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Autumn is a time of harvest — a time of reaping, and the Danish Brotherhood is beginning to reap the harvest of more and more new members.

It goes without saying that if you don't sew the seeds and tend them — you won't have much of a harvest, so I think this illustrates that the hard work which has been done by our members, our area managers and our member-representatives, is beginning to bear fruit.

Let's continue to sew the seeds of brotherhood, tend them in the fraternal spirit, and we can all reap the harvest of more meaningful lodge participation.

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The objects of the Brotherhood are to: (1.) Encourage its members in their fidelity to the constitution and laws of the country, in which they live, whether it be the United States of America, Denmark or the Dominion of Canada. (2.) Perpetuate memories and traditions from Denmark for the benefit of future generations in America. (3.) Render aid to its members and their dependents whenever illness, disability or death may befall its members or their dependents. (4.) Assist unemployed members in securing employment. (5.) Provide and maintain a fund for the payment of such sums, as may be stipulated by law, to the surviving beneficiary or beneficiaries of every insured member or person. Rules governing the administration and maintenance of the insurance fund are prescribed in the by-laws of this society. (6.) Conduct its affairs, as a fraternal benefit society, in the manner of the subordinate lodge system.

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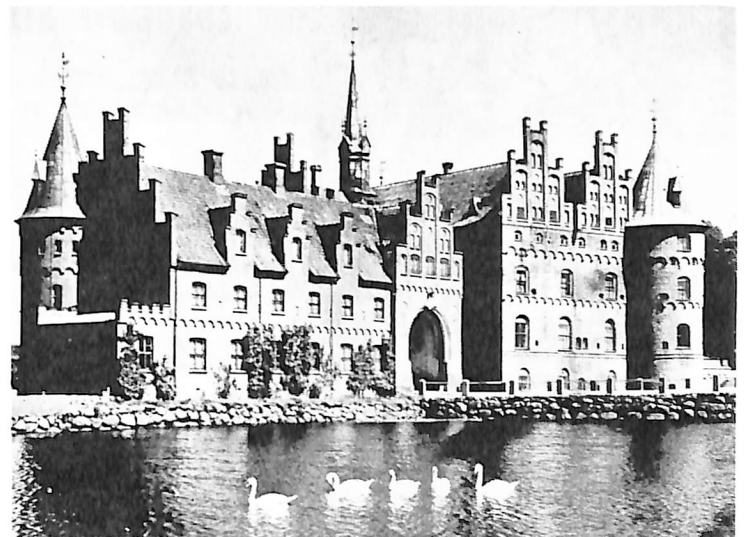


This sundown rider is certainly saving energy and the only pollution she's making is possibly a little noise pollution as her wild "tee-hee-hee-hee" echoes across the fields. Have a "scary" Halloween!

# Modern Denmark



FAIRYTALE CHARM  
STILL LURES VISITORS



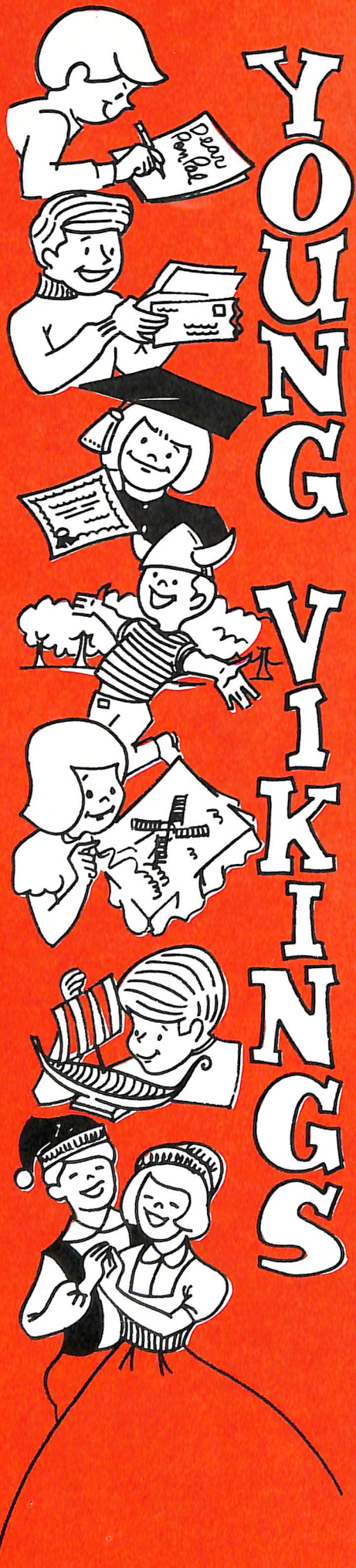
Egeskov Mansion, located on the Isle of Funen, was built in 1550 and stands on stilts in the lake.



Ebeltoft in East Jutland is the idyllic "capital" of Mols, with a population of 2,265. The old Town Hall built in 1576 is one of the most picturesque buildings in town. Thousands of visitors from virtually all countries pass through Denmark [the size of Maryland and New Jersey] each year.



There are about 10,000 summer cottages on Odsherred, a popular holiday district.



# YOUNG VIKINGS



October is the month for witches and goblins, so here are a few "Trick or Treat" tips to help you have a safe and happy Halloween.

- 1.] If you are going to be out after dark, wear light colored costumes or a fluorescent strip on your costume.
- 2.] Don't dash back and forth across the street — cross at the corner.
- 3.] Don't eat anything until you get home and your parents can go through it. Some treats might have an unwelcome surprise in them.
- 4.] Please remember to say "thank you."



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I am a member of Lodge No. .... in (City) .....

.....  
*(Signature)*

# Days I'll Always Remember

by SORENS K. PETERSEN

## THE PROVOCATIVE NUDE

As a collector of antiques, I have on several occasions bought an important item at an insignificant price, but only once have I experienced the thrill of being the owner of a work of art by one of the great masters. It came about in a rather unusual manner, which I am going to relate to you.

In 1941 I journeyed to Hartford, Connecticut to marry my present wife. She naturally wanted the wedding ceremony performed according to the rites of her church. This required a visit to her parish priest, Father Kelly, which proved interesting. It started out as a questionnaire, and ended in a conversation, during which I discovered that Father Kelly was also a collector of antiques. About to depart he mentioned he would visit his Bishop and obtain permission to have the marriage in the church proper instead of the Rectory, which of course made my intended bride very happy.

The following day, to show my appreciation, I visited Father Kelly and presented him with a rare Currier and Ives lithograph. Kindhearted soul that Father Kelly was, he decided to reciprocate by offering me the choice of one of his numerous Elshimus works of art, then hanging on a wall in the upstairs Rectory. I knew nothing about, and was not interested in Elshimus, but out of courtesy I accepted his gracious offer, and selected the most hideous "Nude by a Waterfall" merely for the reason that it seemed out of place in Father Kelly's life!

After our wedding we went to Long Island and moved into a house I had built. I know men had a lot of trouble with nudes, but never thought this nude would become a bone of contention between my wife and me! Much to my disgust she insisted the nude should hang on the living room

wall among my Currier and Ives. You can well imagine who won the argument.

We had a visit one evening from a young man who claimed to be a connoisseur of art. After a couple of hours of small talk, and three or four highballs, he suddenly rushed over to the Nude, took one look and shouted, "You have a genuine Elshimus here". Verifying the fact, I also mentioned, if I had my way he could take her home with him. "Oh no, he cried, I would never take advantage of a friend. I never had and never will have enough money to purchase a masterpiece of that rank."

After he left my wife said, "See, I told you Father Kelly wouldn't give us trash."

I am skeptical by nature, which hasn't decreased during years of collecting antiques. I wanted positive proof.

The following morning my wife carefully wrapped the Nude in heavy brown paper. I took the train to New York City to visit the best art galleries, offer it for sale, and in that way arrive at its approximate value.

Self-assured, I walked into what I believed to be the ultra of the upper stratus of the dispensers of art. A pompously-dressed attendant directed me to a plush armchair to await my turn. Soon I was ushered into the inner sanctum to meet the manager, who wanted to know what he could do for me. I announced that I was the owner of a work of art by one of the great masters which I was offering for sale. He asked the name of the master. I said "Elshimus" and untied the string. He waved his hand in my direction and boredly said "Never mind unwrapping it, this is an art gallery, we are not interested in that kind of stuff."

My dream of easily acquired wealth had vanished into thin air. Brokenhearted I left.

I was standing on the sidewalk retying the string that held the wrapping paper around the painting when the string broke. Just then a gust of wind blew the wrapping paper down the street. An old lady passing by stopped, took one look, and cried — "You are peddling pornography, you ought to be tarred and feathered and run out of town." I gathered up the wrapping paper, puffed the Nude under my arm and started for home.

Then I thought of an old Danish proverb which goes something like this — "Faint heart will never get rid of a nasty woman." So I tried two more galleries with the same results. The last manager sent me on my way with a mocking laugh.

I was standing on the corner of fifty-seventh street and Madison Avenue with the Nude in my arms, undecided whether I should break her up and deposit her in the trash receptacle on the corner, or take her home, when a friend of mine came by. He wanted to know what I was doing in the City so I told him about the trouble I was having with the Nude. Evidently interested he asked for a look. "Are you crazy man" he shouted, "you have been taking her to the wrong places." He knew the right place for a Nude, across the street, upstairs, There was a man who could handle her.

I parked my Nude in a drug store, and went across the street, this time assuming the role of a buyer. I was ushered into the presence of the manager who was seated behind an enormous Hollywood desk, twisting a little, waxed mustache, the very picture of dignity. He wanted to know if he could be of any help. I told him I was contemplating a collection of paintings which had a future of great value, preferably Elshimus Nudes, mentioning the size of mine for a price comparison. His face assumed a very sad expression, "You are looking for a needle in a haystack Mister, you can't walk into a gallery and say wrap me up an Elshimus, as you should know. Elshimus will never paint another masterpiece, he is dead. Perhaps you are lucky. If I recollect rightly, I may have one in my vault."

After awhile he and the attendant returned with a Nude and placed it on a velvet-covered pedestal. Putting his arm around my shoulders, we stepped backwards a short distance for a better perspective. A smile of admiration played upon his lips, he spoke softly of the blending colors which only a great artist could create. You can almost reach out and pick the flowers and feel the spray from the

waterfall on your face. Then his expression changed to scorn, as he bitterly reproached the Americans who had let the "Father of American Modern Art" die in poverty and despair. After a moment of appropriate solemnity I quietly asked the price. yes, he knew how my artistic soul longed to possess a Nude, and he would charitably aid in my initiation into the Brotherhood of Elshimus collectors. He handed me a large brochure containing many photographs of Elshimus' paintings and a list of Elshimus collectors which read like a page from the Social Register! It was headed by Rockefeller, Mellon, Vanderbilt, Ford, etc., etc. He thought for a moment and then said, "In order to get you started, I will let you have the Nude for a mere bagatelle of three thousand dollars". Promising to think it over I departed.

I was a bit dizzy when I hit the sidewalk. On one side of the street she was worth three thousand dollars, and on the other side she wasn't worth a nickle.

I took the Elshimus home and told my wife that the Nude had no definite value. So we compromised and hung her in the rear bedroom.

But you know how persistent a woman can be. Two weeks later my wife telephoned the fellow with the little, waxed mustache and asked if he would be interested in buying an

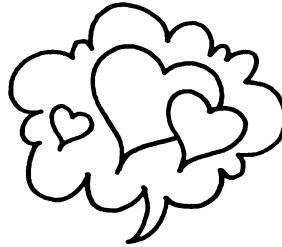
Elshimus Nude. No, he said, we have a lot of that stuff here. It's a drug on the market.

We took the Nude off the bedroom wall and put her in the attic, where she gathered dust for twenty-five years.

A couple of weeks before last Christmas my wife came into my study with the Nude saying — she was tired of having it lying about and what should she do with it? I suggested she take it to the dump!

She went shopping. Returning, she

told me that on Route 44 there was a new antique shop and she had asked the owner if he was interested in buying an Elshimus Nude? He suggested she bring it in. "Don't be foolish", I said, "You will be the laughing stock of the Village." "Just the same," she said, "I am taking it down to him." To my surprise she returned a few minutes later with a check for \$200. A phony, I said, it smells like rubber! My wife was the first customer at the bank in the morning and cashed the check!



#### A PRAYER

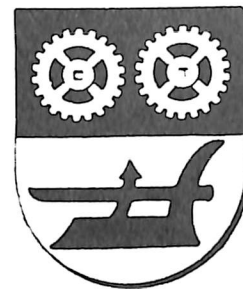
Give us, Lord, a bit o'sun,  
 A bit o' work and a bit o' fun,  
 Give us in all the struggle and sputter,  
 Our daily bread and a bit o' butter,  
 Give us health our keep to make  
 And a bit to spare for other's sake  
 Give us, too, a bit of song,  
 And a tale and a book to help us along,  
 Give us, Lord, a chance to be  
 Our goodly best, brave, wise, and  
 free,  
 Our goodly best for ourselves and  
 others  
 Till all men learn to live as brothers.  
**An Old English Prayer.**

# 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	Birthplace	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
July 26	Ole M. Ravn	92	Ribe, Denmark	134	Ringstead, Ia.	1908
July 2	Lars S. Joensen	79	Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, N.J.	1913
Aug. 9	Martin Fydahl	73	Sidney, Mich.	181	Sidney, Mich.	1936
July 12	Henry P. Petersen	90	Milwaukee, Wis.	96	Jackson, Minn.	1904
July 21	Robert Basse	24	Akron, Ohio	301	Akron, Ohio	1955
July 29	Jorgen Nielsen	88	Denmark	62	Sioux City, Ia.	1906
Aug. 12	Lawrence Knudsen	88	Sunders, Denmark	172	Philadelphia, Pa.	1909
June 30	George W. Hansen	89	Denmark	65	Duluth, Minn.	1914
Aug. 12	Theodore Nelson	92	Wisconsin	143	Petaluma, Calif.	1922
Aug. 9	John Pedersen	86	Denmark	262	Cozad, Nebr.	1908
Aug. 28	Karl J. Larsen	82	Copenhagen, Denmark	29	Seattle, Wash.	1913
Sept. 7	Martinus Christiansen	68	Cedar Falls, Ia.	144	Dike, Ia.	1924
Aug. 28	Andrew B. Thomsen	83	Norre Nebel, Denmark	39	Oakland, Calif.	1910
Aug. 4	Louis P. Back	80	Hjorring, Denmark	4	Racine, Wis.	1936
Aug. 29	Harry Nielsen	79	Racine, Wis.	4	Racine, Wis.	1913
July 26	Orla Sandau	78	Maribo, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, Calif.	1927
Sept. 6	Anton Jacobsen	79	Hinnerup, Denmark	139	Viborg, S.D.	1927
Aug. 12	Hans Froberg Hansen	88	Lincoln Cnty., Minn.	167	Portland, Ore.	1906

# 1974 Essay Contest Winners Announced



1974 Theme — "Why Is It Important To Share Our Danish Heritage With Americans Of Other Ancestry?"

Duane Kristensen, Lodge No. 16, Minden, Nebraska, is our first-place winner in the over-16 category and has a \$100 bond and Coat of Arms plaque for his efforts. Duane is 18 years old and is an active member of his lodge. Here is his essay:

by DUANE KRISTENSEN

It is important to share our Danish heritage with Americans of other ancestry for a variety of reasons. America was founded by many different peoples from around the world and was therefore called the "Melting Pot". These people brought their ideas, traditions, and customs to the new land and incorporated them into newer, stronger and better American ideals.

In search of a new land and stronger way of life these immigrants shared their native customs into forming this new world. The strong Danish heritage built upon years of traditions was an essential element for the American success. The Danes, striving for a genuine melting pot, shared their heritage thus establishing a sense of awareness for Danish traditions. The continuous exchange of ideas is still important today in drawing the two nations, Denmark and America, closer together as they communicate and gain a better understanding of each other.



Duane Kristensen

The Danish heritage is used as an unifying element in a community. In drawing friends and neighbors together our heritage adds a common focal point by sharing values, traditions, and customs. The Minden Danish Days allows such a sharing with individuals of different ancestry. This does not only bring the Danes to Minden, Nebraska but many other nationalities as well come to join in the festivities and relive part of the Danish heritage.

Perhaps most important of all the Danish heritage creates a sense of identity for oneself. It is something that one can look back upon and see what achievements your ancestors have gained. The Danish people have always had a strong bond with their fellow Danes and that is something one can relate to today and I am honored to be able to say "I am proud to be a Dane".

Other winners in the over-16 category, second place — Lonny Nielsen, Lodge No. 16, Minden, Nebraska, \$25.00 bond and a Coat of Arms plaque; Stephanie Juranek, Lodge No. 16 Minden, Nebraska, Coat of Arms plaque. The other winner in the under-16 category — Russell Outz, Lodge No. 84, Lincoln Nebraska, \$25 bond and Coat of Arms plaque.

First place winner in the under-16 category, and proud recipient of a \$100 bond and Coat of Arms plaque, is Dorothy Marie Bundgaard, Lodge No. 301, Akron, Ohio. Dorothy's essay is a fine effort for a 12-year old, and her pride in her heritage is obvious:

WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO SHARE OUR  
DANISH HERITAGE  
WITH AMERICANS OF OTHER ANCESTRY  
by Dorothy Marie Bundgaard

If the Danish people in America tell other people about Denmark, they will get to know and like it too. Denmark is a beautiful country. I have been there myself. For someone who hasn't had the opportunity to go to Denmark it would be nice for you to tell about and explain what Denmark is like.

It is important to know about your heritage because, in school, for a Social Studies project, you may have to do one about a country in Europe. Knowing about Denmark would make it a lot easier.

If you ever get in a conversation with someone with a different heritage, you would have your Danish background to talk about. You could find the differences between your background and theirs and compare them.

The Danish heritage with the Vikings and explorers is really interesting, and you could explain the Danish appreciation of fine arts, like their painting, Christmas plates and figurines.

It is also fun to go to Danish Brotherhood lodge meetings and meet other people with the same background as you and find out how they are connected with the Danish heritage.

When a relative comes to visit your family with a Danish background, it is fun to listen to their stories of Denmark and tell them to your friends or people of other heritage.

When people understand more about different heritages than their own, it could lead to world peace.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** We appreciate the entries we received this year, but you will notice that three out of our five winners were from Lodge No. 16, Minden, Nebraska. This is because members from only three of our lodges entered the essay contest.

We would like to hear from our readers about the Essay Contest. Should we continue to sponsor this contest?



Dorothy Marie Bundgaard

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

This chart shows new membership figures through October of 1974 [500], plus expected November and December 1974 figures in full swing.

# How the New Rep. System is Affecting the Danish Brotherhood



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New Members Signed up in 1973

Many lodge members have questions that need answers regarding our new representative system. Several lodges are currently experiencing dramatic growth under this method of signing new members and we would like others to know how it

is being done. In other cases, assumptions have been made by members about the system that are not true. The following information, in the form of a "Question" and "Answer" series, should explain the representative system.

## 1. What is the new representative system?

This is an arrangement whereby professional representatives qualified as life underwriters and lodge builders are hired to sign up new members. Under the old system, many lodges were gradually dying due to the lack of new members. The Brotherhood as a whole was losing membership, and administrative expenses were increasing, primarily because the "member-sign-a-member" system was not working. A new program had to be formulated to reverse this trend.

## 2. How was this accomplished?

The Board of Officers, after studying the problem and the growth of

many other fraternal benefit societies who were expanding their programs, decided, first of all, that it was necessary to develop broader and more beneficial insurance and fraternal products. The Board of Officers also made the decision to implement a representative system to explain our new fraternal and insurance programs to members and prospects.

## 3. How does this system work?

There are four Danish Brotherhood area managers in the United States, all full-fledged members of the Danish Brotherhood, who recruit others, known as representatives, who visit lodges and attempt to build local membership. These representa-

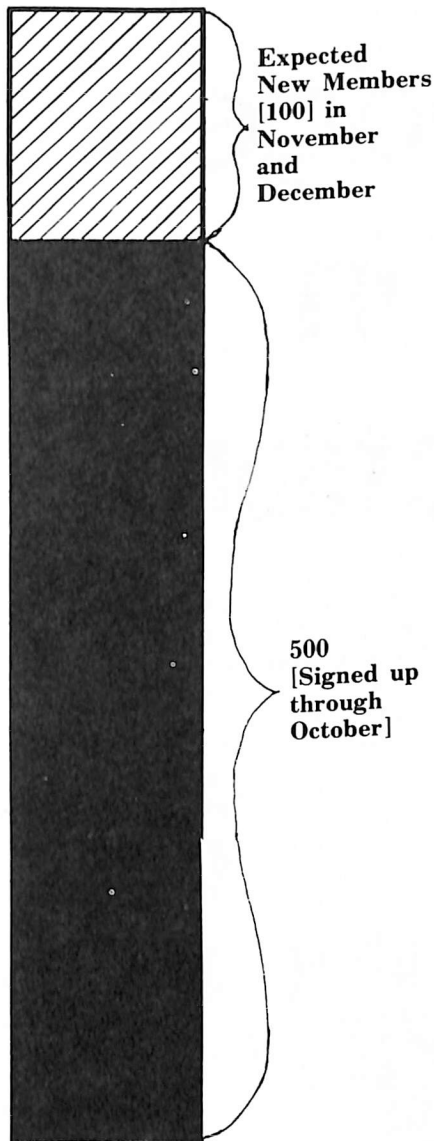
tives work almost exclusively with names provided them by local lodge members. They visit the prospect, explain the fraternal and local lodge benefits, and consult with the family about their insurance needs. These men explain all of our plans and programs in a courteous, professional manner.

## 4. The new fraternal programs have been warmly received by the membership, but are these new insurance plans also an asset for attracting new members and retaining present members?

Many members are currently joining the Brotherhood because of the new attractive insurance benefit

for 1973 [263], and new members signed up  
 expected new members [100] signed up during  
 first year the Representative System has been

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New Members  
Signed up in 1974

flation demands that everyone have more protection for their family and income at retirement. The new programs return dividends, as well as w benefits, never before available o members.

Although more social members could join if there were not an insurance requirement, some of these members might drop out in a short period of time if their interest wanes the social activities of the lodge. Insured members retain their membership because of the increasing, guaranteed financial benefits provided in their policy, even though they may move their residence or, for some reason, not participate in local lodge activities.

A recent legal opinion indicates that if the Brotherhood were to encourage a large group of social members, this action could jeopardize their fraternal status and tax benefits of the society. Our new fraternal programs would be the first to suffer if this were to happen.

**5. Do the paid insurance representatives change a fraternity to become more profit oriented, and thus primarily an insurance company?**

No, this has not been proven to be the case. Just the opposite is reported by other growing fraternal insurance organizations. More insured members equal more lodge members, plus more money available for fraternal benefits and aid programs. Almost all successful non-profit organizations employ paid professional workers to stimulate growth and efficiency.

**6. Does the local lodge receive any monetary benefits from the insurance sales?**

Actually, the local lodge will gain the most from the representative's activities by the increasing number of new members and the resulting local dues. During the first six months of 1974, the new applications for membership in The Danish Brotherhood increased more than 100%, primarily because of the new representative system. The local lodges where these members were initiated received additional dues.

**7. Selling the insurance before the member is fully approved by the local lodge has been questioned by some members.**

The insurance application requires itself a very thorough check of the prospective member's fitness both physical and moral. The Home Office is in a better position to investigate new members in our present day urban and mobile society. A local lodge seldom declines a new membership application, and when this does happen, a provision is made to serve the insurance need.

**8. A few members maintain the new representative system has not helped some lodges at all.**

This is true because we do not have trained representatives in all lodges at this point. It is impossible for any new system to be implemented throughout the country at any given time. However, one lodge in Illinois gained 40 new members in three

months. The Blair, Nebraska, lodge has increased by 60 members, recommended by members, but who were written up by a representative. In time, all lodges who give cooperation and help appoint a trained representative, will receive many benefits.

A new program of initiating new lodges in communities not served before by The Danish Brotherhood is being developed and should greatly expand the service of the Brotherhood.

**9. What can the local lodge do to take full advantage of the new, progressive Brotherhood program?**

Recommend a qualified individual to become an insurance representative for the lodge.

Organize a membership committee whose primary purpose is to regularly recommend new families for prospective membership, and who will see that all new members are properly introduced and asked to serve once they are initiated.

Appoint an aggressive program committee who will plan interesting programs for each meeting. The National Headquarters has prepared many new programs and can be of assistance in helping program chairmen, particularly in the area of preserving Danish heritage in America.

Consider the entire family becoming full members in the local lodge. In any event, plan more family activities that appeal to younger members.

Consider organizing a "Young Vikings Club" for children and appoint a committee from the local lodge to sponsor it. Again, printed guidelines are available from the Home Office to aid in sponsoring such a group.

Consider holding an annual Danish festival in your local community, or in cooperation with another Brotherhood lodge. Complete plans and suggestions for this are also available through the National Headquarters.

Do you have any specific questions regarding the Danish Brotherhood? If so, write to us and we'll be glad to print your questions and our answer in the "Our Readers Write" column of the American Dane.



# Our Lodges in Action



## California, Nevada

The annual California-Nevada convention of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood General Committees was held in Modesto on August 15, 16 and 17, with a large attendance. The theme of the convention was "Down On The Farm," and most of the entertainment and decorations followed this theme. Convention chairmen were Howard Saabye, of Valley Lodge No. 332, Ripon and Jeanette Davis of Margaret Susan Lodge No. 171 who, with the help of various committees, had devoted much time and hard work toward making the convention a success. Beautiful weather also helped the cause! All meetings and social activities were held at the Elks Hall in Modesto — the hospitality left nothing to be desired, and we all extend a sincere and appreciative "thank you" to all those who worked so hard and long in preparation.

The convention got underway on the morning of August 15 with a golf tournament at Dryden Golf Course. Chairman of the tournament was Ray Olsen of Modesto. Winners were Jack Belmont of Stockton and Bill Jensen of San Diego. On Thursday evening the convention was officially opened with a reception and cocktail party hosted by Valley Lodges. Entertainment was provided by The Mothers of Note, followed by dancing.

Meetings were conducted on Friday and Saturday mornings, with President Alfred Munck presiding. Visiting dignitaries were Donald Moon of Rockford, Ill., Second Trustee of the National Board; and Don Eversoll, Omaha, Nebr., editor-in-chief of the American Dane Magazine. One of the important motions passed was the formation of a California Cultural Committee, the

purpose of which is to establish a permanent center where the Danish traditions, culture and heritage can be displayed. Chairman of this committee is Mel Oredsen, of Oakland. A similar committee was formed by the Sisterhood during their meeting.

Special recognition was given to Brother Sigurd Nielsen, of Golden Gate Lodge No. 49, San Francisco who was named an honorary life member of the Danish Brotherhood in America.

On Friday evening everyone enjoyed a "Down On The Farm" chicken barbecue prepared by the Chuck Wagon



New Officers Elected At the California-Nevada District Convention — Erla Chance, Ferndale, Ca., Sisterhood President and Peter Weber Lodge No. 299, Solvang, Ca., Brotherhood President.

Restaurant which is owned by Brother B. M. Nielsen of Modesto. This was followed by "The Fiddlers" who did exactly what the name implies. Dancing was enjoyed until early morning.

During the meeting on Saturday morning, the election of new officers of the California General Committee was held, the results being as follows: Past President Alfred Munck, President Peter Weber, Vice President Charles T. "Skip" Ward, Secretary-Treasurer Ebba Norby, First Trustee Rich Johnson, Second Trustee Arthur Norgaard, Third Trustee Owen Miller, Conductor Peter Petersen, Inner Guard Harvey Rasmussen, and Outer Guard Norman "Corky" Davis.

On Saturday afternoon a joint installation of officers was held. Installing officers for the Brotherhood were President Alfred Munck and Conductor Charles "Skip" Ward. Donald Moon and Don Eversoll were escorted to seats of honor. Escorting the officers was a team of six young ladies from Petaluma, namely Dorothy MacKinnon, Patricia Stelling, Maria Martens, Lydia Hansen, Nancy Cameron and Lillie Miller. Following the ceremony, the Solvang delegation asked to be recognized, coming forth to serenade newly-installed President Peter Weber with some Danish songs, presenting him with a baker's hat (President Weber owns "Peter's Pastries" in Solvang), after which they filed by and saluted their leader, being saluted by him in return.

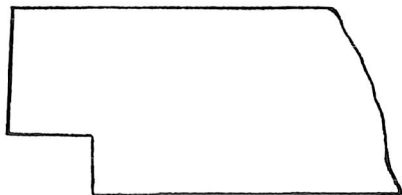
Brotherhood members (plus some non-members) then presented a drill and Danish folk dances — they were dressed in "Down On The Farm" attire, in keeping with the convention theme. Also taking part in the performance was a friendly bull who cavorted around the floor and sat in a few laps. A pert young lady threw styrofoam eggs to the audience. Taking part in the drill and dances were: Dorothy Petersen, Lillie Miller, Lydia Hansen, Betty Simoni, Nancy Cameron, Maria Martens, Cathy Gronberg, Cathy Svendsen (the pert young lady mentioned earlier), Dorothy MacKinnon, Donna Larsen, Walt Miller, Jack Hansen, Dick Hansen, Hank Gronberg, Bob MacKinnon and Hank Brown. In the costume of the friendly bull were Harvey Rasmussen and Cliff Yarian.

Special recognition was given to Mrs. Lillian Bostrom, drill mistress of the Petaluma team and to Mrs. Inga Brown, pianist, who also played for the installation ceremonies.

Following the installation ceremonies, a poolside cocktail party was hosted by General Committee Presidents Peter Weber and Erla Chance. There were a few involuntary swimmers during the afternoon, including Don Eversoll, but everyone seemed to take it all with good humor.

On Saturday evening the convention ended with a banquet and grand ball. We all left with happy memories of the good times in Modesto, looking forward to 1975 in San Diego.

**Alice Rasmussen, Petaluma.**



**Nebraska**

The Nebraska General Committee's 50th anniversary convention was a huge success. About 150 to 175 attended our get-together party on Friday night. Many Omaha



"Andy" Andersen presents Larry Knudsen the Distinguished Service Award for amassing over 50 points in the Membership Awards Program at Nebraska's D.B. & D.S. Convention.

women donated sandwiches and cookies, and there was plenty of coffee and beverages. Bob Gabelhouse, a member of Lodge No. 195, was in charge.

Everyone was bid welcome at our joint meeting by Fred Jensen, Lodge No. 195, chairman of the convention. Ingrid Hansen, President of General Committee of Nebraska Sisterhood, and Leonard Davidson, President of General Committee of Nebraska Brotherhood, Mayor Zorinsky, of Omaha, and Sam Greenberg, King of Aksarben, bid everyone welcome to Omaha. Don Eversoll, of the home office, showed some slides from the Danish Days at Minden. Then each group held their meetings.

President Leonard Davidson opened the meeting, and gave a very good report on his two years as state president, however, he said he did not want to run again as we have many who are eligible. Later, Bud Outz, of Lodge No. 84, Lincoln, was elected as our next president.

The National Board's Second Vice President, George Godthaab, spoke about our National Convention in Denver next year. Among things he mentioned, was to hold open lodge meetings for friends, with the approval of the lodge. There was a lengthy discussion pro and con, but most seemed for it. A proposal to that effect will most likely come from the Nebraska General Committee.

I feel very pleased and honored that I was presented with a Certificate of Merit signed by Einar Danielsen, National Board President; Howard Christensen, Secretary-Treasurer; and Donald Eversoll, editor-in-chief of the "American Dane." It is already framed and hung. Thank you very much.

After a cocktail hour, we sat down to a very delicious steak dinner (Nebraska steak). Howard Christensen, Lodge No. 1, was master of ceremonies. Pastor Clayton Nielsen, of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, gave the invocation. Howard kept the program moving right along. There was some confusion because many more came than we had reservations for, however, more tables were moved in, and all were served. Many honors were given out. Brother Axel Skelbeck, Lodge No. 1, has been a member for 51 years. He started working at the home office in 1923; was elected as secretary in 1939, and treasurer in 1949. Axel retired in 1971, but goes to the office in an advisory capacity. He received a pin for all the years that he served the Danish Brotherhood. Congratulations to Axel — an honor he well deserves.

Fred Jensen, No. 195, a Past National Officer, also

received a pin for his services on the Board. Congratulations, Fred.

Both Fred and Axel are still very active in the Brotherhood even if they are retired.

One 60-year pin, two 50-year pins, and one 25-year pin were also given out. These were presented by National Second Vice President George Godthaab.

Ten past-presidents pins of the Nebraska General Committee were presented by American Dane Queen, Linda Jones, of Minden, Nebr. All recipients received a kiss from her. Four past-presidents were unable to attend, so their pins were mailed to them.

National Trustee of the Sisterhood Gladys Nordine assisted with the installation and National Vice President of the D.B. assisted with the installation of brothers, assisted also by Margaret Larsen and the Omaha Drill Team. National Secretary-Treasurer Virginia Christensen; National Trustee Hazel Smith; and National Trustee Jean Marie Grunberg, were escorted to the right of the installing officers. Jean Marie Davidson, Lodge No. 6 was installed as president of the Nebraska General Committee.

Queen Linda Jones, Lodge No. 16, and Russell Outz, Lodge No. 84, were initiated into D.B. Lodge No. 16, Minden.

Dancing followed the installation.

A Sunday morning breakfast was held in the home office and sponsored by the Omaha Drill Team; about 125 attended the breakfast.

A big thank you to Fred Jensen, and all on the convention committee, for a job well done.

**Chris Larsen, Correspondent.**



**Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois**  
**(Midwest)**

**Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis.** — There were about 80 people out for our annual picnic and everyone had a nice time. It was a beautiful day — plenty of beer and just plain relaxing.

Another new member joined us last meeting — LeRoy Hanrath — glad to have you with us LeRoy. Two more are scheduled for the next meeting so things are really on the move. Now as you are sitting there reading this letter I want you to stop and think about that brother, brother-in-law, cousin or son who could become a member of our club. — Okay, now pick up the phone and call 652-8136, that's Bennie Peterson's number who will go talk to this prospective member for you — see how easy that was — you did not even have to leave your house and you did a favor for your club. You brothers out of town can help too. You all know Danes in Kenosha — Bennie's address is 4614 65th St. — drop him a line. Thank you.

A recruiting torsk smoker will be held before the meeting November 5. The members are charged a small fee and if you bring a prospective member he comes free as your guest so think about that one also. More about this in the next letter.

**We Need More In 74 — Sign Up That New Member!!!**  
**Bob Ibsen, Reporter.**



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

Note From the President of the G.C.E.L. — At the convention held in Philadelphia over the Labor Day weekend, the following motion was made and seconded:

The scholarship fund, supported by the G.C.E.L., is being terminated. It is my hope that we in the future will be able to help a student as we have done in the past, by private donations and help from the lodges. So far \$217.00 has been received.

Everyone interested in donating can contact me.  
**Erling Brauman, President, G.C.E.L.**

**Lodge No. 116, Newark, N.J.** — Our next meeting will be held on September 13, and we are hoping for a better response than in July and August. At the meeting one of our juvenile members, Niels Ifversen, will be initiated. We will also have a visitor for this meeting. Area Manager John Hinrichsen will briefly talk about the "New Look" of the Danish Brotherhood in America and I am sure we can all learn something.

Brother Carl W. Jorgensen has undergone surgery at the Overlook hospital. He is now home and hoping to be back to work soon. October 19 has been set as the wedding date for our Brother Carl Ingeholm and Dorothy King. Congratulations and best wishes for the future, Dorothy and Carl.

On October 25, our lodge will celebrate its 75th anniversary with a banquet and dance. The affair begins at 7:30 p.m. and is being held at the Old Orchard Inn and Country Club, Route #71, Eatontown, N.J. Your reservations must be made before October 20. The dinner will be either stuffed flounder or capon, you must indicate which you prefer on the reservation. Thomas Eliassen and his orchestra will play. Tickets are \$9.50 per person.

**Lodge No. 325, Nassau Cnty., N.Y.** — Our meeting, held on September 13, begins as usual with a smorgasbord which is served by Peder and Caroline Pedersen and Anton Christensen and Helga Steiness are in charge of refreshments. We expect to have a good game of bingo with valuable prizes to the winners. Another good reason for being there is the jackpot — at an all — time high of \$55.00.

At this time we will have a very special sideshow. Christmas is closer than you think and Eli Sorensen and Birgitt Baggott will show gift ideas and decorations for Christmas. If any members have anything different they would like to show, we would like to know.

Motto: Not all "Chess Nuts" grow on trees. A strong competition is noted in this year's tournament so watch your moves. The results may be upsetting confidence and hopes, but it has shown an improved quality in our players in general. Carl Jorgensen is requested to show his talent, Maurice G. — a rising star.

On May 30, 1974, a U.S. 34c Airmail stamp was sold for \$47,000. The rarity was that the airplane flew upside down. How can you find out what a rarity is? Join the

Stamp Exchange. Bill Steffensen is happy his plane didn't fly upside down on his return trip from Denmark.  
**Bill Steffensen, Secretary.**

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** — On August 12, our oldest brother, Lawrence Knudsen, died. He was 89 years of age, and had 65 years as a Danish brother. His contributions were second to none. Lawrence Knudsen came to Philadelphia from Denmark on October 18, 1906. Through the many years since then he has served in all the officers' chairs as well as being president of our lodge. He was a delegate to the National Convention in Omaha in 1960, President of the G.C.E.L. in 1961-62, and was for years a delegate to the Old People's Home in Metuchen, N.J. To Dagmar, his wife, and to his numerous friends, his death is a great loss.

On July 11, Brother Robert E. Mills died. Bob was very active in the lodge since he joined in 1965. Bob would have been 48 years of age in August. Our condolences go to his wife.

The summer that passed: On May 25, a handful of Vikings ventured onto the high seas to replenish their freezers with fish. The Busch-Petersens, with the aid of Bedstemor, had an excellent catch. June 23, the weather was miserable but the true spirit of togetherness brought the members and their families out to the picnic at Metuchen.

Donations to our printing fund have been received from Theodore S. Hasle; Svend Nielsen; Robert J. Rondon, Sr., and Peter Beck. Thank you for your support.

It's time for the Sisterhood again. Their first meeting will be held on September 18 at Ellen Ravn's home in Phoenixville. Sister Ellen Albertsen and Inger Marie Harrison have both been in the hospital recently, but both are doing well.

**George Clausen, Secretary.**

**Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn.** — At the meeting held on September 12, we had a new member added to the lodge. Richard Geisler joined us. Richard's father and brother became members in June, 1974.

Delegate to the National Convention from the New Haven Lodge will be Barry Edmonds, our president. Alternate is Art Sorensen.

As it was mentioned in our last newsletter, the sisters are teaching our youngsters Danish folk dancing. After the dances, they are taught the Danish tables and words. At the last dance we had about 20 children with prizes for everyone.

**Norman Edmonds, Secretary.**

## OCTOBER ASSESSMENT

Number 904

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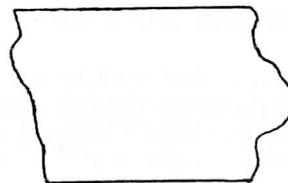
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AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

November 1, 1974

Members failing to pay to their local lodge treasurer as per above will be considered in arrears.

HOWARD CHRISTENSEN,  
 Secretary-Treasurer.



Iowa

The 46th annual convention of the Iowa United Lodges of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held in Newell, Iowa. Saturday, August 31, there was a get-together party at the Legion Hall in Newell. There we met and greeted old friends and got acquainted with new ones, the evening was spent visiting, playing cards and a good time was had by all.

Sunday, September 1, a joint opening was held by the Brotherhood and Sisterhood after which they retired to their respective convention rooms. The Brotherhood had 20 delegates present representing eight Iowa lodges. Forty-five attended the Brotherhood meetings.

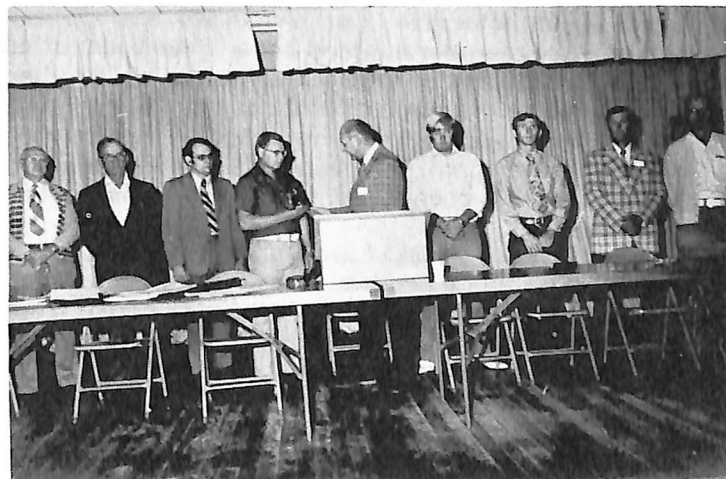
The delegates voted to continue awarding a scholarship of \$250 each to Dana College, Blair, Nebr., and Grand View of Des Moines, Iowa. The 1974 scholarship was presented to Daniel Dye of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He will attend Dana College. Due to a misunderstanding there was none issued to Grand View. This will be remedied in the coming year.

National Vice President Kris Jorgensen was among our guests. We were happy to have him here and to hear his advice and counsel. Other guests were Don Eversol, editor of the American Dane; Andy Anderson, area manager and not to be forgotten our old and dear friend Fred Jensen, former national board member. Also a well known Past Supreme President for many years, John Hansen of Davenport.

Over 90 guests enjoyed a roast beef dinner served by the Junior Federated Club of Newell. After speeches by visiting officers and Iowa State Lodge officers a dance was held. Lunch was served by the board members of the



Daniel Dye, student at Dana College, being presented the Iowa Lodges \$250 Scholarship by Paul Strand of Dana College.



Kris Jorgensen installs Irvin Strand as President of Iowa United Lodges. Other officers (left to right) Kai Hansen; Loyd Plaehn, Sec.-Treas.; L.B. Sherman, Conductor; Mark Grunberg, Vice-Pres.; Jerry Sonsalla, Trustee; Gordon Sloth, Trustee; and Paul Wind, Trustee.

Iowa United Lodges Brotherhood and Sisterhood. An evening enjoyed by all.

Monday morning brought the meetings to a climax. State Secretary Loyd Plaehn reported that \$85 had been added to the scholarship fund and that the Iowa United Lodges realized a small profit from the convention, which will be used toward next year's convention which we hope will be in Davenport, Iowa.

National Vice President Kris Jorgensen installed the new officers for the ensuing year.

We all wish to thank the Iowa United Lodges president, Irvin Strand and his wife Altabel and all board members for their cooperation. Thanks for the unusual table decorations and a big thanks to the town of Newell, the mayor and all of the people for their hospitality.

A. B. Thode, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 217, Humboldt, Iowa** — Regular monthly meeting of Lodge No. 217 was held Tuesday, September 3, the day following the state convention. Reports of the convention were given by Nels Jensen and Walter Pedersen. Walter was one of the recipients receiving the plaque and a twenty-five dollar bond; he would like to express his thanks to those in charge of the promotion and especially to "Andy" as area manager who was so helpful in getting the movement started in Humboldt.

At our meeting 32 were present, we were glad to see so many and are looking forward for even more to join in attendance. We are looking forward to having Andy with us again at our October meeting. (This guy is beginning to be a household name around here). We want to extend a personal invitation to all our neighboring lodges to attend our meeting when at all possible — the first Tuesday of each month.



## Michigan, Ohio

**Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich.** — On Wednesday, August 7, Lodge No. 51 held their monthly business meeting in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall with President William Smith presiding. We welcome new members Allen Andersen, Carl Andersen and Gordon Larsen into our membership and hope to see them often at our meetings and doings. The name of Brother Emmett Jacobsen was called for the jackpot and he was in attendance, so was awarded the jackpot — and now we will start all over again. Following the meeting, a lunch of "do-it yourself" open-faced sandwiches was served with various beverages.

On Wednesday, August 21, we held our monthly social evening. The name of Brother Ronald Kass was called for our jackpot. We also had the pleasure of a visit from Brother Eric Larsen of Lodge No. 227, Detroit who was vacationing in our area and dropped in at the lodge rooms for a "cold one".

On Wednesday, August 28, Lodge No. 51 held their regular monthly pinochle game. On the committee were: Brothers Lars Christoffersen, Treasurer Al Garcia, Brother Oscar Peterson and Lena Hansen and Mrs. J.M. Jeppesen. Following the games a potluck luncheon was served and prizes were awarded.

Our "thanks" to the members of the lodge who work so faithfully on the "bingo" games — without their help we would have to give up this endeavor.

"Get-well" wishes go to our Brothers Lawrence Rasmussen and Myron Delbarker who are on the sick list at this time.

Alf Larsen, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 30, Muskegon, Mich.** — As usual, we did not have too good attendance at our regular business meeting in August. I guess too many of our members were on vacation. We did, however, have a wonderful turnout at our social meeting. It was held at our treasurer's home, Ray Sweet. Ray and Virginia really went all out roasting fresh corn from their garden, and really showing us a good time.

We are now in the final stages of getting our gang set for the annual weekend at the Hook and Horn Lodge. This year it will be in September, and we are looking forward to it, as we always have a good time.

Clayton Hansen, Secretary.

**Detroit Lodge No. 227** — Now that summer is over we are starting to get back in the groove and getting several items of business taken that we tabled until the attendance at the meetings picked up again. Among these items was the election of the Law Committee for the upcoming National Convention. The law committee for No. 227 consists of the following Brothers: Carl Jensen, Carl Hansen, Bob Andersen, Svend Jensen and Richard Sorensen. These members then picked Carl Hansen as their chairman.

Our 69th anniversary party was held on September 21 along with Sister-Lodge No. 125 who were celebrating their 63rd birthday. We had a full house of 200 brothers, sisters and friends attending the party and we had a real great time as usual. We had 160 people at our pre-meeting dinner on August 14 which shows us that the brothers and sisters still like the idea of having an inexpensive dinner and time to talk to old friends when they have the opportunity, so I am sure these dinners will continue to be held for some time to come.

On August 14 we also had the pleasure of initiating two more members into the Brotherhood, they are Kenneth G. Iversen and Ole S. Rasmussen. Past President Harold Capion welcomed the new brothers to the lodge and the Brotherhood.

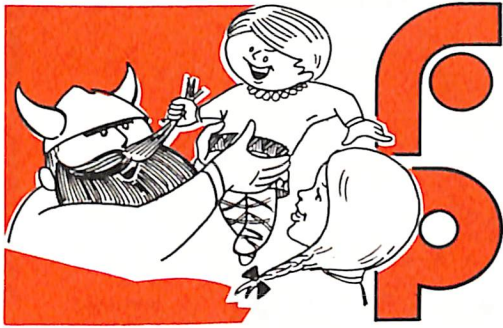
Brother Rudy Larsen reached the coveted 50-year membership and an old and long-time friend, Carl Hansen did the honors of presenting Rudy with his 50-year pin. Brother Rudy was among several brothers who were at the meeting while visiting Michigan from their homes in Florida. Another visitor was Jim Hansen who now lives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Dennis Kendall missed out on the lodge jackpot when his name was called at the meeting and he was not there.

At our meeting we had the pleasure of having as our guest National Secretary-Treasurer Howard Christensen. He spent some time trying to explain the aims of the National Board in their efforts to try to build up the membership of the Brotherhood. Howard was at our August 28 meeting. Along with his talking to us about Lodge and Brotherhood business it was nice to renew our acquaintanceship with him, some of us met him at the Michigan-Ohio District Convention when it was held in Muskegon a couple of years ago.

At our August 28 meeting William Johansen missed out on the lodge jackpot by not being at the meeting but

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# Our Lodges in Action

(Continued from page 16)

he does have an excuse, he lives in Cleveland, Ohio at the present time.

I guess that takes care of the news for this month from Detroit but look for us again next month.

**Robert Sorensen, Correspondent.**



## Washington-Oregon British Columbia (Pacific Northwest)

Portland's livewire Danes hope you will cooperate early in helping to make the 1975 conclave the very best ever. Well under way on preparations in the Rose City for making our next district convention a most memorable one, President Walter Hansen of McMinnville is well satisfied with reports. DB 167 brothers are proud and happy to have been selected as our next host city.

Seattle's Charles and Marie Portier spent three weeks in Denmark this summer saying "hello" to all their relatives and friends. Past President of DB 29, Svend Nielsen, spent his vacation in a local hospital for minor surgery. Congratulations to Elery and Florence Jensen on their 28th wedding anniversary celebrated in conjunction with their daughter Eleanor and husband Don Fisher, both recently promoted to first lieutenants in the United States Army.

Enumclaw's Chris Petersen visited the Danish Isles again this season. Grandson of Past President Jens Holm, Mike Olson, married Karen Kasanback on August 3. Another Past President of DB 113, Hans Weston, is recuperating after a stay in the hospital.

Tacoma's Martin Rasmussen thinks its due time to organize another charter flight to Denmark for Northwest Danes.

**Norbert E. Grove, Correspondent.**

**FALL BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 17  
THE NATIONAL BOARD OF OFFICERS  
WILL MEET AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS  
IN OMAHA ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER  
17, TO CONVENE THE ANNUAL FALL BOARD  
MEETING.**

**SECTION 7, PARAGRAPH 3[b] —** Payment authorized in the laws of the Society under one or more of the laws following Section 5, paragraph 4; and/or Section 6, paragraph 1; Section 6, paragraph 2; Section 14, paragraph 2, is hereby published:  
AUGUST, 1974:

Einar Danielsen — Salary, \$229.85.

Byron Petersen — To Greenville, Mich. to represent Board of Officers at Greenville Danish Festival, \$271.60.

Donald B. Moon — To Modesto, Calif. to represent Board of Officers at California-Nevada Annual Convention, \$417.55.

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Name	Lodge No.	Location	Sponsor
Otto Pedersen	1	Omaha	Frances Hansen
Myrtis M. Pedersen	1	Omaha	Frances Hansen
Donald I. Hay	4	Racine	Hans C. Larsen
Thomas W. Raven	14	Kenosha	William Nelson
Jeffrey Wamboldt*	14	Kenosha	Clarence Duffin
Hans P. Petersen	14	Kenosha	Harold Petersen
John Gregersen	29	Seattle	Sam Frederiksen
Hazel H. Pedersen	34	Dwight	Irwin R. Nielsen
Janice A. Madsen	34	Dwight	James Andraesen
Alan Ferdinandsen	46	P. Amboy	G.W. Ferdinandsen
David A. Larsen	51	Ludington	Edward Larsen
Egel Anderson	75	Albert Lea	Bob Behrens
Kaj S. Jensen*	126	Los Angeles	Norman Jensen
Olga K. Nielsen	164	N.Y. City	Robert Rasmussen
Emma Enemark	164	N.Y. City	Edwin Reinhard
Leila F. Ervin	172	Philadelphia	John Hinrichsen
Frank C. Ervin	172	Philadelphia	John Hinrichsen
Louise N. Jensen	172	Philadelphia	John Hinrichsen
George W. Jensen	172	Philadelphia	John Hinrichsen
Mathilda Danielsen	182	Waukegan	Carl Danielsen
Ralph V. Walthers	184	Hayward	Alice Harmsen
Ellenora I. Plugge	206	Blair	Lela Neve
Robert L. Plugge	206	Blair	Lela Neve
Leroy Larsen	206	Blair	Larry Knudsen
Julia L. Bendorf	206	Blair	Larry Knudsen
Julie A. Petersen	206	Blair	Janice D. Johnson
Ebba M. Rasmussen	206	Blair	Paul Strand
Greg E. Witte	206	Blair	Larry Knudsen
Connie R. Witte	206	Blair	Larry Knudsen
Stanley Lassegard	206	Blair	Larry Knudsen
Myron D. Ogard	211	Grand Island	Julius Thomsen
Esther G. Brady	225	Canton	Robert Pedersen, Jr.
Annette Petersen*	225	Canton	John Christensen
Chad C. Kenny*	238	Juhl	A.H. Laursen
Anita E. Nielsen	306	San Diego	Alfred Vestergaard
Gudmund Nielsen	T-400	Anaheim	Ervin Tobeck
Gerhardt Cherney	T-400	Anaheim	Ervin Tobeck
Susan A. Hegedus	600	Omaha	Alice Hegedus

### DANA WILL HOST DR. KRISTIAN HVIDT

Dr. Kristian Hvidt, Danish immigration historian and Librarian to Denmark's Parliament will give an illustrated talk: "The Image of America in Denmark Then and Now" on Monday, October 14, 8 p.m. at Dana Hall of Science Auditorium, Dana College, Blair, Nebraska. The public is cordially invited. Dr. Hvidt is Lithgow Osborne Lecturer for the American-Scandinavian Foundation, a non-profit educational institution for exchange between the United States and Scandinavia. There will be a coffee hour following.

# Danish Kitchen

It's apple season — and what better way to use this bountiful fruit than in this traditional Danish recipe. A variation of Danish aebleskage, it has the prettiest name of all Danish desserts.



## PEASANT GIRL WITH VEIL [Bondepige Med Slør]

1¼ pound tart apples  
1 soupbowlful grated, dry  
rye bread  
2 tbsps. sugar  
½ tsp. salt  
1 tblsp. butter  
Semi-sweet chocolate  
Whipping cream

Peel, core and slice the apples. Cook until soft, almost a pulp.

Mix the rye bread crumbs, sugar and salt. Add butter and cook over low heat until mixture is almost dry. Stir frequently to prevent scorching. Put a layer of this mixture in a greased baking dish; cover with a layer of apples. Continue alternating layers until all ingredients are used. Sprinkle with grated chocolate. Bake in a preheated 350 degree oven 15 minutes.

Serve with a generous helping of whipped cream. Serves 4 or 5.

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BAL PAA KROEN — Volume 2. Bror Kalle's kapel: Trekant; Hen te kommoden; En jaeager gik at jage; Haar do waat i Hobro; Paa min lysegrønne ø; Frem og tebavs; Den ormstukne; and other popular old times tunes. \$6.50.

DET GLADE KOBENHAVNERLIV — LP record with Ib Glimdemann's orchestra and Danish vocalists: Det var paa Frederiksberg; Aah Mathias; Aah Dagmar; Fra jeg i vuggen laa; Kammerat med solen; Min

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SYNG MED I PØLSEKROEN — An LP record with sing-a-long of almost fifty well-known Danish party and beer songs. \$7.00.

GUSTAV WINCKLER — An LP record with the internationally known Danish crooner who sings Danish, English and German titles: Blaa roser til en blond pige; Jeg har sendt en masse roser; Through the eyes of a child; Sweet Rosalie; Just call me lonesome; Tears and roses; in all sixteen wonderful songs. \$7.00.

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# Our Readers Write



Because your organization reflects the ethnic heritage of America — and because "The New Land" is re-exploring the contributions that ethnic groups have made to our emergence as a people — it is our hope that your members will take the opportunity to watch "The New Land" Saturdays on ABC-TV.

Sincerely,  
William Blinn,  
Producer, "The New Land".

Dear Danish Brotherhood:

I just got through reading the current issue of the **American Dane**. As always it was exciting to read about this year's group of scholarship winners and to learn about their enthusiasm and determination as they set out towards new goals.

When they reach them, I hope they will do so with the same feeling of worthwhile accomplishment as I did, when I this last Friday finished my graduate studies in educational administration and realized that I would be awarded the Master of Education Degree.

As I stop to ponder what has happened these past six years since I was awarded a scholarship, I am aware that in spite of my determination to see this project through to the end, I owe a lot of people a lot of gratitude for believing in me and for sticking by me whenever the going was rough.

Allow me, therefore, to convey to

the Danish Brotherhood in America my most sincere THANK YOU for helping me getting started.

Karen E. Bruun  
Bellingham, Wash.

Dear Friends:

Warner Bros. Television is proud to be presenting a new, entertaining and significant television series, "The New Land," on ABC-TV Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. ET.

"The New Land" tells the story of immigrants who came to America in the 1850's and settled in Minnesota. There they experienced the joys and challenges of building a new life and shaping the future of this country.

While "The New Land" centers on a Scandinavian family, it is essentially the story of many ethnic groups representing those courageous immigrants who journeyed thousands of miles from all over the world to seek the promise of freedom and opportunity in the United States.

Dear Sir:

Among the 35 exchange students for whom I will be responsible this year, are two boys from Denmark scheduled to arrive next week. One will live with Loran Pfeiffer family at Scribner, and one with Sterling Vock family at Nebraska City. Other students are from eight countries in Europe and South America. Tomorrow 30 French students complete their family homestay in Nebraska.

Would your organization be interested in offering homestay families who might host a foreign exchange student? Or, might you wish to help sponsor a youth as one of our teenage ambassadors abroad.

Let me know and I will be glad to send information on both of these programs.

Sincerely,  
Rev. Roy Siewert  
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## DB PRODUCTION SEMINAR



[Left to Right] Andy Andersen, Ken Pedersen and Herb Nielsen.

Andy Andersen, Area Manager for Nebraska-Iowa, conducted a one-day production seminar for Danish Brotherhood representatives in his area at the Home Office on August 23rd. Topics of discussion were ways to increase lodge membership, and the new insurance and fraternal programs available to members, both young and old.

Attending the seminar were Ken Pedersen, Ruskin, Ne.; Ervie Laursen, Grand Island, Ne.; L. B. Sherman, Des Moines, Ia; Gus Axelson, Council Bluffs, Ia.; Hans Petersen, Tekamah, Ne.; and Herb Nielsen, Minden, Ne.