck, Barbara Abdresen Hooy, Rolf Johannes Jensen, Warren K. Hansen, Beverly Anderson Young, Reed W. Jensen, Hans Henry Larsen, James A. Jensen, Thomas Iver Petersen, Melvin Stanley Amundsen, Vivi Hofler, Helen Gregersen. (Presented by Frances McGee, San Leandro, California.)
- 45. Obituaries: Hans Stampe, Joel M. Sorensen, Curtis D. Petersen, Ivan B. Christensen, Willard R. Hagedorn, Donald M. Hansen, Willy Christensen, Richard A. Jensen, Leland L. Nelsen, Stanley E. Andersen, Arlene Halvorson, Douglas Christensen, Lester E. Clemsen, Richard E. Hemmingsen, William M. Slawson, Jr., Betty Bang Doiley, Sylvia Jensen, Barbara Hansen Walters, Howard M. Christensen, Helen Larsen Kopaska. (Presented by Marilyn Meyer, Everly, Iowa.)
- 46. Photo of 1930 confirmation class at Immanuel, Racine, A.T. Schultz pastor. Photo of Bible School, Immanuel and 2 copies of "Lutheran Convention" photos. **A History of the Wisconsin District of the UELC.** (Presented by Earl and Doris Nelsen, Racine, Wisconsin.)
- 47. 8 large boxes of material including: M. Nielsen's **The Life and Times of Doc Nielsen**, Julie Jensen McDonald's **Petra** and **The Sailing Out**, both autographed by the author to Elaine Neve Nielsen. Numerous hymnals and song books. 154 letters and 190 cards between Dora Larsen Neve and Laura Larsen Pedersen, her sister from 1906-1973. 10 albums of Dana Choir recordings. Album of Dana pictures and reminiscences prepared by Juri That for Paul and Lela Neve.21 tapes of music. Packets of material concerning Paul Neve's personal and professional life. 10 packets of slides. 17 records of classical and religious music. Packets of Neve cousin reunions. Albums of Nielsen family gatherings. Packets on the N.P. Nielsen and A.V. Neve families. Photograph albums. (Presented by Paul Neve, Blair, Nebraska).
- 48. Dana clippings. (Presented by John W. and Elizabeth Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 49. Personal papers and certificates of Harold Holm and of Ruth Nelson Holm. 9 packets of material and business records of Asdahl-Nelson, Inc. of Racine. Packet of 40 quit claims, land claims, and mortgages of the 1920s, 30s and 40s. Clippings, diplomas, documents, photographs and material belonging to Rev. N.P. Nielsen. Clippings of Chuck and Vera Mae Doidge and funeral folder for Vera Mae. Material on Our Savior's, Sioux City, Iowa, and Immanuel-Bethany, Plainview, Nebraska. (Presented by LeVern and Marilyn Nielsen, Racine, Wisconsin.)
- 50. 125th Dana convocation program with awarding of degree to Crown Prince Frederik. (Presented by Tom Nielsen, Blair,

- Nebraska.)
- 51. Bruun's 5 vol. Danmark Land og Folk (1923). (Presented from Our Savior's by Irving Jensen family, Sioux City, Iowa.)
- 52. Program for Calgary appearance of Trio Con Brio Copenhagen appearing in concert in memory of N. Peter Pallesen, Danish and Icelandic Consul of Alberta (1918-1928) from estate of Florence Mannix Pallesen. 6 pictures of trio members and others. (Presented by Peter Pallesen, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.)
- 53. "Trust in the Lord' The story of George and Irene Pallesen by Tim Pallesen. "Happy and Sad Danes Unite" article by T.P. on Ringsted in **The Lutheran.** (Presented by Tim Pallesen, Blair, Nebraska.)
- 54. 24 books including: Ringsborg's Fortællinger fra Hverdagslivet, Hilleren's Nattens Hvide Blomst, Bay's Mod og Mands Hjerte, Graversen's Salmedigteren Hans Adolf Brorsen, Ussing's Seks Fortællinger for Børn, Johansen's Elven Fosser. (Presented by Grace Hansen Pearson, Omaha, Nebraska.)
- 55. Notebooks: one of poems written by Aage Warren in Danish, one of letters, hotel receipts, passenger list of R.M.S.P. **Orduna**, program of concert on board (1923). Brief history of Paulsen Family (Warren's wife family), account of Mathias and Mary Paulson and their descendants. Family tree of Paul and Marie Fredrickson. Photo of Glad Hand Bible Class, Danish Baptist Church, Clarks Grove, Minnesota, and other materials. (Presented by A.J. "Pete" Petersen, Kennewick, Washington.)
- 56. 1932 UELC convention picture at Spencer, Iowa. (Presented by Dorothy Petersen, Clinton, Wisconsin.)
- 57. Herman Petersen genealogy. Ernest Huber genealogy. Clippings and pictures on Walter and Ann Huber. (Presented by Eric Petersen, Omaha, Nebraska.)
- 58. Letter of family traditions and 8 remembrance "Your Great Grandparents: Tom and Alice," "Orville and Edythe Peterson," "Ruth and Emory Farnum," "Thomas and Alice Peterson" by Coral, "Orin and Odell Peterson," "Merry Christmas to All of You" by Ida, "Dorothy and Milton Peterson," "Joyce and Norm Boyum." (Presented by Orville and Edythe Peterson, Northfield, Minnesota.)
- 59. Update on Kerry Raadt and his family. (Presented by Paul Raadt, Northfield, Minnesota.)
- 60. Death notice for Erna Andreasen. (Presented by Ruth Rasmussen, Omaha, Nebraska.)
- 61. 9 hymnals and songbooks. Packet of clippings on Albert Lea and Danish subjects. Obituaries: Paul M. Christensen, Myrtle Jensen Offenhauser, Lois Christensen Brown, Emily Osborne, Karen Kallberg Greenberg, Ardis Larsen Thompson, Elizabeth Andresen, Sarah Severtson, Yvonne Anderson Wright, Alta Romer Jensen, Shirley Jensen Conn, Elton Jorgensen, Ruth Wangsness Pedersen, Vernetta Paulsen, John H.E. Reid, Ruth Nelson Smith, John Goodmanson, Lloyd Jorgenson, Donald Christensen, Soren Sorensen, Andrew Pechacek, Beatice Paulson, Norman L. Nielsen, Dorothy Miers Jensen. (Presented by Eleanor and Donald Schou, Albert Lea, Minnesota.)
- 62. "Skovby-Schoubye Family of Neder Jerstal, North Slesvig, Denmark and Maries County, Missouri, U.S.A." (Presented by Alan and Yvonne Skovby, Columbia, Missouri.)
- 63. E-mail on Thorvald Sorensen. Lauritz Melchior **Scandinavian Songs** album. (Presented by Kathy Sonsalla, Webster City, Iowa.)
- 64. "The Lutheran Church: Ringsted, Iowa" (St. Ansgars 1882-1932). Centennial bulletin (St. Paul's, Ringsted, 1897-1997). Centennial booklets for St. Paul's (Ringsted, 1897-1997) and St. John's (Ringsted, 1882-1982). Seventy-Fifth Anniversary booklet for St. Ansgar's, Rosenborg, Nebraska, 1884-1959. "St. John's Lutheran Church, Kronborg, Nebraska, 1880-1976. Obituaries: Hjalmer P. Krogh, Ella Skow Phillips, Doris Rasmussen, Winnie Maude Hansen, Dane Patrick Andersen, Helen Hansen Bice, Kenneth "Poppi" Hansen, Helen Marie Cress, Esther Jensen Hansen, Lilly Mogensen Brodie, Denny "Butch" Hansen, Eunice Rasmussen McCool, Edna Lauritsen, George "Pete" Petersen, Curtis D. Petersen, Valborg Marcussen Ritchhart, Lorraine Blanc Devol, Harold W. Jensen, Wilma Nielsen, Pauline Mickelsen, Stanley Carlsen, Mildred Romer Carlsen, Alta Vammen Whitaker, Dr. Warren Vammen, Arne "Jake" Sorensen, Julie Anne Paulsen, Ella Petersen Staker, Conwell "Dunnie" Sorensen, Anton Esbeck, Kenneth Sorensen, Ione Brock Jensen, Lindsay Jensen, Anne Marie Skov Marck. (Presented by Joan Sorensen, Ankeny, Iowa.)
- 65. Nella Larsen's **Quicksand and Passing** and two children's articles appearing in W.E.B. DuBois' children's publication. Program for production of "The Little Mermaid" and clipping of the statue going to Shanghai in 2010. Articles on Inger Christensen (poet), Lis Hertel (silver medal equestrian) and John Utzon (architect). Obituaries: Ruth Pedersen Hansberger, Roy T. Pedersen, Arthur Andersen, Harold B. Kierstead, Darlene Fredriksen Wray, Edward R. Hansen, Walter Sorensen, William Henry Christiansen. (Presented by Martha Stone, Boston, Massachusetts.)
- 66. Memorial card for Joyce Petersen Strong. (Presented by Ray Strong, Papillion, Nebraska.)
- 67. Eben Ezer, Brush, Colorado, brochure, "Meet Our Sisters." Clipping: Sister Engebard Hansen. Obituaries: Johanna Hansen Petersen (Mrs. P.M.0, Christina Houtwed Hansen (Mrs. Jens), N.C. Carlsen. Clippings on Christine Nelson, Mette Lundegaard, Mrs. J.P. Christiansen. Letter from Jenny Hedegaard to the F.W. Thomsens and Mrs. Andersen. (Presented by John Thomsen, Brooklyn, New York.)
- 68. Packet of Hans and Hansena Rasmussen Family material. (Presented by Carol Petersen Verbeck, Gatesville, Texas.)
- 69. Omaha **World Herald Parade** article on Danish Crown Prince and Princess. (Presented by Sandra Wigdahl, Blair, Nebraska.)

# FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund Income		John W. & Elizabeth Nielsen (Blair, NE)	
Dennis Barten (Saint Louis, MO)	100.00	In honor of Phil Pagel's 75 <sup>th</sup> birthday	25.00
R. L. Bartley (Springfield, MO)	20.00	In memory of Allen D. Hansen	25.00 25.00
Louise Baumann (Omaha, NE)	20.00	In memory of Ruby Larsen	25.00
Earl & Deloris Bengtson (Lincolnshire, IL)	40.00	In memory of Lucille Neve Kloth	25.00
	20.00		100.00
Ruth Benson (Council Bluffs, IA)		In memory of Mary Larsen	100.00
Erna Berthelsen (Albert Lea, MN)	100.00	In gratitude for 60 years	
Norma Bickel (Northfield, MN) for postage	10.00	In memory of Norman Winther	25.00
Phyllis Boe (Omaha, NE)	25.00	In memory of Vera Mae Doidge	25.00
Ann Boos (Washington, DC) Elizabeth L Boos memorial	75.00	In memory of Duane Benson	50.00
Ronald & Mary Bro (Omaha, NE)	20.00	Marilyn & LeVern Nielsen (Racine, WI)	
Phil & Marilyn Christensen (Sparks, NV)	50.00	In memory of Vera Doidge	100.00
Robert Creekmore (Old Fort, NC)	20.00	In memory of David Jacobsen	20.00
Danish Club of Tucson (Tucson, AZ)	200.00	In memory of Cliff Adelsen	15.00
Edward & Shirley Hansen (Edina, MN)		In memory of Betty Kuessow	15.00
In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60th anniversary	60.00	Darlene Olsen (Lyons, NE) translation	10.00
Fritz & Cathy Hansen (Wichita, KS)		Pete & Shirley Petersen	
In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60th anniversary	100.00	In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	60.00
Maynard & Marion Hansen (Springfield, MO)		Palma Plume (Evergreen, CO)	
In memory of Lucille Neve Kloth	10.00	In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60th anniversary	300.00
Audrey Hanson (Lewiston, ID) Cleo Hanson memorials from		Robert & Judy Schmoll (Blair, NE )	
Don & Vivian Klingson	10.00	In honor of Phil Pagel's75 <sup>th</sup> birthday	25.00
Shirley Hanson	20.00	Deb Schou (Oklahoma City, OK) in memory of Mary Larsen	50.00
Wayne & Joan Hanson	100.00	Donald & Eleanor Schou (Albert Lea, MN)	
Lois Knabe	20.00	In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60th anniversary	60.00
Ralf & Inga Hoifeldt (Urbandale, IA)		In memory of Mary Larsen	25.00
In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	50.00	Carol Jean Sorenson & Family (Owatonna, MN)	
Geraldine Jasan (Northfield, MN)		In memory of Ed Sorenson	30.00
In memory of Danish cousin Ed Sorenson	20.00	Larrie & Norma Stone (Blair, NE) Norma's Valentine	25.00
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Dody Johnson (Iowa City, IA)		Myrna Tostenson (Pine River, WI)	
In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	60.00	In memory of Allen D Hansen	10.00
In memory of Mary Larsen	25.00	Don & Marjorie Wahlgren (Gowrie, IA)	
Mrs. Harold Knudsen (Denver, CO)	30.00	In honor of John. & Liz Nielsen's 60 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	60.00
Michael Knudson (Blair, NE)	250.00	Archive Assistant	00.00
Bee Krantz (Blair, NE) in memory of Mary Larsen	25.00	Dody Johnson (Iowa City, IA)	100.00
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Phil & Florence Larsen (Blair, NE) Cleo Hansen memorial	20.00	Endowment	273.00
Lawrence Lindhardt (Harvard, NE) Lucille Kloth memorial	20.00	Ruth & Duane Benson (Council Bluffs, IA)	
Frances McGee (San Leandro, CA)	50.00	In memory of Dorothy Anna Larsen	20,000.00
i failles Micoee (Safi Leafiulo, CA)	50.00	General Electric (Borge M. Christensen matching fund)	5,000.00
		Letha & John Grutzik (Buena Park, CA)	200.00
		Joan Sorensen (Ankeny, IA)	1,000.00
		Juan Julensen (Alikeny, IA)	1,000.00

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