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We will publish a new feature in your magazine soon. Called "Our Readers Write," it will be just what the title implies — a column of comments from Danish Brotherhood members and/or their friends.

If you would like to express your opinion, share an idea, ask a question, or comment in general on any subject of common interest, you are invited to do just that in a future issue of American Dane. Obviously, we will need many letters to keep this new feature alive.

Only two requirements exist. First, you must sign your name to anything you write; and second, please keep your comments brief. This announcement does not mean that all letters to the Home Office will be published; only those addressed to "Our Readers Write" will see print.

Don Eversoll

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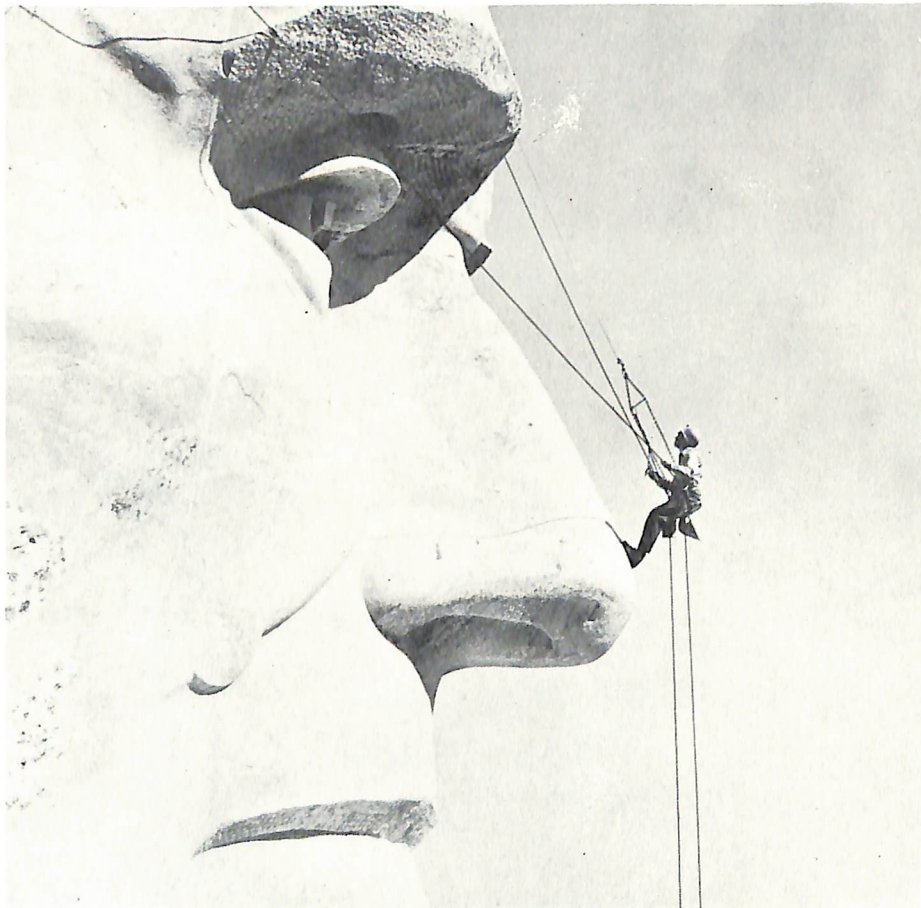


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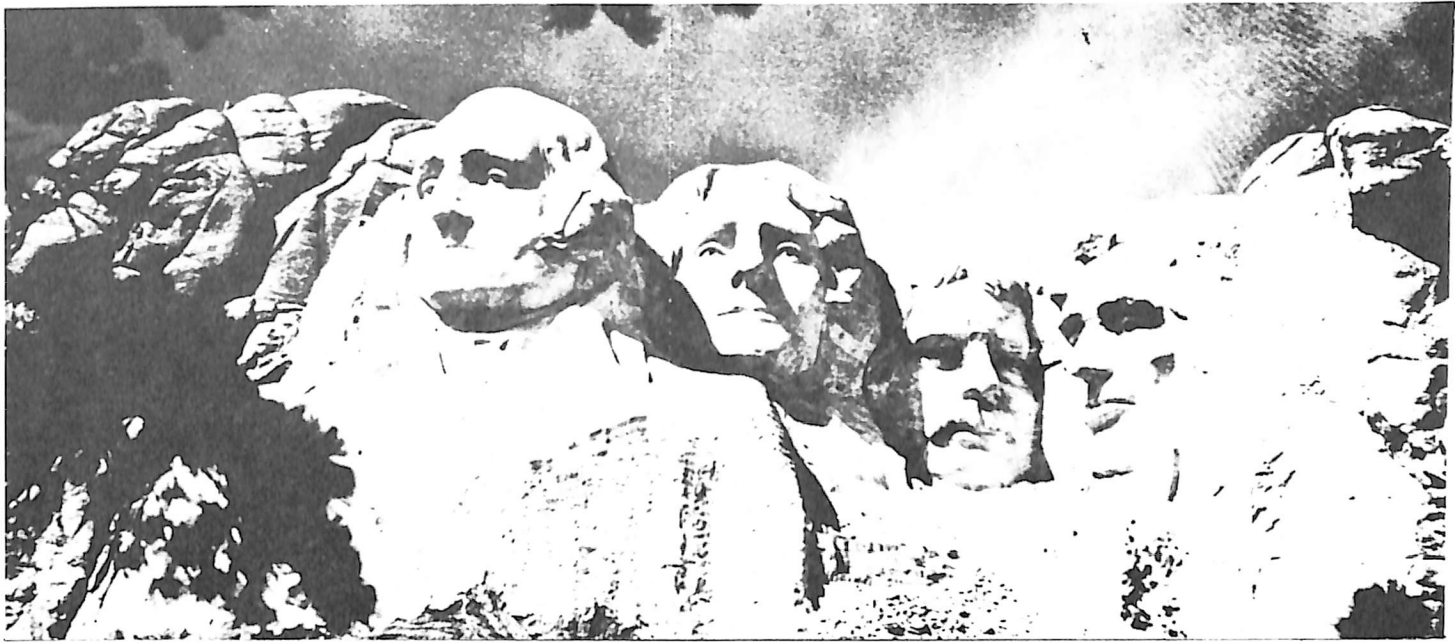
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The Mt. Rushmore Memorial near Rapid City, South Dakota, is a well-known landmark and household word to millions of Americans. Less publicized but just as revealing is the fact that the unswerving determination and raw-boned courage on the part of sculptor-creator Gutzon Borglum can be attributed to his Danish ancestry and heritage. Gutzon's parents, Dr. James and Ida Borglum, immigrated to the U.S.A. from Jutland, Denmark. (Story on opposite page.)



BORGLUM, THE VIKING

In 1941 at the age of 74 passed away a great artist and sculptor by the name of Gutzon Borglum. To many in America today he might not appear as a Dane, but he was the son of Jens Møller Borglum from Hjørring in Denmark, who



Gutzon Borglum

came to America during 1863. Gutzon, one of nine children, was born in 1867, and most of his youth he roamed the prairie near Bear Lake in Idaho on horseback.

Gutzon always had a talent for art, was drawing and painting horses and Indians already as a child, and when he attended St. Mary's College in Kansas his education was

turned in the direction of drawing, painting and sculpture. From there he went to the San Francisco Art Association, then in 1890 he turned to the art capital of the world, Paris, where he for three years studied under such famous names as Rodin, Stephan Sinding, Academie Julin and Ecole des Beaux Arts.

His breakthrough came when the Duchess of York bought one of his Indian statuettes from a small art shop in Bond Street, London. In 1903 his group "The Mares of Diomedes" won gold at the Louisiana Exhibition in St. Louis, and was thereafter placed in front of the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.

His most famous work by far is the giant monument carved into the granite of Mount Rushmore in South Dakota. The heads of the four Presidents of our United States, who laid down the very base of our great country are depicted: George Washington, General and Chief Commander during our war for independence and our first President of the United States of America; Thomas Jefferson, the father of our Declaration of Independence; Abraham Lincoln, who ordered the abolishment of slavery; and Theodore Roosevelt, under whose leadership the U.S.A. really became accepted as one of the great nations of the world.

With an unbelievable accuracy Gutzon Borglum measured and marked every inch of these better than 60 feet high heads on the rough, vertical surface of Mount Rushmore. Tons of granite were then painstakingly chiseled into the likeness of the four immortal figures in order to carve against the sky a record of the great experiment in democracy.

In 1929 Washington was finished, followed by Jefferson in 1935 and Lincoln four years later. Two unhappy incidents now delayed the work for some time, the second World War and the death of Gutzon Borglum in 1941. Eventually Gutzon's son, Lincoln, finished the work of his father, and today and for many generations to come this gigantic monument in the Black Mountains of South Dakota will shine as evidence of not only the greatness on which our American heritage is built but of the character and tough determination Gutzon Borglum inherited from his forefathers in Jutland, Denmark.

(Another Borglum article on page 17)

ScanPresence Seminar Will Focus on New Lifestyles of Scandivian-Americans

The Danish Brotherhood has been invited, and will send a representative to the first "ScanPresence" Seminar sponsored jointly by the University of Minnesota and Scandinavian Airlines. The two-day session will be held May 2-3 in Minneapolis.

Here is the official commentary on the reasons underlying the organization of ScanPresence. After reading it, we're certain you will see why the Danish Brotherhood wants to be a part of this seminar:

"We have been accustomed to talk of a Scandinavian-American ethnic population running into as many as ten million and extending now into the fifth or sixth generation. However, the main components of this ethnic base — the people by whom distinctively Scandinavian-American institutions have been molded and for whom they still largely exist — are the first and second generations; and in the strictest of ethnic terms; the first generation of Scandinavians in America. To make the terms very clear, 'first generation' in this definition means men and women who were born in Scandinavia and emigrated to America; and second generation means their American children.

"Annual immigration to the United States has now slowed virtually to a trickle: only 46,032 in the whole decade of the 1960s and recently little more than 2,000 a year. There would thus seem to be little likelihood that the essential Scandinavian input will be significantly increased and the stock replenished. Barring disaster or upheaval in Scandinavia, we have apparently come to the effective end of the era of immigration.

"We should next note what has been happening to the first generation. In the first 20 years from 1940 to 1960, its numbers — Danes, Swedes, Norwegians and Finns included — have fallen by almost half, from 962,500 to 519,800. If we extrapolate the same rate of change

to 1970 and beyond, the first generation Scandinavian population of the United States now probably stands at something like 300,000 and may come close to practical zero in the next 10 to 15 years.

"The second generation component, which was 920,000 in 1940, grew to 1,770,000 in 1960 and may be close to 2,000,000 today; but it is an obviously aging generation and it would seem unlikely that this rate of increase will persist.

"It is logical to assume that with each additional generation, the Scandinavian-American becomes more and more American and less and less Scandinavian.

"Where does this leave us? Obviously, we will long be able to count and cite millions of Scandinavian-Americans in the United States for a variety of purposes; but what will be the degree of their awareness of their own connection with Scandinavia, their interest in, and their willingness and ability to relate to the countries of their increasingly distant origins?

"These questions must be considered in the light of certain other trends in America. The United States is still in many ways a pressure cooker society, trying to amalgamate many racial strains into a viably homogeneous population in a relatively short time. It is also a highly mobile and urbanized society. The automobile, the airplane, television, the credit card, the computer and the conglomerate are rapidly breaking down traditional patterns of life. As a result — and as a reaction — new lifestyles are being created in which many of the old distinctions between people and the elements which helped to preserve them are rapidly disappearing. The whole process of social change is heating up. The generation gaps yawn more widely today than ever before. Intermarriage has become a problem for virtually all established religious or ethnic groups.

"There is also a sort of interna-

tional homogenization in process, for what goes on in America is going on elsewhere. Ché Guevara is not Latin-American or Cuban, but international; and while it may be heresy here, he probably means more to more young Americans, Scandinavian-Americans and even Scandinavians than does Leif Erikson.

"Again, in the peculiarly Scandinavian-American context, the passage of generations has also meant relaxing the bonds of kinship. Aunts, uncles and grandparents have passed away; brothers and sisters have become cousins; and first cousins have become second cousins twice and thrice removed.

"Moreover, we are all aware of the fact that the Scandinavian who has 'made it' in America can change very much, in social and political attitudes from the Scandinavian who stayed at home.

"This does not necessarily mean that the auguries are all bad. Most American ethnic communities have now experienced the cycle of reaction and reattraction, in which the first generation born in America tends to shy away, with more or less violence, from the values of the immigrant elder, while succeeding generations become more relaxed and curious about their backgrounds. The same tendencies may be more muted in the Scandinavian case, because they have not been assisted by an Israel, an Ulster or a 'God-father,' but nevertheless they do exist.

"It is also possible that new generations may be more sympathetic to modern Scandinavia than their elders, for Scandinavia has many attributes which are currently of great interest to younger Americans — Scandinavian by origin or not.

"In a computerized and depersonalized society, youth of all origins are going through a crisis of identity. They want something to tie on to and by which to differentiate themselves from the mass. And in American eyes the Scandinavian identification is an eminently worthy one.

"But whether the future is bright or bleak and whether these interpretations and comments are entirely valid, the fact is that we are going through a period of critical evaluation of almost every phase of American society — political, industrial, commercial, educational and cultural. The figures before us underline the need to re-evaluate Scandinavian-American institutions before they, too, are obsoleted."

Peace

Let us give thanks
to those who fought

Let us pray
for those who died

Let us have faith
in tomorrow

Let us believe
in peace on Earth.

-- Danish Brotherhood
National Officers



Think About This!

SECOND ANNUAL NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

Essay Contest Rules:

1. Entrants must qualify in one of two age categories: (a) those 15 and under as of June 30, 1973, or (b) those 16 and over as of June 30, 1973.
2. Duplicate prizes will be awarded in both categories.
3. Entrants must be a member of the Danish Brotherhood or be related to a member of the Danish Brotherhood in America.
4. Subject of the essay in each category must be: "Why should we preserve our Danish heritage and culture?"
5. Essays must not be more than 300 words in length.
6. Your name, address, phone, age, birthdate and number of lodge or lodge where relative is a member must be written on a separate sheet of paper attached to the entry. Also include name of DB relative, if applicable.
7. Essays should be typewritten. If this is not possible, they must be written legibly, in ink, on one side of paper only.
8. All entries must be sent to "Essay Contest, National Headquarters, Danish Brotherhood in America, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68131."
9. All entries must be accompanied by a black and white photo of author, head and shoulders only, measuring at least 2x3 inches.
10. Contest begins April 1, 1973, and all entries must be in by July 1, 1973.
11. Winners will be announced and their pictures and essays published in the September issue of the Danish Brotherhood Magazine.
12. Winners will receive these prizes: First Place — a \$100 Savings Bond and one authentic Danish coat-of-arms of their choice. Second Place — a \$50 Savings Bond. Third Place — a \$25 Savings Bond.

Irish Honor Dane for Commerce Support

America's leading fabric designer, Jack Lenor Larsen, has been presented with an "Outstanding Service and Achievement" award from the Ireland-United States Council for Commerce and Industry. The distinction is a result of Mr. Larsen's efforts to further commercial and industrial relations between the two countries.

Jack Larsen was born of Danish-Canadian parents in Seattle, Washington. Since the middle 1950's, Mr. Larsen has been a major innovative force in American and international fabric design, from the granite upholstery he designed in 1952, later used to cover the JFK Rocker and all the furniture in the Kennedy White House Library, to the first flame retardant metallic fabrics he designed in 1969.

Mr. Larsen is a credit and tribute to the modern day image of an American Dane. His superb craftsmanship is reminiscent of the fine art abilities Danes have exhibited for thousands of years. His recent award underscores the impression Danes have left on Irish and American history even since the Viking era.

Bids on Magazine are Invited

Bids will be accepted after February 1 for printing the American Dane Magazine. If interested in submitting a bid, please write to National Headquarters, in care of the Department of Fraternal Affairs. You will be provided a set of specifications, and a bid form to complete and return.

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Take off with the Scandinavians. Navigators of the world...since it was flat.

This chapter is the first of two describing Levi's travel through the country of Denmark.

When Denmark is mentioned to world travelers they invariably smile and nod. These unbiased experts recognize quality.

For visitors in Europe, Copenhagen is a must. Copenhagen is a delightful experience in most of the things which make a good life;

write in his book "Europe on Five/Ten Dollars a Day": "After Copenhagen, Europe can become a footnote . . . Denmark is a nearly perfect civilization."

I agree with Mr. Frommer. I suppose I could have written something similar, but it sounds so much better when it comes from Mr. Frommer's pen. He is a travel expert; he has seen it all and he is unbiased.

I love the big cities of the world; New York, London, Rome, Istanbul, Hong Kong and Tokyo. This is where

less buildings which at one time were a part of my life. I am a stranger here — still I could not get lost here.

I remember being stopped by an American lady who asked for the direction to the Royal Copenhagen Porcelain store. I told her what bus to take and what fare to pay, etc. With wonderment she said, "You Danes are such wonderful linguists." Typical American that she was, she was running for the bus before I could tell her the truth.

After several days in Copenhagen, Edith suddenly noticed a man in uniform. "That is the first police officer I have seen," she said, "and just think, he wears neither a gun or night stick." When asked why he did not wear weapons, he smiled broadly and said, "Fortunately it is only seldom that weapons are needed. We wear them when necessary."

We could only speculate on the (apparent) low crime rate in Denmark. We would imagine that the fact that Denmark has no slums, no illiteracy and a near zero unemployment percentage rate has something to do with it. Perhaps Editor Frommer knew what he was talking about when he said "Denmark has a near perfect civilization."

The first night at home for an old Copenhagener, simply must be spent in Tivoli. It seems there are always 25,000 in Tivoli. One weekend more than 100,000 streamed through the gates.

If you listen closely you will hear languages and dialects from all over the world. You will see Hindus from India, Moslems from Arabia, hippies from U.S.A., Marines from Turkey and black citizens from the Congo or Togo or Nigeria in Africa. They are all clad in their colorful native costumes.

These people and their clothing, their customs and their languages gives Tivoli additional glamour.

It has been said that almost without exception, no matter where you come from, on a busy night in Tivoli you are bound to run into an acquaintance. We met our old friend from Solvang, Jorgen Lebech, who during the early sixties was proprietor of "The Four Swans" gift shop.

Jorgen, with his American-born wife and children, left California about seven years ago and is now in the pin-ball machine business with his brother. They own and operate a dozen concessions in Tivoli and they take in so much money that they need machines to count it.

Jorgen, who was president of the

Vagabondia

by LEVI PERSSON

friendliness, cheerfulness, millions of smiles, cleanliness, foods that would delight an epicurian, classics in handicrafts, in porcelain, silver and furniture. Not to be forgotten are the theater, the Royal Opera and Ballet (a good seat for \$1.00), a chain of immaculate parks with millions of flowers where swans sail along on small lakes, its transportation system. Then there is Tivoli, the amusement park which inspired Walt Disney to build his first Disneyland.

These are the cultural values which inspired Arthur Frommer to

the nerve centers of the world are located, where the marks of civilization, past and present, is most visible.

To me, Copenhagen is more than a nerve center. More than the center of Danish culture. It is the city of my childhood. Every child has had unhappy moments, bitter moments, but somehow nature lets us remember only the happy things, the worthwhile moments.

Therefore it is possible for me to walk around Copenhagen humming the delightful tunes of my youth and admire the monuments and the age-





Danish Brotherhood Solvang Lodge back in 1964, said that both he and his wife had some difficulty in adjusting to the Danish climate and the way of life there. "There were moments when we thought we could not stand it here another day" Jorgen said, "but as time passed the urge to return to the U.S.A. subsided."

"We are well off here now," he added. "If we were to return to America, we'd have to start all over. We are too old for that. The children speak English fluently yet, and we are encouraging it." Lebech's voice sounded sad, "I suppose some day they will return to the land where they were born — and that is as it should be."

We wander through the old immaculately kept garden; for Tivoli is just that — a well cared garden. There are patches of flowers everywhere. There is planned, yet almost unnoticeable symmetry in the plots.

The patterns vary, the colors change like a symphony in splendor, like a rainbow after a shower. The pleasant scents intermingle, hover in the air for human nostrils to inhale and be entranced by.

Surrounding the ever-changing fountain where streams of water spout, gurgle and splatter are circles of tulips. They stand straight like dancers at the Royal Ballet. Each colorful head is the size of a man's fist. There are rows in red, yellow, white and in green. In the cool evening breeze they sway their heavy heads as if they were gossiping with each other.

Clusters of fragrant lilacs and

bunches of ermine white snowballs each bigger than a baseball, shade time-worn benches where people sit and watch the world go by. There are no signs to the contrary, but no one would think of picking a flower or breaking a twig. This park belongs to the Copenhageners. They set the precedent here.

We stray past the outdoor theater where the ballet, "Harlekins Millioner" is being presented. It is accompanied by one of the dozen or so orchestras which makes Tivoli a place of professional music. The performance under the trees is free, but there is standing room only. With three or four thousand other patrons of good music and ballet dancing we watch the traditional Danish Pantomime comedy.



In "Koncertsalen" we attend a free symphony concert. Beethoven's Fifth is on the program. The packed house gives the conductor a standing ovation — and flowers. The concert, of course, was free.

Darkness is settling over Tivoli now. Splashes of colored lights are turned on, amid the tulips, behind a tree, around a lake, along the walks — on the spouting, splashing fountains.

Red and blue bulbs by the thousand illuminate the sharp edges of the Chinese Pavilion. It contains a classy restaurant where waiters in white uniforms serve Danish delights in "Flødeskumskager and Dansk Smørrebrød."

We sit by the little lake, with colored lights all around us and eat flødeskumskager. They are as big as your hand — well almost. They are irresistible. We don't even dare look at the price. We just order. We eat strawberries as big as a plum. Nothing tastes as good as Danish strawberries with thick Danish cream.

We try Tivoli's æbleskiver. We think of Solvang's Danish Days and compare them with those served piping hot on Copenhagen Drive. Edith and I agree. Solvang's æbleskiver are better. We rest on a bench and dream of home as we watch the lights from the Pagoda mirror shimmering rainbows in the dark waters.

We wander past the Nimbs Restaurant housed in a life-sized replica of a Mosque. I remember Nimbs from when I was a boy, and how tall men armed with long lighting rods leaned out of the windows of the Mosque and lit the thousands of colored gas lamps, one by one. I was awed by the spectacle.

It is different now. A flip of a switch and the building begins to glow in the darkness, like something out of the Arabian Nights.

It is near midnight now as we gather around "Plænen" to watch a Tivoli good-night — a magnificent organism in awesome light, color and sound. The Danes call it Fyrværkeri; translated it means fireworks.

Fire crackles up along white poles igniting intricate wheels that begin to spin and spill fiery sheets of silver and gold. More wheels begin to spin in other directions, spreading more gold and silver. Firecrackers crackle, fizz, sputter. There are sounds like pistols, like cannons. And then near confusion in light and color and sound.

(To be continued)

"Membership Spree In '73"

**MARCH HAS BEEN DESIGNATED
AS PRESIDENT'S MONTH....**

to honor our present and past presidents for their outstanding service and loyalty to The Danish Brotherhood in America.

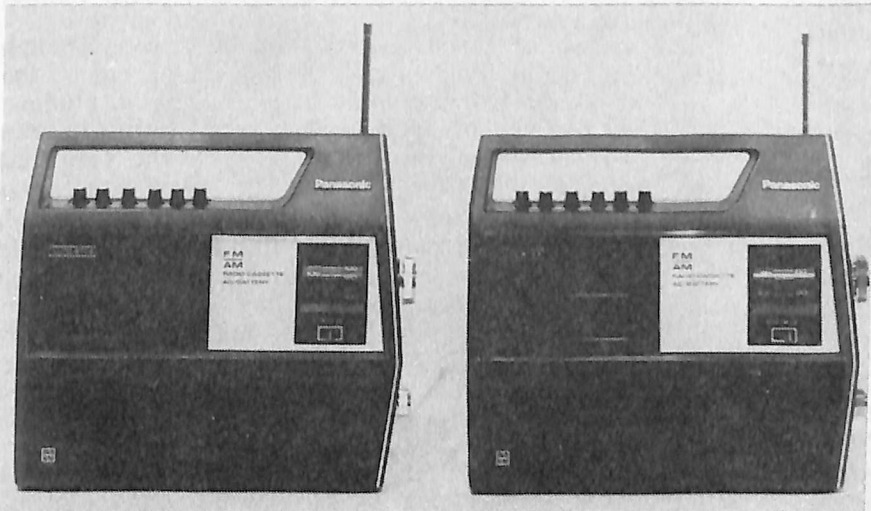
Let's get behind this drive and show our appreciation by signing up new members by extending an invitation to our fellow Danes -- our family -- our friends -- our neighbors and our relatives.

IF WE'RE GOING TO GROW, WE HAVE TO GO!

WIN SOME TERRIFIC PRIZES

The Grand Prize for the top individual producer is one of these Panasonic Cassett Tape Recorders with AM/FM Radios.

The name of the winner of the Bonus Prize of a Panasonic Cassett Tape Recorder will be drawn by our National President Einar Danielsen on April 9 from our Bonus Barrel.



Every member who signs up a new member will have his name placed on a card and dropped into the barrel. And, as a special incen-

tive to attract juvenile applications, we will drop your name into the Bonus Barrel TWICE for each juvenile member that you sign up. TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE!!!

The other prizes which you can win are:

- a handmade Danish coat-of-arms in your choice of design for signing up 11 to 20 members.
- a combination rod and reel for signing up 6 to 10 members.
- a deck of official Danish Brotherhood playing cards for signing up 1 to 5 members.

OR ALL THREE of the above prizes for signing up more than 20 members.

JOIN THE MEMBERSHIP SPREE IN '73



Emphasis on Culture Continues to Expand

The Scandinavian Department at the University of Minnesota is gearing up for an anticipated new demand in the nation for additional studies in Danish language and Danish culture. This announcement follows a similar statement made by the University of Washington in early 1972.

At present, the University of Minnesota is offering beginning Danish and intermediate Danish language courses. They are hoping this fall to give a full-time appointment to a person qualified to teach Danish literature. Danish literature presently comprises a large part of Scandinavian literature courses.

According to Annelise Frickelton, an instructor at the University, a student majoring in Danish can learn much about Denmark and Danish culture in a Danish language course.

Expansion of the University of Minnesota Danish program could be somewhat dependent upon the amount of interest expressed in Scandinavian studies.

"Right now we are trying to make people in the area and those of Danish heritage aware of the fact that we are here and that backing us up with interest could very well mean a rapid expansion of the Danish program. We would particularly like to know if people in the Minneapolis area can participate in a Danish evening class this coming fall.

"Interest in the Scandinavian heritage is rapidly increasing so we feel it is time to re-introduce an evening course. This class would be mainly geared toward adults who are interested in the language without necessarily having a degree in mind."

Anyone interested in learning more about Danish studies at U of M, or in the evening course itself, should contact Miss Frickelton at the Scandinavian Department, 210 Folwell Hall, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. 55455.

New Member	Location	Sponsor
James Donahue	Omaha (1)	Ellen Charlebois
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Brian D. Lensch*	Omaha (700)	A. P. Mickelsen

* Juvenile Member.

'Strike it Lucky' Meet Begins March 15



The Danish Brotherhood National Bowling Tournament, always a popular event, will be held again in 1973. Entry forms and a special announcement are being sent to your secretary, so please contact him for entry forms and contest information.

Entry deadline is March 1 and you may bowl any time between March 15 and May 1. The prize list will be the same as last year when a special junior members category was added and prizes increased to total \$1,000.

You cannot win any of the prize money unless you enter the tournament before the deadline and also submit your score in accordance with the rules printed on the entry form.

Should you fail to receive an entry form from your lodge secretary, please write to the Home Office to receive one.

And remember to enter your district tournament. Good luck!

Our Lodges in Action



Brother in 190 'Man of the Year'



**Connecticut, New York,
Vermont, New Jersey,
Pennsylvania,
Rhode Island
(Eastern Lodges)**

Albany, N. Y., Police Captain Kaye H. Sorenson, a member of Lodge No. 190, has been named "Law Enforcement Man of the Year" by the New York State



Kay H. Sorenson

Moose Association. Capt. Sorenson received the award at a dinner last month at the Albany Moose Club, 59 Elberen Place. Captain Sorenson came to this country from Denmark when he was 14. He completed his education in Albany schools. He is married, the father of three children, grandfather of eight, and the great-grandfather of one

child. He joined the Albany Police Department on June 27, 1940. He became a detective on May 4, 1948, was promoted to sergeant in 1956, lieutenant in 1958, and to his present rank on December 12, 1969. He was immediately assigned to head the newly created community relations unit of the department. His son, Kay W. Sorenson, is also a policeman in Albany, and he is also a member of Lodge No. 190. We are tremendously proud of the Sorensons and grateful for the goodwill they are creating for Lodge No. 190.

Chris H. Biering, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. — Harald Hansen and Kaye Sorenson, Jr., were honored at the birthday dinner party held prior to our meeting on December 6. Twenty-one members attended and enjoyed a cube steak (benløse fugle) dinner prepared and served by Rigmor Biering and Little Patty. In addition to the usual beer rations, two bottles of akvavit were provided for the affair by Harald Hansen and Kaye Sorenson, Jr. Harald also brought Danish pastry for the coffee.

During our dinner party, we had a nice long talk by Willy Willendrup about his two month's trip to Japan. All the brothers were very interested and liked the speech. Brothers Ole Hansen and Harald Hansen also spoke.

Nomination and election of officers for 1973 took place. The secretary cast one ballot for each of the following: Past President George Christiansen, President William Petersen, Vice President Olin Yauchler, Secretary Clarence Hanson, Treasurer-Financial Secretary Chris H. Biering, Trustees Carl Kuehnell, Peter Nielsen and Kay Nielsen, Conductor Walter Christensen, Inside Guard Svend Munck and Outside Guard Glen Nissen.

Members of Lodge No. 190 held their annual Christmas party on Wednesday, December 20, in the Zef Club. After a short business meeting, we all went downstairs to enjoy a delicious buffet luncheon, prepared by Rigmor and her helper, Patty. All enjoyed the many fine delikatesse, sildesalat, leverpostej, etc. Coffee and cake were served. During the evening, Ole Hansen presented a gift to our cook, Rigmor, and Patty, from the lodge. Grab bag gifts were exchanged and all had a good time. Later, most of the brothers went up to the club room to play cards. Twenty-two brothers attended this party.

Brother John Marx and his wife Dorothy are the proud grandparents of Colleen Marx, born November 21 to John and Nancy Marx in Ohio. Well, that makes Rigmor and me, Oldemor og Oldefar; what comes next???

We missed our president, Bill Petersen at our Christmas party; he got sick that day, but is now all right

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again. It was the first time Bill has missed a meeting since he joined the lodge.

Glen Nissen was the winner of three months free dues at our December 6 meeting. George Christiansen was the lucky guy at our December 20 meeting.

Hartford Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. — At our first meeting in December, we elected a new slate of officers. The following will serve you in 1973: President E. K. Homo, Vice President Einar Petersen, Financial Secretary-Treasurer Herbert Sorensen, Secretary Mark B. Thomsen, Conductor Aage Thomsen, Guard Norman Petersen, Trustees George Keller, John Christiansen and Alfred Stark, and Past President Aage Jespersen.

At our second meeting, we held our annual Christmas party. We had almost two dozen people there. I'm sure we could have had many more, but then again, there could have been a lot less, too. "Ma" Christiansen introduced "Pudgy-Wudgie," a game that Aage J. and I won't soon forget. Thanks a lot, Ev!

Mark B. Thomsen, Correspondent.

Fremad Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. — Installation of officers took place Friday, January 12. They are as follows: President Kenneth Zuschlag, Vice President Leif Larsen, Secretary Paul Iversen, Treasurer Carl Ingeholm, Financial Secretary Chris Mogensen, Trustees Viggo Nielsen, Hilmer Matthiesen and Knud Scholer, Inner Guard Svend Sorensen, Outer Guard Louis Lydiksen, and Conductor Frantz Klausen. Congratulations brothers. The installation was a joint one with the sisters of Lodge No. 48. Dancing followed the installation.

An article in Danish and telling about our Christmas party is on page 18 of this issue.

The following is from our Past President Knud Fobian: "Brothers: I would like to thank each and every one of you for your very kind help and cooperation during the past year. Without this, I doubt very much I would have been able to finish out the year as president. Please show your newly-elected president the same courtesy. Those of you who have not gotten to regular meetings, try to do so and start off on the right foot. Thank you again and hope you have a healthy and prosperous New Year."

Paul Iversen, Secretary.

Long Island Lodge No. 325 — Our first monthly meeting for 1973 was held Friday evening, January 12. Officers for 1973 were installed at this meeting. The following members were nominated and duly elected to serve for the coming year: President Egon Larsen, Vice President Poul Sorensen, Treasurer Hans Pedersen, Secretary Bill Steffensen, Financial Secretary Ib Andersen, and Trustees Carl Bache, John Gerlich and Darrell Baggott.

Smorgasbord was served after the business meeting. Hans and Jean Pedersen started the ball rolling with the assistance of Bob and Eleanor Petersen. This month Anne Kargaard, Carl Jorgensen and Viggo Schonberg are on the list.

Our December meeting was well attended, members and guests alike enjoyed the delicious food. This was the evening when we entertained ourselves and it worked out very well. We just sat around, talked and really got acquainted. Let us do it again — we liked it!

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For the second time, Johnny Pedersen's name was drawn from the jackpot, and for the second time, didn't collect because he was absent. Better luck the third time, Johnny! The jackpot is worth \$10 at this meeting.

The children's Christmas party was also well attended. The hall, the Christmas tree and the tables were beautifully decorated in Christmas colors. All the children received nice presents. The Christmas committee, headed by George and Birgit deserves an "A" for effort! The buying of the presents in itself is a big job.

Our president had his hand in it too. After attending the meeting and Christmas party in the Metuchen Home with his wife, where they distributed presents to the guests in the Home, he brought a big beautiful cake to the children's Christmas party where it was raffled off and netted the lodge \$40. Scott Pedersen, one of our young members, won the cake, and as far as we know, he is still munching on it!

Bill Steffensen, Correspondent.

Modersmälet Lodge No. 164, New York, N. Y. — On December 16, Modersmälet Lodge 164 and Cimbria Lodge 257 held their Christmas luncheon together with the Sisterhood Lodge, Dannebrog No. 79, at Mozart Hall, New York City. Despite the weather being very cold and windy, it was very well attended and a very good time was had by all.

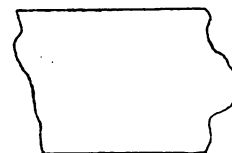
It started with a cocktail party and was followed by a cold table full of delicacies such as pickled herring, real Danish homemade style, hot meat balls, chicken, salad and cold cuts. We also had smoked eels, beer and akvavit. This was followed by coffee and music on the accordion played by Brother Knud Pedersen's friend, Chris Christiansen. We raffled off a basket of cheer, which was won by our newly elected vice president, Bernhardt Esterby.

We were honored to have present that day, Brothers George Godthaab and George Jacobsen from the National Board of Officers of the Danish Brotherhood, and Brother Jacob Kallescoe, the former president of Vort Land Lodge. Brother Peter Christensen, president of the Home for the Aged in Edison, N. J., was also present. Brother George Nielsen of Cimbria Lodge served as the toastmaster.

Many thanks go to the Sisterhood and all those who have helped make this affair even a better success than our last one in the fall. The Sisterhood decorated the table very beautifully with a red and white tablecloth and various Christmas decorations.

We also held election of officers in December with the following results: Past President Carl Nielsen, President Knud Pedersen, Vice President Bernhardt Esterby, Secretary Robert Rasmussen, Treasurer Carl Braren and Trustees Martin Olsen and Thorvald Rasmussen.

Robert Rasmussen, Correspondent.



Iowa

Clear Lake Lodge No. 219 — Election of officers was held at the December 9 meeting. Those elected for the coming year are: President Thorvald Sorensen, Vice President Henry Berman, Secretary Kathleen Sonsalla, Treasurer Verner Sorensen, First Trus-

tee John Smeby, Jr., Conductor Helen Sorensen, Inner Guard Anton Andersen and Outer Guard Jerry Son-salla. Edith Skene is third year trustee and Richard Skene is second year trustee.

This meeting was also our Christmas party. We had a potluck supper and the evening was spent playing bingo. Congratulations were given to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bergman on their 25th wedding anniversary.

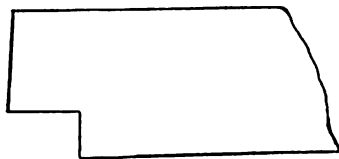
Lodge No. 144, Dike, Iowa — A Danish Christmas tree party was held for all the children of the Dike area on December 27. A good number of children were on hand to dance around the tree and sing all of the old familiar Christmas hymns and carols and the not to be forgotten "Nu har vi Jul igen." Live music gave the children a chance to dance the bunny hop and other dances. Pop and cookies were served.

New Year's Eve dinner-dance party was successful as usual with 100 brothers and their wives in attendance. They danced until the wee hours of 1973.

On January 8 at our regular meeting the new officers were sworn in, they are: Past President Gary Andersen, President Gordon Sloth, Vice President Marilyn Hook, Conductor Don Knudsen, Secretary-Financial Secretary Art Thode, Treasurer Harold Madsen, Trustees Soren Schmidt, Roy Shoemaker and Floyd Freese, Outer Guard John Craig and Inner Guard Bob Christensen.

On Wednesday, Brother Virgil Paige and his wife Myrtle celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations from all of Lodge No. 144.

A. B. Thode, Corespondent.



Nebraska

Lodge No. 211, Grand Island, Nebr. — Lodge 211 of Grand Island recently presented a 50-year pin to Jacob DeLaurant of Wallbach, and a party was given to honor him.

We held our annual Christmas party December 16, and invited the Sisterhood Lodge No. 113 and families to be our guests. It was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Laursen. A Christmas buffet-style meal was served and the Christmas theme was carried out in the table decorations. About 30 people attended the party. Christmas carols in Danish and English were sung. Cards provided the entertainment for the evening with prizes going to Evelyn Francisco, Rose Brengleman, Anne Christensen and Elga Baasch. Traveling prize went to Harold Jensen and special prize went to Kathy Paitz.

Ernie Laursen.

Lodge No. 1, Omaha, Nebr. — DB Lodge No. 1 and the Danish American Club held their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 19, at Dannebrog Hall, with over 100 attending, young and old. A well rounded program was presented. First, a movie on the birth of Christ was shown by Past President Earl Hansen. The JADA Girls then sang several Danish Christmas songs. Young and old joined hands and danced and sang around the Christmas tree, with Margaret Larsen at the piano. All of a sudden Santa appeared with goodies for the children. Refreshments were served first to the children and coffee cake and cookies to the adults.

Joint installation of DB Lodges No. 1 and No. 195

was held on January 2, at Dannebrog Hall, with No. 1 as host. President of Nebraska General Committee Leonard Davidson, installed the officers. Officers installed in No. 1 were as follows: Past President Earl Hansen, President Howard Christensen (re-elected), Vice President Reinhardt Paludan, Secretary Effie Larsen, Treasurer Axel Skelbeck (re-elected), First Trustee Tom Nielsen, Second Trustee Eivind Pedersen, Third Trustee Dorothy Pedersen and Conductor Armand Thomsen.

Since President Howard Christensen has declared open meetings for No. 1 in 1973, no guards were elected. President Fred Jensen of No. 195, and former Board member, presented Brother Chris Jensen with a 60-year pin and spoke some well chosen words. As Chris was taken back to his seat, he was given a standing ovation. A delicious lunch was prepared and served by Francis Hansen and Joyce Christensen.

A New Year's Eve party was held at Vennelyst Park with over 200 attending. A delicious supper was served at midnight by members on the Park Board. Needless to say, everyone had a wonderful time. Happy New Year to everyone!

Chris Larsen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 195, Omaha, Nebr. — On Friday evening, January 5, Lodge 195 held their regular meeting with our new President Fred Jensen, presiding. After welcoming our guests and having a well discussed meeting, Lodge 195 decided to have a ladies' night party honoring Chris Jensen, who has been a member of the Danish Brotherhood for 60 years, and secretary of our lodge for 23 years. Our many thanks to Chris.

Anybody interested in coming to the party, it's going to be the 16th of February at 8 p. m.

Bob Gabelhause, Secretary.



Michigan, Ohio

Detroit Lodge 227 — On January 10 we had our first meeting of the New Year. Before meeting we had our regular pre-meeting dinner which was attended by some 150 brothers and sisters. The main course was "Hakkebof med Løg."

At the business meeting we had over 100 brothers in attendance. When the meeting adjourned, Lodge 227 held a joint public installation with Sisterhood Lodge 125. Past President Marion Smith presided as installing officer for the Sisterhood with Amanda Kraft acting as marshal. Past President Robert Sorensen presided as installing officer for the Brotherhood with very able assistance from Carl Jensen as conductor. The list of new officers for Lodge 227 was given in the January American Dane Magazine, so I will not repeat the names here.

On December 26, Lodge 227 had their annual children's Christmas party at which 160 children received gifts from Santa Claus, who was portrayed by Brother Fred Marxson, who played the role like he was born for it. Incidentally, Fred's wife, Mary, is the same type of lady everybody pictures Mrs. Santa Claus as;

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you know, always ready with a smile and a helping hand.

At the lodge drawing, the name of Hans J. Thorsen was drawn but he was not present so he lost out on the financial award. Lars Madsen was initiated into the Brotherhood and was bid welcome by Past President Eric "Moose" Larsen.

Robert Sorensen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 30, Muskegon, Mich. — Muskegon has vowed to do everything possible to stir up some new interest and gain some new members in 1973. At our December business meeting the following officers were elected: Past President Clayton Hansen, President Tom Stafford, Vice President Robert Bolhuis, Secretary Clayton Hansen, Treasurer Raymond Sweet, Trustees Paul Carr, Arthur Burkall and Arthur Sweet, Conductor Holger Thuesen, Inner Guard Larry Ritter. We wish all the new officers a lot of success in the new year.

We have decided to send out a monthly letter to members to remind them of our meetings, and also to point out things of interest coming up at our social meetings. We have changed our meeting nights from the second and fourth Thursdays to the first and third Tuesdays of the month, as so many of the members had conflicting things on Thursday.

I am happy to report that on our first meeting, January 2, there was a marked improvement in attendance. After our business meeting we had our usual card game. Raymond Sweet was our official tea pourer but since he had a couple of mishaps, we may have to get him an assistant. We plan to have some movies at our social meeting January 16 on the new power plant at Ludington. Also, we are going to invite the young sons and sons-in-law to our meeting to get their views on what we should have as entertainment to make them interested in joining our lodge. We are planning a rabbit hunt this month. So you see we are still alive and kicking at Muskegon. We will keep you informed from time to time as to how we are doing here. Hoping we all have a good year in '73.

Clayton Hansen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich. — DB Lodge No. 51 held their regular monthly business meeting on Thursday evening, December 14, with Vice President Russell Bentz presiding in the absence of President Kenneth Johnson. The name of Trustee Howard Bentz was called for the jackpot but he was absent, so the pot grows larger.

On Wednesday evening, December 20, our lodge held their regular monthly pinochle party in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall. On the committee were Trustee Lars Christoffersen and Conductor Alvin Garcia. Following the games, prizes were awarded and a potluck luncheon was served.

On Thursday evening, December 28, the lodge instead of having their monthly social evening, conducted election of officers for the year 1973. Following is a list of those elected to guide the destiny of Lodge No. 51 in the coming year: President Alfred Seguin, Vice President Gilbert Larsen, Secretary Earl Jensen, Treasurer Alvin Garcia, Trustees Wallace Nelson, Howard Bentz and Kenneth Johnson, Conductor Anthony Kobetich, Inside Guard Lars Christoffersen,

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Outside Guard Lawrence Swan and Past President William Smith. The name of Brother Edgar Andersen was called for the jackpot but as he was not in attendance, the jackpot will grow larger.

Alfred Larsen, Correspondent.



Washington-Oregon (Pacific Northwest)

Pacific Northwest District President Niels Nedergard and his equally active wife, Rita, have moved from Kent to Enumclaw. Meanwhile, Brother Nedergard has been busy installing new officers throughout Canada, Washington and Oregon, including his lodge on January 13, followed by a potluck dinner honoring the "Enumscratch" 80 year olds, 50-year members and past presidents. In his report to visiting members, Brother Niels predicted a growth in membership for 1973, improved lodge affairs and increased financial strength.

Since the last issue of the American Dane, your correspondent has been promoted to senior vice president in charge of public relations and marketing for six banks with an office at 955 Tacoma Avenue South in Tacoma, Wash.; has attended an international banker's convention in the Waldorf Astoria, New York City; and has suffered another heart attack which put him back in the hospital for a couple of weeks. Busy start on the new year.

Enumclaw DB 113 buried Brother Chris Jensen in December. Their annual stag party on January 12 was the usual successful "men's night out." The same group of officers as last year will direct the activities of this year's convention city.

Norbert E. Grove, Correspondent.



California, Nevada

Golden Gate Lodge No. 49 — As we now are in the second month of the new year "49" is hoping for a better year than the past. That means we lost quite a few members who passed away and in spite of new members taken in — we are still losing ground year by year.

After two years of fine leadership, Jørgen Larsen has been succeeded by Alfred Christensen as our new president. 1972 brought even more new Danish furniture stores into the Bay Area — probably the most populated area in USA for Danish craftsmanship. There must be over 25 located around the Bay. Members of DB and their many friends have long since discovered three of those as a place for courtesy and better deals. The largest is "Copenhagen" in San Francisco and the owner Tage Kristensen is an active member of No. 49. Same is Jørgen Alsted from Dan-Craft in Berkeley. Past President of DB No. 39 John Nielsen recently celebrated the first year in his beautiful "Scandia" furniture store in Campbell.

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Borglum Was a Dane and Very Proud of It

Borglum was a man of great imagination, and he built up a fine character for the men of the hardy North country from which his ancestors came. In his mind they came from "the North of Denmark, the land bending eastward under the cruel winds from Greenland and Iceland, the rendezvous of Vikings and high-sea rovers. There we have what are called Black Danes . . . They are unquestionably an exchange token from Spain, Rome or Greece . . . In our own family of blonds there are always some with fine dark eyes and hair to remind us of our ancestral wanderings."

Finally, something should be said of Borglum's love for his fellow man. Introducing a book he wrote: "This story is told to lend an encouraging, believing hand to all lonely, creative souls who are wandering

into the uncharted, untraveled wilderness of God's greater universe; finding through their own understanding new and undreamed worlds; and to those who continue alone to pour into unpeopled space their cry — unafraid, expecting no answer. Courage to stand alone; courage to master, to know, to do alone. Courage to spurn the tradesman's reward and popularity. Courage to be without great approval, in spite of government, in spite of today's laws, tomorrow's threat — every threat — in spite of Heaven. God's greatest gift to us and His supreme test is courage bestowed only on those He trusts entirely."

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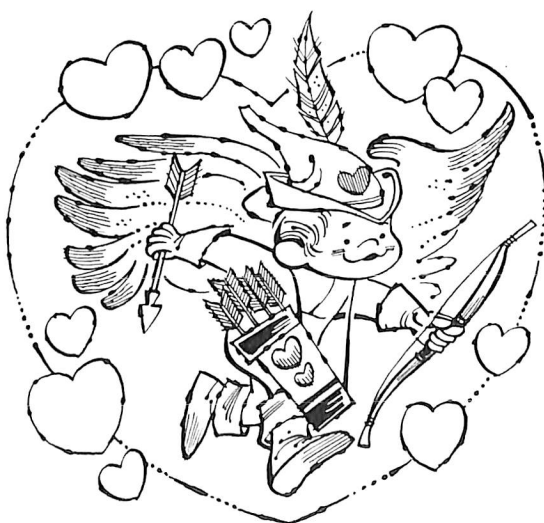
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Nothing quickens the perceptions like genuine love. From the humblest professional attachment to the most chivalric devotion, what keenness of observation is born under the influence of that feeling which drives away the obscuring clouds of selfishness, as the sun consumes the vapor of the morning.

—Tuckerman.

Love in marriage should be the accomplishment of a beautiful dream, and not, as it too often is, the end.

—Karr.



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Valley Lodge No. 332 did not fool the many members and visitors from all over the state who responded to the lodges birthday party invitation. They fooled their popular secretary, Vernon Olsen and his charming wife, Bessie, as it turned out to be a "thank you" party to these two hard working Danish-Americans.

Under the theme "This Is Your Life" — their many years of faithful work for the community passed in review and it was not only moving but also funny. It was produced and presented by many participants. The Danish immigrants could undoubtedly give Valley Lodge a second thought. No. 332's membership is dominated by second, third and fourth generations of Danish immigrants. Oh, yes — the Danish language is not strange at all, they nurse that too.

Henning Jensen, Correspondent.

Humboldt Lodge No. 230 — On December 16, Humboldt Lodge held its annual Christmas party at Bella Vista Inn. This was a very nice evening, with Brother Viggo Poulsen in charge. The dining room was attractively decorated in the Christmas theme and the membership was served a delicious steak dinner as guests of the lodge. Many Christmas carols in both the Danish and English language were sung and everyone said they had a real good time.

Installation ceremonies for Humboldt Lodge was held January 6 at the Ramada Inn, north of Arcata. Preceding the dinner, which was served at 7 p. m., a no-host cocktail hour was enjoyed in the lounge. The tables were beautifully decorated with red table cloths, white streamers flowing down the middle of the tables, which were also adorned with our flags and candles. The head table held a centerpiece of red and white carnations.

We were very happy to greet the following guests: Jack Belmont, president of the General Committee, his lovely wife, Melva, who holds an office in the Sisterhood General Committee, and Al Tunsen from Stockton. Also from Valley Lodge were Vernon, Raymond, Glenn, and Richard Olsen from Modesto. Etta Kuykendall, General Committee President of the Danish Sisterhood, Irma Anthony from Oakland, and Erla Chance, Marshal of the Sisterhood General Committee from Ferndale, Calif., as well as other members from Ferndale, were also among our guests.

Brother Erling Remler, our past president-elect, was unable to attend due to illness. Therefore, Brothers Jack Belmont, Al Tunsen and Viggo Poulsen paid him a visit in the afternoon and presented him with his pin. During the dinner, a letter from Brother Erling was read expressing his appreciation to the guests for coming so far, to his officers for helping him the past two years and wished all the members and guests a very Happy New Year.

At this time the entire group stood for a moment of silence in respect to the memory of Jeanette Jensen, past president of the Sisterhood General Committee, who passed away Christmas Eve.

Brother Jack Belmont performed his duties of installing our officers in a delightful manner, as well as Brother Al, who was the installing conductor.

The following members were installed for the year of 1973: Past President Hans Bruhn, proxie for Erling Remler; President Viggo Poulsen, Vice President An-

drea Holgersen, proxie for Mary Frost, who is in Denmark for the holiday season; Secretary Laura Schuler, Treasurer Earl Kjer, Trustee Peter Iversen, Conductor Dorothy Kjer, Inner Guard Alfred Christiansen and Outer Guard Marius Holgersen, proxie for Holger Holgersen, who was unable to attend.

Following the ceremonies, we were happy to hear from our guests, and President Viggo expressed our appreciation to Ann Bruhn, who so graciously provided the music for us. Dancing concluded the festivities and our guests departed for their respective homes early Sunday morning after breakfast.

Laura L. Schuler, Secretary.

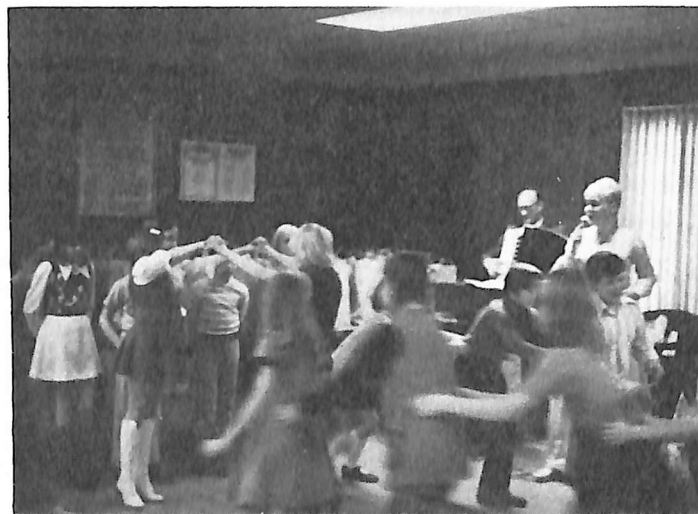
Loge Nr. 116 Børnenes Jule Fest fejrede December 17

Det kan vidst mildest talt siges, børnenes julefest i loge Nr. 116, var en kæmpe succes, både børn og voksne havde en herlig eftermiddag. Til underholdning havde vi Tante Lisa, der havde fået Onkel Tom til at komme med og hjælp med sin harmonika. Tom Eliason spiller ofte for vore danske fester, og har en masse dejlige danske melodier på sit repertoire som altid sætter kulør på vore fester, hvilket også gorde sig gældende her.

For Lisa Matthiesen er det heller intet nyt at gribe mikrofonen, kendt som den syngende fotograf og humorbomben Lisa Jacobsen. Før sit ægteskab med broder Hilmer Matthiesen, har hun turet Danmark, Sverige, Tyskland såvel som New Jersey, Nebraska og Hollywood, som visesangerinde. Mange vil sikkert huske Lisa fra fire år i Tivoli i København, radio m.m.

Festen d. 17 december startede med en lille hurtig konkurrence med at puste balloner, medens vi ventede at alle børnene skulle ankomme. Så tog Tom sin harmonika og Lisa fik alle ungerne i en ring om træet hvor vi startede med »Jeg gik mig over Sø og Land« derefter »Lille Peter Edderkop« var yndigt gjort. Hver een legede med, selv om de ikke forstod et ord der blev sunget. Så legede vi, »Så går vi rundt om en Enebærbusk«, fulgt af »Bro, bro, brille«. Tornerose var et vakkert barn, gik strålende, med kredit til vor onde fee, Tornerose og den gode kongesøn. Tinge-linge-later, viste os nogle flotte ranke tinsoldater.

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Vist hermed i fotografen er nogle af børnene samledes at lege "Bro, bro, brille" — Tante Lisa er ved mikrofon og Tom førte børnene livligt adsted med musik ved Loge 116s Jule fest.

Danish Kitchen



What on earth can you have for dinner when you are asked to make a typical Danish dinner? In the coming months, we are going to offer an authentic Danish recipe for the culinary enjoyment of our readers. Can't you just smell those wonderful aromas wafting from the kitchen right now?

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Da Børnene her ikke danser polka, viste Tante Lisa dem hvordan det er let at danse det sidelæns frem og tilbage i stedet for rundt, med resultatet, at hver eneste barn med liv og lyst dansede, »Finger-polka«. »Skomagerstykket« og »Ritz Ratz«.

For at hvile lidt satte alle børnene sig på gulvet foran mikrofonen, og Onkel Tom ledsagede Tante Lisa først i »Rudolf med den røde næse« derefter en meget smuk sang, »Mormors sang« der var oversat til Engelsk »Granny«. Børnene var musse stille under hele sangen, så Lisa drillede dem og sagde alle dem der faldt i søvn vil nu blive vækket, og sang så en svensk sang »Tro va' de va' livet« en rigtig hopla, hvor hun udfører nogle fantastiske skrig indimellem, der kunne vække en død mand.

Så fulgte på engelsk, »Santa Claus is coming to town« det var jo så også meningen han skulle have kommet ind men i stedet måtte Broder Knud, Loge Præsidenten, sørgeligt meddele Santa var blevet frygtelig forkølet og syntes han måtte hellere tage på hospitalet, for at være sikker på at være rask til Jul. Sandheden var; ingen kunne finde nissedragten, det var nok en trolld, der havde flyttet den fra hvor den plejer at ligge.

Så måtte vi jo finde på noget andet, så vi gav Lisa

og Tom et extra job. »Silent night« blev sunget på engelsk, derefter fik Lisa et par af børnene til mikrofonen, en sang, »Rudolf« ganske yndigt gjort, en anden sang »Jingle Bells«. Vi havde en anden puste ballon konkurrence og dansede så hokey pokey men på den danske maner det er noget mere livlig.

Igen i år siger vi tak til broder George Godthaab, for han ødelægger børnene med gaver, og de elsker ham. Først fik de hver en stor shopping bag fyldt med herligheder, broder George tog så over og børnene fik is og sodavand, hvorefter Penny flakon blev eftertalt. Med store øjne og klare stemmer blev hver penny talt, sammen med broder George, og vinderne blev belønnet.

Så kom vi til dørpræmien, der viste sig at hver og een havde været heldig, hvert barns navn var trukket ud af posen, og hver fik en extra gave.

Højte punktet var toiletpapir konkurrence, ca. 40 ruller papir var uddelt, een holdt rullen, den anden skulle så rulle alt papiret af, og den der var først fik en præmie. Derefter blev al papiret lagt i en bunke på midten af gulvet, sko blev taget af og medens børnene havde ryggen til, blev papir og sko godt blandet, ved tegn fra musikken vendte børnene sig om og røg på hovede i bunken for at finde deres sko og tage dem på. Den første fik igen en præmie, legen blev gentaget, men da børnene denne gang vendte sig om sprang da på hovedet ud på et bart gulv, for medens de havde ryggen til havde alle brødrene i en vis hurtighed taget sko og papir og fjernet det i en stor kasse. Da de blev lagt tilbage på gulvet igen, var der noget at springe på hovedet for, for broder George begyndte da at overstrø gulvet med pennies, derefter 5 dollars af dimes.

Ja, børnene vil sen glemme denne fest, og vi takker alle de voksne der hjalp til. De voksne såvel havde en dejlig tid. Det var fantastisk at se hvor alle børnene fulgte med i al leg og dans, selv om der måske kun var fire, fem af dem der forstod dansk. I tre timer, var der ikke en af de små der rendte til mor, eller græd, som det jo ofte sker. Vi er sikker på mange af børnene faldt i søvn i bilen hjem, for det var trætte men glade børn der den dag forlod Loge Nr. 116.

Lest We Forget

In grateful remembrance of their service and fellowship, we honor those members who have passed away since the last report.

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
Nov. 26	Aage A. Jessen	75	Kvong, Denmark	242	Erie, Pennsylvania	1929
Dec. 10	Oluf C. Karp	84	Aalborg, Denmark	139	Viborg, South Dakota	1913
Dec. 10	Niels K. Sorensen	84	Jarslev, Denmark	139	Viborg, South Dakota	1915
Dec. 9	Emil Jensen	74	Minneapolis, Minnesota	263	Askov, Minnesota	1919
Dec. 7	Chr. B. Nielsen	83	Hjorring, Denmark	39	Oakland, California	1925
Dec. 7	Jens A. Christensen	89	Slesvig, Denmark	113	Enumclaw, Washington	1907
Dec. 13	Peter N. Hansen	86	Præsto, Denmark	134	Ringsted, Iowa	1912
Dec. 20	Rasmus P. Mogensen	83	Aerø, Denmark	255	Selma, California	1921
Nov. 15	Constantin Schlosser	67	Kiel, Denmark	325	Nassau County, New York	1928
Dec. 1	Russell Wilhelmsen	59	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1931
Dec. 23	John A. Olsen	62	Chicago, Illinois	35	Chicago, Illinois	1958
Oct. 21	Harold R. Hansen	55	Viborg, South Dakota	126	Los Angeles, California	1963
Dec. 8	Soren Knudsen	87	Vejle, Denmark	262	Cozad, Nebraska	1903
Dec. 27	Harold Jensen	82	Hjorring, Denmark	255	Selma, California	1914
Dec. 29	Peter Rasmussen	90	Detroit, Michigan	128	Avoca, Iowa	1907
Jan. 2	J. Mark Hansen	87	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1924
Dec. 28	Andreas G. Poulsen	82	Amager, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1916
Dec. 24	Paul N. Moller	95	Haderslev, Denmark	238	Juhl, Michigan	1906
Jan. 7	Carl J. Ronnow	87	Odense, Denmark	39	Oakland, California	1907
Jan. 8	Chris Noer	78	Engelstrup, Denmark	195	Omaha, Nebraska	1921
Dec. 27	Raymond C. Merrill	73	Minden, Nebraska	195	Omaha, Nebraska	1961
Dec. 29	Marius Kjeldsen	83	Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1940
Oct. 11	Russel Simpson	57	Arcata, California	230	Arcata, California	1968

THE WILHJELM FAMILY —

In order to bring our family history up to date and as all persons having as their last name WILHJELM will anyone reading this notice, having this name or anyone knowing of anyone having this name, please contact the undersigned.

We are especially looking for Frithjof Lefevre Wilhjelm, married in 1915 in Fort Dodge, Iowa, or his eventual children.

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DECEMBER —

Einar Danielsen: Salary \$241.50, less taxes \$45.68, net \$195.82. To Denver, Colo., to meet with National Convention Committee and assist in selecting a suitable site. Transportation \$146.00, per diem \$25.00.

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