

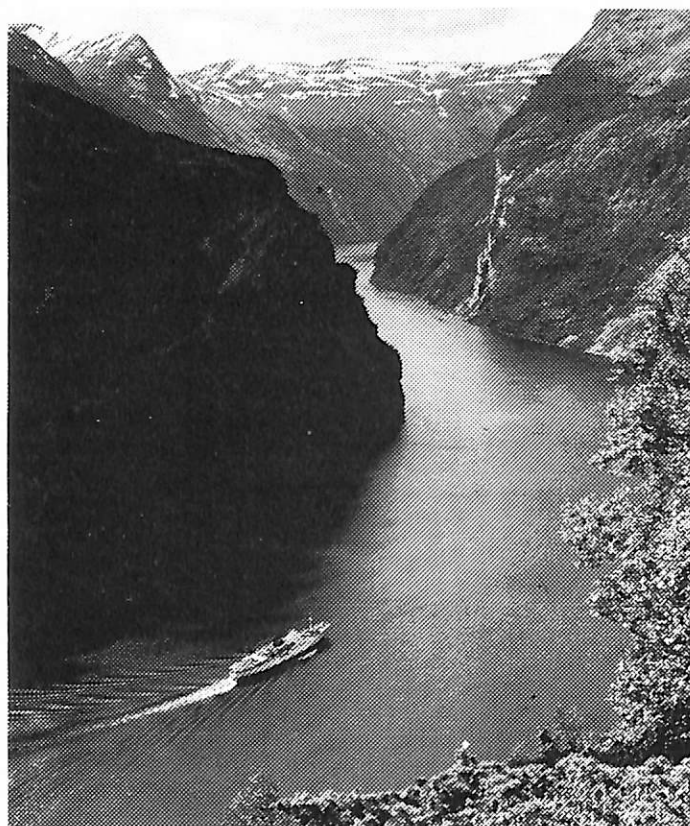
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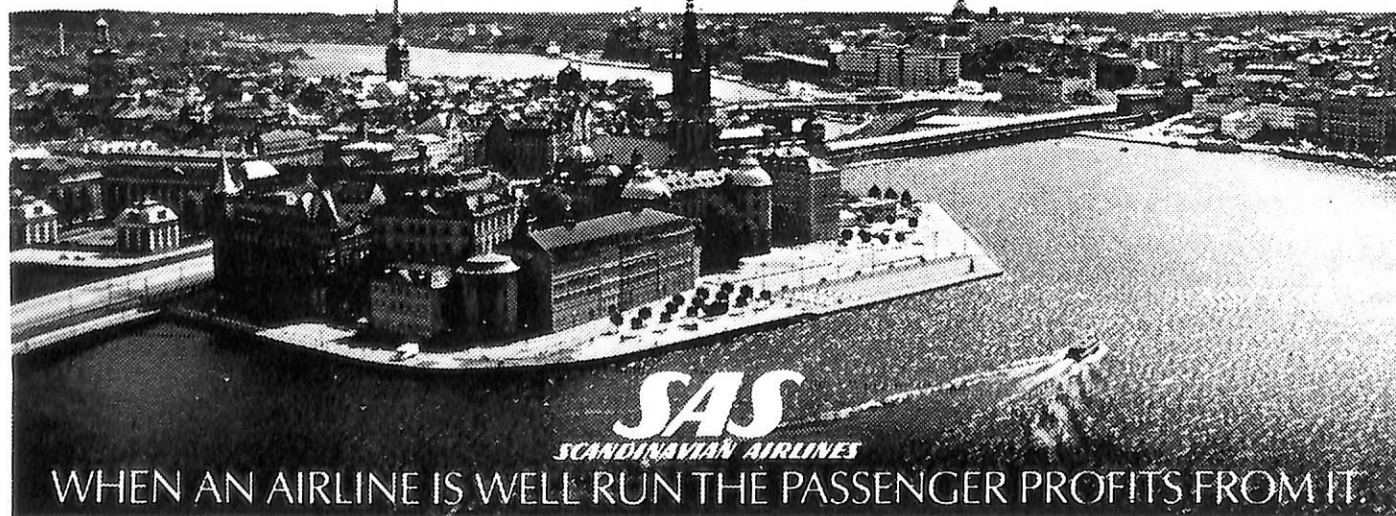
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These are trying times, also, for many of us. Skyrocketing inflation, shortages here and there, increasing taxes and government regulation, crime, pollution — the list goes on and on.

But lately something seems to have caught hold of the American public, something exciting in many people's minds. The current tax "revolt", as exemplified in California's Proposition 13, has many of us on the edge of our chairs waiting to see what's going to happen next.

It remains to be seen whether the benefits of the "revolt" will outweigh its pitfalls, but nevertheless, I think it is exciting to be at the beginning of a new wave of independence. The feeling is much the same as our forefathers must have had many years ago when they fought to establish a government by the people.

It was a good idea they had 202 years ago — and it still is.

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Cover:

Boys fishing on the Kerteminde Dock. (Photo by Dan Shepard).

This month's cover photo was supplied to us by Dan Shepard of Long Beach, Calif. Mr. Shepard has spent a great deal of time in Denmark, resulting in a collection of hundreds of photographs depicting the inner essence of that country. "The Faces of Denmark" by Mr. Shepard will become a regular monthly feature of *The American Dane*, a continuing photographic essay of Denmark as seen through the faces of its people.

David Valade has yet another story of his travels in Denmark to share with us, this one being about the ancient Viking fortress of Trelleborg. The Trelleborg ruins have taught us much about the Vikings, yet, as David tells, they have also brought to light mysteries that are unanswered to date.

This issue concludes the article "Dansk Filатели" by Aksel Sand Petersen. By now stamp collectors should be getting a pretty thorough background in the history of the Danish postal system, one of the oldest in the world. Aksel should be with us again in future issues with more interesting bits of information on this fascinating hobby.

Though he is recognized as the greatest Danish composer, Carl Nielsen is a little-known figure even within the music profession. Gary Blackwood of Rolla, Mo., explores some possible reasons why this Great Dane, so singular in his musical accomplishments, has been relegated to a role of obscurity. Is it because of Nielsen's true originality, or could it be that, as Gary writes, "there was nothing extraordinary about him but his music"?

Richard Dalsemer and his family saw Denmark last year in a manner a little out of the ordinary for the average tourist. They went late in the fall and camped out at the campgrounds that were then nearly empty following the busy tourist season. Much can be seen just a few miles from campgrounds, and the lack of crowds did not seem to bother the Dalsemer family. Denmark is still a beautiful country no matter what the season, as Richard's story will attest.

Beverly S. Brown, who has over 200 published works to her credit, has contributed a short story that I'm sure you and your children will enjoy. The little "twist" of an ending to "The Protector" should bring you at least a little smile. Beverly is looking forward to having a children's book published in the very near future.

Here is your chance to let the Home Office and Board of Directors know what you think the Danish Brotherhood should be doing. Help make the DBIA even stronger by giving your suggestions on the questionnaire form found in this issue.

Robert E. Coffey

What's New for July in the American Dane?

New!

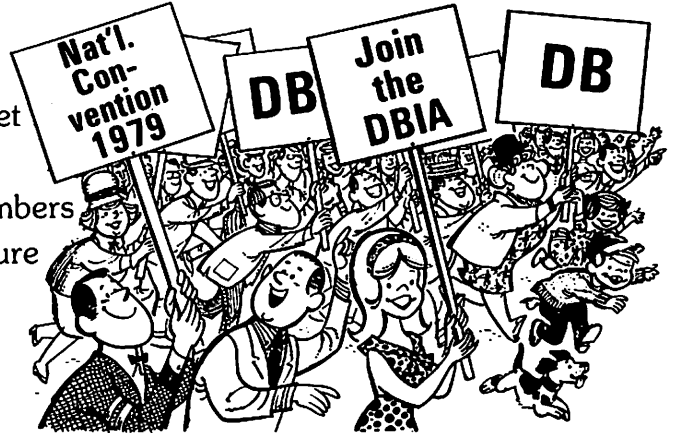
Lodge Membership Kit

(Ask your lodge secretary about the new membership kit.)

A membership kit has been developed and sent to each lodge to enable lodges to participate in a National Membership Drive.

The Kit Contains:

- Membership applications with instruction sheet
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- \$5,000 - 20 Pay Life rate cards
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- Order forms



The new, simplified, two-part membership application will make it easier for all members to participate in the drive and earn points by completing the membership application for new members they sponsor. As explained in the instruction sheet, one copy of the application is submitted to the lodge secretary - the other copy is given to the lodge representative or to the area manager for follow-up on the insurance. If your lodge does not have the benefit of a representative or area manager, send the representative's copy directly to the Home Office, and information about various insurance plans will immediately be sent to the prospective member. It is important to remember, however, that insured membership is required under age 50 and membership cannot become effective until the lodge is notified that the insurance has been approved.

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J.P. Jensens Celebrate 70 Wedded Years

A couple who shared an early childhood in Vrenstad, Denmark, celebrated 70 years of wedded life together in America on June 5, 1978.

They are Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jensen (Jim and Annie Sena), who maintain their own home in White, S.D. Both are 93 years old.

In 1903 "Jim" set sail for America when 17 years old. A leaky boat forced the immigrants to lay over three weeks in the Azores. They were rescued by a German boat.

He arrived in Rorbeck, Ia., in 1904, where he joined the Danish Brotherhood.

In 1906 he came to visit a cousin, Chris Thompson, at White, S.D., and discovered Annie Sena Christensen was living a mile from the Thompson farm with her parents.

Jim and Annie Sena became Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jensen at Brookings, S.D., June 5, 1908, and drove horses back to White, where about 25 friends and relatives joined them in a wedding supper.

The couple has two sons, Harlof and Alvin, who both reside at rural Brookings. They have seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Jim visited Denmark in 1922. Sena has not returned since her pilgrimage to America at the age of six.

They retired from active farm life in Eureka Township at the age of 60. Jim served 19 years on the



The J. P. Jensens, 70 years of married life.

Eureka Township School Board and ten years on the Township board.

In retrospect, Jim says: "I don't know what I'd have done without her." Annie Sena did the milking while Jim did the threshing.

"She's a good cook, too, or I wouldn't have kept her."

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Trelleborg

David Valade

Last August when I was in Denmark on the Brotherhood charter, my Onkel Helge and I went down to Trelleborg on our way to the gravhøje (Gravhøje i Danmark", February, 1978).

Trelleborg dates from about A.D. 1000. It is so exacting in so many ways that scientists believe Trelleborg was most probably built by a Viking king, possibly Sven Forkbeard or Canute the Great. It is not the size that makes Trelleborg, as it is only 446 feet in diameter, but its mathematical accuracy and strength of its walls which lead archeologists to believe a very powerful man constructed the fort.

Scientists have discovered Trelleborg's north gate is truly a north gate, as it is exactly at the north side of the fortress. Even the buildings are built with this type of accuracy. The longhouses inside are exactly 100 Roman feet in length and the houses outside the walls are 90 Roman feet. All in all, it would have taken a king to build Trelleborg.

Today Trelleborg is a national monument of Denmark and is open to visitors. Last summer my

uncle and I went down to the Viking fortress, the walls now grown over with grass and cement marking where houses once stood.

We first walked to the reconstructed Viking longhouse outside the fort. Inside was a fireplace in the middle and a smoke hole in the roof. Along each side ran two raised platforms on which Vikings slept when they were at the fort.

After seeing the house we went to a small scale model of what the fort once looked like; a circle with four squares in it, looking at it from the top.

Afterwards we went to the fort. We entered over some boulders, the remnants of the east gate bridge. Once inside we climbed the watch tower (placed inside for visitors to observe the surrounding countryside). After taking a last look around we went back to the car to get our lunches. We sat on an outer wall of Trelleborg (after carefully looking where we sat, as sheep are used to keep the grass short at the fort) and ate smørrebrød, discussing where we should go next. Eventually we went to see the gravhøje after many adventures.

Trelleborg is one of the best artifacts we have today from the Viking Age. It has told us many things about the Vikings and still hides others. Maybe as a visitor there you may find one of these hidden secrets.

"Don't come crawling to me," she shouted, staring at the one who offended her.

His dark eyes followed her as she moved her small thin body nervously about the sparsely furnished living room.

"I'm not young anymore," she confessed, just as the clock on the tiny mantel struck eight. "I've given you the best years of my life and when I make a simple request you turn me down. I only wanted to go for a leisurely stroll to the library and get a book of fairy tales by Hans Christian Andersen. Was that so terrible? Was it?"

He wanted to get up and leave forever. He was used to these evening lectures, but now they became more frequent. He sensed a danger that he never felt before. The tone of her voice and the piercing look in her eyes were clues for him to remain still.

"We've been together for 15 years," she said, standing before him. "I remember when we first met. You were standing outside Concert Hall listening to Carl Nielsen's *Sinfonia Espansiva*. It was magnificent. Instantly we took a liking to one another and I allowed you to share my home. Now this is the thanks I get!"

Her voice took a softer tone as she moved to the door.

"It's true. . . you never strayed, but then I always provided you with good meals, a warm bed and I never complained when I stayed up with you when you weren't well. We were a team, you and me. I was so happy with your devotion — but tonight it's a different story!"

She moved from the door and faced him. "Why won't you come with me? I can't go out alone. I need you! Certainly you can understand that. . . can't you?"

He sat unmoving on the faded sofa while tears welled up in his eyes.

The Protector

Beverly Swerdlow Brown

"I've always felt safe when we walked together," she said, unbuttoning her plain cloth coat, "but tonight you proved to be a coward. My friends wondered why I haven't left you long ago. I explained that just because you're in the doghouse once in a while is no reason to leave you. But one of these days —"

He lowered his head as the humiliation inside him swelled. Never had he heard her speak in such a biting manner.

"You're so smug," she said bitterly. "You think you can't be replaced. Well you're wrong! I got rid of three husbands and I can easily get rid of you!"

He wanted to growl at her the way she was snarling at him, but he thought better of it and restrained himself to remain quiet.

"Night is so cold, so dark," she said, staring out the window.

Silence filled the room.

Abruptly, she turned around. "I don't deserve this kind of treatment," she shouted angrily. "How could you let me down?"

He averted his eyes and was reticent to speak. But what could he say. Nothing. She said it all.

She moved closer to him and touched his brow. "I'm sorry," she sighed. "I didn't mean to yell at you. Really I didn't. I love you. You're all I have."

Suddenly he got up and went toward the door.

"I'm so happy you changed your mind," she said, putting on her coat again. "It's not too late. Oh, I feel so good that when we come back I'll read to you. *The Snow Queen*. Are you ready? All right, then. Wait a minute, while I get your leash!"

Dansk Filатели

Part II

Aksel Sand Petersen

In last month's issue of the American Dane we discussed the early history of the Danish postal system and the issuance of prepaid adhesive stamps in 1851. Between 1854 and 1857, four more imperforate stamps, redesigned and engraved by J. Buntzen, were issued. Again utilizing a square format and following the coat of arms design of the 4 rbs, the four issues (2 skilling blue, 4 skilling brown, 8 skilling green, 16 skilling lilac) now featured a framework inscription that included: on the left side the initials K.G.L. (for Kongeligt); on the top, POST; on the right side the initials FRM (for Frimaerke); and on the bottom the denomination in skillings. (Ill. A.) Electrotypes were taken from the Buntzen engravings and using the same type of handmade paper and burelage system as previously, the stamps were typographed by Theile. The four new issues also featured a dot pattern in the spandrels which, in 1858 to 1862, was changed to a system of wavy lines in the spandrels for the two new issues of the 4 and 8 sks.

Until June of 1862, handmade paper was employed in the Danish philatelic venture. Afterwards a smooth, machine-made paper was introduced the following year (1863), 8 and 16 SK values, utilizing a rouletted system of separation, were issued. These first ten issues are additionally interesting to advanced collectors for the illusive three ring numeral cancellations on them. The numerals represent specific postal stations and cities.

Although a new king ascended the throne in 1863, King Christian IX, this event was not reflected in the stamps of Denmark. Instead, between 1864 and 1870, a new series of a much larger and rectangular format, also featuring the royal Danish emblems and known as the large arms type, was issued. Perforated 13, this first perforated set consisted of five values: 2 SK blue, a new value 3 SK red-violet, 4 SK red, 8 SK bistre, and 16 SK olive green. Designed by the artist, O.H.B. Olrik, and engraved by P.C. Batz, the crown, sword and sceptre are centered within an oval band which reads along the top half KGL. POST. FRM. At the base of the oval band is 4 S., and in each corner is the denomination 4. This issue was also printed at H. H. Thieles.

During 1870 to 1871 a new issue printed in two colors and designed and engraved by Phillip C. Batz featured the famous filigree frame and crowned numeral format, a design that remained in use, with variations, until 1905. Also printed at H. H. Thieles, this issue produced the now well-known inverted frame variety, first discovered by A. A. Krauhold of St. Paul, Minn. These handsomely designed issues framed by a filigree arabesque pattern, depict in a circular center the denomination with a crown at the top of the circle, surrounded by a laurel leaf type



wreath ornament in which, at the base of the crossed plant forms, is a post horn. (Ill. B.) An oval band with the inscription in block sans serif letters reads DANMARK and at the bottom of the band, POSTFRIM and the denomination plus SK. The subtle nuance in the color variations make this issue particularly attractive. In 1873 the old skilling coinage was dropped for a new monetary unit of currency. The Crown was divided into 100 ore and came into use on January 1, 1875. This change was reflected in a new set of stamps featuring the same filigree design format as the previous issue save for the change from SK to ore.

Through a Danish postal official, Denmark can claim to have suggested the idea of a World Postal Union in 1859. However, the plan did not reach fruition until 1875 when nations, 15 including Denmark, held a Congress and formed the General Postal Union (changed to Universal Postal Union in 1878). In 1882 stamps by member nations were issued conforming to the new colors of the U.P.U. The colors were 5 ore green for local use, 10 ore carmine for domestic use, and 20 ore blue for foreign mail. The rectangular shaped format of the new design features in the center the Royal crown atop a shield consisting of three lions, and surrounded by a double lined band that is flanked by triple ringed circles in which the various denominations are found. In the top half of the band is the word DANMARK, printed in sans serif block letters, and in the bottom half is found POSTFRIM and the denomination in ore. (Ill. C) In each corner is a double ringed circle in which the denomination is again enclosed. The circle, in turn, is flanked by the decorative filigree work typical of the Danish designs of the period. Fifty-one major varieties of stamps reflect the total of Danish government issues in the 19th century.

Portland Member Receives ASF Prize

Melvin Pihl, lodge member from Portland, Ore., has won the top prize of the American Scandinavian Foundation's 1977-78 membership drive. The prize includes a seat on an AFS charter flight and a special tour of the Scandinavian capitol.

Over 240 ASF Associates qualified for incentive prizes. Mel Pihl brought in 50 new members to earn first place. The drive resulted in more than 500 new members from all over the country.

Mel plans to travel to Scandinavia this December on a Christmas charter flight. Mel, who works for Northwest Transfer Company in Portland, has been active in Scandinavian events in that city for many years and is responsible for the establishment of a new ASF chapter in Portland.

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The Great Danes



Whatever Happened to Carl Nielsen?

Ask a music lover for a list of the world's greatest composers and the list will surely include the three B's, Mozart, Tchaicovsky, possibly even the likes of a Saint-Saens or Respighi, depending on the tastes of the person asked. Ask even an avid music lover for a list of the greatest Scandinavian composers and the list will undoubtedly be a short one — Grieg and Sibelius. Whatever happened to Carl Nielsen?

By all rights, Nielsen's name should crop up on both lists. As it is, he merely holds, among those who even recognize his name, the unchallenged position of greatest Danish composer. Yet outside of Denmark few people do recognize his name, unless they have by some slim chance studied about him in some college music course. It is difficult to even find a mention of Nielsen in most music texts or encyclopedias. If he is lucky, this composer rates a scant paragraph, an

unrevealing one at that, while many lesser luminaries and their work command several pages.

If a person searches long and diligently enough he can learn that Carl August Nielsen was born in 1865 on the island of Fyn, that second-largest Danish island situated just across the *Lille Bælt* from the Jutland peninsula — in Nielsen's time a peaceful and pastoral setting with one sizable city, Odense. It was this city in which Nielsen started his musical career at the age of fourteen, playing bugle in the Danish Army band. At 18 he was spotted by Denmark's leading composer of the day, Niels Gade, and taken under his wing. After studying under Gade at the Royal Danish Conservatory in Copenhagen, Nielsen found work as a member of the Royal Orchestra — and later became the orchestra's conductor. Eventually he replaced Gade as the head of the Copenhagen Conservatory. In

1931 he died of heart failure at the age of 66, after climbing a rope to dislodge a sandbag backstage at a theater.

In spite of his various posts, or perhaps because of the freedom they gave him from the necessity of a workaday job, Nielsen was quite a prolific composer. His opus consists of over 100 works: symphonies, concertos, chamber music, even two operas. Of these, perhaps 25 pieces are available on recordings. His work rarely appears in any orchestra's repertoire, and the two operas are never performed outside of his homeland. Compared to any other major composer, some of whose works can be heard in literally dozens of different performances, Nielsen is virtually ignored, even after years of his being championed by Leonard Bernstein in New York and Eugene Ormandy in Philadelphia.

To hear his music is to wonder why. His symphonies especially are full of exuberance and originality. They are not lyrical, yet they have passages of unrivaled beauty — not a delicate beauty, but one which matches, without actually depicting, the rugged breathtaking character of the Scandinavian landscape, better than Grieg or Sibelius ever did.

So why has one of the world's most original and greatest composers — considered by some to be *the* consummate symphonist — been given such short shrift? Perhaps because he was too original. People have always been inclined to disregard anyone, particularly in the arts, who cannot be readily classified as either fish or fowl. Nielsen fits in no pigeonhole. He was a man, artistically as well as chronologically, with a foot in either century. He was far more realistic and progressive than the romantics who preceded him or, like Sibelius, were his contemporaries, but he still worked on the large scale which the impressionists such as Debussy had abandoned in favor of simple, more finely wrought pieces. Though he did not depend overmuch on the lush harmonies and soaring passages characteristic of the 19th century, neither did he plunge into experimenting a great deal with the jarring dissonances to come in the 20th, dissonances that put off — and still do — many audiences, and incensed music critics. Without making concessions to either the old or the new, Nielsen managed to find his own happy combination of innovation and accessibility. Not everyone raved over his music but very few stormed out in the middle of it, as they did at the premiere of Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring". Perhaps it might have been better in the long run if they had — scandal often adds luster to a reputation.

A certain amount of scandal, or at least trouble, in his personal life would undoubtedly have enhanced his reputation even more. Everyone, of course, remembers that Beethoven was deaf and, thanks to the movies, that Tchaikovsky was a homosexual, Chopin was constantly ill, and Schumann went mad. There were no such skeletons in Nielsen's closet, or at least no one has disclosed them yet. He was apparently reasonably happy, well-adjusted and well-liked, so probably a movie will never be based on his life, or a popular biography written about him, or a T-shirt silk-screened with his picture. There was nothing extraordinary about him but this music.

Nielsen could not be strictly classified by calling

him a nationalistic composer, either. He cannot fairly be considered a "Danish" composer any more than Beethoven can be considered a "German" composer. That obvious ethnic quality that popularized Smetana or Grieg is missing in Nielsen. Some of his works, especially the third symphony, evoke a vision of fjords and ocean vistas but he seldom draws on Danish folklore or traditional music the way Sibelius uses the folklore of the Kalevala or Dvorak uses Bohemian dance tunes.

Nor did Nielsen, like other composers of originality, inspire a school of followers and imitators. There was no "progressive tonality" movement equivalent to the twelve-tone movement that followed Schoenberg or the neo-classicism that sprang up in Stravinsky's footsteps. No one else could quite carry off such audacious and unexpected turns of phrase with the subtlety that Nielsen did. He had little use for the traditional four movements of the symphony — he wrote them in two or one if he chose, feeling that it was important to maintain a flow or progression, that movements should be just that, a move from one point to another, just as life moves along from one thing to another, always changing. His style was always developing and changing, too, another fact that makes him hard to classify. He was the first composer to end a symphony in a different key from the one in which it began — and it was in his own first symphony. Despite the increasing use of percussion in recent music, no one has yet matched the singular effectiveness of the snare drum in his fifth symphony pounding out its own

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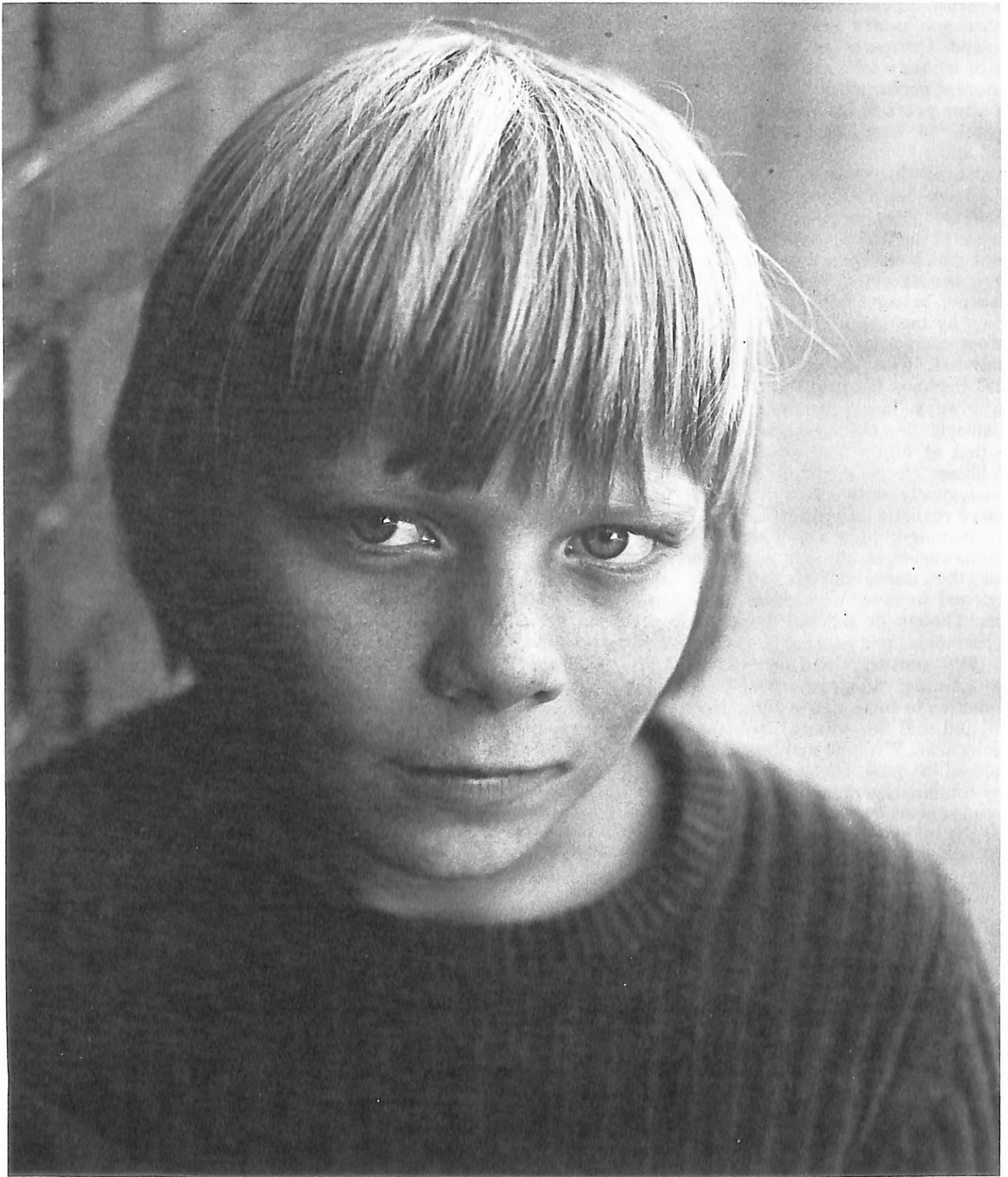
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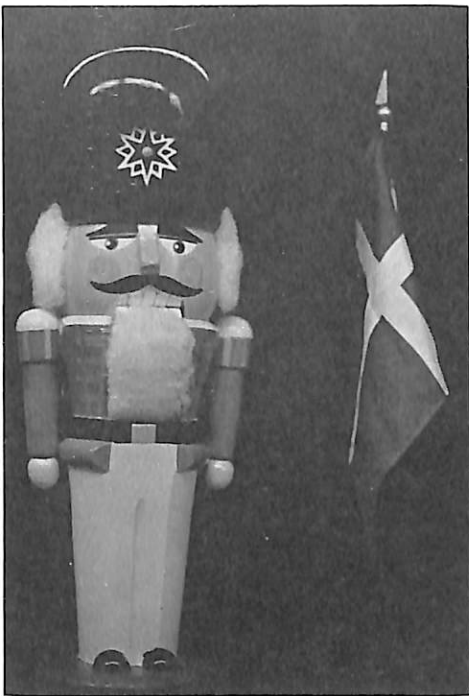
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Our spring meeting was held in Fort Dodge last month. Some of the board members were not able to attend but several guests were welcomed, including two Minnesota lodge members and Byron Petersen of the National Board of Directors.

The main topic of discussion was the possibility of a merger with some lodges in Minnesota, Wisconsin and South Dakota.

The Iowa United Sisterhood had some members in attendance, also. The state convention will be held at this same place — more news will follow later.

George Olson, Iowa United Lodge Correspondent.

The 50th annual convention of the Danish Brotherhood lodges of Iowa will convene September 2-3-4, at the Holiday Inn, Fort Dodge, Ia., at the intersection of highways 169 and 20.

Hosting this year's convention will be Lodges 217, Humboldt, and 219, Clear Lake.

For further information contact Marie Pedersen, 408-10th St. N., Humboldt, Ia. 50548.

Midwest

Lodge No. 340, Wood Dale, Ill. — The warm atmosphere of Svend and Lise Jensen's home made our monthly meeting more like a cozy party than a regular meeting.

Our lodge continues to grow, with a couple of new members and an application for another in June.

We will be involved in the upcoming Midwest District events, which include the picnic in Belvidere June 17, the Trapshoot June 24 in Pontiac, Golf Tournament August 19 in Crete, and the Convention in Milwaukee September 16 and 17.

Our next meeting ought to be lots of fun with a Cookout/Swim Party!

Lodge No. 34, Dwight, Ill. — Our link continues to grow as we add five adult members and award Viking certificates to five new members.

Celebration of the lodge's 90th anniversary has been set for November 3, with music to be provided by a nine-piece orchestra.

Insurance representative Jim Andreasen came up with an idea of a double drawing to help get new members. Sherry Holzhauser won a bottle of cherry Kijafa and Art Nielsen received a carton of Tuborg Gold beer.

Gladys Kohrt from the County Health Department gave an interesting talk on the duties of the County Nurse and showed a movie on the Heimlich maneuver for treatment of choking.

Last month's dance was a BIG success. Marge Lauritsen donated a hand-crocheted pillow for door prize and Art Nielsen gave two bottles of booze.

Our lodge is sponsoring the Midwest District Annual Trap Shoot June 24. Events include 50-yard rifle shoot, archery and five-man team trap shoot. The day will be topped off with a barbeque chicken supper.

"Try to make at least one person happy each day, and then in ten years you may have made 3,650 persons happy, or brightened a small town by your contribution to the fund of general enjoyment."

Margaret Goodwin, Reporter.

Lodge No. 4, Racine, Wis. — In accordance with the bylaws, we will hold election of the law committee and delegate to the 1979 National Convention on July 12.

The election of delegates to the Midwest District Convention in Milwaukee will be held at our regular meeting June 14.

Gordon Sorensen, manager of Lodge No. 4's club for 17 years, has retired. Gordie and his wife, Jenny, have some vacation and fishing trips planned for this summer, along with time for golf and hunting. The entertainment committee presented Gordie with a check to buy some fishing equipment and also was given a cigar box full of worms!

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Nelson will be taking the Sorensens' place managing the club.

Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wis. — We entered five teams in the Midwest District Bowling Tournament in Wood Dale. However, we did not bowl very well, with the exception of Gloria Bernhardt and Virginia Nelson, who won some money and trophies. (They showed the men how to bowl!!)

We held a dance and delicious dinner in celebration of our 86th anniversary. Some special guests included Past National President Einar Danielsen and his wife, Mary, and Midwest District President John Mollerskov and his wife, Betty.

Hans Aage Petersen was the recipient of the Pioneer Award and Gordon Andersen was named Man of the Year. Hans Nielsen received a 25-year pin and Viggo Peterson received one for 60 years. Although not present, there were pins for other members — Jorgen Larsen (60 years), Myers Ibsen (50), and Warren Rasmussen (25).

The lodge kicked off the fund for Brother Stan Sakowski, who has not regained consciousness from an accident suffered last October.* The "Fraternal Friends of Stan Fund" is to help his dedicated mother, who is caring for him at home. Your donations would be much appreciated. Our address is 2206-63rd Street, Kenosha, Wis. 53140.

Bob Ibsen, Reporter.

*See the article on Stan Sakowski and his mother in the June issue of *The American Dane*. — Ed.

Lodge No. 186, Luck, Wis. — Committees are beginning their duties in preparation for the lodge's 75th anniversary celebration July 22.

Our membership is growing, with 16 new members initiated and four more accepted in May. Irvin Edling and Christian Jacobsen received Booster and Meritorious Awards, respectively, for their successful membership efforts.

Lillian D. Jacobsen, Secretary.

Eastern

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. — One hundred thirty-seven people gathered to celebrate our lodge's 75 years of progress and history! Back in 1903 twelve Danes organized Enighedden Lodge and later were granted a charter by The Danish Brotherhood in America.

None of the charter members are left, but since its beginning Lodge 172 has initiated 672 members and 50 Young Vikings. Eight of our members have belonged for over 50 years. Presently we boast a total membership of 128 plus 16 Young Vikings.

Enighedden Lodge is a member of the General Committee of Eastern Lodges and also participates in the National Convention.

Some of the honored guests at our celebration banquet included: National President George Godthaab; Donald Hogeland of the Danish Consulate of Philadelphia; Jorgen Lilje-Jensen of the Danish Consulate General of New York; and Niels Toff, Cultural Counselor of the Royal Danish Embassy in Washington, D.C.

Elsa Hoyer, president of D.S. Lodge No. 86, Geert Pedersen, president of Lodge No. 342, and Robert Rasmussen, president of the GCEL, were also welcomed by Lodge President Georg Oleson.

Lodge No. 46, Perth Amboy, N.J. — Wilbur S. Jensen was honored at a testimonial dinner/dance in recognition of the half-century of service to our lodge as a member and officer. Wilbur's nephew and successor as financial secretary, Robert Lund, presented him with a plaque. Many congratulatory letters were received, including one from National First Vice President George

Jacobsen. Dave Hansel, president of the Danish Home, was among the more than 170 people in attendance.

Plaques were also awarded to Past Presidents Carl S. Christensen and George W. Ferdinandsen.

The Danish Home now has 19 guests, among whom include a couple married over 60 years, Mr. and Mrs. Sigurd Nielsen. Sigurd has been a member for 70 years.

C.B.S. Pedersen for

George Ferdinandsen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 342, Bucks County, Pa. — The Annual Viking Lodge Picnic is coming up June 18 with fun-filled activities for the whole family! There will be badminton, golf, volleyball, kite-flying and even a small pond for fishing and boating.

The Viking Luau set for September 16 promises to be a fabulous Saturday night with food, drinks and dancing until 1 a.m.

Many of our lodge members donated their time to man the Danish booth at the Folk Fair last May. Our educational and cultural contributions included displays of Royal Copenhagen, needlework, china, furniture, artwork and Danish posters.

Lodge No. 257, New York, N.Y. — In April we initiated three new members and a former member rejoined in May. This will be the only news from our lodge for a few months, as we take a break for the summer.

Bill Steffensen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 90, Port Reading, N.J. — Ejilif Kjems was elected our lodge delegate to the GCEL Convention at our May meeting.

Eleanor and George Hansen's home is the site for the June 22 picnic. June is also the month for Mary and Juel Juelsen's 25th wedding anniversary.

Claire Kjems, Secretary.

California - Nevada

Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, Calif. — In April we elected the following to the Law Committee: Owen Miller, Thos. Vindvad, Palle Andersen, Harold Mathiasen and Pete Pedersen. This fall we will elect our delegate to the 1979 National Convention in Vancouver from this committee.

Last March we joined with the Scandinavian Ski Club for a fish dinner that drew a large number of people and provided some real enjoyment.

Our delegate to the convention in Alhambra this August will be elected at the general meeting June 1.

The annual Grundlovsfest is coming up June 4. National Committee President Harold Mathiasen will open the program and Consul Peter Rosting will deliver greetings from Denmark. There will be games and contests for young and old alike, with entertainment, dancing, food, beer and soft drinks. Door prizes will be awarded plus a drawing held for an SAS trip to Denmark for two!

Peter Breum, Secretary.

Lodge No. 306, San Diego, Calif. — Olaf Wieghorst, Danish-born artist who has gained national and international renown as a painter of horses and the Old West, was made an honorary member of our House of Denmark.

Grundlovsdag, Danish Constitution Day, will be celebrated in a gala two-day affair here. On June 3 we have a cocktail hour, smorgasbord and dancing planned. The next day the Danish Cottage in Balboa Park will be

open, along with a program of Danish dancing by children and adult groups. Storyteller Jyette Rostrup will present a Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale while artist Gaston Lokvig creates a charcoal illustration of the story.

We will also be celebrating the traditional St. Hans Fest on June 24, with a family fun picnic and beach party. Evening festivities include the "Burning of the Witch" and community singing.

Lodge No. 345, Garden Grove, Calif. — Our lodge vice president, Ferdinand Christensen, received the Meritorious Award and a \$50 Savings Bond for his accomplishments in recruiting new members.

Marile Christensen, Secretary.



Lodge no. 345 President Thorf Anderson presents Ferdinand Christensen with the Meritorious Award.

Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, Calif. — Renew your Fraternalism in the City of Roses! We are the host lodge for the 57th Annual California-Nevada State Convention coming up August 24-26.

The convention will be held at the Huntington Sheraton in Pasadena. We have many activities on the social calendar, including a golf tournament to start things off. Cocktails, smørrebrød and entertainment follow that evening.

Friday's entertainment is a Luau with Tahitian dancers, live music for dancing and a complete Tahitian dinner under the stars!

Saturday is the banquet and grand ball with dancing to the Winstrup Olesen Orchestra. Following the ball will be the raffle drawing and awarding of prizes.

Those planning to attend are urged to make reservations by August 1.

Frank E. Jepsen, Secretary.

Minnesota

Lodge No. 75, Albert Lea, Minn. — The lodge observed its 84th anniversary with a dinner for members, guests and friends. The older members were recognized, including Chris Nelsen, who has been a member for 73 years.

President Alton Neve announced that Kristen Anne Andersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Andersen, has been awarded a National Scholarship.

Soren Sorensen reminisced about the early days of the lodge, as far back as 1913 when he joined. He recalled

language barrier problems and the lodge's willingness to be an active participant in civic affairs.

Harley Jensen introduced his guests who were visiting from Denmark.

A plaque was presented to Otto Thompson, who is leaving with his wife to make their home in the state of Washington.

Door prizes of old oaken buckets with flowers in them were presented to the ladies, and Danish Brotherhood bumper stickers to the men.

Lewis Opdahl, Secretary.

Michigan - Ohio

Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich. — Our lodge was host to the Michigan-Ohio District Convention on May 6 with the Danish Sisterhood joining in, also. Results of officer elections are as follows:

President Don Hansen of Muskegon, Vice President Lawrence Petersen of Greenville, Secretary Robert Sorensen of Detroit, Treasurer Manus Norton of Trufant, Alternate Officer Howard Hansen of Detroit.

We held a social meeting May 17 to honor our bowling team, who finished second in their league. Prizes and a potluck luncheon were given at our monthly Pinochle Party which followed a week later.

Alf Larsen, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mich. — The Michigan-Ohio District Convention is now history. Lodge President Robert Sorensen was elected secretary, and Brother Howard Hansen was elected board member-at-large.

This will be our last report until next fall when we'll get back in the swing of lodge activities.

The picture below is of our 1978 officers in their new red blazers — aren't they a handsome bunch?

Oluf Jensen, Correspondent.

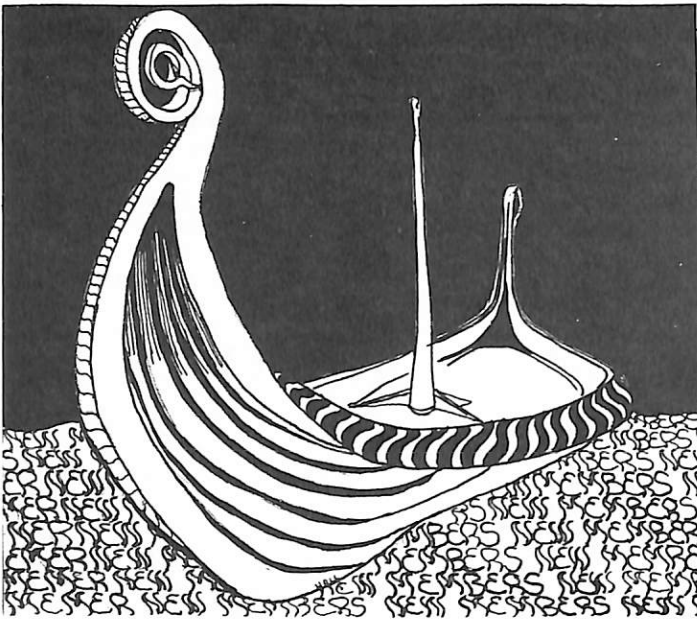


Officers of Lodge 227, Detroit, Mich.

Pacific Northwest

Lodge No. 167, Portland, Ore. — We will observe the traditional celebration of St. Hans Aften on June 24. Danish flags will abound in the park to mark the place where the Danes gather. Following a picnic dinner will be the highlight of the evening, the bonfire and burning

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NEW MEMBERS

Name	Lodge No.	Location	Sponsor
Halvor C. Sornson	1	Omaha, Neb.	Harvey Sornson
Wanda K. Sornson	1	Omaha, Neb.	Harvey Sornson
Alton B. Christensen	4	Racine, Wis.	Christian Lie
Albert G. J. Jacox	4	Racine, Wis.	Jeffery Anderson
Richard B. Miller	4	Racine, Wis.	Gordon Sorenson
Edward T. Pawlowski	4	Racine, Wis.	Gordon Sorenson
Donald O. Tower	4	Racine, Wis.	Viggo G. Pedersen
Frank H. Becker, Sr.	14	Kenosha, Wis.	Daniel Ervin
Arnold J. Boyle	14	Kenosha, Wis.	Carl Larsen
Russell D. Gillmore	14	Kenosha, Wis.	George Winfield
Mark J. Ipsen	14	Kenosha, Wis.	Richard Johnson
Donald J. Kluck	14	Kenosha, Wis.	Bill Nelson
Glenn E. Peterson	14	Kenosha, Wis.	Ralph Peterson
Sylvia Andersen	15	Des Moines, Ia.	Vaughn Moore
Richard Hansen	15	Des Moines, Ia.	Vaughn Moore
Kjeld R. Nielsen	17	Chicago, Ill.	Erik Nielsen
Ernest A. Miller	30	Muskegon, Mich.	Arthur Sweet
Joseph M. Caruso	32	New Haven, Conn.	Arthur Sorensen
Sheryl L. Caruso	32	New Haven, Conn.	Arthur Sorensen
Linda S. Russell	32	New Haven, Conn.	Arthur Sorensen
Steven E. Russell	32	New Haven, Conn.	Arthur Sorensen
Barbara M. Sorensen	32	New Haven, Conn.	Arthur Sorensen
Gary A. Olsen	34	Dwight, Ill.	James Wilkey
Carmen A. E. Thompson	34	Dwight, Ill.	Metha Jensen
Carl A. Christensen, Jr.	35	Chicago, Ill.	Norman Christensen
Gerald L. Hansen	35	Chicago, Ill.	Norman Christensen
John Andersen	46	Perth Amboy, N.J.	G. Ferdinandsen

William Glochau	46	Perth Amboy, N.J.	G. Ferdinandsen
Thorvald Mathiasen	46	Perth Amboy, N.J.	John Pedersen
James E. Dunaway	51	Ludington, Mich.	Robert Jensen
James K. Kirker	51	Ludington, Mich.	Robert Jensen
Stanley P. Jabrocki	51	Ludington, Mich.	Lawrence Cabot
Arnold H. Koegler	51	Ludington, Mich.	Robert Jensen
Orval L. Hoyt	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	Soren Sorensen
Michael L. Colligan*	92	St. Charles, Ill.	Robert Colligan
Caryol L. Hansen	161	Ruskin, Neb.	Ginny Schultz
Brent B. Kublick*	167	Portland, Ore.	Don Bogh
Forrest B. Kublick*	167	Portland, Ore.	Don Bogh
Stephanie D. Mahler*	184	Hayward, Calif.	Diane Mahler
Brian O. Gilchrist	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Mary V. Gilchrist	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
David A. Petersen	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Jess A. Petersen	186	Luck, Wis.	Ervin Edling
Lois E. Petersen	186	Luck, Wis.	Christian Jacobsen
Lucille H. Petersen	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Wilmer H. Pautsch	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Doris A. Pautsch	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Edna M. Martin	186	Luck, Wis.	Christian Jacobsen
John O. Haukeness	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Lila E. Haukeness	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Leroy E. Hansen	186	Luck, Wis.	Christian Jacobsen
Thora E. Framsted	186	Luck, Wis.	Christian Jacobsen
Richard Thuesen Grau	186	Luck, Wis.	Christian Jacobsen
Thora Rodholm Grau	186	Luck, Wis.	Christian Jacobsen
Arthur E. Harris	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Agnes H. Harris	186	Luck, Wis.	Irvin Edling
Helen J. Bogh	194	McMinnville, Ore.	Grace Jensen
Alvin P. Pedersen	217	Humboldt, Ia.	Walter Pedersen
Delva M. Pedersen	217	Humboldt, Ia.	Walter Pedersen
Elmer C. Borgaard	268	Junction City, Ore.	Fred A. Aasted
Harold A. Olsen	268	Junction City, Ore.	Kristian Sand
William F. Wagner	268	Junction City, Ore.	B. Mikkelsen
Charles Arden Petersen*	299	Solvang, Calif.	Arden D. Petersen
Arnold C. Mogensen	314	Hartford, Conn.	
Svend Gerslund	328	Vancouver, B.C.	Jens Jensen
Bertha S. Lindemann	342	Bucks County, Pa.	R. Lindemann
Loretta G. Misner	342	Bucks County, Pa.	John Misner
Rhoda Rasmussen	345	Garden Grove, Calif.	T. Anderson
Richard Rasmussen	345	Garden Grove, Calif.	T. Anderson
Claudia C. Simonsen	345	Garden Grove, Calif.	A. Andersen
Mark E. Simonsen*	345	Garden Grove, Calif.	A. Andersen
Kirsten S. Simonsen*	345	Garden Grove, Calif.	A. Andersen
Alvin L. Andersen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Thorf Anderson
Anelise V. Andersen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Knud Andersen
Florence L. Andersen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Thorf Anderson
Knud H. Andersen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Steve R. Andersen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Thorf Anderson
Christie Andersen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Thorf Anderson
Eric Andersen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Thorf Anderson
Amy Andersen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Thorf Anderson
Jeffrey M. Arnaut*	600	Omaha, Neb.	T. Gulbrandsen
John P. Jacobsen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Francine Jacobsen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Donell Jacobsen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Leslie Jacobsen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Gail E. Jensen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Gordon Jensen	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Kurt Jensen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Daniel Jensen*	600	Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Laura N. La Roque	600	Omaha, Neb.	Tage Gulbrandsen
Ellen M. Lentz	600	Omaha, Neb.	Knud Andersen
Kaj W. Lentz	600	Omaha, Neb.	Knud Andersen

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
3-25-78	Klaus C. Nielsen	79	Flade' paa Morso', Denmark	34	Dwight, Illinois	1920
4-24-78	Andrew Nielsen	73	Frederikshavn, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1920
4-20-78	Nels C. Olsen	75	Talstrup Sogn, Denmark	190	Schenectady, New York	1922
4-13-78	Carl C. Pedersen	90	Aalborg, Denmark	65	Duluth, Minnesota	1911
5-8-78	Joseph E. Bohr	62	Hartford City, Indiana	144	Dike, Iowa	1963
2-25-78	Robert C. Jacobsen	83	Osakis, Minnesota	186	Luck, Wisconsin	1916
5-2-78	Svend A. Mogensen	78	Randers, Jylland, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1932
5-14-78	Karl S. Nielsen	73	Ebeltoft, Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1937
2-16-78	Paul S. Jessen	94	Ox by pr Varde, Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1903
5-15-78	Aksel C. Larsen	67	Kansas City, Kansas	56	Kansas City, Missouri	1929
5-13-78	Emil Miller	88	Sabro, Denmark	322	Santa Barbara, California	1915
4-27-78	Harald Petersen	60	Chicago, Illinois	17	Chicago, Illinois	1936
5-7-78	Otto M. Steffensen	83	Skpern, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1915
5-4-78	Carl E. Petersen	90	Kalvehave, Denmark	117	Plainview, Nebraska	1924
5-6-78	Paul M. Dalsgaard	56	Argentina	299	Solvang, California	1977
4-25-78	Svend Age Johansen	57	Denmark	328	Vancouver, British Columbia	1951

New Members (cont'd.)

Jack N. Loomis	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Maria Loomis	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Anna Loomis*	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Becky Madsen*	600—Omaha, Neb.	Bob Lassiter
Dina Madsen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Bob Lassiter
Jon M. Mortensen	600—Omaha, Neb.	F. Christensen
Kenneth L. Nielsen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Thorff Anderson
Susan A. Nielsen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Svend Nielsen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Justin Nielsen*	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Fred Petersen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Knud Andersen
Mary Lois Petersen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Clyde Mortensen
Ruth D. Petersen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Kenneth Nielsen
Rodney E. Rasmussen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Thorff Anderson
Donna Lee Seifert	600—Omaha, Neb.	Clyde Mortensen
Alice V. Sorensen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Thorff Anderson
Claude C. Sorensen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Dale Jensen
Dale D. Sorensen	600—Omaha, Neb.	Thorff Anderson
Dorothy E. Winfield	600—Omaha, Neb.	

*Juvenile Members

Carl Nielsen

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erratic rhythm against the insistent playing of the rest of the orchestra. Nielsen followed his own rhythm, too, distinct from the mainstream of music. His sixth and last symphony is as different from anything else being written at the time as it was from the rest of his own body of work.

All this is not to say that Nielsen left no mark on the composers that followed. He was highly regarded in his day and his influence was felt, especially among the new generation of Danish composers — the influence just was not far reaching enough. By the time his career had matured, music had mostly forgotten its past and gone over to experimentation. The sort of optimism and scope found in Nielsen's work gave way to shorter, more tentative pieces, the way the great nineteenth century novels gave way to the anti-heroic slice of life.

Perhaps if he could have been imitated successfully, a new trend would have sprung up after Nielsen, creating a category into which he could comfortably be fit. Instead, he remains one of a kind, and as such, more or less relegated to obscurity, along with many other artists in all the arts whose work, though excellent, neither followed nor set trends and so is largely lost to us.

For further reading:

Simpson, Robert. *Carl Nielsen, Symphonist*, J. M. Dent, London, 1952. Out of print, but stocked by some libraries. A short biography plus analysis of his works.

Major recordings:

- Concerto for Clarinet*
- Concerto for Flute*. Bernstein, NY Philharmonic. Columbia MS-7028.
- Concerto for Violin*. Varga, Semkow, Royal Danish Orchestra. Turnabout 34043.
- Symphony No. 2*. Bernstein, NY Philharmonic. Columbia M-32779.
- Symphony No. 3*. Bernstein, Royal Danish Orchestra. Columbia MS-6769.
- Symphony No. 4*. Bernstein, NY Philharmonic. Columbia M-30293.
- Mehta, LA Philharmonic. London 6848.
- Symphony No. 5*. Bernstein, NY Philharmonic. Columbia MS-6414.

Our Lodges in Action

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of "the witch". There will be singing and dancing around the bonfire, with more dancing on the tennis courts.

The Danish language class surprised their teacher, Ulf Jorni, with a special party to express their appreciation for his interest and work. The 13 elever presented Ulf with a bottle of Akvavit. Then, with Olsen Danish cherry wine, they lifted their glasses in a Danish toast of appreciation.

We are trying to find a host family for a 16-year-old Danish girl from Hinnerup who has been accepted by a group that brings Scandinavian students to the U.S.

The Junction City Lodge No. 268 and D.S. Lodge No. 122 did a magnificent job of hosting the Pacific Northwest District Convention. The facilities, entertainment, social events and meetings were just great.

At the convention our lodge was commended for its new activities emphasizing the Danish heritage. A special Award of Merit is to be issued.

Our lodge and D.S. Lodge No. 81 will co-host the 1979 Pacific Northwest Convention sometime next May.

For the first time we will have a booth at the International Festival in Vancouver, Wash., this August.

Our 75th anniversary celebration had several distinguished guests, including National President George Godthaab, Danish Consul Andreas Djurhuus and his wife, Lise, District President Elmer Boysen, Oregon Secretary of State Norma Paulus, and many others.

Our lodge offered a resolution urging members of all lodges to subscribe to *Bien*, the only Danish language newspaper on the West Coast. The resolution was passed at the District Convention in hopes of helping the paper's financial situation to assure its continuance.

Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash. — The May lecture in our Danish Educational Committee's Popular Film and Lecture Series was on the subject of contemporary Danish music. Professor Louis Christensen of Seattle University (also a member of our lodge) made the presentation.

June 7 we will be electing a five-man law committee.

The Junction City D.B. and D.S. Lodges did an outstanding job of hosting the Pacific Northwest District Convention. Clyde Langsted of our lodge, also a National Director, attended the convention, along with National First Vice President George Jacobsen. Our delegates will report on the convention's activities next meeting.

Clyde Langsted, Secretary.

Foreign accounts

At present our rates of interest are as follows

- 5 1/4 % p a compounded yearly on demand accounts
- 8 % p a compounded semi-annually with 3 months notice (an effective interest of 8.2 % p a)
- 10 % p a compounded semi-annually with 8 months notice (an effective interest of 10.3 % p a)
- 11 % p a compounded semi-annually with 12 months notice (an effective interest of 11.3 % p a)

(You may withdraw on demand without 3, 8 or 12 months notice against respectively 1 %, 2 1/2 % and 4 % discount of the withdrawn amount)

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Den Gamle By — Aarhus.

Camping in Denmark

Richard Dalsemer

The four of us arrived in Denmark aboard a car ferry from Oslo in early September. The "Holgar Danske" was the fourth ferry we had sailed on and it was the nicest. We had a rough crossing, so when we drove our motor home ashore at Fredrikshavn that eight a.m., finding a campsite was uppermost in our minds.

The one we picked, Fladbrog Camping, was very quiet. We were the only people there except for a few who lived in permanent trailers and a couple of National Policemen with their Alsatian in one of the cabins. We camped in Denmark for a month. Except for weekends and near cities, there was rarely anybody in campsites other than permanent residents. Many campsites close at the end of August because most Danes stop camping when school begins and the remainder only camp on weekends. During summer the majority of campers are Danes. From September on most campers are foreigners.

Having rested, we drove to Camping Blommehaven south of Aarhus, stopping on the way at Ebeltoft. Its winding cobblestone streets and half-timbered houses with tiny doorways were a delightful reminder of Denmark's Middle Ages. We

also enjoyed the frigate "Jylland", which fought at the Battle of Helgoland in 1864 and then became a royal yacht.

We toured Aarhus the next day, seeing the Kunstmuseum and the Domkirke — noted for its intricately carved pulpit, splendid frescoes and for being the longest church in Denmark. Of greater interest were the Museum of Ancient History at Moesgaard Manor-Farm, and "Den Gamle By". We are interested in the "Bog People" and the museum has the fourth century "Grauballe Man". "Den Gamle By" was the highlight. It consists of over 50 townhouses dating back to the 17th century collected from all over Denmark. Each is furnished according to the style prevalent during the period when it was built. Aarhus was having its annual festival of concerts, opera and ballet, so "Den Gamle By" celebrated with a daily fair in its town square.

Vejle Kommunale Campingplads was our next stopping place and we left our camping carnet there. Foreigners can't stay in a Danish campground without a carnet and we didn't discover the loss until we tried to register at Billund Campingplads. The management sold us a temporary membership in the Danske

Camping Union allowing us to camp for the night. The next day we returned to Vejle and recovered our carnet — much to everybody's relief.

Near Billund, we drove our camper through the Vejle Zoo Lovepark at Givskud. It is really a safari park with many species, all roaming loose, as well as a baby animal farm. The best parts are the Lion Reserve and Baboon Enclosure. This wasn't our first safari park but our girls were so fascinated by the 40 to 50 lions in their beautiful reserve they insisted we drive through again.

The baboons were even more interesting. They were so aggressive that when their enclosure was opened the gate had to be guarded by two German Shepherds and an armed man to prevent a breakout. Most people drive their cars among the baboons but some prefer a "train" on wheels. We were advised the baboons would steal the ram horns and reindeer antlers mounted on our camper, so we took the "train". It was enclosed with glass and the baboons climbed all over it looking for handouts. They loved uncooked spaghetti.

That afternoon we visited Legoland — down the road from the campsite. This fantasyland created by the Lego Company contains exact models, built from Legoblocks, of some of the world's great cities, buildings and monuments, each in an appropriate miniature landscape. Legoland is as interesting for adults as for children. Betty and I were most impressed with Mount Rushmore. Presidents Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt all looked just as they do in South Dakota.

Legoland also has a motorboat pond, playgrounds, western/Indian area, theaters, fascinating doll museum and traffic school. Both the girls liked the traffic school best. They drove electric cars through a miniature town and country landscape and passed tests showing they knew Danish traffic rules. The same course and instructors teach primary students how to bike in traffic. We were sorry to leave. Legoland was really fun.

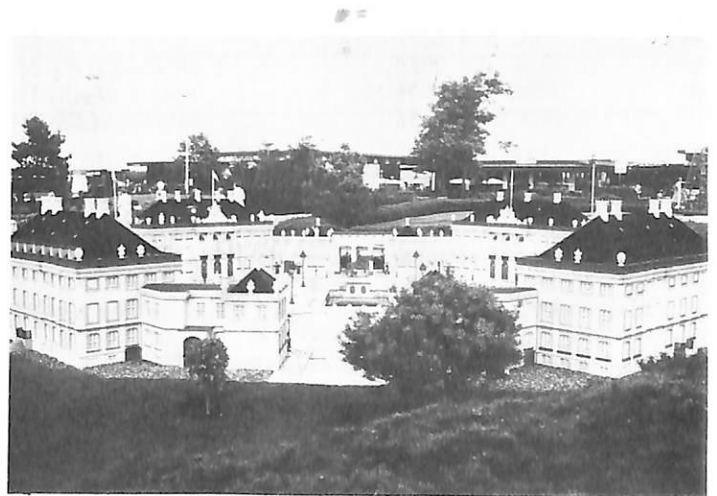
The island of Fyn is like a great illustration from a book of fairytales. The thatched roof farm houses and colorful half-timbered villages can only be described by overworked words like "enchanted" and

"picturesque". We stopped to see the little Egeskov Castle south of Ringe and thought it the perfect home for Prince Charming. It is built in the middle of a lake with a drawbridge and has 30 acres of formal gardens complete with peacocks.

We stayed near Copenhagen two weeks at Absalon Camping in the suburb of Rodovre. It was full of people and the majority were from Commonwealth countries so there were a lot of people to talk to — a great treat. There is so much to do in Copenhagen we were never in danger of boredom. We went to Tussaud's Wax Museum, Denmark's Aquarium in Charlottenlund, the Cirkus Shumann, the interesting Copenhagen Zoo and the Rosenborg Palace to see the Crown Jewels. We also visited the "Lille Havfrue" and watched the changing of the guard at the Amalienborg Palace. The tour of the Carlsberg Brewery was also interesting, especially at the end when Betty and I sampled some of the company's products in a baronial dining hall.

The highlight was the Tivoli Gardens on the night they closed for the winter. By night the Tivoli is almost too pretty to believe. Places you barely notice during the day are transformed into temples and palaces by the imaginative lighting. The restaurants seemed like something from a musical film. The Tivoli Gardens were like nothing we had ever seen or imagined.

We loved Denmark and only regret it was too late in the year to roam the beaches of West Jutland or to hike and ride through North Sealand. Next time we'll come earlier.



Below, windmill in Langeland. Top right, scale model of Amalienborg Slot at Legoland. Below right, Mogeltonder, Jutland, near German border.



YOU WIN — WE WIN

A Questionnaire

You win and we win when we work together to make the Danish Brotherhood stronger and more the type of organization you, as our members, want. By answering a few questions and returning this page to our office, P.O. Box 31748, Omaha, Nebraska 68131, you can help us supply programming guidance to fit your interests.

For our Centennial Celebration in 1982, we could plan these activities:

We would like to see programs implemented in the areas of:

The Home Office should contribute to the continued success of the Society by:

Signature _____

Lodge No. _____

Queen Appoints Nielsen As Consul

The Royal Danish Consulate General in Chicago has the pleasure to announce that Her Majesty Queen Margrethe the Second of Denmark, on March 14, 1978, graciously has appointed Mr. Elcar A. Nielsen, president of the E. A. Nielsen Company, Inc., Kansas City, Mo., as Honorary Consul for Denmark at Kansas City with the district comprising the State of Kansas and the City of Kansas City, Mo., and the counties of Platte, Clay, Jackson and Cass in the State of Missouri.

Consul Nielsen has been recognized as Consul for Denmark by the U.S. Department of State on May 9, 1978.

The address of the Royal Danish Consulate in Kansas City is: 1700 W. 12th Street (mailing address: Box 4046), Kansas City, Mo. 64101, telephone (816) 421-0633.

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Danish American Heritage Society

The Danish American Heritage Society was founded in Oregon as a national organization to promote interest in Danish American traditions and to preserve artifacts pertaining to the life and culture of Danish Americans.

The Society has now grown to reach a membership of about 160 persons. A quarterly newsletter, incorporating news from many Danish ethnic institutions and groups, is being published.

Future plans for the Society include the publication of a journal during 1978, the establishment of a repository for artifacts and memorabilia and formalization of the organization.

For information please write to: Egon Bodtker, Treasurer, DAHS, 1132 Newport Drive S.E., Salem, Ore. 97302.

1978 DANISH BROTHERHOOD NATIONAL HANDICAP BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Over 150,000 pins fell on bowling alleys across the country during the tournament period. Congratulations go to all teams and members participating. Special recognition has again been given to the top women's team and individual high game and high series winners in men's, women's and Young Vikings divisions.

Lodge	Team	Score	Handicap	Total	Prize	Place
30	Team 2	2832	453	3285	\$100.00	1
45	Vikings	2733	528	3261	75.00	2
30	Team 1	2717	492	3209	60.00	3
263	Alley Cats	2631	468	3099	45.00	4
227	No. 1	2623	462	3085	40.00	5
64	Odin No. 1	2276	744	3020	35.00	6
227	No. 2	2613	405	3018	33.00	7
227	No. 4	2455	531	2986	30.00	8
184	No. 1	2493	477	2970	27.00	9
34	Bad News Strikers	2411	546	2957	25.00	10
139	The J:N's	2352	603	2955	24.00	11
306	No. 2	2301	636	2937	23.00	12
34	The Standards	2586	342	2928	22.00	13
341	No. 1	2343	552	2895	21.00	14
242	No. 2	2367	522	2889	20.00	15
268	Jesso Bearcats	2420	468	2888	19.00	16
34	Dusty's Keepers	2418	465	2883	18.00	17
92	Women's No. 2	2130	750	2880	17.00	18
92	Men's No. 1	2252	615	2867	16.00	19
227	No. 8	2267	591	2858	15.00	20
143	PET. No. 1	2477	375	2852		21
34	Pony Express Riders	2322	510	2832		22
227	No. 3	2408	390	2798		23
283	North Dagmar Kings	2368	429	2797		24
242	No. 1	2285	507	2792		25
227	No. 7	2345	441	2786		26
306	No. 1	2088	693	2781		27
184	No. 3	2252	525	2777		28
227	No. 6	2311	465	2776*		29
34	Herman's Hermits	2284	492	2776*		30
92	Men's No. 3	2226	546	2772		31
34	Pin Rattlers	2151	618	2769		32
29	Carpenters	2285	474	2759		33
341	No. 2	2133	618	2751		34
242	No. 3	2249	501	2750		35
34	Goodwinners	2129	618	2747		36
325	No. 1	1977	765	2742		37
184	No. 2	2057	684	2741		38
84	84 Team No. 2	2037	702	2739		39
219	Sommerlyst	1934	798	2732		40
29	Seattle 29er's	2109	615	2724		41
84	84 Team No. 1	2006	714	2720		42
283	Dagmar Coop	2177	540	2717		43
34	Pin Busters	2188	516	2704		*44
342	Vikings I	2179	525	2704		*45

29	Seattle Danes	1992	708	2700		46
143	PET. No. 4	1810	888	2698		47
29	Old Timers	1926	768	2694		48
227	No. 9	2162	531	2693		*49
143	PET. No. 5	1928	765	2693		*50
34	The Great Danes	2163	525	2688		51
39	Team 1	2104	582	2686		52
92	Men's No. 2	2151	531	2682		53
227	No. 5	2110	561	2671		54
126	-1	2234	414	2648		55
49	Lodge 49	1965	675	2640		56
342	Oarsmen	2029	609	2638		57
34	Dwight Dane Dames	2023	612	2635		58
337	Anker Lodge	1904	723	2627		59
143	PET. No. 2	1858	762	2620		60
341	Danish Damsels	1879	711	2590		61
113	---	1954	630	2584		62
325	No. 2	1773	807	2580		63
34	Go Getters	1824	723	2547		64
34	The Anderson Sisters	1643	903	2546		65
143	PET. No. 3	1854	675	2529		66
92	Women's No. 1	1539	957	2496		67
341	Lady Danes	1629	807	2436		68
341	EHK Ladies	1253	1131	2384		69

Top Women's Team

92	Women's No. 2	2130	750	2880	\$100.00	1
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Women's Individual High Game Winner

139	Joyce Jensen	220	43	263	25.00	1
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Women's Individual High Series

184	Diane Mahler	575	81	656	25.00	1
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Young Viking's Individual High Game Winner

227	John Sorensen	207	37	244	25.00	1
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Young Viking's High Series Winner

227	John Sorensen	487	111	598	25.00	1
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Men's Individual High Game Winner

30	Tom Burkall	243	39	282	25.00	1
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Men's Individual High Series Winner

30	Ron Burkall	620	99	719	25.00	1
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High Score - No Handicap Added

30	Scott Burkall	252				
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Certificate of
Recognition

1978

Creative Writing

Contest

The 1977 *Creative Writing Contest* elicited such a tremendous response from our readers and was so popular (judging from the many, many entries we received) that we are repeating the idea for 1978.

The rules are the same as last year, with one or two minor changes. We will repeat them here for you. If you were too shy to enter last year, this is your chance! Read on for the details.

Contest Rules

1. All work must be original, preferably typewritten (if this is not possible, you may handwrite it legibly), double-spaced and on one side of a sheet of a paper only. Include your manuscript *plus* two copies.
2. If you wish your manuscript returned, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
3. All entries *must* be accompanied by a small snapshot or photo of the author, an indication of your lodge or the lodge of your relative, plus the group and category you are entering.
4. All entries must be postmarked by August 30, 1978, and received by the Home Office no later than September 11, 1978.

5. All winners will be announced in the November, 1978, *American Dane* and winning entries will be published in the magazine shortly thereafter.
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.
7. 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.

There are no restrictions as to topic, content or style. We only ask that you heed our length designation. Send your entries to: Creative Writing Contest, c/o Danish Brotherhood, P.O. Box 31748, Omaha, Neb. 68131.

Remember: the deadline is August 30, 1978. Don't forget to include your photo, lodge number or relative's lodge number, group number and category, and *three* copies of each manuscript you enclose.

**Group I [age 12 and under]*

Poetry

- 1st — \$15
- 2nd — \$10
- 3rd — \$5

Fiction

- 1st — \$25
- 2nd — \$15
- 3rd — \$10

(1500 word limit)

Non-Fiction

- 1st — \$25
- 2nd — \$15
- 3rd — \$10

(1500 word limit)

Group II [age 13 to 18]

Poetry

- 1st — \$15
- 2nd — \$10
- 3rd — \$5

Fiction

- 1st — \$50
- 2nd — \$30
- 3rd — \$20

(1500 word limit)

Non-Fiction

- 1st — \$50
- 2nd — \$30
- 3rd — \$20

(1500 word limit)

Group III [age 19 and over]

Poetry

- 1st — \$15
- 2nd — \$10
- 3rd — \$5

Fiction

- 1st — \$50
- 2nd — \$30
- 3rd — \$20

(1500 word limit)

Non-Fiction

- 1st — \$50
- 2nd — \$30
- 3rd — \$20

(1500 word limit)

*All birthdates as of August 30, 1978.

RABARBERKAGE

[Rhubarb Dessert]

From the book "Danish Food Cook Book" distributed
by Ruth L. Pedersen Bell**

1 lb. rhubarb
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup water
1 cup crumbs* (Zwieback)
1/4 cup butter
1 tablespoon sugar
whipped cream for topping

Wash rhubarb and cut in little pieces. Do not peel.
Simmer in water and sugar about 15 minutes. Brown
crumbs, butter and one tablespoon of sugar in skillet.

Grandma's Kitchen

Stir with spatula. Watch carefully that it does not
burn. Grease baking dish and alternate layers of
crumb mixture and rhubarb. Bake about 30 minutes in
350 oven. Serve lukewarm with whipped cream.

**Book available from Nels Nelson's Danish
Village Gift Shop, 1683 Copenhagen Dr., Solvang,
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Viking Adventures

**Coming Together—A Beginning Keeping Together—Progress
Working Together—Success**

Let's just take a moment to recognize two
of our California lodges, *Lodge No. 345 in
Garden Grove* and *Lodge No. 323 in Alhambra*,
which sponsor active ecology projects. Lodge
No. 345 collects newspapers and aluminum
cans from its members for resale and Lodge
No. 323 sells rolled newspapers for recycling.
Both lodges are earning money for their
efforts, which they use to support the lodge,
make charitable contributions, and, in the case
of Lodge No. 323, increase the lodge treasury
in preparation for the California-Nevada
District convention to be held in Alhambra in
August.

"MORTENSAFTEN"

Aleine Miller, corresponding secretary for
Lodge No. 343 located in *Waupaca, Wis.*, has
contributed this description of how their lodge
celebrates the November 10 feast day.

Plans are made very early in the year, as
early as January, for Mortens Gaas dinner. A
committee is appointed to reserve a room for
the dinner, which is held on the Saturday
closest to November 10. They are fortunate to
have in their membership a lady to head the
committee who is knowledgeable about food
preparation and who is willing, with help, to
make the dessert, ablekage.

Other committees are responsible for
program, name tags, table decorations,
printing programs and entertainment, such as
music. Last year music was provided by a
Brotherhood member and a friend before and
during the dinner and after for dancing. Each
member makes reservations, paying for
his/her dinner and any guests he or she
invites.

Last year's menu included the following:

Fruit Salad
Roast Goose
with apple-prune stuffing
Red Cabbage
Potatoes and Gravy
Creamed Peas and Carrots
Ablekage
Coffee

Although Lodge No. 343 began making
plans in January, it probably isn't too late to
make arrangements for your lodge members
to participate in a delicious dinner of this
nature. "Mortensaften" is a long-standing
celebration in Denmark. The original Morten
(Martin) was a fourth century French saint,
buried on the 11th of November. Many
centuries later Martin Luther was born on the
11th of November and this, of course, is the
main reason "Mortensaften" is celebrated
today. This evening families come together for
one purpose — to eat a deliciously cooked
goose with all the trimmings.

NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

You might, when determining procedures
followed by the National Headquarters for
certain member services, wish to consult your
current copy of the Articles of Incorporation
and Bylaws. The index, pages 71-76, will be
most helpful.

We are extremely pleased with the
response we have had from local lodges and
districts when requesting information about
their activities. Any programming ideas you
contribute would be appreciated.

IT'S FUN TO SPEAK DANISH

We have replenished our stock of Danish language cassette tapes. And we're really pleased that we were able to acquire more.

Learning or re-learning to speak Danish is fun for the whole family. And it is a wonderful activity for the individual lodges, too.

These five full-length cassette tapes fit any standard tape player, and our kits also include a read-along script as well as an English/Danish Dictionary all packaged in a handsome travel or storage album.

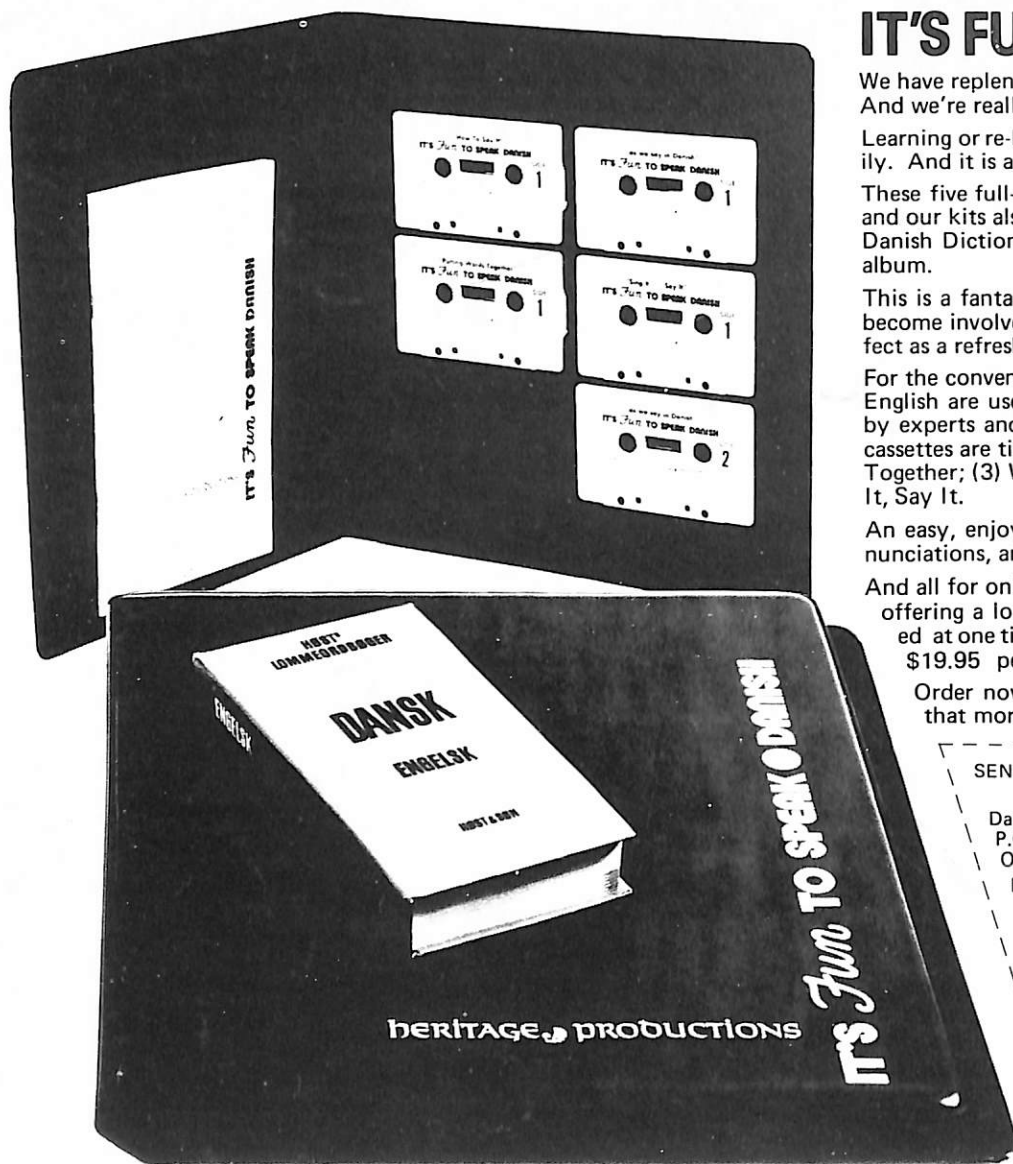
This is a fantastic way for second or third generation Danes to become involved in our Danish heritage. And these tapes are perfect as a refresher course if you're planning a trip to Denmark.

For the convenience of beginners, young or old, both Danish and English are used in the five tapes. These tapes were developed by experts and educators to make the learning process fun. The cassettes are titled: (1) How To Speak Danish; (2) Putting Words Together; (3) What Did I Say?; (4) As We Say In Danish; (5) Sing It, Say It.

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