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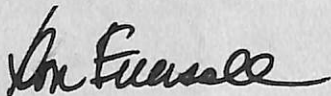
# DB comment

A retirement-age lady attending the Denver Convention approached the editor of this publication with a commanding probe, "So you are the fellow who makes up that magazine." I got ready for the worst. What the heck did I do now, I thought.

Her voice mellowed. "My mailbox is across the street from my house," she said, "and I just wanted to tell you that when the magazine comes, I read every page of it before I cross back over the street."

We both enjoyed a good laugh and then I asked her for a favor.

"Please look both ways before you go back," I said, "we sure don't want to lose any readers like you."



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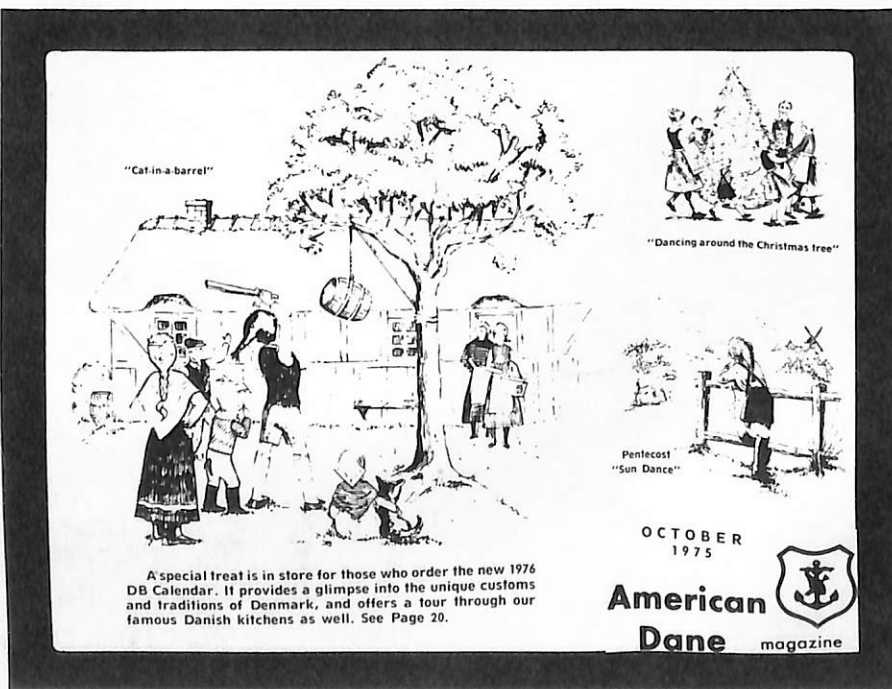


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# Winning Essays Credit Family, Fellowship For Adding Element of Happiness to Life

**Ohio girl, Nebraska boy win \$100 Bond and Danish Coat-of-Arms for top entries.**

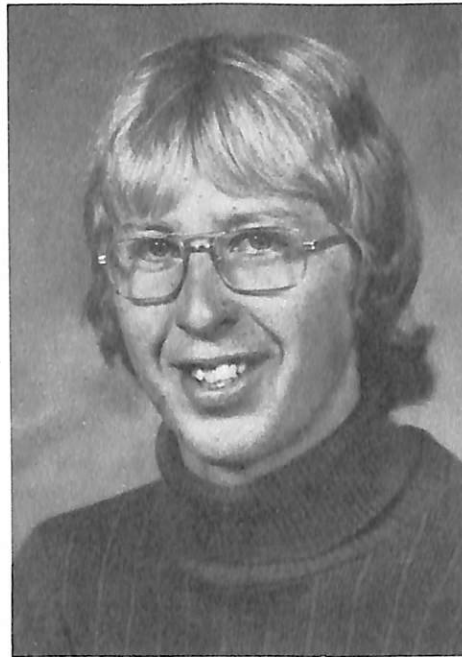
Having fun is the best part of living. Certain people have a tradition of having fun and enjoying themselves. You can tell they enjoy themselves by their traditions and heritage. Danes are such a group of fun-loving people. Their customs and activities prove that they like to get together and have a good time. Danes have more fun because they have a heritage of being fun-loving people.

One look at a Dane's dress and a person will realize why they have more fun. The bright colors and fancy stitching illustrate the gaiety Danes have when they get together to celebrate. The costumes worn by Danes at celebrations today have a long tradition which dates back to Denmark. The dress worn at Danish celebrations demonstrate the fun times Danes have when they get together to participate in festivities. The bright dress symbolizes the enjoyable times Danes have when they celebrate.

Danes have more fun when it comes to eating. Who cannot enjoy themselves at a Danish Smørresbord? The delicious food and fellowship provide fun for everyone. Danes have baking contests and many other activities involving food. They get together and enjoy the excellent food. When Danes have a dinner or supper they do things in a big way. The good food and social gatherings are just another reason why Danes enjoy themselves.

Danes have a tradition of having a lot of fellowship. They will help one another and help a neighbor out if he needs it. If Danes gather for work, they always seem to throw in some fun after the work is done. Because of the fellowship Danes feel for each other, they often get together to have fun. Danes usually feel a kinship for another Dane and gather to have fun and enjoy the good feeling of being with friends.

When you put all the activities Danes have together, you are sure to have a fun time. Danish custom provides you with the opportunity to



Richard Jacobsen



Kirsten Ann Madsen

Richard Jacobsen, Rt. 2, Minden, Neb., and Kirsten Ann Madsen, Springfield, Ohio, are the first-place winners in this year's essay contest. Each will receive a \$100 Bond and Coat-of-Arms as their prize. Other winners are Mrs. Arnold Christiansen, Inge-Lise Christensen, Russell Outz and Laura Madsen.

get together and enjoy yourselves. The dress, celebrations, and fellowship are just three reasons why Danes have more fun.

**Richard Jacobsen,**  
Minden, Neb.  
(Member of Lodge No. 16)

### MY FAVORITE DANE AND WHY

My favorite Dane is my grandpa. His name is Ejnar Madsen. He was born in Denmark and moved to New York as a young man. Later he moved to Akron, Ohio. When we go for a visit

he takes us to the Danish Lodge where he was president and is now secretary. I am eight and one-half years old. There are other children, too, but older than myself.

My family went to Denmark in 1972. He took us to meet his family and other friends. I love my grandpa very much. He comes down and plays with my sister and I in our swimming pool. I don't know what I'd do without such a great man.

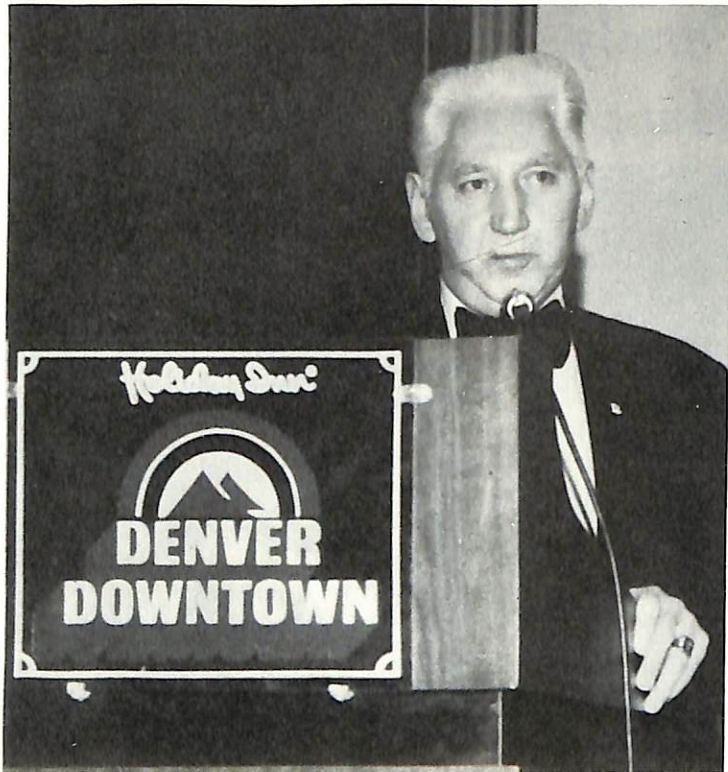
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## DANA COLLEGE TO HONOR DANISH-AMERICAN AUTHOR

Sophus Keith Winther, author of a trilogy dealing with the settlement of Danes in Nebraska, will be present at Dana College October 23 for the placing of a marker and the planting of a cottonwood, Nebraska's state tree, as a tribute to him. This will take place during a brief ceremony at 4 p.m. at the northeast corner of the campus in Blair, Neb. At 8 p.m. the veteran author and teacher will read and comment on selections from the trilogy in the Dana Hall of Science Auditorium. Both events are open to the public.





Brother Godthaab addresses banquet audience of nearly 400.

# George Godthaab Elected President At National Convention

Host Lodge in Denver  
Proves Faith Founded  
In Western Hospitality

George Godthaab has been elected to serve as President of the National Board of Directors at the organizational meeting following their election at the National Convention held in Denver, Colo., September 17 to 20. Brother Godthaab has served on the Board since 1967 and is a past president and officer of the General Committee of Eastern Lodges, as well as that of his home lodge, No. 116, Newark, N. J.

Other directors are: First Vice President George Jacobsen, Long Island, N. Y., Lodge No. 325; Second Vice President Byron Petersen, Askov, Minn., Lodge No. 263; Director Robert Ibsen, Kenosha, Wis., Lodge No. 14; Director Clyde Langsted, Seattle, Wash., Lodge No. 29;

Director Kenneth Pedersen, Ruskin, Neb., Lodge No. 161; Director Peter Weber, Solvang, Calif., Lodge No. 299.

Ninety-one delegates attended the 29th National Convention and they were joined by several hundred guests and visitors at many successful lunches, a folk-dance party, special bus tour, western barbeque, and a closing banquet.

The Board of Directors will convene in Omaha on November 6 to begin the first regular semi-annual director's meeting at the National Headquarters. A report of their deliberations will be published, as standard policy, in a future issue of American Dane.



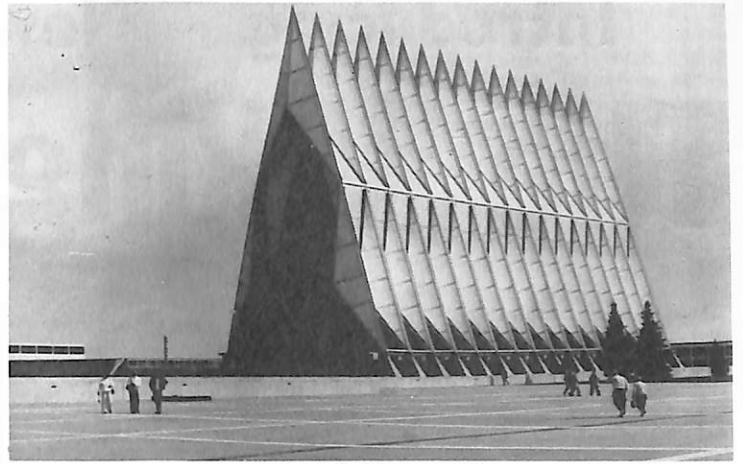
New Board of Directors is installed by Past National Board President Kris Jorgensen (far right). From left: Peter Weber, Director; Clyde Langsted, Director; Kenneth Pedersen, Director; Robert Ibsen, Director; Byron Petersen, Second Vice President; George Jacobsen, First Vice President; and George Godthaab, President.



Convention delegates rise in general sessions room to applaud Past President Einar Danielsen (inset) in appreciation of his leadership during the convention. Brother Danielsen stepped down from the Board after serving the Brotherhood for 20 years as a national officer.



Gunnar Petersen, host Lodge No. 43, leads opening session in singing, "Der er et Yndigt Land", following "The Star Spangled Banner".



A special bus tour took convention goers to the world-famous Air Force Academy and its interfaith chapel, west of Colorado Springs. The sidetrip also included a fascinating skyshow in the Academy's ultra-modern planetarium.



It's obvious from this picture that the Folk Dancing Party brought out the best in its guests, as Dick Lauritsen, President Lodge No. 43, welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peterson of Kenosha, center, who receive their boutonniere from an unidentified but lovely convention greeter.



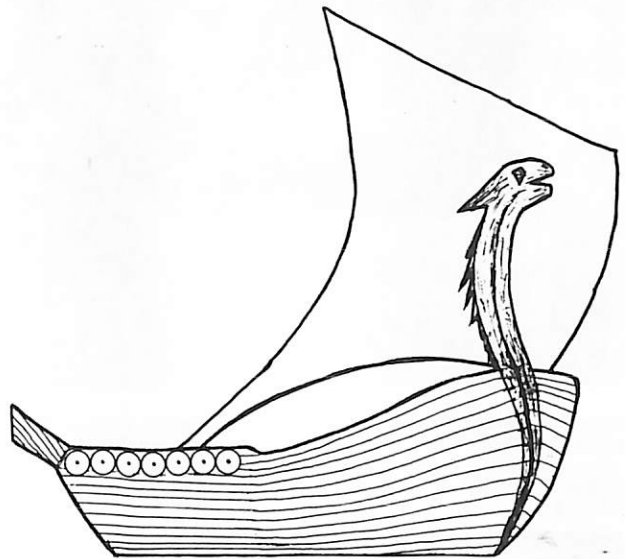
A good old-fashioned western barbeque on a real-life Colorado working ranch became a convention highlight for many on Thursday night. The Ranchhands dropped their lariats for guitars early in the evening and put on a rousing show for the crowd of 300.

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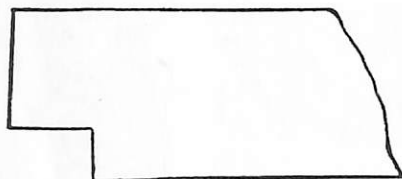


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# Our Lodges in Action



**Nebraska**

**Lodge No. 1, Omaha, Neb.** — Lodge No. 1's meeting on September 2 was a good one with lots of plans for the rest of the year. Coffee and cake was served. Court whist was played with prizes for every table.

Our Nebraska State Convention was one of the better conventions. DB Lodge No. 211 and DSS Lodge No. 113 went all out to entertain us, beginning with Friday night's get-together with a fine sandwich supper. Folk dancers from Minden and some of the JADA girls from Omaha performed. Drawing of prizes which were donated by the Grand Island lodges during the evening, singing and dancing with Minden folk dances completed the evening.

The afternoon meeting was very lively with talks about the National Convention; the best to come out of the meeting, a Fraternal Fund was started with \$100; hope to have lots more money in the fund by next year's convention by asking individual lodges and members to contribute to it.

The banquet was a big success. The highlight was when our National DB President Einar Danielsen and Nebraska and Iowa district salesman, Andy Andersen, presented awards and bonds to four members in the membership contest; Jay Petersen, Shirley Nielsen, Floyd Andersen and Loretta Pedersen. Special guests at the convention were Monarch King of Nebraska, Axel Skelbeck, National President of DB, Einar Danielsen and National Trustee of DSS, Mary Jean Grunberg.

Officers were installed by Margaret Larsen, Past President of DSS, and National President of DB, Einar Danielsen, assisted by Gladys Jacobsen as installing marshal.

A Sunday morning breakfast was served in a park by a lake in Grand Island. To say thank you to Lodge No. 211 and No. 113 seems to be so little for so much, so a million thanks to all of you in Grand Island.

Chris Larsen, Correspondent.



"Danes Have More Fun", and they did have a good time at the Nebraska State Convention in Grand Island, as evidenced by Young Vikings Jenny Davidson and Sue Christensen, top left, and Gayle Miller [receiving an award as Convention Chairman] from Elmer Jacobsen. In the bottom photo, former National President Einar Danielsen presents gavel to re-elected District President Lewis Outz. Other officers flank Outz and Danielsen.





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

**Lodge No. 34, Dwight, Ill.** — The Danish Brotherhood held their family picnic Sunday, August 24, in Renfrew Park with 63 attending. It started at 4:00 with a social gathering. At 5:00 we ate. After eating, Jenny Andreason entertained the younger kids with games. "We older kids" enjoyed a game of baseball which ended up in a 12-12 tie. The rest of the "older kids" played a game of tossing water balloons in which some ended up getting wet. Everyone had a wonderful time. The next event coming up is the golf tournament.

**Bev Lund, Secretary.**



Lodge No. 34 members at their picnic.

**Lodge No. 182, Waukegan, Ill.** — The Midwest District Convention in Racine on August 16-17 was very eventful. Eight members of Lodge No. 182 were present for the banquet Saturday evening: Sine and Laurits Petersen, Janet and Carl Petersen, Christian Jensen, Hazel and Pat Smith and Mrs. Lillian Back. The latter three being also from the hosting Sisterhood Lodge No. 5. Our hearty thanks to Brotherhood Lodge No. 4 and Sisterhood Lodge No. 5 for hosting the superb convention. We enjoyed the installation of officers, complete with members of the Sisterhood Lodge No. 5, escorting the new officers to their respective stations. We have the great privilege to report that our president, Carl Petersen, was installed as Third Trustee to the Midwest District. Sine Petersen won the 1975 Mothers Day plate that was raffled off by Sisterhood Lodge No. 5.

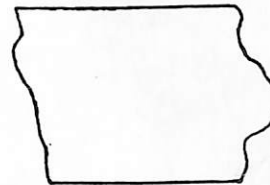
August 17th was our picnic at Van Patten woods. 64 people came out for the food, fun and fellowship. There were some out-of-town guests: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Petersen, and Mr. and Mrs. James Andreason from Dwight Lodge No. 34; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Christensen from Chicago Lodge No. 35; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Christensen and family from Wood Dale Lodge No. 340; and Mr. and Mrs. Flemming Andersen and family from Chicago Lodge No. 17. We would like to thank them all for stopping by and making the day just a little bit nicer. Thanks also must go to Ingolf and Walter Petersen for

setting up the beer and soft drinks, Sine Petersen for setting up the food and Chris Jensen for providing and roasting the corn and Bill Petersen for helping. Our new American Flag (donated by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tiebock) along with the Danish Flag were displayed right in front of our shelter for all to see.

Don't forget to get your reservations in for the Anniversary Dinner, November 15, at Illinois Beach Lodge. Deadline is October 31. There are a lot of fun things planned for this evening — you won't want to miss it.

Come on out for the meeting, too — the second Friday of the month at the Waukegan Public Library. There will be a lot of "Great Danes" there to give you a warm welcome.

**Janet Petersen, Correspondent.**

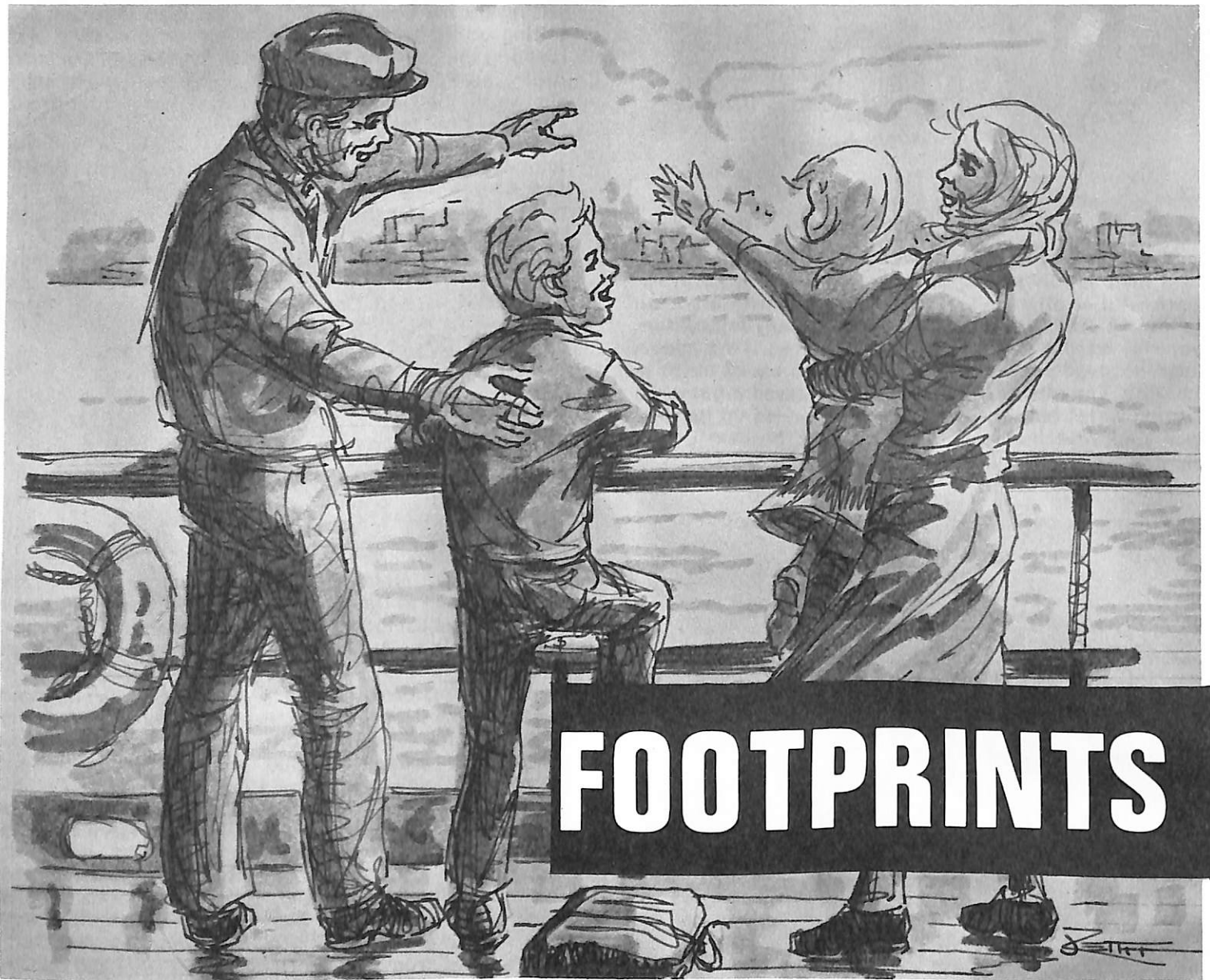


**Iowa**

The Iowa United Lodges convention was held at the Clayton Motel in Davenport, Iowa, with Lodge No. 3 and 11 being the host lodges. The get-together party was held Saturday night, August 30 with 60 brothers and sisters attending. Sunday, August 31, the meeting was called to order by President Irvin Strand, with both Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges in attendance. A memorial service was given for departed brothers and sisters by Jeanette Nielsen, Mary Jean and Bud Grunberg's daughter, and the Lord's Prayer sung by Rose Grunberg. All of the state officers were in attendance and eighteen delegates from seven lodges. Home Office visitors were National Secretary Howard Christensen, Area Agent Andy Andersen, and Past Supreme President John Hansen, from the Sisterhood, Past Supreme President Ellen Madison and Trustee Mary Jean Grunberg. Other visitors were Paul and Lil Strand and Mr. and Mrs. Hermansen from No. 4, Racine, Wis. At 7:30 Sunday evening we all shared in a buffet-style banquet, with dancing following the feast. There were 97 who enjoyed the evening. Kai Hansen of No. 11, Clinton, was Master of Ceremonies. He greeted all of the dignitaries and brothers and sisters. Greetings were heard from all state officers, Past Supreme President John Hansen, Past Supreme Sisterhood President Ellen Madison, and



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# FOOTPRINTS O

## THIS IS PART OF MY LIFE by Jens Krogh

### RECORD OF MY TRIP ON THE OCEAN

March 8, 1923

We now have arrived on Hellig Olae and are already out at sea far enough that we cannot see land. We have had our noon meal. I don't know the name of it, but it sure was good at the time. I am resting on my cot. I have the lower berth or cot. There are four, but we are only three in this room: Fred, Henry and I. So one of us must sleep upstairs and up to this time we are not seasick. Henry's ticket gave him the upper berth. You will see that this was later changed.

Friday, March 9

We are now sailing up Kristiona Fjord nearing Kristianhown or Oslo. This is a beautiful country. This Fjord is between two steep hillsides covered

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Jens Krogh, the author of this article, lives in Blair, Neb., where he is an active member of Lodge No. 206. After his move to Blair in 1923 he eventually bought a farm and several businesses and is now retired.

with fir trees and snow. Then in between are lovely houses or villas, all with red roofs and what a sight from here. We can also see Vosenholen and Holmenkolden. They are small mountains where they have all kinds of winter sports. There are several resorts located in this area and people come from other countries for winter vacations. Oslo is a very strange city as compared to cities in Denmark, as it is built on the hillsides. The streets are in the valley and houses are built on the hillside. The street cars are all green in color and many are pulled by a horse. The whole city is truly a winter wonderland.

Saturday, March 10

We are now sailing in the middle of

the North Sea and the wind is blowing very hard and this large ocean liner does not seem so large now. We are rolling real good and it is hard to keep your balance when you walk here on the ship. We now find a lot of different kinds of people. We took on many at Oslo. We now have Swedes, Norwegians, Germans, Polaks, a few English and some Italians. To hear them talk seems strange to me that only talks Danish. To hear them sounds like a bunch of geese making noise.

Sunday, March 11

Now we find ourselves right out in the big ocean and the storm is very bad. The waves are large and at times come over the deck. Many of the

people are sick, really sick, most are down below and what a sight. Not a very healthy bunch to look at as at least one half of them are feeding the fish. Up to this point, I am keeping my food down, have also had all my meals. As you know, this tight Dane sure wants his moneys worth. I did not know that the water had so much power. When I seen this ship in the harbor, I did not think it possible for anything to bother such a large ship and now the wind tosses it around like it was a nut shell. I am now sleeping in the upper berth. We have a railing to put up to keep from falling out, but must hold on to the railing to keep from being thrown out of the berth.

Monday, March 12

We are now nearing the middle of the ocean and what a day. I did not think the storm could be any worse than before, but it is. The top deck is forbidden for the passengers as the waves are rolling over it and they have ropes strung all over for the crew to hold on to as they must do the work. When I was down to eat, I found the tables were framed with parti-

high stakes, but was stopped today by the Captain, as he was afraid some would be broke before they saw the U.S.A.

Wednesday, March 14

Now it is Wednesday and the day is a better day and people are beginning to come to life again. The band played on deck today and some danced and had a good time. I did not take part, but enjoyed the music. We are now beginning to get lonesome for land again, but must wait. For a time we did not get any place very fast. For the last few days during the storm they have a chart on the wall telling about the progress, but it did not change too much during the storm. There is not too much to tell about people. They are now back eating again. Even Henry is back on full feed and it looks like he will make it to the U.S.A.

Thursday, March 15

Today it is eight days since we came aboard Hellig Olae and we are well over halfway there and I am

day and not see another ship and you know many ships sail the ocean, then you realize this could be true.

Saturday, March 17

Today the weather is some better. We must have moved out of the storm area. We were allowed on deck again today. We had music, the band played on and the folks came back to life again. It sure has been a bad tour as far as the weather goes. We also saw another ship in the distance, too, a sign of life, and this makes you feel you are not alone on this ocean. Another strange thing we see is the Sea Gull are following our ship and have since we started. I will never know how they rest. Something else also seems strange. A large school of fish seem to follow us and when the kitchen help dump the garbage overboard they are right there catching it, sometimes before it hits the water. Mostly large fish, looks like from two to five hundred pounds. A very interesting thing to see how the birds of the air and the fish of the sea get along.

Sunday, March 18

Now it is Sunday again, the second Sunday on the trip. A Sunday is not much different from any other day, but we hope it is the last one on this trip. This is a pretty good day and all seem in good humor. We have good music today, have had a drink or two. Some are playing cards, in all are having a good time, and we begin to look forward to set foot on solid ground again. There is not too much to tell as the tour has now become routine, one day almost the same as the day before.

Monday, March 19

Now Monday has come and we have a good day as far as weather goes and we made more miles the last 24 hours than any other day since we started, 379 sea miles. So if we keep this up we might see New York on Tuesday rather than Wednesday that they thought might have been the case due to bad weather. Again I have not much to tell about. Most all were on deck and the music played for us something we all enjoy; however, people are getting restless now that the time is near. Also, things are really beginning to fill our minds — what will it be like, will we find a job, how will we get along in a strange land. Now that the time is near, there is all much to worry about. Really a tremendous task when you cannot talk or understand the language. I can now see a lot of problems ahead.

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# OF IMMIGRATION

tions to keep the table settings in place. They did not need all this stuff as only a few showed up for meal time, but again as usual this hungry Dane was there on time getting his money's worth. Henry Hansen has not ate anything for two days. He said he thought he would die and wished he could. I also had to change cots with him as he had the upper and I was below him. What a mess! Had to get the hell out of his way, out of the firing line.

Tuesday, March 13

Here we are, Tuesday, not much change in the weather, still seems as bad today. Not too much to do as most of the passengers are still down. When I was eating this morning had only a handful of people. Sure had to hang onto my plate to keep it from getting mixed up with somebody elses. The food is wonderful and they seem to cook for all the passengers and only a few come to eat so the fish get the rest. A real shame to dump it out, but they do. Some of the Swedes here have been playing cards for money,

getting ready to see land again. Most of the people here are ready too. I should not mind too much being I did not get sick, but today it is rather cold on the deck and it is cloudy with a little rain so about all one can do is to stay below and sleep and eat and wait for tomorrow to see the dawn of a better day. The food here is real good, the best I have ever had, and I have been eating like there is no tomorrow.

Friday, March 16

Today we are in the midst of a snowstorm. The ship is rolling and tossing again, terrible weather, and the deck is closed again. As you walk up the hallway downstairs, you have trouble getting along when you walk. The floor will not stand still. One step it comes to meet your foot and then the next one is way down there. We all look like we had too much to drink. According to our map, we are now close to New Foundland. This gives you a feeling that all is not water in this world. I had been told that two thirds of the world is ocean, now I believe it. When you can sail day after

# Our Lodges in Action

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Trustee Mary Jean Grunberg. Brother Paul Wind, Lodge No. 3, gave prizes away at intervals all during the evening to the delight of all who attended the banquet.

Monday, September 1, the meeting was opened at 9:30 a.m. with the main order of business being the election of officers. New officers elected were Mark Grunberg, President; Jerry Sonsalla, Vice President; Loyd Plaehn, Secretary Treasurer; Trustees, Gordon Sloth, John Sherman and Paul Wind; Past President, Irvin Strand; Nels Jensen, Conductor. The officers were sworn in by Howard Christensen and seated. The new president appointed Art Thode as correspondent for the next year.

Checks to the scholarship fund were presented by Lodge No. 144, Dike, Iowa, and Lodge No. 219, Clear Lake. A collection was taken among the members by Brother Bud Grunberg. Scholarship Chairman Loyd Plaehn stated the fund was large enough now to present three \$250.00 scholarships for the next three years.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m. with all thanking Lodge No. 3 and 11 for a most wonderful time. Thanks to all who made this a most delightful convention. We all hope to meet next Labor Day weekend when Lodge No. 144, Dike, will host the convention.

A. B. Thode, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 341, Elk Horn-Kimballton, Iowa** — The Brotherhood's newest lodge in Iowa met the last Monday in August at Elk Horn. Meetings are being held alternately at Elk Horn and Kimballton.

The meeting was a potluck supper. Andy Andersen from the National Headquarters was present signing up new members and selling jackets. He said membership was 135 after applications were processed and all their names would appear on the founding charter.

At the business meeting it was decided to sponsor folk dances, Danish lessons and bicycle riding.

One of the officers, Jens Sorensen, had conducted Danish classes in Elk Horn and Audubon the past few years. He also suggested copying Denmark Danes in cycle transportation.

Alfred Hansen, Reporter.

**Lodge No. 217, Humboldt, Iowa** — Danish Brotherhood Lodge met at their regular meeting Tuesday, September 2. Sixty were in attendance. Two guests made the evening very special, Marius Pedersen, Coulter, Iowa, and Paul Strand, Blair, Nebraska, assistant development director of Dana College.

Mr. Pedersen, at the age of 86, has revived his wood carving which he learned in Denmark some 60 years ago. A few of the finished pieces were brought with him for all to see, the most outstanding being a large cross. All this work is made of small pieces of wood cut to interlock one another, no glue is used to hold any of the pieces together.

We were most happy to have Paul with us for the evening and to visit with him. He described the functioning of the college and his work at Dana. Paul was enroute from Davenport having attended the Iowa State Convention there.

Those from this lodge attending the convention were: Mr. and Mrs. Nels Rai Jensen and Walter Pedersen. Walter was presented his second award for new members, a beautiful silver cup and a \$50 bond.

Following the evenings program a social time was had. Coffee was served with home-made Danish pastries on the serving table which were greatly enjoyed.

Marie Pedersen, Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 144, Dike, Iowa** — The regular meeting was held September 8 at Dike, Iowa. Thirty members attending and Area Manager Andy Andersen from Omaha. Two members were initiated by President Marlyn Hook. The new members are Eugene Nielsen and Doren Jorgensen.

Brother Loyd Plaehn spoke about the picnic held at Reinbeck. 97 people attended and a good time was had by all. Our thanks to Brother Plaehn and his committee for their fine work.

President Marlyn Hook asked all the members for support in 1975 when the Iowa Lodges Convention would be hosted by Lodge No. 144.

The members appointed Mrs. Lenora Madsen of Lodge 600 as agent for Lodge 144. We hope this will build our membership up from the present 125. Andy Andersen agreed to assist Mrs. Madsen in her new job as part time agent.

Secretary Art Thode and Andy Andersen were able to sign up two members the following day.

A. B. Thode, Correspondent.



**Washington-Oregon**

**British Columbia**

**(Pacific Northwest)**

We have just received a very complete resume of the Pacific Northwest District Convention from President Poul B. Christensen and Secretary Treasurer Karen E. Bruun. Among detailed items, the missive remind all of the Bicentennial Celebration in conjunction with our 1976 Conclave hosted by Seattlites. Brother Christensen's motto is "Membership Drive in Seventy-Five".

Tacoma's Danish Colony met at Past District President Hennings home on August 2 in order to discuss the National Convention and current finances. Discussions were lengthy and reviewed the "pros and cons" of social versus insured members. A moment of silence was observed for the passing of Brother Elmer Olsen. It was reported that Brother Villy Rasmussen was entertaining Denmark visitors, that Brother Anker Kjaer had visited Calgary, that Brother William Mathiesen had vacationed in Solvang, that Brother Axel Schmidt had just returned from his fatherland and that Vice President Regnar Brocher's wife, Mabel, was in the Swedish hospital. Brother Grant Nylander and wife, Mabel, celebrated their golden wedding on September 21. New members, Benni Anderson and Ole Snoer of Lakewood Terrace were formally introduced to the DB 33 on August 24 when brothers and sisters dined before adjourning to the beautiful home of the Brochners in Wauna. Belated best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mathiesen on the 50th wedding anniversary they celebrated August 23.

Seattle's Brother Thorvald Kofoed reports a beautiful day for the DB 29 picnic in August and we happen to know that Chef Ted cooked over 25 pounds of hot dogs while President Joel Evans served spirits from his pickup truck bar. Brother Jim Langsted, Gert Jacobsen and Master of Ceremonies Clyde Langsted were all part of

the annual successful affair. Brother Ib Rossen took a troop of Boy Scouts on a 50-mile hike through the Olympics on August 17.

DB 42 staged their annual picnic on July 27 at Audubon Park with free coffee, pop and ice cream with races and music. On the sick list this summer have been Brothers Paul Christensen and Carl Kjeldsen and Past District President John Bech.

Portland Brothers have changed their meeting place from the Pythian Building to Nobile Hall at 62nd and Sand Boulevard and now regularly meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Belated golden wedding anniversary wishes to Brother and Mrs. Lorents Lorentsen.

**Norbert E. Grove, Correspondent.**



### **California, Nevada**

**Lodge No. 339, Las Vegas, Nev.** — On August 31 a bingo party was held by the members of Silver State Lodge. Everyone had an enjoyable evening. Coffee and Aebleskiver were served. Many lovely gifts were won by members and guests present at this event.

Harold Reed, delegate to the National Convention, and his lovely wife, Jutta, have attended the National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood in America, in Denver, Colorado.

Plans are being made to welcome the Danish Boys Choir to Las Vegas once again. We hope to have a large turnout for this concert. All boys and adults accompanying the group will be housed with families here in Las Vegas.

**Alice M. Pinkerton, Publicity Chairman.**

In recent years the Danish organizations in California and Nevada have made serious efforts to cooperate with one another in regard to special events, group gatherings, and also excursion trips. Up until now it has not always been possible to succeed in that direction. This year, however, the Danish Brotherhood is pleased to report that it has been possible to coordinate a charter flight to Denmark in 1976 together with the Danish Sisterhood and Dania and Dannebrog. This is a definite step in the right direction to improve good cooperation between our societies.

Your appointed excursion committee is pleased to inform you that definite arrangements have been made with TRANS WORLD AIRLINES for a CHARTER FLIGHT TO DENMARK in 1976. A Boeing 707 Super Jet Liner carrying 176 passengers will leave Oakland, Calif., on May 31 and return from Copenhagen on July 8, 1976.

If you plan to visit Denmark next summer, we urge you to participate in this excursion. You will be traveling not only with fellow members of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood, but also with friends and members of Dania and Dannebrog. This way the journey will not be tedious and it will give the participants the opportunity to celebrate Grundlovsdag on June 5 and, of course, the July 4th celebration in Rebild Park.

The trip will be sold on a first come first served basis. The cost will be \$420.00 per person, based on full capacity, and subject to increase or decrease, depending on number of participants. A deposit of \$100.00 per person

with reservations is required, with balance payment due no later than March 15, 1976. Above rate includes \$3.00 Federal tax.

Participation is restricted to members of the Danish Brotherhood and the Danish Sisterhood, (Dania and Dannebrog), their spouse and their dependent children up to 18 years of age living in the same household. Children under two years of age are traveling free, but must sit on the lap. Members must have held membership at least six months prior to departure. Upon receipt of reservation deposit you will receive complete information regarding passport, vaccination, etc.

Reservations are not transferable without permission from the committee and only if reservation can be sold to another member, either by the committee or the person, who for some reason is not able to make the trip.

Flight is handled by RUDOLPH OLSEN TRAVEL AGENCY in San Francisco, who will issue all tickets and also be pleased to provide you with all information and service necessary for the trip, such as passport, hotel reservations, individual travel arrangements in Scandinavia and Europe, etc.

Your flight committee: Aage Lundquist, Chairman; Robert Lassiter.



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

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** — The September meeting of Lodge No. 172 was canceled due to renovation work at the American Swedish Historical Society where it was to be held.

We can report that Richard Fausnaught has received a Danish Brotherhood Scholarship and Lisa Bull was the recipient of a camp grant, and Aksel Rasmussen became a champ once again in the bowling tournaments.

We had a weekend trip to Starlite Campsites near Ephata, Pa. It began on Friday night and ended Sunday. There were big plans for a great weekend at Shangri-la. Saturday night there were movies, games and square dancing in the community hall. There were even some Danish songs.

The first organizational meeting of the Buck County Lodge No. 342 took place on Friday, June 27, in Southampton. Some 30 prospective members heard John Hinrichsen talk of the Danish Brotherhood. Further comments were made by guest speakers from Perth Amboy, Metuchen and Detroit.

We will now settle down to plan for the Bicentennial. John Hinrichsen has set many plans in motion but still will need much help. Please give some of your time, call John.

**Niels Malmquist, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** — Our meeting July 16 was held at the Viking Restaurant on State Street at 7:00 p.m. A turkey dinner was served with all the trimmings and coffee and dessert. President Glen Nissen bid all members welcome and he had George Severson as M.C. The following brothers donated the refreshments to the dinner: Hank Mortensen, Norman Jacobsen, Glen Nissen, Peter Nielsen, and Bill Peterson.

After having enjoyed the dinner, we went upstairs to the meeting. The meeting was opened by President Glen Nissen. Seventeen members were present. It was decided to hold our August meeting at the Elks Club, as some of our good brothers had volunteered to put on a dinner for us.

Chris Biering announced that he and Rigmor had celebrated their 50 year anniversary on July 29 and they had an open house at their home on August 1 and 2. All brothers were invited.

On August 20, we had a birthday dinner at the Elks Club. Bill Peterson and Pete Nielsen had prepared a good ham and cabbage dinner. They did a fine job and received a rising vote of thanks from the members. Douglas Yauchler and Chris Biering donated the refreshments.

No meeting was held that night as we were short of officers. It was decided that we pay all bills and a motion was made that our delegate to G.C.E.L. and National Convention in Denver present us a bill for his expenses when he returns from the two conventions.

Our next meeting was held at the Elks Club on September 3. That night we celebrated "Viggo Jespersen's Dinner Party". Many brothers were at this party. Dinner was served at 7:00 p.m.

**Chris H. Biering, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn.** — The 51st Annual Convention of the General Committee Eastern Lodges was held over the Labor Day weekend with Thor Lodge No. 46 as host.

Delegates from eighteen lodges attended the meetings conducted by President Erling Braumann. New officers elected as follows: Past President Erling Braumann, No. 102; President Norman Edmonds, No. 32; Vice President, George Clausen, No. 172; Secretary, Elif Kjems, No. 90; Treasurer Robert Rasmussen, No. 164; Trustee Tage Sorensen, No. 37; Correspondent, Barry Edmonds, No. 32.



From left to right: National Officers George Jacobsen and George Godthaab; Elif Kjems, sec.; George Clausen, vice president; Past National President Chris Jorgensen; Norman Edmonds, president; Erling Braumann, past president; Robert Rasmussen, treasurer; Tage Sorensen, trustee; Barry Edmonds, correspondent.

Delegates and guests welcomed three officers of the Supreme Board to the convention. They were First Vice President Kristen Jorgensen; Second Vice President George Godthaab, and Secretary of the Board George Jacobsen. We were very honored to have Brother Kris install the new officers with Brother George Godthaab helping out.

Our hats are off to Perth Amboy for a fine convention and a good time had by all.

**Barry Edmonds, Correspondent.**



## Michigan, Ohio

**Lodge No. 30, Muskegon, Mich.** — On Saturday evening, August 9, we held our annual steak cookout at Tom Staffor's home on Bear Lake. One of our members, Harold Schmidt, brought some fresh-picked sweet corn from his farm, and it was really delicious! After dinner, we played cards and games. Later we were served cake and Danish pastry with coffee. Everyone there spent an enjoyable evening.

We had a full house again this year for our Hook and Horn outing, so we had a big weekend on September 12, 13 and 14.

We have two bowling teams this year so we are still busy here in Muskegon. Later in the fall, we are planning to do a little recruiting to see if we can get a few new members.

**Clayton Hansen, Secretary.**

**Lodge No. 70, Greenville, Michigan** — Another festival for the city and surrounding area at Greenville, Michigan, August 15-16, 1975, has passed. Still it grows bigger and better each year. It is a time when the whole area is in full swing in the festivities and all the trimmings. The success of each years efforts is the cue for the promoting plans for another year. So here's to another Danish Festival for 1976.

We are happy to announce the 50th anniversary celebrated by our Brother Herbert Hansen and wife, Helen, with a huge and happy crowd of relatives, neighbors and friends held at the DBS Hall, August 23. We were treated by Herb and Helen to a wonderful dinner and dance music for a full evening. Many happy golden years, Herb and Helen.

Then, to help the festive evening along even more, their daughter and her husband celebrated their 25th anniversary. Best wishes were passed to Mr. and Mrs. Russell McComb and many more friends on their behalf, were on board. Many happy returns to these couples.

**Vern Minard, Reporter.**

**Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich.** — On Wednesday evening, August 6, Lodge No. 51 held their regular monthly business meeting in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall with President Tony Kobetich presiding. We were very happy to initiate as brothers, Roy Thompson and Gary Boerema into our lodge — Gary being the son-in-law of our National Delegate, Kenneth Johnson. Past President Bill Smith was in charge of the lunch for the evening and did his usual bang-up job.

On Wednesday evening, August 20, our lodge held a picnic for members, families and guests and also families of our deceased brothers were invited. The picnic was held at the Dow A. C. Park on Pere Marquette Lake in Buttersville. The weather didn't cooperate too well, but we did have our picnic in the shelter on the grounds. Trustee Carl Soneral and Inside Guard Lars Christoffersen were in general command, with Past President William Smith in charge of transportation, Conductor Alf Larsen in charge of the letters to members and Secretary Earl Jensen in charge of clean-up. We were happy to have two members from Lodge No. 227 in Detroit join us, President Paul Carlsen and Ken Rehan.

On Wednesday evening, August 27, we held our

monthly pinochle party in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall. In charge were Inside Guard Lars Christoffersen and Treasurer Al Garcia, assisted by Brother Oscar Peterson, Mrs. J. M. Jeppesen and Mrs. Lena Hansen. Following the games, prizes were awarded and a potluck luncheon was served by the committee.

We were saddened by the loss of our Brother Lauritz Hansen and we extend sympathy to his relatives.

We extend congratulations to our bowling team who again "finished in the money". The members of the team are Chester Shappee, Robert Jensen, Gunnar Christensen, Ray Christensen, and Arnie Christensen.

**Alf Larsen, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich.** — Congratulations to Peter Olsen who received his 50 year membership pin at our August 13 meeting. It has to be a great thrill to be able to tell people what that pin stands for and that you have been a member of our organization for 50 years.

We also had the pleasure of initiating Homer R. Hansen into our lodge at the August 13 meeting. Past President Bob Andersen did the honors of welcoming Homer to the Danish Brotherhood and Lodge No. 227.

Our bowling league started competition on September 8 with ten teams going at each other, also six teams from the sisterhood started bowling the same night.

Lodge No. 227 has celebrated another birthday with a dinner dance and also has had a golf outing for those who wanted to take part.

We are going to start, in the near future, sending Danish type birthday and anniversary greetings to members. These greeting cards will replace the standard Western Union telegrams that have been sent out for many years. This change came about as the result of a suggestion of Brother Ludwig Boraks.

**Robert Sorensen, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 139, Viborg, S. D.** — September 4 meeting was called to order by President Wally Knudsen. We had a potluck supper with 35 members present. On December 28 our lodge should celebrate their 75 years. We are making plans to celebrate with something special this year.

We were honored to have Esther Jorgensen to be selected to go to Washington, D. C., to the Smithsonian Festiville. She had her Aebleskiver pan along and she baked them every day for five days. Her hours were 2 to 5 in the afternoon. The remarks were they are really good.

Alice and Sam Jenson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They have two married sons, Ralph and Jim, and celebrated at the church. Alice has been a DSS member for years and both are members of the DBS.

**Ruth Petersen, Secretary.**

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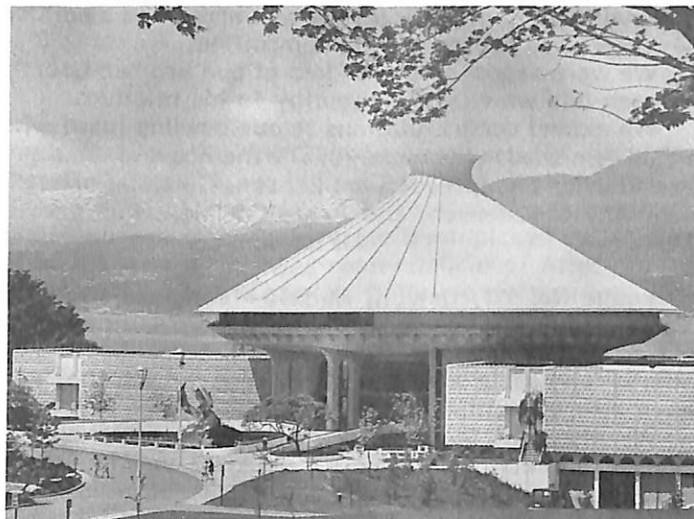
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Tage Christensen	206	Blair	Larry Knudsen
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Fred Benjamin	217	Humboldt	Walter Pedersen
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## FOOTPRINTS OF IMMIGRATION

Tuesday, March 20

Today is the day, the end of the trip. We had a hard wind blowing again, not a pleasant day. We came close to the harbor, but had to anchor out a ways for the night and wait for our turn to dock. I don't think many slept much due to concern about what was to come. I, the smart young man, who thought he knew it all, suddenly began to feel very unsure as to what the future had in store for me and others with me, but now there was no turning back and I must go ahead and meet the problems that come my way.

Wednesday, March 21

This was the day, D-day. We have seen the Statue of Liberty. We have also been to Ellis Island where we got our shots and was herded around like a bunch of cattle. Our worldly goods was also looked at. I must say the treatment we got there was something less than desirable, rotten in fact. Before being released, we are herded into a corner and there they threw us a piece of bread about three inches thick, no butter, but a piece of cheese, dry and hard as a rock. A far cry from the food we got on the ship. This was not the rich America we had dreamed about. In due time, we were put on a ferry and sent to the mainland and to the railroad station — not being able to talk or understand they pasted signs all over my coat telling someone of our destination, was put on the train and sent on our way.

Thursday, March 22

Well, here we are on a train plastered with signs. Sometime during the morning hours, we arrived in Detroit and was taken off the train to transfer to another line. We had a long wait in the depot and I was getting hungry. I saw my first restaurant in the U.S.A. where the men were sitting

on stools that went around and around. I went in and saw a man having what I later found to be bacon and eggs. Not really knowing what to do I told the waitress, "Him some, Me some," and to my delight I also got bacon and eggs. After some time a conductor came and told us to follow and we were put on a train to Chicago, arriving there sometime in the afternoon, taken off the train and I suppose told to wait.

Friday, March 23

Fred Jensen and I had tickets to Duluth, Minn., and after an hour or so a conductor came and said something to Fred, took him by the arm and lead him to a train heading somewhere. I insisted on going along, too, told him that "Me Duluth, him Duluth." I suppose he tried to tell me something that I did not understand. The result was that I was left behind and sure thought he was lost and would never be found again. I sat on my bench for hours waiting for something to happen and finally a conductor came and got me, put me on a train. I did not know where and I sure went through hell wondering what was really happening. I spent the night worrying and waiting. Finally the next morning I arrived some place and to my relief, saw Fred and Ed Petersen waiting for me. I later found out that Fred had been sent on one line while I was sent on another line.

Duluth, Minnesota; Later, Hibbing

After staying in Duluth a couple of days, we found that there was not much work as it was still cold and winter there, but our friend, Ed Petersen, was working in Hibbing, Minn., a mining town. Iron ore had just been discovered a few years earlier and it was not very deep in the ground, so the dirt was moved out away from the mines and there from

ten to twenty feet down was the ore. This sudden discovery had created a real boom in this town and as a result you could get a job most any place. My first job was at a construction site building a large school in south Hibbing. I lined up with the rest of the workers at a tool shed and there was given a shovel that I knew how to handle, so followed the foreman, a big Swede, into the basement where he was assigning men to their duties. I was left holding my shovel. I saw many holes dug in the basement with piles of dirt all over. I then remembered my dad saying, "Don't just stand there, do something," and I did. I filled a large hole in the ground. I soon discovered that this was not the right thing to do as the big Swede returned and seemed very upset. He said something in English, later Swedish, and while I didn't know what it was, I was sure it was not a prayer. The end result was that I scooped the dirt out of the hole again. Yes, this was my first job in the U.S.A. I did get along okay for a time and worked for a while at this job, but then this was not the U.S.A., the Land of Milk and Honey, that I had been told about, so I gave up and took a job on a dairy outside of the city where I had to help care for the cow herd and also milk 15 cows per day, but after a few days the owner bought 30 more cows and instead of milking 15, it was now 25, two times a day. So I only lasted two weeks and had all I wanted of the dairy farm and came back and worked in the city for a time and there I boarded in a rooming house when I had my first run in with bed bugs. I also decided to do some shopping. I wanted a shirt. Asked for a 36 but the Jew gave only as 17½. I also asked about shoes. Told him 42 shoes was what I needed. He came with a pair of 12. Both shirt and shoes were much too big but 36 shirt and 42 shoes is what I bought in Denmark. After working in Hibbing for a while Fred and I decided to move to St. Paul where we were sure to find our fortune. We did find a job, working for bricklayers. There I found myself mixing mud and carrying this up the flight of stairs two to three stories and then the other fellows done all the work, the same old story, work, work, and no easy way to get rich. Not like they said it would be. I did stay with this kind of work until June 1, 1923. Then had a chance to come to Blair, Nebraska, with a friend in Blair. He had people living that came from the same place in Denmark as us. West of Blair, I found a job working on the farm where I stayed for four years.

# Danish Kitchen

## ALMOND CAKE

- 4 Eggs
- 11 ozs. Castor Sugar
- 5 ozs. Butter
- 1½ tbsp. Top Milk
- 7 ozs. Flour
- 2 level tsp. Baking Powder
- THE ALMOND TOPPING:
- 2½ ozs. Butter
- 2½ ozs. Castor Sugar
- 4 ozs. blanched coarsely chopped Almonds
- 1 tbsp. Cream
- 1 level tbsp. Flour

Melt the butter, take the saucepan off the fire and stir in the milk. Then whip the eggs thoroughly together with the sugar into a foam. Mix the flour and baking powder into the whipped eggs alternately with the melted butter which has been allowed to cool.

Pour the mixture into a greased tin about 8½ inches in diameter.

For a smaller tin, reduce the quantity to 3 eggs and other ingredients in proportion.



Place the tin in the center of the oven and bake at 200° C. (375 ° F.) for 45 minutes (35 minutes for the smaller form).

The Almond Topping: Butter, sugar, the chopped almonds, cream and flour are mixed in a saucepan. Bring to the boil and pour warm over the cake when this has baked for 35 minutes. (Place a tablespoon on top of the cake first, to test if it can bear the weight). After baking for about 10 minutes the almond topping should be golden and the cake finished.

**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:  
SEPTEMBER, 1975:

Einar Danielsen — Reimbursement of expenses in representing the Board at the Nebraska General Committee convention 1975 — \$209.73.

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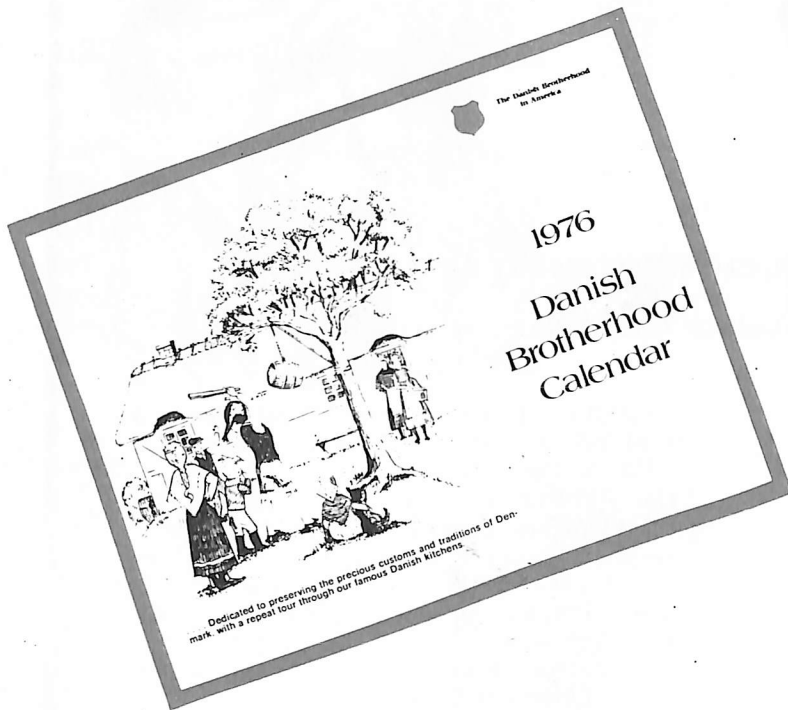
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## Lest We Forget

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
6-27-75	Emil C. Petersen	57	Laurens, N. Y.	650	Omaha, Neb.	1936
7-21-75	Frank Christensen	83	Maple Valley Twp.	106	Trufant, Mich.	1915
8-2-75	Clinton Johnson	68	Plainview, Neb.	117	Plainview, Neb.	1926
8-11-75	Jens C. Jensen	82	Herman, Neb.	194	McMinnville, Ore.	1913
7-7-75	Christen Simonsen	86		121	Tyler, Minn.	1911
8-14-75	Herbert Nelson	84	Cleveland, Ohio	238	Juhl, Mich.	1911
8-13-75	Anton P. Maigaard	80	Fabring, Morso, Denmark	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1933
8-10-75	Hans Soren Jensen	90	Ribe Amt, Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1908
8-11-75	Jorgen C. Hansen	93	Kindum lenasyssel, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1909
8-7-75	Christian P. Meltsesen	94	Emmelium Slisvg	14	Kenosha, Wis.	1902
8-17-75	Marius J. Olsen	83	Rude, Denmark	147	Newell, Iowa	1929
7-13-75	Jens P. Rasmussen	92	Alisset Sogn, Denmark	288	Cotesfield, Neb.	1911
7-10-75	Thorvald C. Williamsen	89	Faxie Sjælland, Denmark	26	Fremont, Neb.	1911
6-29-75	Einer Sorensen	56	Dagmar, Mont.	283	Dagmar, Mont.	1937
8-30-75	Jorgen Bork	71	Haderslev, Denmark	43	Denver, Colo.	1925
8-19-75	Edwin R. Nielsen	69	Brooklyn, N.Y.	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1958
8-24-75	Ove L. Kune	81	Asle, Denmark	17	Chicago, Ill.	1914
7-20-75	Soren Andersen	85	Aalborg, Denmark	600	Omaha, Neb.	1922
9-10-75	Arthur Olsen	65	Dagmar, Mont.	268	Junction City, Ore.	1929
9-10-75	John Knudsen	70	Riesby, Denmark	34	Dwight, Ill.	1952
3-31-75	Jens Varfeldt	77	Varde, Denmark	328	Vancouver, B. C.	1938

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