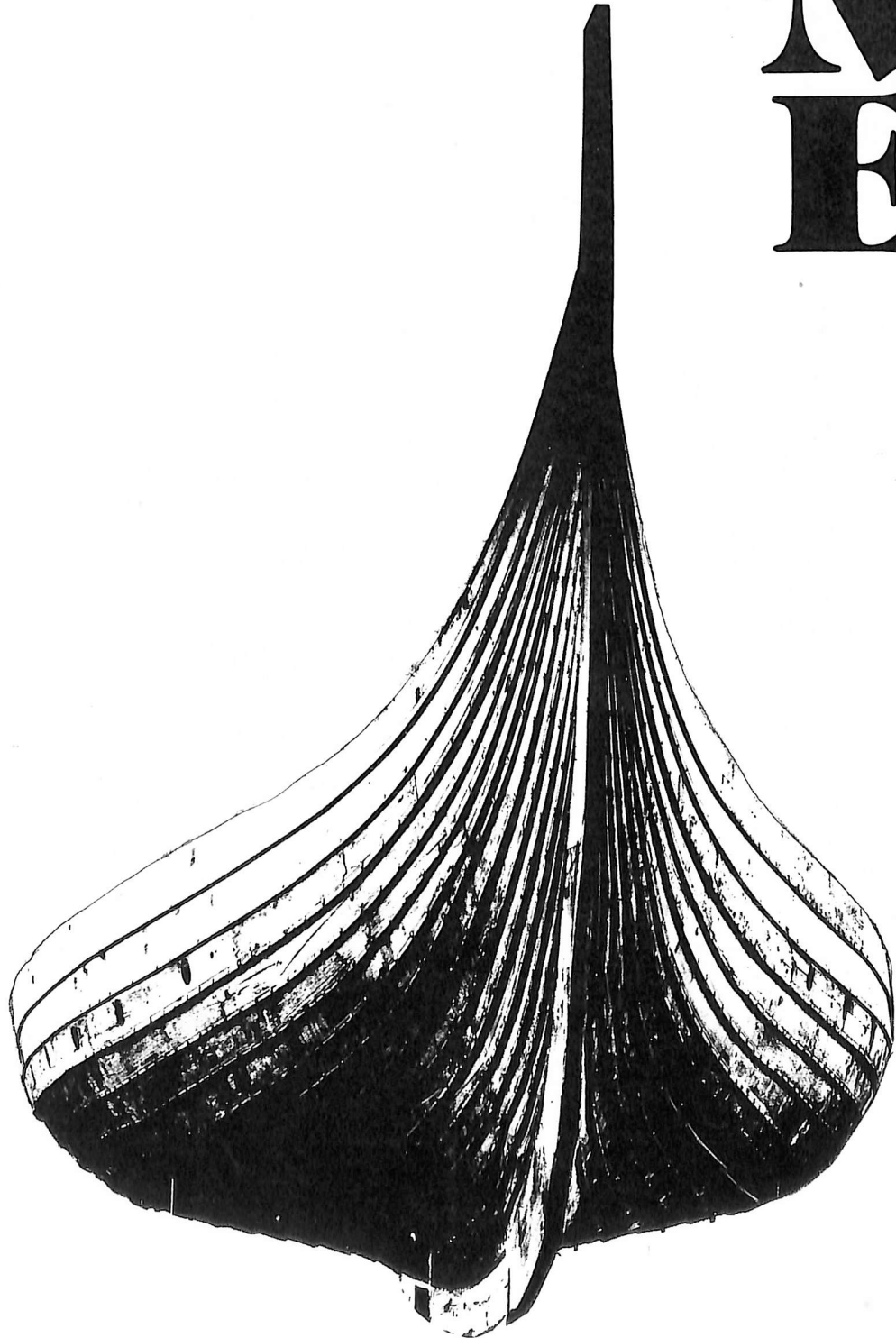
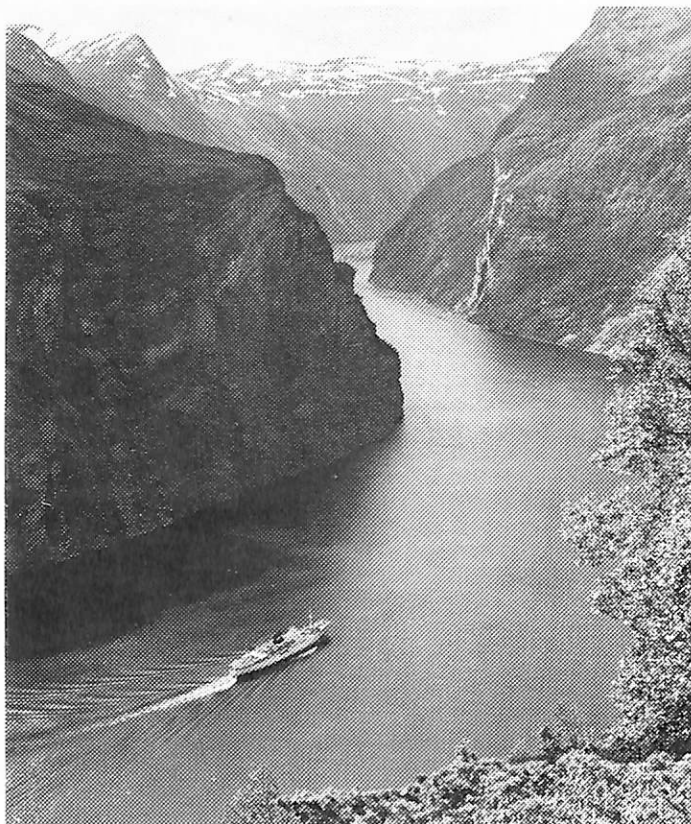


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## NEXT TIME YOU GO HOME SPEND SOME TIME IN YOUR BACK YARD.

Every year thousands of people go home to visit their friends and relatives in Scandinavia and never even think about vacationing there.

Which is a shame. Because Scandinavia is truly one of the most beautiful places in the world to take a vacation.

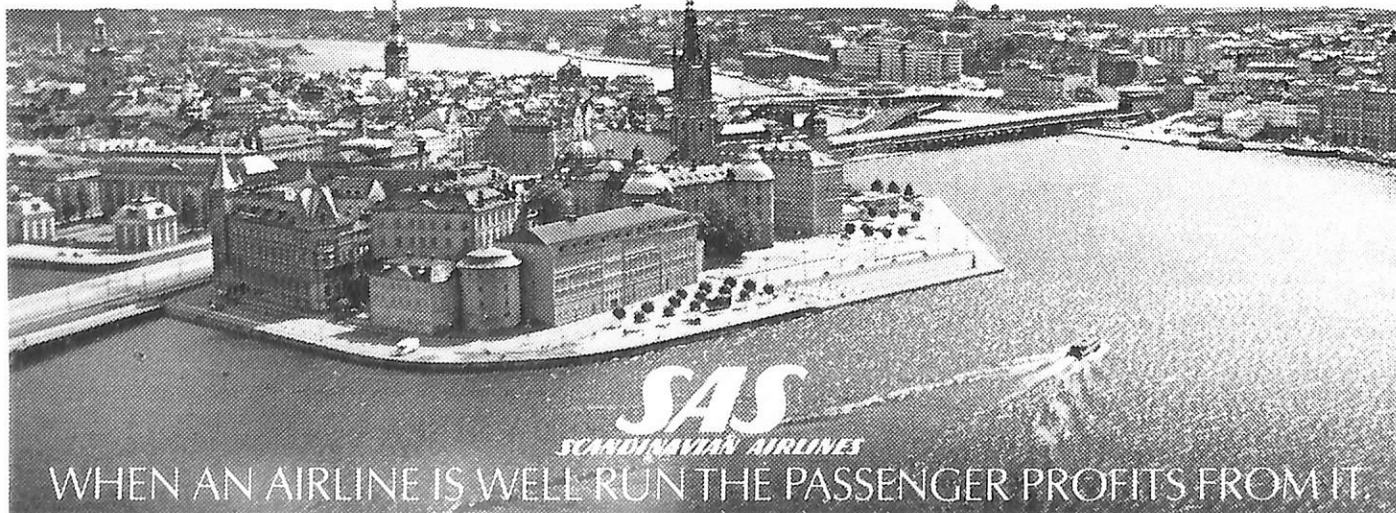
And this year, SAS has more ways you can do it than any other airline. Want to take a tour? We have a lot you can choose from. Or do you just want to fly

over and drive around on your own? Our air fares are as low as any scheduled fares you'll find. Your travel agent can give you more information.

So next time you go home to visit, plan on spending some extra time there.

And start enjoying all of the things people have been enjoying in Scandinavia for years.

Daily departures from New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Seattle and Montreal.



Daily departures based on peak summer schedule. May 16 through September 14, 1977.

# D B comment

To paraphrase an old cliché: Always put off until tomorrow what you should have done yesterday. A touch of humor. But frightening, too. Especially in today's society.

We're so governed by the clock that frequently we meet ourselves coming out of imaginary doors.

Yet it doesn't have to be this way.

Take time. Slow down. Notice the flowers around you; and the birds; the blue sky and the green grass. Life can be beautiful, but only if we take the time to notice.

Furthermore, it often makes good sense to put off until tomorrow a project that's too overpowering today.

Life on a treadmill only causes heart attacks.



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**PLEASE**

Don't be afraid of asking a dumb question!  
That's easier and cheaper than handling a  
dumb mistake ...

The largest and most well-preserved of all the Viking ships yet discovered was found in 1880 at Gokstad, on the western shore of the Oslo Fjord. The ship has been completely rebuilt, with the exception of the stems which are thought to have had a higher rise. It is now kept in the Viking Ship Museum at Bygdøy, in Oslo.

# CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

.. The Deadline is Approaching ..

Last year the Danish Brotherhood sponsored an essay contest. This year, we're going to do something different. We are going to have a **Creative Writing Contest** open to all members or relatives of members, young or old, poets or essayists. **Anything at all.** And on absolutely any topic you wish.

In fairness, we have established three age groups with three broad categories in each. Group I — open to any member or relative of a member, 12 years of age or younger as of the August 30 deadline. Group II — open to any member or relative of a member between the ages of 13 and 18 as of August 30. And Group III — any member or relative of a member who is over 19 years old.

Then, in each group we have three categories: Poetry, Fiction (short story) with a maximum of 1500 words; Non-fiction (essays, journalism, etc.) with a maximum of 1500 words. Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded in each category in each group.

First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each category if we have 12 entries or more. Only first and second prizes will be awarded if we have more than five entries but less than eight. And only one prize will be awarded if we receive less than five entries in any one category.

So if you've ever had a secret ambition to be a writer, or if you've always thought you could but were afraid to try, or even if you're an established writer looking for a new outlet, try this on for size.

Selection of winners will be done by a national panel of judges.

Here are the prizes:

## Group I [12 and under]

Poetry: 1st-\$15; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$5.  
Fiction: 1st-\$25; 2nd-\$15; 3rd-\$10.  
Non-fiction: 1st-\$25; 2nd-\$15; 3rd-\$10

## Group II [13-18]\*

Poetry: 1st-\$15; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$5.  
Fiction: 1st-\$50; 2nd-\$30; 3rd-\$20.  
Non-fiction: 1st-\$50; 2nd-\$30; 3rd-\$20.

## Group III [19 and over]\*

Poetry: 1st-\$15; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$5.  
Fiction: 1st-\$50; 2nd-\$30; 3rd-\$20.  
Non-fiction: 1st-\$50; 2nd-\$30; 3rd-\$20.

\*all birthdates as of August 30, 1977.

And the rules are very simple:

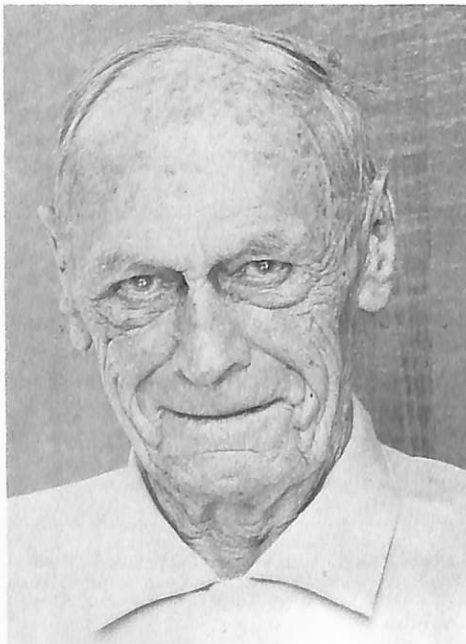
1. All work must be original, typewritten or handwritten legibly, double spaced and on one side of a sheet of paper only.
2. No manuscripts can be returned unless accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope.
3. All entries **must** have a small snapshot or photo of the author.
4. All entries must be postmarked by August 30, 1977, and received by the Danish Brotherhood before September 10, 1977.
5. All winners will be announced in the October, 1977, issue of the "American Dane" magazine and the winning entries will appear shortly thereafter in the magazine.
6. You may enter as often as you like in as many categories as you like; however, no more than one prize per entrant per category will be awarded.

There are **no** restrictions as to topic, content or style, only length. The rest is up to your imagination.

Send your entries to:

Creative Writing Contest  
c/o Danish Brotherhood  
P.O. Box 31748  
Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Remember: The deadline is **August 30, 1977.**



## DANISH-AMERICAN SPORTS PIONEER CELEBRATES 90TH BIRTHDAY AT ALDERSLY

On the eve of his recent 90th birthday at Aldersly, the Danish retirement home in San Rafael, Carl C. Pedersen, a golfing pioneer who built two of the first golf courses in this country, credited his longevity and good health to "staying active and always having something to occupy my mind".

In remarkable good health for his four score and ten years Pedersen started smoking 59 years ago and still smokes nearly a pack of cigarettes a day. And he says he still enjoys an occasional gin martini laced with creme de cacao.

Soon after coming to this country in 1910, he was operating a drayage firm in North Dakota and in 1916 became a citizen "just in time to vote for Taft". As a result, the following year he was drafted.

Although he hasn't played golf in a number of years he hasn't lost his love of the game. He never misses the telecast of a tournament and says he's rooting for the young and up-and-coming players. "The Arnold Palmers and Jack Nicholases have made more than enough money at the game," he says.

His 90th birthday on June 22 was a day of celebration at Aldersly where he was feted by his fellow 106 residents and staff at a luncheon party. Later he rushed back to his apartment in time to catch an afternoon baseball game on television.

An ardent fan of the San Francisco Giants and an almost lifetime follower of the game, he smiled, "There's an advantage to television. In the old days I had to drive 50 miles to see a game and I never missed a one."

An Idea . . . . .

## Young Vikings Miniature Golf Tournament

[Try It]

This could be a good beginning to more regularly involving our Young Vikings.

The two most prominent observations I've made concerning our Young Vikings are:

1. Our lodges don't always cater much to Young Vikings, and,
2. When the kids do take part in activities geared for them, they do develop a deeper pride and feeling of belonging to their organization.

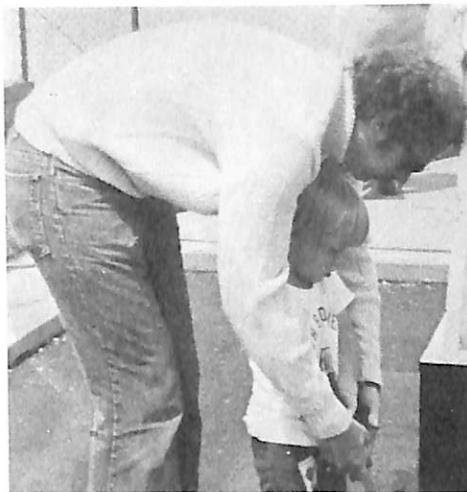
Dick Christensen, Lodge No. 340.

It rained and stormed the night before, filling the cups with water at the Bensenville "Veteran's Park" miniature golf course. But even with this and other handicaps our Young Vikings showed their talents well.

It was our first "Young Vikings Miniature Golf Tournament" and everyone enjoyed the event, which was followed by a stop at McDonalds. Four-year-old Brian Andersen never did stop swinging, and Karyn Kaiser had a real propensity for sinking hole-in-ones. Alan Sorensen eked out a first place in a play-off hole with Matt Christensen in the 12-year-old class. Seven-year-old Judy Christensen won the girls trophy, while her brother, Ricky, got one stroke better than Mom (Beverly).

Yep! the moms and dads were there, too, with Paul Sorensen taking low gross for the adults. Shirley Christensen had low gross for the moms and Ken Andersen had high gross (of course Brian helped by moving dad's ball occasionally).

The Winners



Father [Ken] and son [Brian] taking aim together.

First place trophies for the kids were supplied by the Danske Trophy Company and were emblazoned with the symbol of the Danish Brotherhood. Other awards were provided by Ted Kaiser, who spent much time in their unique design and beautiful craftsmanship. These awards and McDonald hamburgers were the high points of the day.



Play-off hole between Matt, left, and Alan, right.

The winners of the "Young Viking" event were: Young Viking Awards — 1st place trophy, Erik Andersen (6 yrs.); Ricky Christensen (9 yrs.); Alan Sorensen (12 yrs.\*); Matt Christensen (12 yrs.\*). \*Play-off to decide winner. Girls — Judy Christensen (7 yrs.).

Second place ribbons: Brian Andersen (4 yrs.); Tad Christensen (11 yrs.); Karyn Kaiser (12 yrs.); Karen Sorensen (15 yrs.). Most hole-in-ones, Karyn Kaiser. Runner-up hole-in-ones, Tad Christensen.

Adult awards went to Paul Sorensen for low gross and Ken Andersen for the "Broken Tee" award.

This was truly a great event for the kids and parents alike and like other events on the drawing board, we really hope our brother lodges also see the fun and value in getting the kids involved.

The California-Nevada State Convention will be held at the Veterans Memorial Building in Petaluma on August 18-20, 1977.

Following is an outline of our program.

### Thursday, August 18

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Registration, Veterans Building.

10:00 a.m.: Golf Tournament

12:00 p.m.: Tour of Winery (reservations in by 8-1-77)

7:00 p.m.: Welcome to delegates, featuring a local talent show. This will be followed by Danish sandwiches and dancing.

### Friday, August 19

9:00-12:00 p.m.: Meeting of delegates

1:00-5:00 p.m.: Meeting of delegates

7:00 p.m.: Western Night at Veterans Building.

### Saturday, August 20

9:00-12:00 p.m.: Meeting of the delegates

2:00 p.m.: Joint installation of the new officers

7:00 p.m.: Banquet and Grand Ball

11:00 p.m.: Drawing — Raffle — Prizes

### Sunday, August 21

Plans are being made for a Farewell Breakfast at Kastania Ranch.

Walt and Lillie Miller,  
Co-Chairmen,

## Greenville Festival

Noon on Friday, August 19, marks the opening of the 13th Annual Danish Festival in Greenville, Mich. Events scheduled for Friday include an antique show, arts and crafts fair, amusement rides, a children's art fair, a play, Danish travel films, bingo, cake walk, slo-ball tournaments and a Fairy Tale parade. A new event this year will be a square dance sponsored by the "Star Promenaders", a local club, with caller, Beryl Main, of Colorado.

Saturday, August 20, the streets will be filled with food booths, many featuring the famous Danish aebleskiver, so popular with visitors; 130 artists and craftsmen will be demonstrating and selling their wares on Greenville's Main street, while a flea market will be held at Veteran's Park.

The two-hour long Grand Parade, highlight of the Festival, begins at 2:00 Saturday and promises to be bigger and better than ever, with many new units added. Grand Marshal will be Mrs. L. H. Petersen, president of the Supreme Lodge of the Danish Sisterhood Society of America.

A new activity planned for Saturday is the Danish Road-Run starting at 9:00 a.m. The popular Tivoli Gardens (Danish Tavern) will be in full swing on both days, featuring the authentic food and drink from the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges.

## DANA COLLEGE OFFERS SEMESTER IN DENMARK

Dana College, one of two colleges in the U.S. with a Danish heritage, is again offering students the opportunity to earn 15 hours of credit in 1978 by attending spring semester classes taught in English at the University of Copenhagen.

For students of Scandinavian ancestry, the program offers an excellent opportunity to learn more about their heritage.

In Europe the program is administered by Denmark's International Student Committee (DIS), which is subsidized by the University of Copenhagen and the Danish Ministry of Education.

Classes, all with a Scandinavian or European emphasis, are offered in art, economics, education, literature, drama, philosophy, music, political science, anthropology, sociology and the Danish language. Field trips are an important part of most classes.

Dana's application deadline for the spring, 1978, semester is October 15, 1977. Details can be obtained by writing to Dr. Robert Glass, Dean of the College, Dana College, Blair, Nebraska 68008.

## DENMARK, EGYPT AND GREECE ALL IN ONE TOUR

Scandinavian Airlines' tours of Egypt, unusual to begin with in that they offer a combination of Copenhagen and Egypt, have now been updated to include an exclusive option for yachting in Greece.

The 12-day trip, with monthly Chicago departures starting September 20, 1977, is priced at \$1250 per person from Chicago and includes all meals.

For an additional \$335, one may, at the end of the Egyptian tour, fly to Athens, board a private fully staffed yacht, and spend five days exploring the Greek Islands. A minimum of six passengers is required and the 14/21 GIT air fare applies.

A day and night in Copenhagen starts the tour off, followed by a flight to Cairo. There will be escorted visits to the Pyramids of Giza, the Sphinx, the Cairo Museum, the Bazaar and other high points. The new deluxe "Joillie Villa" is the hotel.

The New Winter Palace Hotel in Luxor will be the base from which tour passengers will explore the remnants of ancient Egypt; the temples of Luxor and Karnak, the below-the-ground royal tombs at the Necropolis of Thebes, the celebrated tomb of King Tutankhamun, whose treasures are even now being exhibited in America.

And Aswan, the third stop, will be the jumping off place for a tour of Abu Simbel where the two temples carved out of a rock cliff 3200 years ago were dedicated to the great Rameses II and his famous wife, Queen Nefertiri.

Further details are available from SAS or a travel agent.



## HUMPHREY ACCEPTS HONORARY CHAIRMANSHIP OF CONFERENCE ON SCANDINAVIAN HERITAGE

Senator Hubert H. Humphrey has accepted the honorary chairmanship of an action conference in Minneapolis on October 6-8, 1977, which will discuss programs to perpetuate the Scandinavian heritage in North America.

The conference is a unique assembly of representatives of the diverse elements of all five Scandinavian heritage groups — Danish, Finnish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish — to which some ten million Americans belong.

Called "Scanpresence II", since it follows a 1973 seminar which was the first joint examination of the present status

and future aspirations of Scandinavian-American institutions and their constituencies, the October session will be concerned with needs and action programs in the areas of education and cultural exchange; information and communication; fraternal and religious activities; and special interest societies, such as museums, archives and historical societies.

In accepting the honorary chairmanship, Senator Humphrey characterized the Scanpresence meeting "as the stage beyond 'Roots' for Americans of Scandinavian descent."

"I find Scanpresence particularly significant as a concept of cooperation between all of the specific ethnic institutions here and overseas to strengthen their individual efforts within their own communities and to satisfy the lively interest of other North Americans in Scandinavian models and ideas which are relevant to the problems of this continent."

Scanpresence II is sponsored by interested departments of the University of Minnesota, the American-Scandinavian Foundation, Scandinavian Seminar and Scandinavian Airlines, with the participation and support of the Embassies of the Nordic countries.

Dr. Ralph J. Jalkanen, president of Suomi College, Hancock, Mich., is General Chairman of the Scanpresence II committee.

The coordination office for Scanpresence is located at Suite 1465, 630-5th Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10020.

The conference will be held in the Radisson Hotel downtown. Approximately 100 invited participants and a number of observers will attend.

Leaders in the Scanpresence II include, left to right: Wesley Westerberg, American-Swedish Institute; Erik Mortensen, Scandinavian Seminar; Gene G. Gage, The American-Scandinavian Foundation; Ralph Jalkanen, President of Suomi College in Michigan and Chairman of Scanpresence II; Nils Wessel, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation; and S. Ralph Cohen, Scandinavian Airlines System.





Copy of Christian Gullager's painted eagle design by Aksel Sand Pedersen.

**A DANISH-AMERICAN  
HERITAGE NOTE**  
by Aksel Sand Pedersen

With this American Bicentennial era continuing in 1977, many special historic exhibitions can be seen throughout the country, and, at the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C., last summer, an exhibition of historic relevance to Danish-Americans featured the art of Danish-born American portrait artist Christian Gullager. Entitled "Portrait Painter to Federal America", examples of Gullager's art span a period between 1782 and 1808 and include paintings, designs for medals, a standard and a bust of George Washington taken from life.

Born on March 1, 1759, Gullager was the son of a servant in the household of an important government official, noted horticulturist and avid print collector, Joachim Wassershlebe (1709-1781). In this cultural environment the talented youth was encouraged, and he gained admittance into the Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Copenhagen where he won a LILLE SOLVEMEDAILLE (Little Silver Medal) in 1780. The prize is said to have afforded the privilege, at the King's expense, of traveling in Europe for a period of three years.

It is not known exactly when Gullager came to America, but it was probably between 1782 and 1786. The first known documentation lists his marriage to Mary Selman on May 9, 1786, in Newberry Port, Massachusetts. Listed as a portrait painter in the Boston Directory of 1789, Gullager became a leading portrait painter in Boston during the period between the departure of John S. Copley

in 1774 and the arrival of Gilbert Stuart in 1805. In November of 1789 Gullager traveled to Portsmouth, N.H., where he painted a portrait of George Washington (now in the Massachusetts Historical Society) after a sketch of Washington he had made in Boston the week before when the President attended a concert of sacred music in King's Chapel.

Gullager's son, Charles, in writing to his brother, Henry, regarding their father's career during this period wrote:

As one of his achievements in portraiture he painted the likeness of Governor Bowdoin of Massachusetts (Bowdoin College, painted c. 1791) one year after his death — there having been no likeness of him taken during his life, which was so correct that it was immediately purchased by his family and several copies were taken for friends.

After working several months as a theatrical painter in New York City he settled with his family in Philadelphia in 1798. Now working as a miniature specialist and having developed "exceedingly improvident habits", Gullager left his family in 1806 and wandered nearly 20 years seeking work in New York, Washington and Charleston, S.C. Gullager returned to his wife, who was by now legally divorced from him, begging for a home. Here he died in Philadelphia on November 12, 1826.

While his "improvident habits" proved his undoing, none the less he successfully utilized his multi-skills in many areas of

artistic pursuit in early America. In connection with the decorative arts, a letter dated March 5, 1832, by the artist's son, Charles, in writing about his father, states:

His representation of the American Eagle was so spirited and beautiful that he was characterized among painters as the "Father of the Eagle". Among his paintings of our National Bird is that which is still seen of an eagle supporting a heart (shield) upon it with the talons of one foot; and with the other grasping a bundle of loose darts and an olive branch. The whole is surrounded with a dark cloud, the upper part of which is irradiated by a halo of glory, and below riven by lightning.

There exists today a painted eagle on the ceiling cove of the Senate Chamber in Congress Hall in Philadelphia painted at the time of Gullager's residence there and it is most probably the example referred to in the letter. It is fitting that in this Bicentennial era there is an exhibition on the Danish-born American artist, Christian Gullager, "the Father of the Eagle design".

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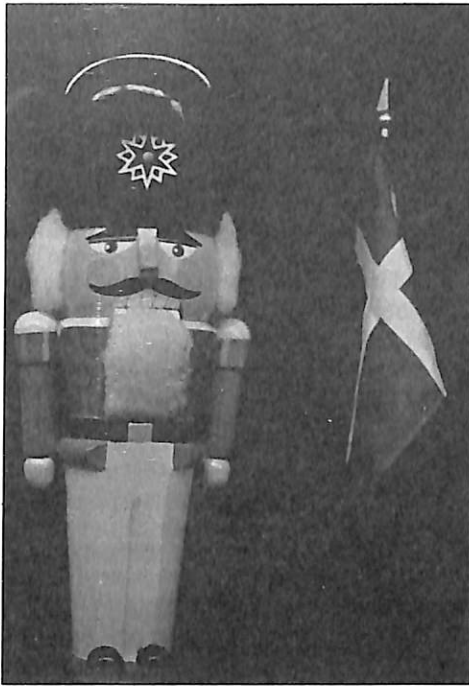
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## Our Lodges in Action

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### PACIFIC NORTHWEST

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**Lodge No. 42, Spokane, Wash.** — We are planning a delicious potluck dinner and dynamic **White Elephant Auction Sale** before the Thursday, October 5, meeting. So please start thinking White (or pink if you prefer) Elephant by gathering your "valuable yet troublesome" items to bring down and donate that evening. Better mark your calendar now so you won't miss any of the fun and excitement on the "really big night of October 6, 1977".

Larry Charneski, Correspondent.

### PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT CONVENTION

The combined conventions of the Northwest District Danish Lodges were held in Enumclaw May 20-22, 1977.

Business meetings, as well as the Sunday morning farewell aebleskiver breakfast, were held in our hall.

The Friday evening informal Western Barbeque Buffet and the Saturday evening banquet were each attended by about 175 people.

We were fortunate in having President George Godthaab and National Director Clyde Langsted present throughout the convention. National Treasurer Edna Ostlund represented the Sisterhood.

The new District officers installed were: Past President Max Madsen, President Elmer Boysen, Vice President P. Sten Jessen, Secretary Treasurer Karen Bruhn, Trustees Martin Taeker, Fred Matheny and Eli Marcussen; Conductor Gerda Grimlund, Inner Guard Louis Nielsen, Outer Guard Melvin Pihl.

The host for the 1978 convention was not determined at this convention, and the district officers are working on the matter at present.

Our district bowling conventions have become an enjoyable social event since the idea of following the tournament with a dance was introduced, but the practice of rotating hosts made the travel time and distance too much and cut the attendance down, so in the future Enumclaw will be the site of the tournaments and the lodges will still continue to host the tournament.

Einer Bruhn, Correspondent.

### NEWS ABOUT DANES IN OREGON

Portland Danes of Mt. Hood Lodge No. 81 DS and Portland Lodge No. 167 of DB can be justly proud of the fine performances of the 1977 District Presidents, Elizabeth Madsen of the Sisterhood and Max Madsen of the Brotherhood, both from our Portland lodges.

National Treasurer Edna Ostlund beautifully installed the new officers for the Sisterhood District, and National President George Godthaab handled the Brotherhood installation very well.

Portland had 27 present for the convention. A good time was had by all.

Portland's resolution to challenge all the lodges to institute new programs emphasizing our Danish traditions was approved. The lodge in the district introducing a new program and successfully completing it by next convention wins a prize. The program will emphasize Danish heritage, etc. — such as folk dance group, chorus, Danish language class, etc.

Danish Brotherhood in America National President George Godthaab was invited to be with us in Portland for DB Lodge No. 167's 75th anniversary dinner-dance party tentatively scheduled for April 22, 1978. Why so early? We'd like to help him plan his itinerary, so he can visit more lodges. What a compliment to our Portland Danish lodge to have our National President with us. We all hope he can come.

Who said new members are not active? Bent Madsen is organizing a **Danish Chorus to sing both Danish and American songs**. We used to have a chorus about 50 years ago. Why not now?

We read and hear of the Swedes and Germans in their soccer teams. **Can't we field a real Danish team?**

Sons, grandsons, fathers, etc. are wanted to represent the Danish community to play the other ethnic groups and teams. It's fun and keeps the waistline down.

The biggest celebration and largest gathering of people in Portland ever at any one place was repeated this year on Sunday, July 17. It was the **Neighborfair-Folkfest** in Portland's downtown Waterfront Park along the Willamette River between the Burnside and Hawthorne bridge.

It was a pleasant time. There were over 40 different ethnic groups participating and there were many displays to enjoy. Day-long programs featured ethnic folk dancers, songs and all kinds of interesting entertainers.

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### CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

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**Lodge No. 319, Bakersfield, Calif.** — The year started off with a breakfast at Verner and Birthe Stenderups. Beautiful weather, delicious food and good company made it a very successful event. The committee seemed to do it with such ease. Oline and Owen Nelson and Inga and Bill McDonald assisted Verner and Birthe. Gunner Stenderup assisted and Pete Petersen served Akvavit "eye-openers".

Erik and Ingrid Michelsen hosted a card party and from all reports it was a wonderful evening.

We are planning a St. Hans Eve picnic

at Jastro Park, complete with the witch receiving a "warm send-off". Also in the future are a steak fry, planned dinner, weekend in Tehachapi.

**Dorothy Peterson, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 95, Ferndale, Calif.** — Over 60 members, family and friends were on hand when Niels Sovndal and Henry Olesen were presented their 50-year pins on June 26.

Following the presentation of pins and cutting of the cake, Niels and Henry gave some brief reminiscences of the lodge's history over the years. Fifteen-year members honored this evening were Peter Lauridsen, N. C. (Chris) Petersen, Albert Hansen and Chris Rasmussen. A special thanks goes to Paul Chance and Francis Sweet, who did such an excellent job of preparing this event.

On June 25 and 26 our annual Scandinavian Midsummer Festival was held in Ferndale. There was a good attendance at the Saturday night dance. Fortunately Sunday the weather was bright and clear and at 11:00 a.m. food and display booths of the various Scandinavian lodges were all in readiness. At 1:00 p.m. the Grand March began, led by the American and Scandinavian flags.

Lynn Barvey, daughter of the Francis Sweets, was crowned Queen of the Festival. Welcome speeches were next, with Niels Sovndal representing the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood. Richard Tirsbeck, president of the Festival Association, extended his greetings to the audience.

The program included three Danish dance teams. Musical numbers by the Ostrobotnia Band of Finland, who are touring the U.S.A.

**Niels Lorenzen, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 339, Las Vegas, Nev.** — The annual International Festival held here in Las Vegas on July 3 was very successful for Silver State Lodge. This success was attributed to the fine cooperation and hard work done by the majority of the members of this small lodge. In my travels throughout the other lodges, as well as my experiences with various organizations, I have found that no matter how large the membership there are those few workers who do it all, but this lodge is so small we have to have 100% participation to get anything accomplished and this has been evident, both for the Festival last year and this year, as well as for the General District Convention held here in Las Vegas last year. Our lodge chose to sell aebleskiver, cakes, cookies and various pastries, as well as coffee, and, as an after-thought, punch.

Although our help was 100%, I feel the need to make a special note of thanks to those who were instrumental in the success of this festival.

At our last meeting delegates for the California-Nevada District Convention were elected to go to Petaluma in August.

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Delegates elected were Reta Jensen and Alice Pinkerton, with April Gerrity and Annemarie Henderson as alternates.

**Alice M. Pinkerton, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, Calif.** — My wife and I had a wonderful trip to Catalina Island, where we met Carl Hansen, only 90 years old, and presented him with his 50-year membership pin. He came to Los Angeles in 1906 and was on his way to San Francisco when the earthquake and fire stopped him. Wisely, he stayed in Los Angeles.



**Carl and Helois Hansen of Avalon, Catalina Island.** They have been married 65 years.

Carl was a "edlart sejlmager" or "trained sailmaker" from Denmark. He was born in Stubbokøbing and learned his trade in Marstal, Aerg. In Los Angeles he worked for Bass Ross Tool Co., which is today Joy Manufacturing Tool Co.

Carl has been living in Avalon, Catalina, since retiring 25 years ago in a big, beautiful house, together with his wife, Heloise, who is only 89 years old. She loves to travel and goes to Denmark every five years, but Carl's legs are starting to give out on him, so he likes to stay close to home.

Carl talked about old times and the parties. "Those were the days," he says. Carl's words as we left: "Tell all the brothers hello and tell them I'm still kicking ... but not very high."

**Peter Breum, Correspondent.**

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## MICHIGAN-OHIO

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**Lodge No. 70, Greenville, Mich.** — The DBS hall was a lively place June 25, as Brother Carroll Minard and his wife, Vivian, celebrated their 25th anniversary with relatives, lodge members and other friends.

The annual Danish Festival will soon be in full bloom. We are ever proud of the ever-growing affair and welcome friends from far and near to join us as we celebrate. The county armory serves as the bar where Danish, as well as American, brands will be served by the DBS on August 19-20.

Until next month, a hearty cheerio.

**Vern Minard, Correspondent.**

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## SOUTH DAKOTA

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**Lodge No. 139, Viborg, S.D.** — We have had so many new members the past year; seems like every month when we have a meeting we welcome more new members.

At our June meeting we had a visitor from Geneva, N.Y., Fritz Christensen. He stopped in Viborg and visited our lodge as he was traveling in South Dakota. We always welcome visitors.

In the June "American Dane" magazine, the article "There's No Grandmother Like Mine" was written by Joy Ibsen Martin. We enjoyed it a great deal. Joy is the daughter of our minister, Harold Ibsen. She grew up and went to school in Viborg for many years.

**Ruth Peterson, Correspondent.**

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## EASTERN LODGES

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**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R.I.** — Our June meeting was a rather interesting one because we had over 50% attendance. This hasn't happened in a long time. Maybe because of installation and the promise of an exceptional coffee table, which in the words of those present was "fantastic". Brother Erling Braumann conducted the installation ceremonies in a fine manner and was congratulated by all. Those installed were: President Jan Braumann, Vice President Johannes Jespersen, Secretary Carl Sorensen, Treasurer Erling Braumann, Trustees Asbjorn Guldhauge, William Guldhauge and William Gill.

Plans for celebrating our 80th anniversary are in the hands of the committee.

Sister Agnes Aust has once again invited us to a box lunch picnic at her home, East Beach, Charleston, R.I., on Sunday, August 14 (rain date, August 21).

**Carl W. Sorensen, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 46, Perth Amboy, N.J.** — At our June 8 meeting we initiated eight new members and accepted applications from four others.

The lean-to bar, water and electric lines, concrete and painting were all finished in time for our picnic, thanks to the members of Lodges 46 and 241.

The picnic was held June 18 and was well attended. I wish to thank each and every one who assisted yours truly and Knute Jensen on this committee.

Our next picnic is on August 21. Hoping the picnic chairman will have fine weather as we did, and plenty of willing helpers.

**George W. Ferdinandsen,**  
Correspondent.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N.Y.** — July and August are the traditional summer vacation months, both here and in our little homeland, Denmark. Starting off

with our July 4 celebration, we Americans will be on the go for two months, camping, driving, picnicking and visiting, so do it all safely. **Be careful — drive carefully — don't take too much sun — and enjoy every minute of it.**

**Special Note:** There will only be one meeting in August. This will be the birthday dinner meeting. The date is August 17. The dinner will be cooked and served by the old standbys, Pete Nielsen and Bill Peterson. Come and bring your appetites. Remember — Wednesday night, August 17.

**William J. Peterson, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 342, Bucks County, Pa.** — We don't know of a single person among the 180 people attending who failed to have the time of their life at our Hawaiian Luau! Everyone agreed that the food was plentiful and delicious, and the band!! The David Scott Four was just great. We hear people are already anxious to reserve a place for next year.

Our "very original" **Hula dancers** proved to be none other than some of our very own brave men, trained and outfitted by Ria Bartek.

Those of us who attended our annual picnic at Lars Jensen's farm also enjoyed a fun-filled day. Although the weather was somewhat cloudy, our spirits weren't. A special attraction was the collection of antique cars owned and demonstrated by Mr. Jensen, including some very old Rolls Royce models.

Since our monthly newsletter is not published during the summer months, we would like to remind both our lodge members and the members of Lodge No. 172 that our joint camping trip will be held the weekend after Labor Day, September 9-11, at Muddy Run Recreational Park south of Lancaster. To reserve a place please contact either Ove Krebs (215) 887-6077, or Bent Busch-Petersen (215) 566-7490.

We hope all of you are in the midst of enjoying a pleasant summer. Remember, **we meet once again on September 16.** See you then.

**Lorraine Malmquist, Correspondent.**

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## IOWA

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### IOWA UNITED LODGES DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Iowa United Lodges of The Danish Brotherhood in America are holding the **49th Annual Convention September 3-5, 1977**, at the Merle Hay Inn, 5055 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines, Ia. The theme of this convention is "**Building on our Heritage**". Events will include a "Get Re-acquainted Party" in the Danish National Dress on Saturday night, a keynote address by Fred Salmonsens at a dinner dance Sunday evening, and conclude with a smørrebrød lunch on

Monday. We will be dancing to the music of Don Hoy's Orchestra, and meeting on matters of importance to the future of the Danish community in Iowa.

**L. B. Sherman, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 217, Humboldt, Ia.** — Our June 7 meeting opened with Vice President Walter Pedersen in charge. Following the general business of the evening a picnic was discussed.



"Would  
you buy  
a used  
car from  
this  
man?"

The program for the meeting that evening was a humorous skit under the direction of Leta and Alfred Gangstad, involving several of the members present. It was a "hobo" type of evening. Many came dressed as hobos. It was a fun hour enjoyed by all.



"... Scared  
the pants  
right off  
'em..."

We had as a surprise guest our area manager, Vaughn Moore. We are always glad to have him with us at any time.

Lunch was served by Anna and Margret Pedersen to 47 members.

**Marie Pedersen, Correspondent.**

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## NEBRASKA

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The **1977 Blair Danish Day in Blair, Neb.**, will be held on **October 29, 1977.**

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## MIDWEST

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### CALL TO CONVENTION MIDWEST DISTRICT

Our convention this year will be September 10-11 at St. Charles, Ill.

Scholarship winners, Karin Janssen from Racine and Peter Littrup from Detroit, will receive scholarships at the banquet on Saturday evening.

**Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis.** — Our lodge would like to give congratulations to Karin Janssen on being one of the recipients of the Midwest District Scholarships. Karin is the daughter of Ken and Ruth Janssen and plans to attend Stout University in the fall.

On Wednesday, June 8 on the ninth 147 yard hole at Washington Park Gold Course, our manager, Gordie Sorensen took his new No. six graphite driver, shooting a pink Lady Diane golf ball (No. 1) and made a hole in one.

Word has it that he is seriously thinking of leaving Racine to join the PGA tour, and also overheard at the clubhouse — a hole-in-one shooter usually buys a drink, but ...

In all seriousness, this only happens once in a lifetime to a very few golfers, so good going, Gordie. Congratulations. Want to be on my foursome for the Midwest Golf Tournament?

**John Mollerskov, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 340, Wood Dale, Ill.** — We are very glad to welcome Terry Clayton into our lodge. Terry is transferring from Lodge No. 17.

Shirley Christensen was to receive a \$25 gift award and plaque from sponsoring new members, but unfortunately she was not at the meeting to receive the award, but we will keep it for her.

Our aebleskiver breakfast will be held on Sunday, November 6, 1977, at our clubhouse.

On Saturday, August 13, Lodge No. 340 will be hosting a Scotch Doubles Candlelight Bowl. Please let Ted Kaiser know if you will be able to attend as soon as possible.

**Barbara Karsbaek, Correspondent.**

"What do we live for if not to make the world less difficult for each other?"

**Margaret Goodwin,  
Lodge No. 34, Dwight.**

**Lodge No. 35, Chicago, Ill.**, announces that they have changed their meeting day from the second Friday of the month to the first Friday of the month.

**Lodge No. 34, Dwight, Ill.** — Our meetings are held on the second Monday at 8:00 p.m. at the VFW on old Route 66 in Dwight.

At our June 13 meeting we welcomed Sally and Bob Hosier and Bob Gram as new members. Viking certificates were given to Mike, Danny and Becky

Lauritsen; Jennifer and Mike Pedersen; Amy and Tammy Lund; Mike and Christine Anderson. Isn't it great to see so many of our young people "belonging"? This is our lodge of tomorrow.

Favorable reports were given on our trip to Janesville for the new lodge installation and for the Midwest Picnic at Rockford.

**Margaret Goodwin, Correspondent.**

**Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis.** — Hats off to Bill Nelson and Dick Schold, who were the co-chairmen for our highly successful candle-lite scotch bowl. We took over the whole bowling alley, with 96 people bowling. Our thanks for the support we received from lodges in the Midwest who joined us — Milwaukee, Racine, Waukegan, Wood Dale and Chicago. Later on this year **Wood Dale will have their scotch bowl.** Hope to see all of you there.

The new members keep coming in! Welcome to Fred Hobson, Paul Fredericksen, Benton Hammond, Paul Rohling, Jerel Anderson, Keith Anderson and Charles Lutter. Welcome aboard, gentlemen. We now have 250 members.

The lodge is planning a Scandinavian Fair similar to the one held at UW-Parkside on October 2, so start getting together those Danish articles to display. We will also be serving aebleskiver and medisterpølse, with assistance from the Sisterhood. We will be inviting the Swedish and Norwegian Clubs to join us and perhaps some Scandinavian commercial organization, also. We will be having an organizational meeting on August 14 at the lodge, so if you would like to volunteer to help, call Gordon Andersen at 654-1143.

**Robert Ibsen, Correspondent.**

## Profile of a DBIA Representative

One of the most consistent representatives in the Danish Brotherhood is James H. Andreasen, a member of Lodge No. 34 in Dwight, Ill., and the lodge representative.

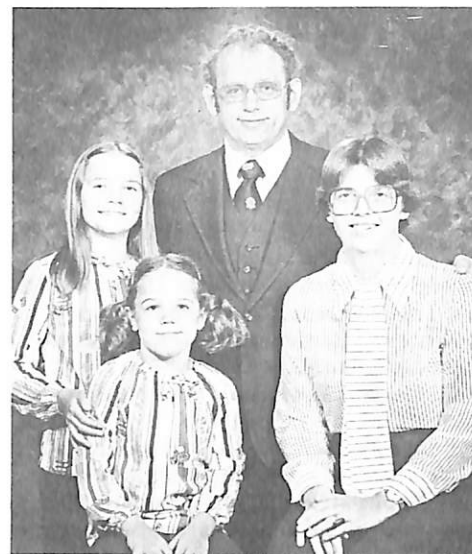
The progress made by Lodge No. 34 is in a large part due to the efforts of Jim . . . such as by signing up 18 new insured and



four new social members during the month of June, 1977.

Jim is in the insurance business in Dwight, Ill., where he resides with his wife, Genevieve, and their four children.

We are pleased to have you as a member of our sales force, Jim.



## 100% Insured DBIA Family

The L. B. Sherman family (John, Winnie, Patricia and Jessica) of Des Moines, Ia., are not only the latest 100% insured DBIA family, but they also rank number one in the amount of insurance being provided a family by the Danish Brotherhood.

The Sermans are active in lodge affairs both on a local and district level.

John is president of Lodge No. 15 in Des Moines and is also on the board of the Iowa United Lodges.

Winnie will be returning with their two children from visiting her parents in Denmark in time, no doubt, to serve on several committees planning the Iowa United Lodges Annual Convention to be hosted by Lodge No. 15 in Des Moines Labor Day weekend.

## 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
5-20-77	Owen Lovell	72	Kolding, Denmark	35	Chicago, Illinois	1963
5-22-77	Edward Sorensen	86	Topdrech, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1927
4-1-77	Mads C. Justesen	84	Klim, Denmark	332	Ripon, California	1952
5-22-77	Soren P. Thomsen	80	Fur, Denmark	314	Hartford, Connecticut	1937
5-23-77	Svend A. Jensen	71	Frederikshavn, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1945
5-29-77	James T. Johnson	22	Canton, Ohio	225	Canton, Ohio	1960
5-24-77	Jens M. Sorensen	79	Aalborg, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1927
6-1-77	Louis Jensen	75	Copenhagen, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1935
6-7-77	Ejnar Hansen	80	Vester, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1923
6-8-77	Foss Munksgaard	82	Løgstør, Denmark	172	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	1936
6-15-77	Niels A. Jensen	68	Jerne Sogn, Denmark	241	Sayreville, New Jersey	1928
6-5-77	Peder R. Pedersen	93	Denmark	300	Oneota, New York	1928
3-5-77	J. Andrew Poulsen	78	Ugesby, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1922
5-27-77	Aage Gram	74	Borkop, Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1962
5-25-77	Eija Hansen	91	Sundby, Denmark	155	Bellingham, Washington	1963
2-16-77	Edwin Sorensen	63	Cedar Falls, Iowa	263	Askov, Minnesota	1943
3-31-77	Carl Abjornson	56	New York	342	Bucks County, Pennsylvania	1975
6-3-77	Einar Nielsen	86	Randers, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1941
5-18-77	Charles Paulsen	80	Minden, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1947
5-23-77	Andrew Poulsen	98	Skyrum, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1911
6-27-77	Raymond Knudsen	61	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1973
6-19-77	Clara Andersen	70	Brush, Colorado	255	Selma, California	1961

**GROUP I (Lodges with 100 members or more)**

# New Members New Insurance

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**GROUP III (Lodges with up to 50 members)**

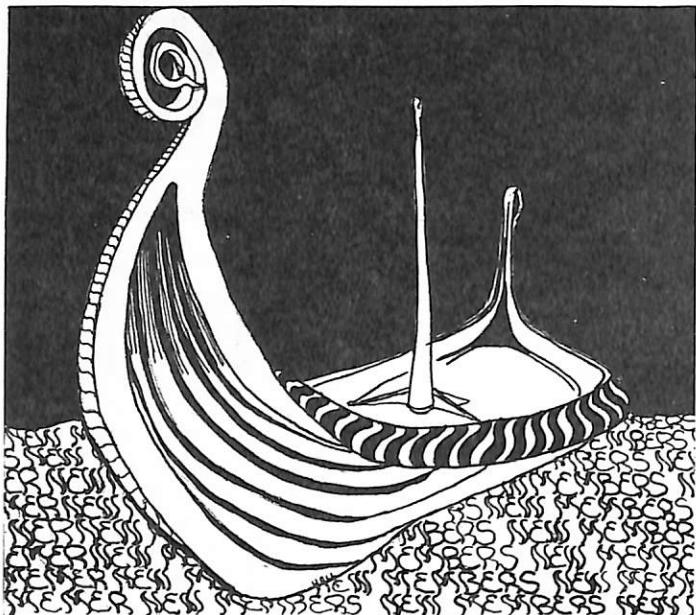
Lodge Number	Location	Year to Date			
		New Members	New Insurance	Members	Insurance
1	Omaha, Neb.	8	\$ 13,500	13	\$ 29,500
4	Racine, Wis.	2	1,000	14	70,000
14	Kenosha, Wis.	4	38,500	19	62,500
16	Minden, Neb.	1	20,000	12	88,500
17	Chicago, Ill.	0	0	0	0
29	Seattle, Wash.	1	0	2	51,000
34	Dwight, Ill.	11	18,000	20	28,000
45	Minneapolis, Minn.	0	0	7	74,973
46	Perth Amboy, N.J.	3	0	27	0
49	San Francisco, Calif.	0	0	1	500
51	Ludington, Mich.	0	0	0	0
75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1	0	4	20,000
116	Newark, N.J.	1	0	5	1,000
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	0	0	2	15,000
139	Viborg, S.D.	1	1,000	14	1,000
144	Dike, Ia.	0	0	4	62,341
161	Ruskin, Neb.	0	0	10	28,300
167	Portland, Ore.	2	10,000	12	56,000
172	Philadelphia, Pa.	0	0	0	0
217	Humboldt, Ia.	0	0	5	17,000
227	Detroit, Mich.	2	5,000	16	43,500
242	Erie, Pa.	0	0	0	0
263	Askov, Minn.	0	0	1	32,500
299	Solvang, Calif.	0	45,000	6	115,000
325	Nassau County, N.Y.	0	0	4	10,500
328	Vancouver, B.C.	0	0	9	0
341	Kimballton-Eik Horn, Ia.	1	3,000	10	114,000
600	Omaha, Neb.	9	46,000	19	157,552
		47	\$201,000	227	\$967,614

Lodge Number	Location	Year to Date			
		New Members	New Insurance	Members	Insurance
3	Davenport, Ia.	0	0	0	0
9	Oshkosh, Wis.	0	0	0	0
11	Clinton, Ia.	0	0	0	0
26	Fremont, Neb.	0	0	0	0
30	Muskegon, Mich.	0	0	2	1,000
33	Tacoma, Wash.	2	1,000	3	1,000
37	Bridgeport, Conn.	0	0	0	0
41	Derby, Conn.	0	0	0	0
50	Byram, Conn.	0	0	0	0
62	Sioux City, Ia.	0	0	1	0
64	Rockford, Ill.	0	0	3	0
65	Duluth, Minn.	0	0	0	0
67	Fresno, Calif.	0	0	0	0
73	Alden, Minn.	0	0	0	0
77	Turin, Ia.	0	0	0	0
78	Salt Lake City, Utah	0	0	0	0
89	Superior, Wis.	0	0	2	2,500
90	Port Reading, N.J.	0	0	2	0
95	Ferndale, Calif.	0	0	0	0
96	Jackson, Minn.	0	0	0	0
102	Providence, R.I.	0	0	0	0
103	Waterbury, Conn.	0	0	0	0
107	Chicago, Ill.	0	0	0	0
110	Winside, Neb.	0	0	0	0
111	Austin, Minn.	0	0	0	0
121	Tyler, Minn.	0	0	0	0
125	Weeping Water, Neb.	0	0	0	0
134	Ringsted, Ia.	0	0	0	0
148	Cheyenne, Wyoming	0	0	0	0
153	Dannevirke, Neb.	0	0	0	0
155	Bellingham, Wash.	0	0	0	0
163	Edmore, Mich.	0	0	0	0
170	Rocky River, Ohio	0	0	0	0
171	Jamestown, N.Y.	0	0	0	0
173	Kansas City, Kansas	0	0	0	0
177	Cordova, Neb.	0	0	0	0
181	Sidney, Mich.	0	0	0	0
183	Troy, N.Y.	0	0	0	0
185	Madison, Wis.	0	0	0	0
186	Luck, Wis.	0	0	0	0
194	McMinnville, Ore.	0	0	0	0
195	Omaha, Neb.	0	0	0	0
202	Warren, Pa.	0	0	0	0
213	Ord, Neb.	0	0	0	0
219	Clear Lake, Ia.	0	0	2	76,730
230	Arcaata, Calif.	0	0	3	1,000
233	Toledo, Ohio	0	0	0	0
234	Woodstock, Ill.	0	0	0	0
238	Juhl, Mich.	0	0	0	0
239	Lake Forest, Ill.	0	0	0	0
240	Rochester, N.Y.	0	0	0	0
241	Sayreville, N.J.	0	0	0	0
245	South Bend, Ind.	0	0	0	0
254	Brush, Colo.	0	0	0	0
255	Selma, Calif.	0	0	0	0
257	St. Petersburg, Fla.	3	0	14	0
260	Williston, N.D.	0	0	0	0
262	Cozad, Neb.	0	0	0	0
264	Pocatello, Idaho	0	0	0	0
268	Junction City, Ore.	4	1,000	4	1,000
278	Salt Lake City, Utah	0	0	0	0
279	Hunter, N.D.	0	0	0	0
281	Cincinnati, Ohio	0	0	0	0
288	Cotesfield, Neb.	0	0	0	0
300	Oneonta, N.Y.	0	0	0	0
301	Akron, Ohio	0	0	0	0
308	McCabe, Mont.	0	0	0	0
319	Bakersfield, Calif.	0	0	0	0
321	West Palm Beach, Fla.	0	0	0	0
326	West Branch, Ia.	1	0	1	0
329	Long Beach, Calif.	0	0	2	0
334	Geneva, N.Y.	0	0	0	0
339	Las Vegas, Nev.	0	0	0	0
344	Janesville, Wis.	0	0	9	9,000

(New insurance includes new insurance on old members and juvenile members.)

**GROUP II (Lodges with 50 to 100 members)**

Lodge Number	Location	Year to Date			
		New Members	New Insurance	Members	Insurance
10	Council Bluffs, Ia.	0	1,000	0	1,000
15	Des Moines, Ia.	0	300,000	4	325,000
32	New Haven, Conn.	0	0	0	0
35	Chicago, Ill.	0	0	1	0
36	Milwaukee, Wis.	0	0	3	10,000
39	Oakland, Calif.	0	0	0	0
42	Spokane, Wash.	0	0	1	1,000
43	Denver, Colo.	0	0	0	0
56	Kansas City, Mo.	1	1,000	1	1,000
70	Greenville, Mich.	0	0	2	500
71	Penn Yan, N.Y.	0	1,000	1	1,500
84	Lincoln, Neb.	0	0	0	0
92	St. Charles, Ill.	0	1,000	13	90,000
106	Trufant, Mich.	0	0	0	0
113	Enumclaw, Wash.	0	0	2	0
117	Plainview, Neb.	0	0	0	0
143	Petaluma, Calif.	0	0	1	0
147	Newell, Ia.	0	0	1	0
164	New York, N.Y.	0	0	1	2,500
182	Waukegan, Ill.	0	0	0	1,000
184	Hayward, Calif.	0	0	1	500
190	Schenectady, N.Y.	0	0	0	0
206	Blair, Neb.	2	0	5	0
211	Grand Island, Neb.	0	0	4	15,000
225	Canton, Ohio	0	0	0	0
261	Fowler, Colo.	0	0	2	5,000
273	Dillion, Mont.	0	0	3	2,500
283	Dagmar, Mont.	0	0	2	1,000
294	Barre, Vt.	0	0	0	0
306	San Diego, Calif.	1	1,000	3	2,000
314	Hartford, Conn.	0	0	2	10,000
318	Copenhagen, Denmark	0	0	0	0
322	Santa Barbara, Calif.	0	0	0	0
323	Alhambra, Calif.	0	0	10	11,500
332	Ripon, Calif.	0	0	0	0
337	Fremont, Calif.	0	0	0	0
340	Wood Dale, Ill.	0	20,000	20	163,500
342	Bucks County, Pa.	0	0	2	0
343	Waupaca, Wis.	0	0	0	0
345	Garden Grove, Calif.	14	68,512	66	158,241
		18	\$393,512	99	\$713,012



## NEW MEMBERS

Name	Lodge No. Location	Sponsor
Deborah A. Strong	1—Omaha	Marilyn Storms
David Hansen	1—Omaha	Madeline Christensen
Arnold Hauswald	1—Omaha	Aase Donahue
Joyce Strong	1—Omaha	James Petersen
Raymond Strong	1—Omaha	James Petersen
Anna Hauswald	1—Omaha	Aase Donahue
Pearl King	1—Omaha	Robert Storms
Steven Bradburn*	1—Omaha	Aase Donahue
Hugh Bruno	4—Racine	Gordon Sorensen
Arthur Paulson	4—Racine	Gordon Sorensen
Amy N. Haggstrom*	10—Council Bluffs	E. A. Grundberg
Keith Anderson	14—Kenosha	Jesse Anderson
Charles Lutter	14—Kenosha	Bill Nelsen
Jewell D. Hansen	14—Kenosha	Bennie Petersen
Paul V. Rohling	14—Kenosha	Kenneth Hansen
Jack Spors	16—Minden	Richard Jacobsen
Peter T. S. Rasmussen	33—Tacoma	Villy Rasmussen
Ronald Lange	33—Tacoma	Villy Rasmussen
Allen Jensen	33—Tacoma	Villy Rasmussen
Michael Lauritsen*	34—Dwight	James Lauritsen
Daniel Lauritsen*	34—Dwight	James Lauritsen
Rebecca Lauritsen*	34—Dwight	James Lauritsen
Douglas E. Anderson*	34—Dwight	Richard Anderson
Eric Ely*	34—Dwight	Mary Sue Ely
Brian Bennett*	34—Dwight	Oscar Seerup
Annette R. Bennett*	34—Dwight	Oscar Seerup
Thomas Anderson*	34—Dwight	James Anderson
Sally Jo Hosier	34—Dwight	William Clavey
Bobby Hosier	34—Dwight	William Clavey
Terry E. Riccolo	34—Dwight	Richard Anderson
Kevin R. Hansen	34—Dwight	Richard Anderson
James W. Wilkey, Jr.	34—Dwight	James Lauritsen
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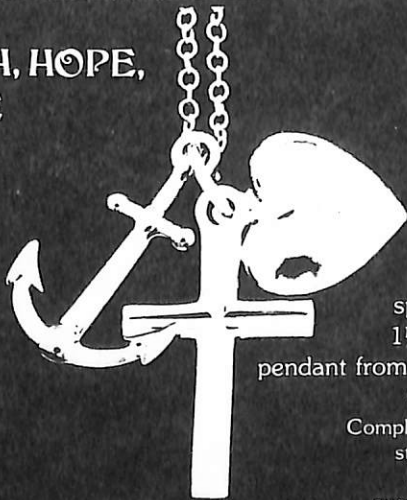
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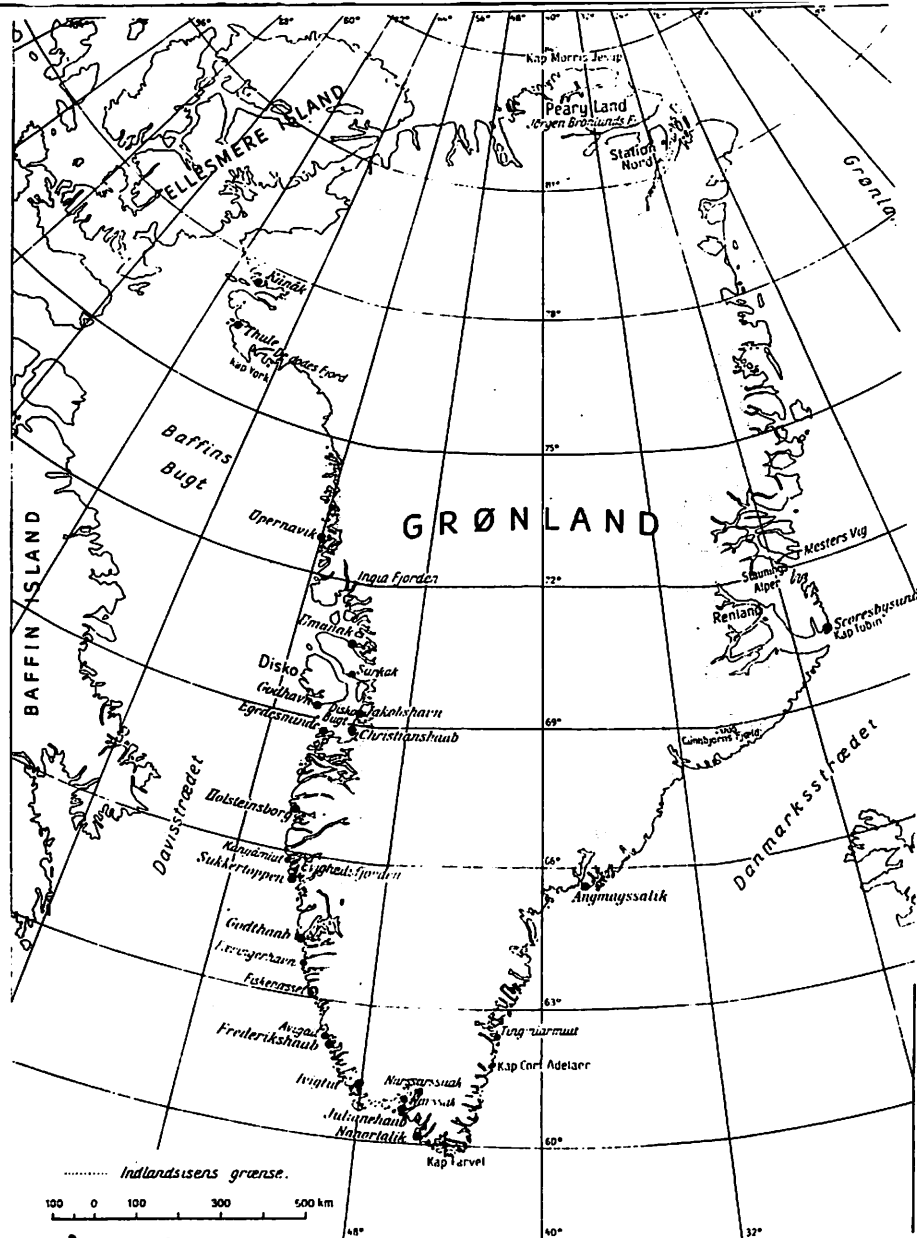
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## Greenland by David Valade

The largest island in the world, Greenland, is part of one of the smallest countries in the world, Denmark. Greenland, approximately 840,000 square miles, is able to support human life on only one-sixth the land as the rest is covered with ice, some of it two miles thick.

Some of Greenland has yet to be explored but it was known to exist about 2200 years ago by the Greek, Pytheas of Massila, when he mentioned briefly that there was ice in the north. Whether it was Greenland Pytheas saw is another question.

About seven centuries after Pytheas made his discovery the first Eskimos came to Greenland by way of a land bridge connecting the present-day Canadian island of Ellesmere to northwestern Greenland. These people lived on the island for only a few decades, after which they migrated somewhere else, only to mysteriously disappear — no one knows exactly what happened!

Before the Eskimos vanished the first European sighted Greenland in 900 A.D. Page 16

The discovery was made by Gunnbjorn, a Norwegian Viking who gave the island a name of his own device. Some people claim that he called it "White-shirt land" because of the ice he saw there.

The first white man to actually set foot on Greenland was Erik Raude, or "Erik the Red" as he is known today. He settled on the island 83 years after Gunnbjorn's discovery. The popular belief is he called the land "Greenland" to attract people to settle on the barren land. The Vikings settled next to Eriksfjord in Østerbygden (a town) on the west coast and kept in contact with the rest of the world through ships that occasionally came to Greenland.

In the year 1,000 Leif Ericsson, son of Erik the Red, brought Christianity to the Norse on Greenland. In 1126 the first Bishop went there to set up churches and baptize the settlers.

In 1348 a great plague and a second migration of Eskimos swept into Greenland from the north. The plague wiped out the white settlers who didn't know how to cure the disease and the Eskimos barely survived, yet some did and they were left the task of repopulating Greenland.

After the plague the rest of the world

almost totally forgot about Greenland until the Danish king, Christian IV, sent three ships out to visit the huge island. The expedition was headed by Jens Munk, who became famous for being the first white man to live in direct contact with Greenland's Eskimos.

From 1604 to the late 1800's was the age of discovery in the north. Some of the most famous men having to do with the exploration of Greenland were: Sir Martin Frobisher, John Davis, Henry Hudson, Robert Peary, and Knud Rasmussen (a Greenlander by birth, half Dane and half Eskimo. He also led some explorations in Greenland during the first half of the 20th century).

All of these men were able to report to the world something about Greenland because they survived the severe northern climate. There were some expeditions that were lost in Greenland, others were lost at sea and some vanished mysteriously, just like the first group of Eskimos are believed to have disappeared.

It wasn't until the first part of the 20th century that the number of the Greenland explorations decreased enough to let Greenlanders live their own lives (Greenlanders are neither Danish or Eskimo but a mixture of both and are "smarter but with less endurance" than the Eskimo). In 1921 and 1933 they were visited by two illustrious people. First, King Christian X of Denmark came, and in the latter year Charles Lindbergh and his wife flew to Greenland on a pleasure tour.

Exactly one year after Denmark was occupied by the Nazis during World War II, Denmark signed a pact with the United States to give it temporary control of Greenland. The Danes did this to keep Hitler from establishing weather stations in the north. In 1945, after Denmark was released from German control, Greenland was given back to its rightful owner.

Greenland may appear to those who have never seen it as a cold, barren island unsuitable to support much wildlife. Contrary to this belief there are at least 20 types of animals living on the land, in the air and in the water. Among these are the musk oxen (sometimes called "miniature mammoths"), Arctic wolves, Arctic caribou, snow owls, white falcons, polar bear, walrus, narwhales, the great Greenland seals and the fisherman's main source of income, salmon.

Fishing is the predominant occupation in Greenland as fish are plentiful. There are three classes of fishermen on the island; the families that use kayaks to catch fish to support themselves, those that fish from motorboats and take some fish to market, and finally there is the rare commercial fisherman who owns cutters and fishes only for profit. Besides fishing for salmon (on the east coast) fishermen also catch cod, catfish, halibut and commercial fishers sometimes catch whales.

The towns are growing bigger now in Greenland. More Greenlanders are living in modern apartment buildings than in igloos or huts and more are working at nine to five jobs in big office buildings, yet they stick as close as possible to their own form of life. Ever since 1953, when the island became a self-governing county of Denmark, "improvements" have been carried out, disrupting the old style of the Greenlander's lives. Among others, alcoholism is one of the worst "improvements" in Greenland. The island has a large number of alcoholics who terrorize the towns when drunk, making it unsafe to walk alone in the streets.

Nowadays Greenland is kept in constant touch with the outside world through ships carrying goods to and from the island and through Greenlanders going to schools in Denmark. With people going to different countries you would expect the Greenlanders to settle in other lands, but the fact is, not many have left home to live outside of Greenland.

Greenland is a beautiful place to many people with its majestic mountains, great wide expanses and friendly natives.

Many people who have visited Greenland are very anxious to go back to this Arctic wonderland.

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# Denmark, Today...

**Denmark is the place for pleasant paradoxes.** Here is a country, a 1,000 year old kingdom, whose name today is synonymous with the word "modern" in design and yet clings to its fairytales — Hans Christian Andersen's, that is. It's a tiny country with the largest and most up-to-date convention and exhibition center in Northern Europe and yet shows more pride in the size of its heart and hospitality than its structures. And although the Danes are noted for some daring ideas on modern living, they really are tradition bound, and one of the strongest of their traditions is that the purpose of tourism is not so much a matter of filling hotel rooms as of getting to know people better.

The Danish view on hospitality and friendship is no different today, when 400,000 Americans come to Denmark annually than it was 25 years ago when only 25,000 of them dared sample its fun, food, furniture and fairytale qualities. If there has been any change, it's been in the direction rather than degree, and if you want to put that to the test, you'll find the Danish countryside a fertile area for very pleasant research, because it's here that Intercity trains, bicycle tours, country inns, farms and 100 local tourist offices combine to give visitors a brand of enjoyment no other country in the world can duplicate.

Denmark's sleek, speedy new Intercity trains are one example. They run hourly between Copenhagen and 11 provincial cities and frequently, too, on four other routes. Unlike on American trains, where one sees only the backs of fellow passengers, Intercity train riders sit face to face in comfortable six-person compartments, an arrangement conducive to conversation with the other passengers, who are probably English-speaking Danes and likely to talk first. On board, stewardesses tend to your cares, there's a rolling bar and magazines and newspapers are sold. **The trip from Copenhagen to Aarhus, capitol of Jutland, takes less than five hours, and you can stop enroute for sightseeing, secure in the knowledge that another Intercity will be along hourly thereafter.**

Once off the train, you can preserve the friendly mood already established

by eschewing the bigger hotels and stopping instead at a "kro", a country inn, or at a Danish farm.

The "kro" is always good for a delicious meal in a romantic setting, and those with overnight accommodations offer simple but comfortable facilities at attractive rates. A double with bath costs \$15 to \$34, but the inn's location and cozy atmosphere are its main attractions. Still, if you insist on all modern conveniences, Denmark has some 40 motels and country hotels scattered about, with prices naturally a bit higher.

If you bicycle — and increasing numbers of North Americans of all ages do — you can add an extra dimension by taking a bicycle tour of Denmark, again not so much for its economy as for its camaraderie. Denmark is ideal bicycle country with a gently rolling landscape that rarely requires strenuous peddling or pushing. Danish tourist offices in 100 towns, in cooperation with local firms, can arrange for bicycle rentals. In some towns, you can rent a bike at the railroad station and return it to the station in another city. There are also 17 different organized tours of from three to nine days, which usually call for unhurried cycling of only 25 to 30 miles a day. Bicycle rentals are \$1.50 to \$3.50 a day; tour costs range from \$30 for three days, half board, in Central Jutland, to \$172 for seven days, full board, exploring six South Funen islands.

**Even cosmopolitan Copenhagen offers visitors a sense of intimacy, whether it's in shopping or the evening's entertainment.** Copenhagen now has several exclusively pedestrian streets, closed to vehicular traffic. The most notable is Strøget, a chain of five narrow, winding streets with some of the capitol's finest shops. Other newly-closed streets nearby are famed for their many bookstores, antique shops and 18th century houses.

Regular sightseeing tours in Copenhagen still include behind-the-scenes visits to the factories producing famed Danish silver, china, other craft items and furs to schools and homes representative of the country's advanced social welfare system.

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- rind of 1 lemon
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- Baking time: 18 minutes

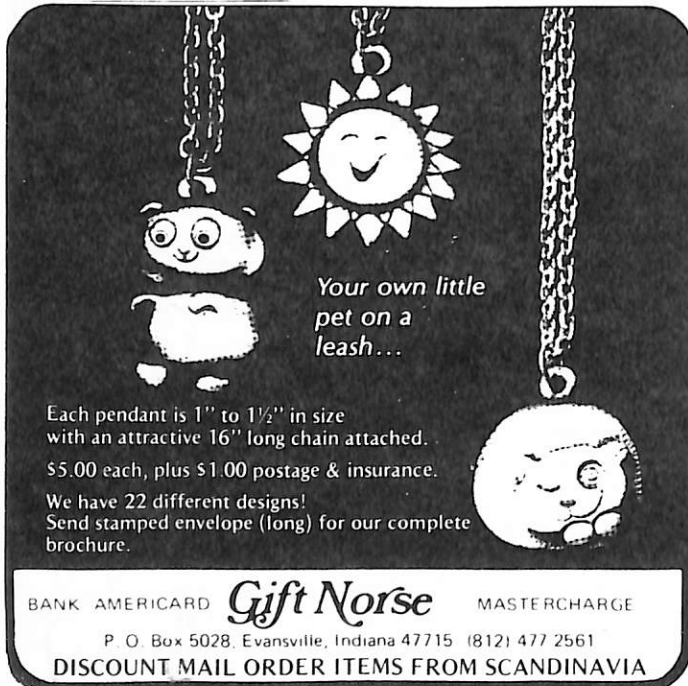
Beat egg whites until stiff. Gradually add powdered sugar and lemon rind. Set aside one-fourth of this mixture. To the remainder, add almonds and cinnamon, blending them well. Pat the dough out on a board, using confectioner's sugar instead of flour, adding more powdered sugar if necessary to make the dough workable. Cut the dough into star shapes. Glaze the tops with a little of the reserved egg white mixture. Place on a greased cookie sheet and bake in 325 degree oven for 18 minutes until crisp.

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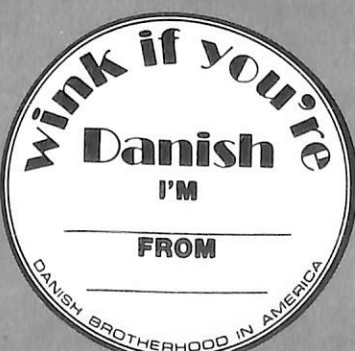
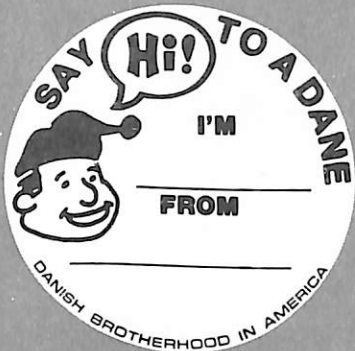
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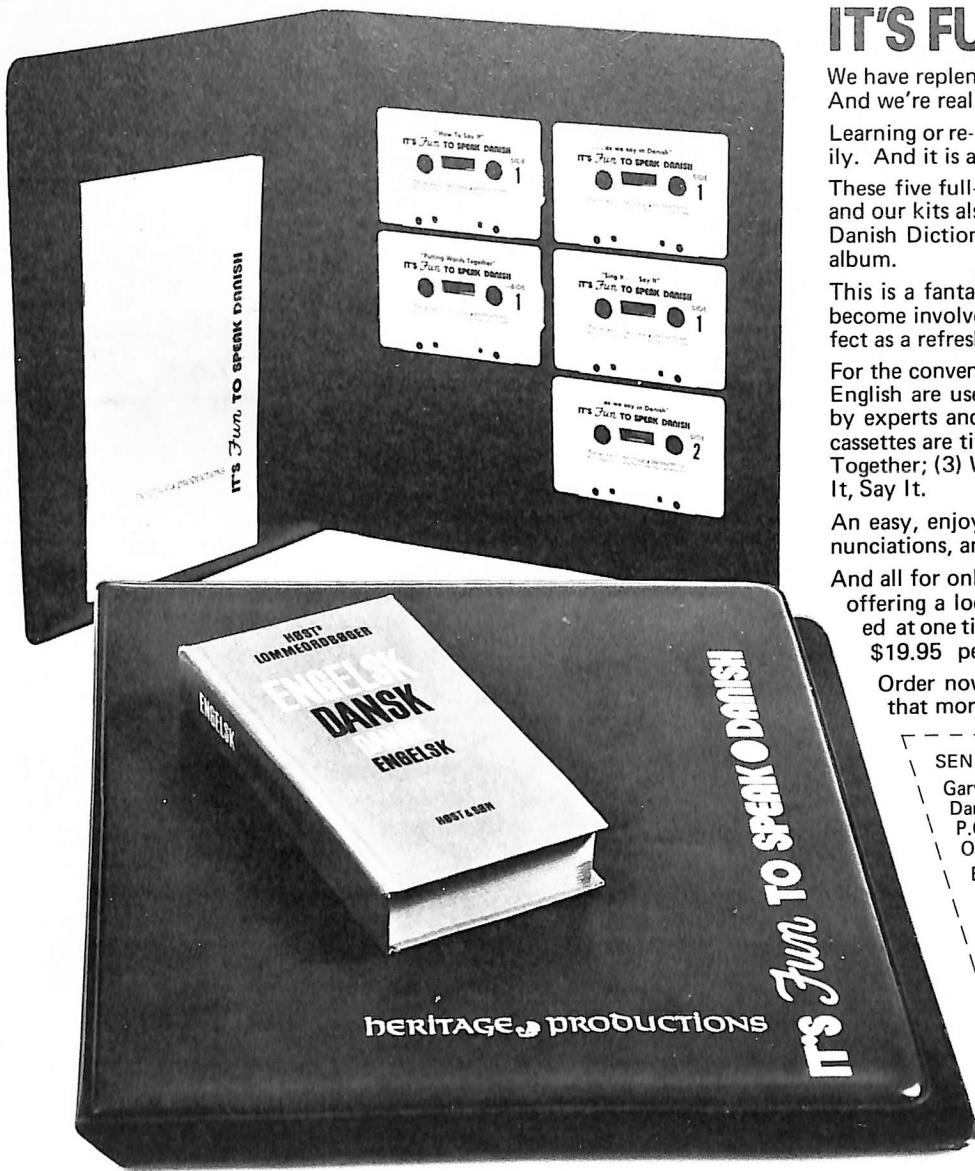
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