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What's New For February

February has a lot of variety in store for you. To lead things off we have the announcement of the Representative of the Year for 1978. Our congratulations go to Jens Jensen of Portland, Or.

I imagine that many of you have often wondered what the staff at the Home Office in Omaha looks like. In this issue we have a brief article on each person on the staff, along with his/her picture. Now you will know with whom you are dealing anytime you need to contact the Danish Brotherhood Headquarters.

We have another "Hans and Greta" coloring contest for the kids, along with a story by Connie Wickert called "The Witch That Wasn't". Both should provide some wholesome entertainment for the young ones. Connie is a winner of the 1978 Creative Writing Contest.

Look for important announcements about this year's Bowling Tournament, Camp Grant Awards, and 1979 Creative Writing Contest.

Of course, there is the usual assortment of regular features — Viking Adventures, Grandma's Kitchen, Our Lodges in Action, President's Column, etc. — that should have something of interest for everyone.

Pleasant reading, and Happy Valentine's Day!

Robert E. Coffey

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The President's Column

DBIA President George Godthaab

By law a fraternal benefit society, such as The Danish Brotherhood:

1. IS a voluntary association without capital stock, organized and carried on solely for the mutual benefit of its members and their beneficiaries and not for profit.
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3. HAS a representative form of government.
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The Danish Brotherhood in America fulfills this criteria in every way. Our society can offer many benefits to your eligible friends and relatives. While our excellent representatives are doing all they can to bring new members into the lodges, they will never be able to locate all those people who are entitled to become members without your help.

This month you will find a postage-paid reply card in the pages of your American Dane. Don't just tear it out and throw it away. On one side you can request information about our insurance programs for yourself or a family member. On the other side you can recommend others for membership.

By law we fulfill the requirements of a fraternal benefit society. By nature, our society, honoring the

traditions of hospitality and generosity known throughout the world as characteristic of the Danish people, has gone far beyond what is required by law. Let us not keep the society a secret from those who should be privileged to enjoy its benefits.

Very exciting times are ahead for our membership, and we should share these times with those to whom we are closest.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
MR. PRESIDENT**



Bowling Tournament

It is time again for the Danish Brotherhood National Bowling Tournament. All lodge secretaries should have received by this time entry forms for their lodges. If you have not, **write to the National Headquarters and request them.**

The dates for bowling are between April 1 and June 1. Prize money will be awarded for the top 20 teams. The top men's score, lady's score, and top "Young Viking" score will also receive prize money, as will the top series in each of the categories. Members may bowl on an all men's team or all women's team or on mixed teams to be eligible.

There will also be prizes for top ladies team and top Young Viking team.

There is no entry fee or expense connected with this tournament for the participating member other than the fee charged by the bowling establishment.

Total amount of prize money will be just under \$1,000.

Representative of the Year



Left to right: Melvin Pihl, past president, Lodge No. 167; Jens N. Jensen, Representative of the Year; Andy Andersen, sales director; Don Bogh, president, Lodge No. 167.

Each year the lodge representative who has been recognized as the Representative of the Month more often than any other representative during the year is awarded the prestigious Representative Of The Year Award.

The winner for 1978 is Jens N. Jensen from Lodge No. 167 in Portland, Or. Jens not only was the leader in the amount of life insurance protection provided members, but also in the number of new members signed up.

Jens is pictured receiving his award from Sales Director Eigil (Andy) Andersen. Also pictured are Melvin Pihl, past president of Lodge No. 167, and Don Bogh, current president of the Portland lodge.

Congratulations, Jens!

Christian Larsen, Askov, Named Honorary President At Age 96



To honor Christian Larsen, 96-year-old Dane and lifetime member of the Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 263, Askov, named Christian as honorary president for 1979 at the lodge's recent installation ceremony.

Christian first joined the Brotherhood in 1906. He was born in Hunetorp, Hune Sagn, Hjørring amt., Jylland, Denmark, on December 22, 1882. He, his late wife, Kirstine, and his family moved to Askov, Mn., in 1912 and became a member of Partridge Lodge No. 263.

When Byron Petersen and Arol Hansen visited Christian on his last birthday to present a birthday bouquet, he had them stay for some wine along with rullepølse and leverpostej that his son, Leo, had made.

Arol D. Hansen, Secretary,
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Danish Literature in History

Part VII

Romanticism

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Romanticism in literature was a looking back, a looking toward the Medieval folk songs, ballads, knights, and other facets of those times. In Denmark, an important aspect of romanticism was Nordic mythology as seen in Saxo and the Eddic poems. Writers based plays, novels, and poems upon these sources.

Denmark sometimes lagged a little behind topical European taste; especially in the 1700's and 1800's when communication and travel were difficult. Thus Danish romanticism went into full gear a few decades after other — larger — countries were deeply involved in it. However, there was a Danish poet who anticipated and was completely contemporary with other European romantics: Johannes Ewald (1743-81). He is today regarded as one of Denmark's greatest lyrical poets, but while he expressed himself exceedingly well, he limited the forms of his poetry to 18th century conventions. This has tended to limit his current audience although some of his poems such as "Ode to the Soul" are still popular.

He wrote not only Denmark's first tragedies but based them on Nordic sources: **Rolf Krage** (1770) and the **Death of Balder** (1773). Ewald's work is also an example of the ties between English and Danish literature; he was very influenced by Shakespeare and Scottish authors. At one time, he contemplated going to Scotland in order to collect folk songs, but physically, he was a frail person and unable to make the journey. He wrote a forceful autobiography (incomplete), but it is for his operetta **The Fisherman** (1780) that he is most commonly known, because within it is a poem that became the Danish National Anthem: "Kong-Kristian stod ved højen Mast." No less a poet than the American Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882) translated the poem into English.

Another preromantic was Jens Baggesen (1764-1826), who after Ewald became Denmark's most significant poet. His period of ascendancy was somewhat brief since he wanted to succeed more as a German poet than a Danish one. His German poems weren't well received, but that didn't stop him. A restless person by nature, he left Denmark several times for good — but he kept returning. He is most remembered for a travel book, **The Labyrinth** (1792-93)

In 1800, at a social gathering, Baggesen indicated the young poet who would soon take Baggesen's place in Denmark. Baggesen was perfectly correct and this caused him no end of bitterness, jealousy, and quarrels between him and his "choice".

His choice, Adam Oehlenschläger (1779-1850), soon became all of Denmark's choice. The romantic spirit came into full bloom and, with it, the Golden Age of Danish literature. For the first half of the 19th century, not only was Oehlenschläger writing, but two of Denmark's most exportable authors came onto the scene: Søren Kierkegaard and Hans Christian Andersen. There will be more about them in the following two articles since they weren't, in terms of style, literary romantics.

While Ewald had previously set the stage for romanticism, the main impetus for the movement came from Germany where such greats as Goethe and Schiller were writing their key works. This literary excitement was transmitted by a Norwegian, Henrik Steffens, who was studying in Germany. Impelled by the new literary trends, Steffens went back north and gave a series of lectures in Copenhagen. The immediate outcome of this was a concentration of writers who extolled the wonders of the past.

The theft of a pair of golden drinking horns was Oehlenschläger's inspiring force. The first horn was discovered in 1639 in Jutland; the second was found nearly a century later in the same locale. Both horns were quite old, decorated in Norse legends. It was an impressive find but a more impressive loss; for in 1802 they were stolen, never to be recovered. In the same year, Oehlenschläger's first volume of poetry was published containing his poem, "The Golden Horns". He interprets that the Norse gods gave the Danes the golden horns to remind them of the past, but the Danes cared more for the gold than the horns; angered, the gods removed the horns. His first volume also contained two other works of romantic significance: the play, **Midsummer Night's Play**, and the poem, "Earl Hakon's Death". A few years later, he expanded the latter into a full-length play, **Earl Hakon**, which is one of his better works. In it, he sets the Norse against the Christian beliefs — with the inevitable outcome.

His next major piece was a drama, **Aladdin** (1805). This was quite a surprise; no one expected him to switch to an oriental story, taken from the **Arabian Nights**. Yet, this play is the one that brought him the most attention outside of Denmark. The story of Aladdin was completely changed to meet Oehlenschläger's purpose; Aladdin becomes a young man of genius, easy and carefree.

Oehlenschläger continued to write, but after his first several years he produced nothing comparable to those early works which captured Denmark by storm. Many of his later efforts **matched** his former ones, but he was too content in the successful world that he created to try anything completely original again.

One man who was never content with any one level of achievement was N.F.S. Grundtvig (1783-1872), the tireless writer, scholar, reformer and politician. His influence on Denmark has been very pervasive, indeed. Among his accomplishments, he was one of the leading inspirations of Denmark's Folk High schools; he translated both Saxo and Snorri into Danish; he brought attention to the English epic, **Beowulf**, the most important epic in Old English, and translated it into Danish (a major portion of **Beowulf** takes place in Denmark); he wrote well over a thousand hymns; and he wrote histories, political tracts and poems. He was a man of sharp ideas which conflicted among themselves.

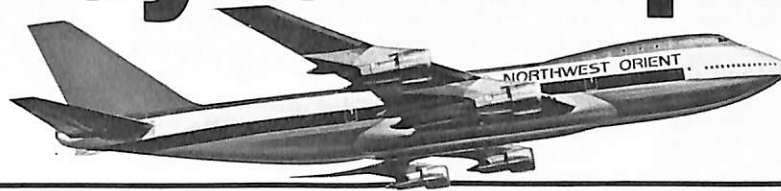
Grundtvig began as a romantic, inspired as Oehlenschläger was inspired, and he was very impressed with Oehlenschläger's poems. But Grundtvig was more a reformer than creative writer, and he went from cause to cause. In the end, he turned from romanticism and concentrated on being a religious poet.

Another romantic, who remained one all his life, is Carlsten Hauch (1790-1872). However, with Hauch we have a new type of romanticism. Whereas before, an author would choose an idea from the distant past, Hauch chose his more in the present. For example, **Robert Fulton** (1853) — one of his best known novels — is based on the life of the American inventor, but Hauch allowed himself to work with ideals; he selected the romantic characters and situations that he **wanted** rather than concentrating on strict history.

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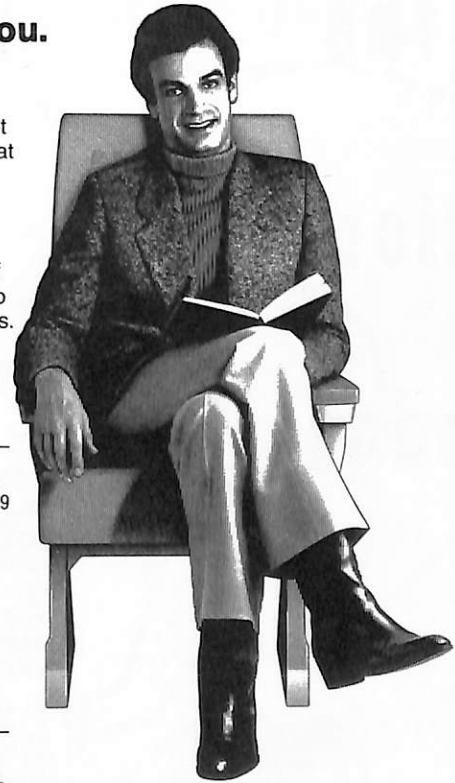


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Anne Benson, Underwriting

Anne has been issuing DBIA life insurance certificates for a little over a year. With the help of our reinsurer, she evaluates the merits of each application before approving it for issue. Once approved, she issues the certificates and makes sure the records contain all of the necessary information. Anne's other responsibilities include depositing direct billing premium income, handling the Danish Brotherhood's Bank Check Plan, coordinating communications with the Society's data processor and many other related duties.



Marilyn Bolton

Billing and Address Changes

Marilyn is a part-time employee and keeps busy while in the office preparing and mailing billing notices to individual members. She also records address changes as they are received. With the rest of the staff, she participates in computer coding operations by coding all of the changes she receives.



Helen Beth Peterson, Agency Secretary

Helen Beth is secretary to Andy Andersen, Sales Director. She has enjoyed meeting many of the Society's representatives when they visit the office. She assists Andy by providing not only fine secretarial service, but in dealing with the public on the frequent occasions when Andy must be away from the office.



Dorothy Pedersen, Accounting

Dorothy is no newcomer to the National Headquarters staff. This February she will celebrate more than 11 years of employment.

We congratulate Dorothy on the fine work she has done during the past years. Her responsibilities include almost every facet of accounting and record-keeping in the office.



Eigil M. [Andy] Andersen, Sales Director

Andy became our Sales Director in 1976 after serving as area manager for the Nebraska and Iowa Districts. Because of his involvement with recruiting and training programs, Andy is perhaps the best known member of the staff. He always appreciates the courtesy shown when he has the opportunity to visit a lodge or district.

Susie Doty, Receptionist

(Photo next page)

It's Susie's pleasant voice you are most likely to hear if you call the National Headquarters and she will also be the one to escort you through the facility if you visit.

When not greeting callers, she provides secretarial support to both the fraternal and general departments of the office. She also ships product orders and maintains inventory records. Susie adds a lot to the enthusiasm of our staff.



Susie Doty



Howard Christensen
Secretary Treasurer

Howard is the director of the general administration department of the National Headquarters and has the responsibility of supervising the entire staff. With the policy-making guidance of the Board of Directors, he sees that the National Headquarters is run efficiently and productively.



Diane Doyle, Director, Fraternal Services
Diane works with Andy, Howard and Editor Bob Coffey to coordinate plans for the **American Dane** magazine. She is responsible for administering the fraternal benefits, programs and contests sponsored by the Society. In addition, she may arrange programs to extend the impact of the Society to the community outside the National Headquarters and helps local lodges with programming information.

Romanticism (Continued from page 6)

Perhaps it is B. S. Ingemann (1789-1862) who most characterizes the romantic age of Danish writing; he lived, wrote and had his greatest fame during that period. Although he was highly regarded during his lifetime, he is ignored now; his novels, once widely read, are today limited to children.

Ingemann's novels were medieval epics of great deeds and greater heroes. He

used as his model the historical novels of Walter Scott (who unfortunately shares the same fate as Ingemann). Two of Ingemann's novels are **The Childhood of Erik Menved** and **King Erik and the Outlaws**. Judged to simplistic by today's standards, the books were important in their own time for not only providing entertainment but also for strengthening Danes' interests in their own nation. Both are important criteria and good achievements for any book.

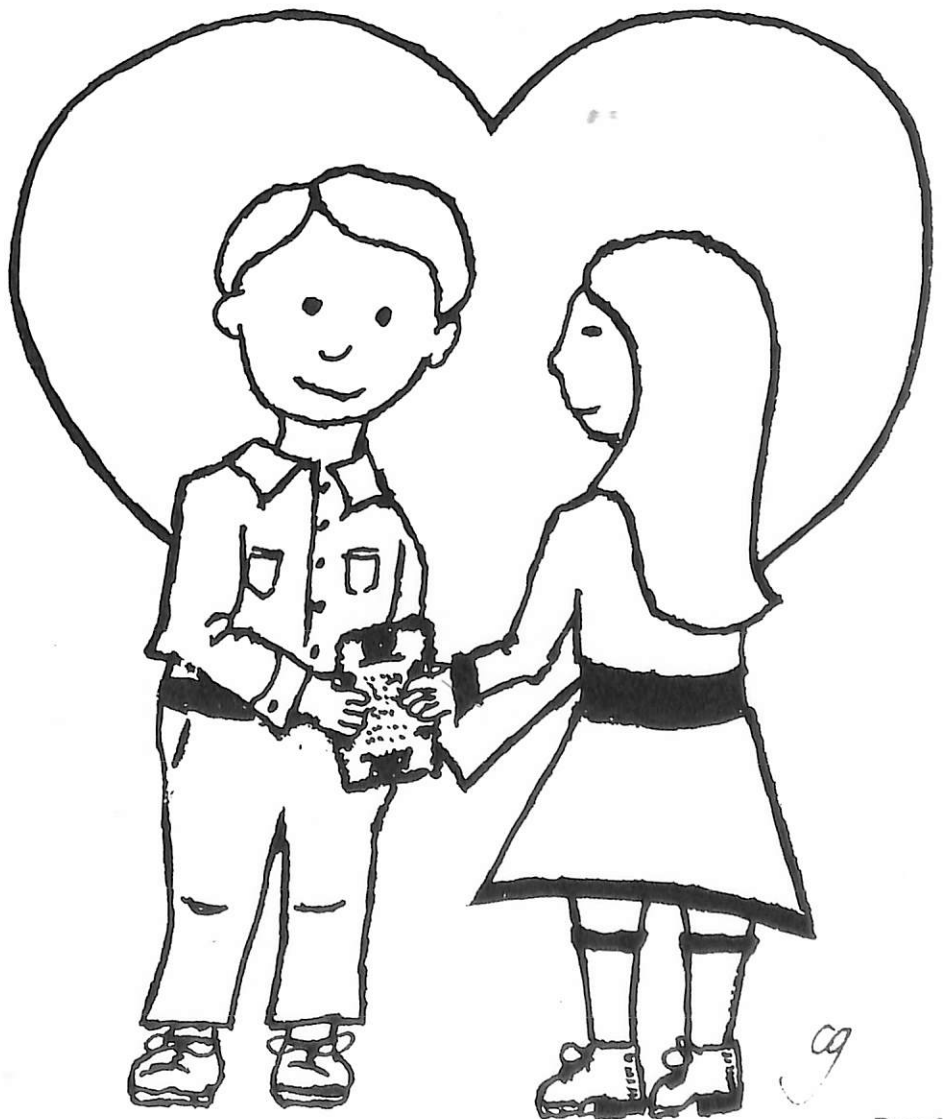
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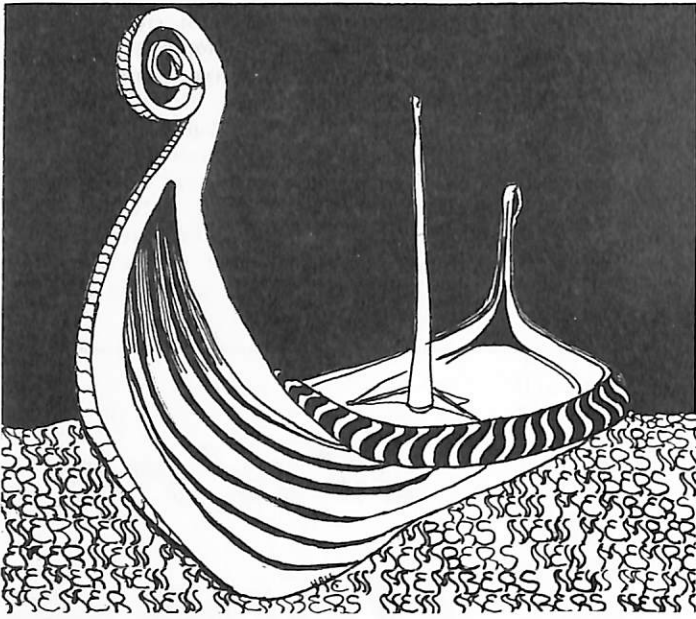
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Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth Place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
11-2-78	Louis H. Blinkenberg	73	Minneapolis, Minnesota	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1926
10-30-78	Marius Petersen	88	Landet Sogn, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1911
11-18-78	Max Andersen	94	Nakskov, Denmark	308	McCabe, Montana	1918
11-16-78	Harry C. Anderson	65	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1945
11-1-78	Robert S. Christiansen	64	Svenborg, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1960
11-12-78	Clyde M. Alsted	62	Seattle, Washington	29	Seattle, Washington	1938
11-14-78	Martin P. Ostergaard, Jr.	59	Elizabeth, New Jersey	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1972
10-9-78	John W. Iverson	59	Lakefield, Minnesota	96	Jackson, Minnesota	1957
10-26-78	George Sloth	77	Copenhagen, Denmark	116	Newark, New Jersey	1946
12-1-78	Niels K. Hansen	61	Naestved, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1966
11-11-78	Jens C. Jensen	96	Jerslev Sogn, Hjørring, Denmark	263	Askov, Minnesota	1912
11-12-78	Soren K. Jensen	81	Nykøbing, Denmark	39	Oakland, California	1921
11-26-78	John Irwin	64	Chicago, Illinois	106	Trufant, Michigan	1934
4-17-78	George Holst	72	Marlette, Michigan	227	Detroit, Michigan	1941
11-10-78	Vagn Nielsen	58	Esbjerg, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1942
10-28-78	Ole Rasmussen	75	Koldby, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1942
11-12-78	Hans Jess Nielsen	85	Olgod, Denmark	75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	1919
12-8-78	Richard G. Eckhard, Sr.	64	Erie, Pennsylvania	242	Erie, Pennsylvania	1947
12-9-78	Henry Larsen	75	Hjørring, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1937
12-9-78	Carl K. Jorgensen	83	Jolbaek, Denmark	32	New Haven, Connecticut	1918
12-3-78	Carl Nelson	65	Brunswick, Nebraska	117	Plainview, Nebraska	1950
12-26-78	Dorothy E. Jorgensen	58	Bruno, Nebraska	177	Cordova, Nebraska	1962
12-26-78	Peter Jorgensen	82	Bjernede, Denmark	299	Solvang, California	1931
11-8-78	Laurits Molbeck	88	Dover, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1946
10-24-78	Swen G. Hansen	73	Soro, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1975
12-4-78	Robert Mortensen	63	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1978
11-1-78	W. Emory Mowbray	74	Barton, Maryland	227	Detroit, Michigan	1973
12-29-78	Robert W. Jensen, Sr.	63	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1977
11-9-77	Gunnar Voetmann	89	Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1951

Dining with the Danes - A Delectable Delight!

Copenhagen is justifiably famous for its excellence in dining, both regarding local Danish fare as well as continental and more exotic cuisine. This, naturally, ties in with the city's position as the entertainment capitol of northern Europe.

The true heart of Copenhagen during the summer months is definitely Tivoli Gardens. Here, amongst fun-filled rides, manicured lawns, lights and flowers, you'll find Danish dining at its best, from elaborate luxury establishments to small snack-bars, totaling 25 in all.

In the luxury category, Belle Terrace and Divan I lead the way with fancy menus and prices to match, while at Smugkroen you can have a beer and sing along with the locals. If you feel like a real Danish Danish, the Konditoriet may be your cup of tea.

Dining underground can prove a worthwhile experience and the selection of rustic and romantic cellar restaurants is wide and varied. The charming Graabrødre Square, just off the pedestrian-only shopping street, "Strøget", has several exceptionally charming bistros with great appeal to local creative artists and visitors alike. Peder Oxe and Bøf & Ost are good choices. On pleasant evenings the square is alive with music

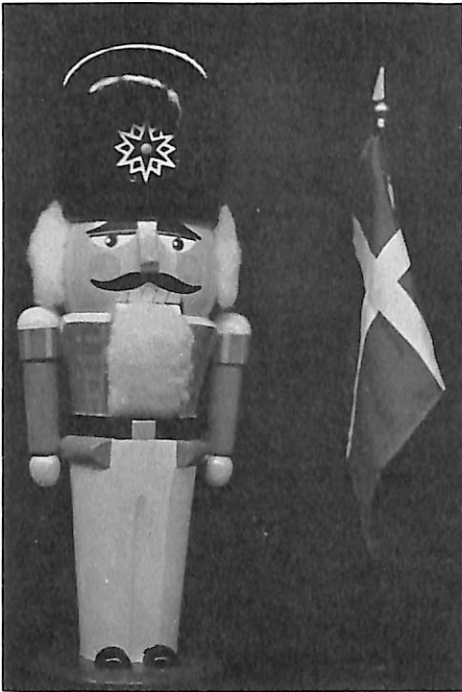
and laughter as young people congregate under the gas-lit street lamps.

Close by is the large and attractively decorated St. Gertruds Kloster. There is no electric light, only candles, and steaks are grilled over a giant birch-wood fire. The cellar vaults that house this most

original restaurant date back to the 16th century, when a monastery was located here. While the downstairs is medieval down to the baroque dinner music, upstairs has a comfortable library bar with a turn of the century look, where one may relax with a drink



Medieval dining in Copenhagen at St. Gertruds Kloster restaurant. The cellar vault is completely lit by candles, and steaks are grilled over a giant open birchwood fire. (Photo: DANISH NATIONAL TOURIST OFFICE.)



Our Lodges In Action

Iowa - Minnesota

Lodge No. 341, Kimballton-Elk Horn, Ia. — Our Christmas party at the Elk Horn town hall included a delicious supper, singing carols around the Christmas tree, and some rousing tunes for dancing.

Jens Sorensen introduced his guests from Denmark, Jens Dams and Anna Marie. Nels Anderson of Shelby received a 50-year pin.

Elections were held, and Clifford Thompson was re-elected president. Other officers include: Vice President Milo Andersen, Secretary Karma Sorensen, Treasurer Alice Simonsen, Trustee Sidney Christensen.



Lodge No. 217 officers with the traveling tapestry.

Lodge No. 217, Humboldt, Ia. — Newly-elected officers for 1979 are pictured above with the traveling Super Lodge Tapestry for having the most outstanding lodge in the Iowa-Minnesota District. The officers, from left, are: Lucille Christensen, secretary; Vern Faltinson, treasurer; Carl F. Hansen, vice president; Marvin Christensen, president; Walter Pedersen, past president.

The tapestry is given to the lodge having accumulated the most points during the year for adding new members

and conducting lodge activities. Marie Pedersen, late wife of Past President Walter Pedersen, helped earn most of the points that made our lodge's success possible.

Our meeting February 13 will have a foreign exchange student as guest speaker. Ulla Paunonen from Finland is attending Rolfe high school.

Marilyn Hansen, Correspondent.

South Dakota

Lodge No. 139, Viborg, S.D. — On December 28 we held our annual Christmas party. We started the evening with a potluck supper.

Santa Claus (Rex Pearson) and his helper (Monita Christensen) came with presents and treats for the children.

Everyone participated in singing "Nu Har vi Jul Igen" as we circled the Christmas tree, decorated in the Danish tradition.

Sam and Alice Jensen got everyone's toes tapping with their accordion and piano music, so we moved the tables back and had a dance!

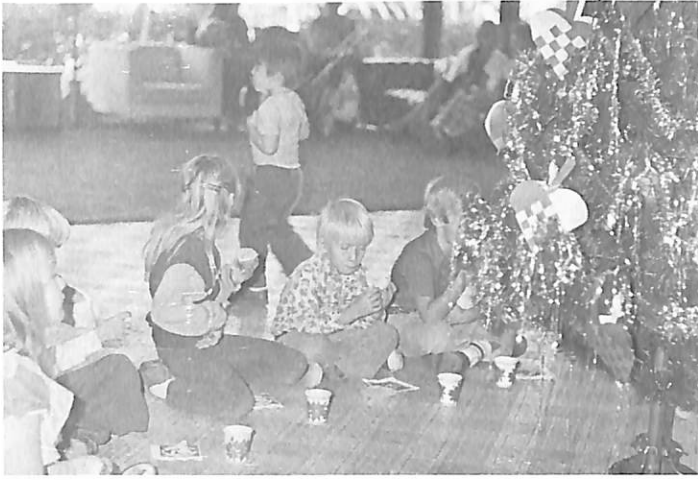
Joyce Jensen, Secretary.

California - Nevada

Lodge No. 322, Santa Barbara, Ca. — On January 8 the Samarkand Retirement Community honored the Sisterhood State President Karen Petersen. Corresponding Brotherhood lodge and friends joined for this happy occasion.

A charitable Dane in the news is Mike O'Brien (sen). A News Press item, dated November 29, 1978, reads that the Tri-Counties Blood Bank could not afford to landscape their new location. The Cold Springs Garden Club, of which Mike is a member, collected many fine plants. Mike O'Brien, as landscape consultant, supervised the planting. Mike plans to voluntarily trim and care for them in the future.

Ebba L. Mathison, Correspondent.



Lodge No. 345 Viking Christmas party.



Lodge No. 345 adult Christmas party.

Lodge No. 345, Garden Grove, Ca. — December 9 was a busy and rewarding day, with the Christmas party for 20 Vikings, with parents and grandparents joining in the fun. We danced and sang around the Christmas tree and heard a story read by Floyd Pedersen... then Santa joined the group, emptying his bag of goodies.

Later the adult festivities began, as we enjoyed the traditional Glogg. Then we had a delicious buffet dinner. There were many prizes and gifts donated by generous members. Each family received the traditional Christmas tree bulb encribed with "Glaedelig Jul 1978" made by Parry Pedersen and Ferdinand Christensen.

The Danish language class sang the song "Højt Fra Traeets Gronne Top", with instructor Kaj Bjorn directing. A few of the audience even joined in. The party ended with everyone dancing to their favorite melodies.

Our officers for 1979 are: President Ferdinand Christensen, Vice President Robert Huld, Secretary Marile Christensen, Treasurer Clayton Mortensen, Trustees Soren Christensen, Kaj Bjorn, Pat Cotman; Conductor Howard Kjellsen, Inner Guard Richard Schmidt, Outer Guard Einer Nielsen, Past President Thorf Andersen.

In our paper recycling efforts, we exceeded our \$100 goal by over \$29. Members are being urged to support our Blood Bank.

January 13 is our second annual Installation Ball.
Marile Christensen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 143, Petaluma, Ca. — Coming events include films on Scandinavia on February 3, along with installation of officers and "The Jim O'Smith Show" on February 16.

Lodge No. 339, Las Vegas, Ne. — A delicious goose dinner with all the trimmings highlighted a celebration of "Mortens Aften" held at Dr. and Mrs. David Young's home.

Our president, Birgit Young, had a very nice Christmas party for the children. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henderson hosted an evening in their home, serving some delicious aebleskiver, smaa kage and glugt. Guests that night included Harry Conradsen's sister, Meta, and her companion, Ellen, who were visiting from Denmark.

We wish all of you a most prosperous 1979.

Alice Pinkerton, Correspondent.

Lodge No. 39, Oakland, Ca. — December 22 is the date for the potluck dinner and annual Christmas party. This will also be the meeting for the election of 1979 officers.

January 26 is the scheduled joint installation of officers for our lodge and Sisterhood Lodge No. 17. Dancing and refreshments follow the ceremony.

Lodge No. 230, Arcata, Ca. — We extend to all lodges and friends a very Happy New Year. On February 24 we will be in Ferndale with Lodge No. 95 for a joint installation of officers.

Our newly-elected officers are: Past President Dorothy Kjer, President Glenna Holgersen, Vice President Andrea Holgersen, Secretary Laura Schuler, Treasurer Earl Kjer, Trustees Viggo Poulsen, Mary Frost, Holger Holgersen; Conductor Eva Deegan, Inner Guard Constance Sherman.

Ankar Baadsgaard, a member of 54 years, had the pleasure of signing several family members into our order — his wife, Jennie; two grandchildren, Douglas and Dorothy Schuler; their children, Dawn, Daphne, Douglas James and Dana. He also signed the Schuler's daughter and her husband, Dorcas and Danny Rasella, and their two children.

We had our annual picnic at a lovely park in August. Some enjoyed relaxing in the sunshine while others played horseshoe or fished.

Our Christmas party was held December 2 at the Bella Vista Inn. We enjoyed a very nice dinner and sang carols in English and Danish.

Laura Schuler, Secretary.

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA DISTRICT

Installation of new 1979 officers for the District are as follows:

January 6, San Diego; 10, Santa Barbara; 12, Los Angeles/Alhambra; 13, Garden Grove; 19, Ripon; 24, San Francisco; 26, Oakland; 27, Solvang.

February 1, Selma/Fresno; 2, Hayward/Fremont; 3, Petaluma; 10, Bakersfield; 17, Las Vegas; 24, Ferndale/Arcata.

Midwest

Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wi. — We held two successful events recently. The Halloween party drew 127 people for a real fun evening. The second event was our annual torsk dinner, with entertainment by the Sign Singers. A representative from the Akvavit company also was there to indoctrinate us in tasting this "Danish delicacy".

Chairman Roger Nelson thanked the 35 people who worked so hard at the Danish Fair in November. They fed over 500 of the 1500 people attending the fair and served 90 pounds of medisterpølse and 2100 aebleskiver.

Bob Ibsen, Reporter.

Lodge No. 36, Milwaukee, Wi. — Our lodge's Christmas party was a pleasurable affair. We had plenty of delicious treats, dancing around the Christmas tree, singing of Danish songs and Christmas carols and a gift exchange.

Henry Larsen earned his 50-year membership pin this past December.

Our officers for 1979 are: Past President Peter M. Petersen, President Elmer C. Jorgensen, Vice President Peter M. Petersen, Secretary Albert L. Larsen, Treasurer Ejner E. Olsen, Trustees John J. Larsen, Barbara H. Larsen, Arthur B. Jensen; Conductor Svend E. Tengbom.

Program Chairman Sally Jorgensen has devised a questionnaire, going out with our newsletter, that is designed to measure our members' interest in various activities and goal-planning.

Al Larsen, Reporter.

Lodge No. 34, Dwight, Il. — We will have a special guest to install our 1979 slate of officers. All of our nominating committee's selections were elected as presented.

In January we will also have a "hard times" dance.
Margaret Goodwin, Reporter.

Eastern

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N.Y. — Our slate of officers for 1979 will be the same as last year's. Delegates to "The Home for the Aged" are John Hjulmand and Ib Andersen, with Hans Juergensen and Peter Pedersen as alternates.

The officers include: President Helge Steiness, Vice President Eric Ersboll, Treasurer Hans Pedersen, Secretary Egon Larsen, Financial Secretary Ib Andersen, Trustees Svend Hansen, Jorgen Petersen, Birgit Jacobsen.

We will start the new year by having our traditional Torskegilde (codfish party). Also, as in the past, January is the time for Gag Night (members exchange gifts).

At our children's Christmas party we had 50 children and 100 adults. The kids sang and danced around the Christmas tree to accordion music. Later Santa gave out beautiful gifts. A gingerbread house was raffled off, with proceeds going to the lodge. The Laustsens brought a beautiful tree for our lodge from their home in Maine. Other members helped by donating candy canes, wrapping gifts, supervising games, etc.

Egon Larsen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 90, Port Reading, N.J. — Our December 19 meeting's business included a report on the Danish Home. The Home will be celebrating its 65th anniversary with a celebration tentatively planned for May 5.

New officers for 1979 include: President Ejvind Kjems, Treasurer Ejlif Kjems, Secretary Claire Kjems, Conductor Juel Juelsen, Trustee Chairman George Hansen, Trustees Erik Kromann and Lloyd Kromann, Inner Guard Mary Juelsen, Outer Guard Anna Kjems.

Delegates to the Danish Home are Ejlif Kjems and Ejvind Kjems, with Lloyd and Erik Kromann as alternates.

Everyone enjoyed the film, "Christmas in Denmark". It brought back memories of home for our native Danes and gave the rest of us a good look at a Danish Christmas celebration. Later we had a gift exchange.

Claire Kjems, Secretary.

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Ct. — G.C.E.L. President Mark Thompson installed our 1979 officers, with Barry Edmonds as his conductor.

Our last newsletter mistakenly had the wrong date for our 95th anniversary dinner. The correct day is April 7, 1979. For reservations and assistance in finding motels, contact: Eleane Sorensen, Old Amity Road, Bethany, Ct.; Chris Simonsen, 18 Ann St. No., Branford, Ct.; or Norman Edmonds, 86 Westminister St., Hamden, Ct.

Norman Edmonds, Secretary.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. — This fall the attendance at our lodge meetings increased about ten percent in each succeeding month. To provide help in this direction, Robert Gorman was appointed promotion chairman.

Santa Claus came to our children's Christmas party. The children enjoyed their gifts while the adults exchanged their Polyanna acquisitions. Later in December the adults had a splendid Christmas party, organized by Karl Gamborg-Nielsen. We had a delicious Danish dinner and a three-piece Scandinavian band provided music afterwards.

Our 1979 officers are: Past President George Olsen, President Svend Aage Nielsen, Vice President Carl Gudnitz, Secretary Agnete Christensen, Treasurer Karl Gamborg-Nielsen, Conductor Lars Gamborg-Nielsen, Trustees Robert Gorman, George Clausen and Ralph Kelt.

Arthur Thomassen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R.I. — This correspondent has been reminded recently that there has been no news of Lodge No. 102 in the *American Dane* for quite some time, so I will bring things up to date.

A picnic at the home of Agnes Aust in July led to a gain of five new members. In September some of our members attended the G.C.E.L. convention in Vermont. In October we initiated several new members and one Viking. Others were initiated in November and December.

At our annual Christmas party President Jan Braumann entertained the children with stories about this joyful season while Bill Gill played Santa.

A belated Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthful New Year to you from all of us.

Carl W. Sorensen, Correspondent.

Florida

Lodge No. 257, St. Petersburg, Fl. — At our December meeting we elected the following officers for 1979: Past President Robert Jorgensen, President Elmer W. Jensen, Vice President Carl Nissen, Secretary Bill Steffenson, Treasurer Georg Pedersen, Conductor Hans Schmidt.

After the business meeting we sat down to beautifully decorated tables and enjoyed a delicious smorgasbord. Our outgoing president donated all the Tuborg and our baker in the lodge donated a beautiful kransekage, which was raffled off to give the entertainment fund a boost.

Bill Steffensen, Secretary.

Lodge No. 321, West Palm Beach, Fl. — Our lodge celebrated Christmas December 19 at noon with a flower-decked table furnished with delicious open-faced smørrebrød. Later we held our regular meeting.

We invite D.B. members living near or visiting the "Palm Beaches" to visit our meetings at 410 Datura St., second Saturdays.

Carl Rasmussen, Secretary.

Pacific Northwest

Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wa. — The Ballard Arts and Crafts Yule Festival on December 2 and 3 was a great success. The purpose of the exhibit is to establish a future Nordic Museum representing all five Scandinavian countries.

Christmas Around the World at the Seattle Museum of History and Industry was hosted this year by the Danes. The Brotherhood and Sisterhood decorated a tree beautifully with flags, candles and traditional heart-shaped baskets.

Our officers for 1979 are: Past President Gunnar Sorensen, President Harold Hansen, Vice President Chris Jorgensen, Secretary Clyde Langsted, Treasurer Ole Brahe Pedersen, Conductor Henry Jensen, Trustees Knud Hansen, Holger Nielsen, Craig Emick; Guard Max Stavnskog.

The annual D.B. and D.S. Christmas party was held December 10. John Nielsen donated a Christmas tree that reached clear to the ceiling. Santa Claus (Gerry Jensen) was there to entertain.

December 23 was the Danish Christmas service at St. John Lutheran Church. Danish Christmas specialties were served afterwards.

February 3 is the date for installation of officers in the Norway Center. Dining, dancing and much more are planned for the evening.

Michigan - Ohio

Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mi. — We held our Christmas party at the Danish hall on December 9. A children's party was held in the afternoon. We had games and prizes and a special treat from Santa, who arrived later. Refreshments were served after Santa left.

In the evening a cocktail hour preceded the festive Christmas dinner. Mrs. Carl Soneral later led the carols. Danish and square dances were also features of the evening.

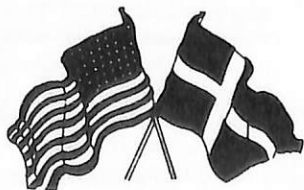
Officers for 1979 are: Past President Lawrence Swan, President Carl Soneral, Vice President Robbie Jensen, Treasurer Alvin Garcia, Secretary Earl Jensen, Trustees Emil Larsen, Edward Geil, Arnold Koegler; Conductor Alfred Larsen, Inner Guard Lars Christoffer- sen, Outer Guard Donald Stahl, Librarian Amil Laird.

Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Mi. — Our officers for 1979 are: President Herluf Iversen, Vice President Ken Rehan, Recording Secretary Carl Jensen, Corresponding Secretary Nelsen Dalley, Financial Secretary Otto Pedersen, Treasurer Paul Carlsen, Trustees Henning Jensen, Howard Olsen, George Petersen; Conductor Ed Woods, Sr., Inner Guard Peter Sorensen, Outer Guard Howard Hansen, Past President Robert Sorensen.

After elections we had our Christmas get-together with the Sisterhood lodge. In February we have our annual "Slaa Katten af Tønden" dinner-dance.

Paul Coulahan is our lodge's representative for the 1979 Scandinavian Ethnic Festival committee.

Oluf Jensen, Correspondent.



Lodge No. 225 in Canton, Ohio, enjoyed their Christmas festivities.

Lodge No. 225, Canton, Ohio — Our lodge celebrated Christmas on December 7. We had a nice turnout and everyone enjoyed the party. Members of the DBIA lodge in Akron joined us, as well as Santa. Happy New Year from Ohio!

Mark W. Nodo.

California / Nevada District Sponsors Mexico Trip

The Danish Sisterhood of California and the Danish Brotherhood of California and Nevada are sponsoring a trip to Mexico for eleven (11) days — April 24 through May 5, 1979, via Western Airlines.

Departure points: San Francisco, \$759.00; Fresno, \$769.00; Los Angeles, \$752.00; San Diego, \$752.00.

We land in Guadalajara. Tours to all points of interest are included at all our stops. Some dinners and lunches are included. We are booked at all first class hotels. We will be stopping in Guanajuato, San Miguel, Allende, Mexico City where you must see the Mexican Ballet at the Palace of Fine Arts. One night at Taxco and on to Acapulco where there will be lots of time to enjoy the sun, the beaches and just to browse. Space does not permit telling about all the good things. If we get 40 people we can have a bus of our own and you know what fun that can be.

Get your reservations in early... any relative and friends of Sisterhood and Brotherhood members are welcome to join us. Anyone wishing more information just write me and I will send a brochure.

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The Witch That Wasn't

by Connie Wickert



She sat in her dark, unlit room staring out at the cold rain gently pit-pattering against the window.

Cindthia Patric, a normal everyday girl of 12 with coal black hair and lovely green eyes, had such plans for that day. Cindthia (Cindy for short) had everything set up. She and her pal, Jamie, were going to spend a day at the beach, soaking up sun and hopefully coming home with a nice tan. But as usual she overlooked a slight difficulty. Jamie was far away from Florida; she was in Washington visiting her grandmother.

That was Cindy's only, and worst, fault. She was forgetful.

Just today Cindy goofed up again.

Her mother had told her to turn the oven to 250 degrees when the buzzer rang.

Simple, right? Well, not when you're forgetful it isn't.

When the buzzer rang Cindy turned off the potatoes instead of turning down the chicken.

Soon, of course, the chicken burned.

Not that Cindy was dumb, or deaf, she got straight A's on many a report card if she remembered to bring her homework to and from school.

The pitter-patter continued on. Her mother would be coming home soon and probably wouldn't know what to expect. Cindy's mother, too, often became grieved and impatient with Cindy. Just as her teachers often did.

Cindy sighed a long and hopeless sigh. Got up from her perch on the window seat and shuffled down the stairs into the kitchen.

She took one look at that chicken, decided there wasn't any way to save the poor thing, and made sandwiches for dinner instead.

At about 4:30 Cindy's mother came home from the grocery store.

Mrs. Patric was a fine woman and mother. She had short, dark brown hair, and understanding brown eyes.

She bustled in from the rain, took off her wet garments and went into the kitchen to put away the groceries.

The first thing that met her eyes was the table all set with sandwiches. She was about to say, "What's with the sandwiches?", but stopped short, for she now spotted the reason. The dinner was sitting in the sink — burned.

"Oh, you saw it already," Cindy said as

she came into the kitchen. "I'm really sorry."

"Cindy! I mean really! What has gotten into that brain of yours?"

"I said I was sorry. I guess I was thinking about the plans I had to go to the beach with Jamie," Cindy apologized.

"That's a fine thing to think about on a rainy day like this. And do you realize, Cindthia Patric, that we have had sandwiches for three days in a row now? And all because of your forgetfulness!"

Mrs. Patric sternly commanded Cindy to her room without dinner. "She should have grown out of this habit a long time ago," she muttered angrily.

Cindy obediently went up to her room, which was across the hall from her parents' room.

It was tough being an only child. You couldn't blame anyone but yourself for mistakes.

She sat on her bed, reached to turn on the light for it was growing darker and darker outside. The rain had stopped. Cindy sat looking at her own reflection in the window. Then she realized that if she turned out the light she would be able to see the house across the street. The thought gave her a shuddering feeling.

Everyone knew and feared the house across the street from hers. It was unkept with weeds and flowerbeds that mixed in with the grass. In it was said to live a witch. No one hardly ever saw her and that made the whole affair even more mystifying. People that did see her, or at least they claimed to have seen her, said every part of her was witchy.

Suddenly Cindy had a good but terrifying idea.

She, Cindthia Patric, would go across the street and into that old crumbling house tomorrow. Maybe the witch could put a spell on her that would enable her to remember. Either that or never let her out. Then again, maybe she would get scared to death and stand there at the witch's door, frozen stiff forever. Cindy had read once that some animals became so frightened that they couldn't move.

At the idea she got up and sat on her perch (that's what she called the window seat) and pressed her pale face against the cold window looking out into the darkness.

"Yes," she decided, "that's what I'll do!"

And so, that night, she slept with contentment (though I can't figure out why).

Cindy ate breakfast in silence. Her mother and father were busily discussing the food budget, and didn't notice her anyway.

She got up, excused herself, and put her breakfast dishes in the sink, then asked permission to go out and take a walk.

"Yes, fine dear. Be back at noon," Mrs. Patric answered hurriedly.

Cindy slowly walked toward the witch's house. She stopped at the entrance of the overgrown yard, glanced back and thought, "Well, I've gotten this far, I might as well go on."

Boldly she took one step, then another, and went like this until she reached the porch. Ever so carefully she climbed the steps. Then it happened. On the last step to the porch she fell through.

The door opened with a long mournful creak. Out stepped an elderly woman holding a broom.

The woman had on a long black dress with five white buttons going down the front. The sleeves were long and tight with a trim of white lace at the bottom. Her face was a network of wrinkles, with sharp blue eyes staring angrily at Cindy.

Without success, Cindy desperately tried to get out of the step. Finally she just looked helplessly up at the old woman with a pure white face. Her voice wouldn't permit her to utter a sound. So she was unable to apologize.

Suddenly the old woman's frown turned upside down into a smile. As she did this her whole face softened into a jolly mass of joy. She even chuckled a grandmother sort of chuckle.

At this Cindy giggled also. Imagine! A kid walking up to your porch and falling through a step. Then wiggling around like a worm and finally just looking at you with a pitiful expression on its face.

When the old woman stopped chuckling she looked down at Cindy (who was still in the porch step) and asked her in a friendly but creaky voice, "What's your name, my child?"

"Cindy Patric. I live across the street," she answered, still looking at the woman.

"My name is Mrs. Flenchmen, you may call me Alice, my dear. But, oh my! Shall we talk inside, out of the heat?"

Cindy nodded her head in approval.

Alice carefully lifted Cindy out. Her strength was remarkable for a woman her age.

When Cindy was safely standing again, Alice showed her into the living room and left to get refreshments from the kitchen.

"This house," Cindy thought, "couldn't belong to a witch."

Covering most of the hardwood floor was a huge rectangular rug, embroidered all over with red and pink roses. The coffee table and two matching chairs were all made out of shiny oak with a touch of scrollwork on the legs. The couch in which Cindy was seated was white with eight big red roses on the seat and back. There was an old-looking fireplace; hanging over it

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1979 Creative Writing Contest

The 1978 Creative Writing Contest brought nearly 100 entries to the National Headquarters Office. A few changes have been made in the rules and awards for 1979, but topic, content, and style remain unrestricted. Please do observe the 1500 word limit in all categories. Entrants may be members of the society or related to members.

Contest Rules

1. All work must be original, preferably typewritten, double-spaced, and accompanied by a title page, giving the title of the work, name and return address of entrant, your lodge number or relative's lodge number, and group and category for entry.
2. For return of manuscript, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
3. Include a snapshot of the author and state the group and category of your entry.
4. Entries must be postmarked by August 30, 1979, and received by September 11, 1979.
5. 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 given.
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Poetry, Fiction, and Non-Fiction
- Group III (Age 19 and over)
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Send entries to: **The Danish Brotherhood in America, P.O. box 31748, Omaha, NE 68131.**

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Ferdinand Christensen	345	Garden Grove	61
Hardvig Mathiasen	46	Perth Amboy	47
George Ferdinandsen	46	Perth Amboy	44
Faye Christensen	340	Wood Dale	42
Gordon Sorensen	4	Racine	40
Knud Andersen	346	Riverside	40
Ella Gudmandsen	343	Waupaca	38
Robert Ibsen	14	Kenosha	38
Kenneth Nielsen	346	Riverside	37
Jens Sorensen	341	Kimb.-Elk Horn	35
Einar Danielsen	92	St. Charles	35
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William Nelson	14	Kenosha	33
Irwin Nielsen	34	Dwight	32
Karen Rowse	323	Alhambra	32
Julius Thomsen	211	Grand Island	32
Floyd Andersen	161	Ruskin	31
Howard Petersen	3	Davenport	31
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William Brasch, Sr.	345	Garden Grove	23
John Cherney	329	Long Beach	22
Melanie Madsen	342	Bucks County	21
Myrtle Taylor	345	Garden Grove	21
Helene Kristensen	232	Alhambra	21
Clifford Bay	273	Dillon	20
Peter Weber	299	Solvang	20
Howard Hansen	344	Janesville	20
Peter Christensen	46	Perth Amboy	19
Harold Lund	34	Dwight	19
Dale Jensen	346	Riverside	19
Anders Albrechtsen	34	Dwight	18
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Ruth Peterson	139	Viborg	16
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430 Boys Learn From Cy

[Reprinted from an article in *The Kenosha News* by Sports Editor Jim Kornkven.]

Cy Fredericksen is a member of Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, Wi.

Managers come and go, but Cy Fredericksen, who got the job on a temporary basis, survived a name change, six sons on his team and 27 seasons in the Jaycee Junior baseball league.

Now Fredericksen, who is 67 years old, figures it is time to step down as manager of the Jockey team.

"I think it's time to let the young guys do it," Fredericksen said.

Fredericksen, two years retired from Jockey, Inc., did all right in his final year, even if he is one of the "old guys". His team won the league championship and he coached the Jaycee All-Stars to victory over the Kiwanis All-Stars.

Fredericksen goes back to the first year of the league, 1951, and his teams have won seven championships, but when the team was starting up, he was just going to be a coach. Personally, he had never played much hardball.

"Bill Marescalco took the job of managing the team and Gib Lance asked me if I'd help out," Fredericksen recalled. "Bill took sick and the job fell to me before the season started."

At the time the team was called Cooper's. The Jaycee league, for 13, 14 and 15-year-olds, had three other teams, Snap-on, Macwhyte and Simmons.

"I didn't play too much hardball when I was young. I went to work when I was 16 years old and put in 12-hour days during the summer," he said. "I never had that much chance to play."

"I knew how to play ball. We didn't have organized teams, but we were out at Lincoln Park two and three hours a day playing neighborhood teams," he said. "At that time we had to bring our own bats and balls. They weren't furnished."

And he had some previous managing experience, apparently successful.

Fredericksen managed the Cooper girls fastpitch softball team for three years back in the mid-1930s.

The won-loss record isn't the measure of his managerial success. He married the team's catcher, Lillian Kleist.

"I tell her she caught a foul tip," Fredericksen said. They've had ten children, six of them boys who played for the Cooper-Jockey team through the years.

Fredericksen said he felt teaching good sportsmanship was his most important job as manager.

Nobody can remember Fredericksen on the field hassling an umpire and his teams gained a reputation for following his example.

"I tried to get the boys to respect people. I never had much trouble with the kids... arguments and that sort of thing," he said, indicating that some of the high-spirited boys ranked among his favorites.

"I enjoyed the sport," he said. "There are people taking care of Boy Scouts and that sort of thing. I just thought that this was something I could do for the kids."

The Junior League never quite attained the glamor of Little League, but Fredericksen didn't mind.

"I like this age of kids. They're more exciting. They're more forward and more advanced as ballplayers," he said. "They're a little harder to handle in a way, but I always got a little charge out of that."

A manager of 13 to 15-year-olds has more influence over the players because the parents aren't nearly as involved as they are in Little League. Often the Junior Leaguers wish they'd see more of mom and dad, while the Little Leaguers would rather see less.

All of Fredericksen's boys — Mark, Len, Paul, Kevin, Ray and Todd, wore the Jockey uniform, but he never pushed them.

"They weren't outstanding players," he said simply.

Typical of Fredericksen's handling of his sons involves Ray.

"He played baseball one year, but then wanted to go out for this track thing," he said. "He'd just as soon do that as play ball."

Ray Fredericksen, a UW-Parkside distance runner, won the Firecracker "5" and just about every race longer than three miles held around here.

And the youngest son, Todd, will be captain of the Bradford swimming team this year.

Some of Ray's running talents might actually be inherited from his dad.

"I used to run in the Turkey Day race, both before and after the war," he said. "My best finish was third." That was a five-miler.

And in his prime Fredericksen, who worked 48½ years at Jockey, could go from the fourth floor to the basement and back again without taking a deep breath. He was a supervisor in the shipping department when he retired.

"I still jog a little bit around Kennedy Park, but not every day," he said.

Through the years the Junior League has grown from four to 14 teams, but Jockey has always been one of the contenders.

"I've always been fortunate to get a few good coaches, usually fathers, because you've got to keep all the boys busy. Someone has to be working with them all the time or they start goofing off," he said.

This year he had Mike Witkauski, whose son was playing for Jockey. Mike was on Fredericksen's first championship team in 1956.

And he recalls a long line of players from Ralph Cable, his first pitcher — "a real good lefthander" — to Mike Kintis, who last week won the B Flight of the County Open.

Through the years Fredericksen figures he's touched the lives of about 430 boys.

"I'll miss it," he said. "But I'll go out and watch some games and maybe give them a little hand."



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"Must be a strongly Danish neighborhood. Wanna buy some Girl Scout Kager?"

The Witch That Wasn't

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was a portrait of a handsome young man. He had a beard and dark black hair. His expression was warm and sincere.

"That, my child, was my husband. Quite handsome, don't you think?" asked Mrs. Flenchmen when she caught Cindy gazing at the portrait.

"Was?" Cindy asked in bewilderment.

"Yes, dear. He was a sea-going man. One day a telegram arrived telling me that his ship, the Blue Mermaid, hadn't come back. That was quite a few years ago."

"Did you always live here?" Cindy asked as she glanced at an old-fashioned lamp.

"Oh, no. We lived much closer to the ocean. In the town of Blue Waters. Have you heard of it?" Alice asked.

"Yes. My dad mentions it now and then. He works at a canning factory. They can tuna and stuff from that town." She studied the enormous stuffed fish hanging on the wall.

Then Alice got up and walked over to an oak dresser with shallow drawers.

"Come over here, Cindthia, and see the specimens I collected while I lived in Blue Waters."

She opened the first drawer and in it was a fine collection of all different sorts of shells.

Alice showed all her shells off to Cindy with pride. Agreed, she had a lot to be proud of; Queen Conchs, Sea Urchins of every color, a Spiral Babylon, Scotch Bonnet, and even a Trilled Dogwinkle.

"You see, with Howard gone most of the time I needed something to do, so I began shell collecting, living by the sea and all. Howard was a good carpenter, also. He made the dresser, and some furniture in between ocean trips," Alice explained

while gazing dreamily toward Howard's picture.

Suddenly Alice asked in a stern voice, "Why have you come here Cindthia? Were you playing on a dare?"

"Oh, no," Cindy exclaimed in alarm. "I wanted to ask for your help."

"Well, what do you need?" Alice asked in a puzzled tone.

"You see, Alice, I am terribly forgetful. It's a wonder I even remember what my name is. I was wondering, well, uh, if you could do something to enable me to remember," Cindy replied.

Suddenly the old woman sat back and laughed so heartily that tears rolled out of her now tender blue eyes.

"Oh, my!" the old woman exclaimed as she settled down. "You-you thought I was a witch, too. Didn't you, Cindthia?"

Cindy looked down at the floor in shame. "At first I thought you were, but then I realized you were much too sweet to be such a thing."

Changing the subject Alice said, "Eat and drink, my dear. You haven't touched a thing. I squeezed the lemonade myself."

They sat there chatting about all sorts of things; school, home, the past, and present.

Cindy suddenly remembered she was expected home at noon.

"Do you know what time it is?" Cindy asked.

"Why yes. It's 1:25," Alice answered.

"Oh, no! I had to be home at 12:00," Cindy groaned.

"Call your mother and tell her that you're at my house for lunch," said Mrs. Flenchmen.

"Oh, could I stay, Alice?"

"Yes, dear, but hurry. She'll be worried."

With some persuading, Cindy was allowed to stay till 5:00.

During lunch Cindy explained her problem of forgetfulness to Alice. She told

her about the several things she forgot. Books, homework, time and errands.

"I see," Alice said. She leaned back in her chair and thoughtfully munched on a celery stick.

"All night, Cindthia, this is what you do. Let's say your mother asked you to go to the store after school, so wear white pants, socks or hair barrettes. Your mother told you to be home at 5:00, right? You could either write '5:00' on a piece of paper and slip it into your pocket when and slip it into your pocket. When you put your hand into your pocket you would feel it. Or remember that you have five fingers. So every time you look at your hand, you remember five," Alice said smilingly.

"How easy!" Cindy exclaimed.

The two of them chatted a little more while cleaning the dishes. Then Cindy announced, "I'll be going now, Alice. But I'll be back real soon. Thanks again!"

With this she went out into the bright afternoon sunlight. Then she thought to herself, "Not only have I gained a memory, but I've got a new friend, too!"

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HONEY CAKE [Hønningkage]

From the book *Danish Home Baking* compiled by Kaj Viktor and Kirsten Hansen and edited by Karen Berg.

1 cup honey or syrup
1 1/4 cups sugar
1/2 cup water
1 1/2 tsps. baking soda
2 eggs
1 tsp. crushed cinnamon
1 tsp. crushed ginger
1 tsp. crushed cloves
a little chopped orange peel
4 cups wheaten flour

This is a very old Danish recipe. Danish children have for many generations had a weakness for honey

Grandma's Kitchen

cake, a fact confirmed by Hans Andersen in more than one of his fairytales!

Warm the honey, sugar and water in a pot, but do not allow to boil. When cool, stir in the baking powder, previously dissolved in a little water, and the two eggs, beaten together. Add cinnamon, ginger, cloves and the finely chopped orange peel. Finally sift in flour and mix the lot thoroughly. Tip the batter into two greased and floured cake pans and bake in a slow oven for about one hour. When the cakes have cooled, either cut into slices and butter, or cut into two layers and spread buttercream frosting in between.

Viking Adventures

*Coming Together—A Beginning Keeping Together—Progress
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Ejnar Madsen, Akron, Ohio, with his 1:75 scale model of the "Danmark".

Ejnar Madsen, secretary of our lodge in Akron, Ohio, has kindly shared with us his fall and winter pastime. His leisure time for two years in these seasons has been given to assembling a 1,000 piece model of the sailing ship "Danmark". While he admits there were times he wished he hadn't started, you can see he is proud of the finished product. A nice project for family activity, too.

"FASTELAVNS"

Elizabeth Jensen, Correspondent for Lodge No. 183 in Troy, N.Y., states they plan their "Fastelavns" program yearly as close to the date of the Saturday before Ash Wednesday as they can. They find a small wooden barrel (plastic could be used), which

they fill with wrapped paper candies or peanuts and a stuffed animal. They prefer the traditional cat. This is tied securely where it can be struck with a baseball bat. Each of the ladies present gets a turn to hit the barrel, trying to break it. Usually one of the men give it the final batting and when the "cat" falls out, the batter wins a prize.

The tradition of playing "cat-in-a-barrel" is very old in Denmark and still much enjoyed in modern form.

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A new position in each district IRS office nationwide can help resolve specialized tax problems. The Problem Resolution Program is about a year old and designed to help those who have been unable to solve their tax problems through normal Internal Revenue Service channels. During the first year, they handled about 50,000 complaints.

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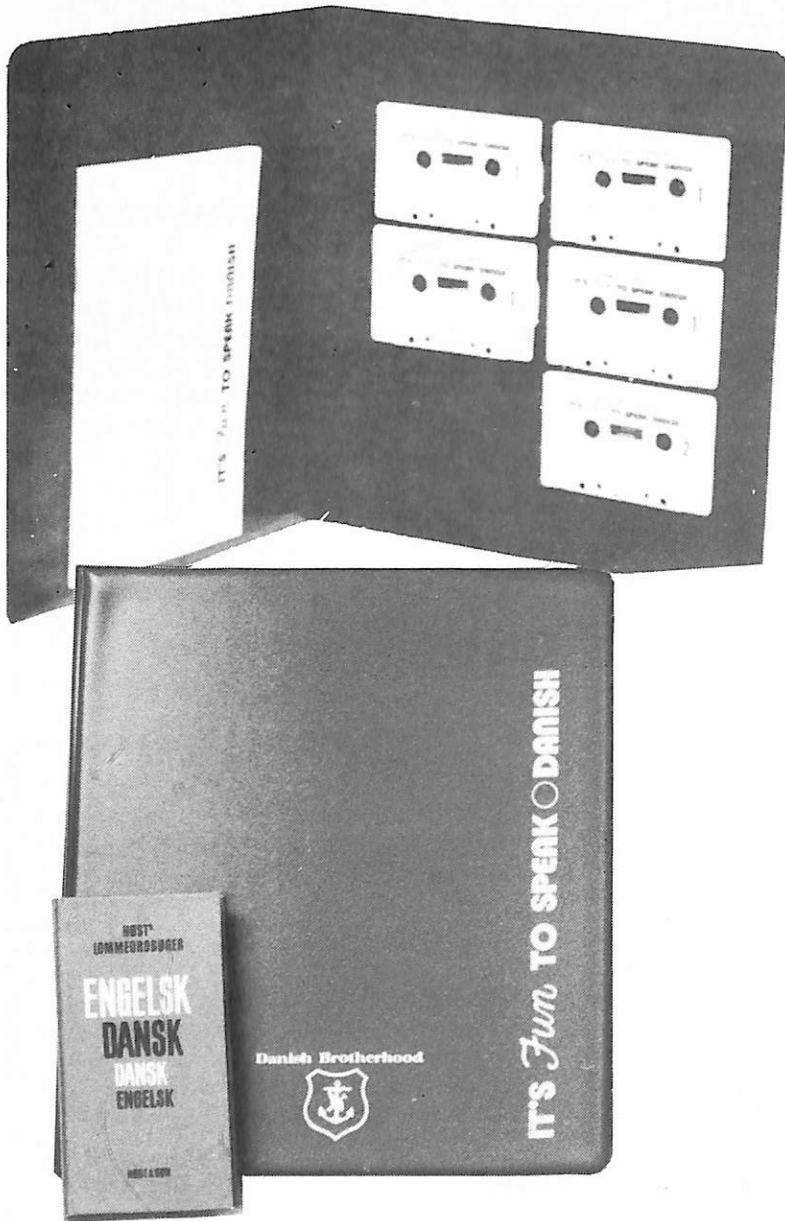
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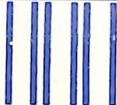
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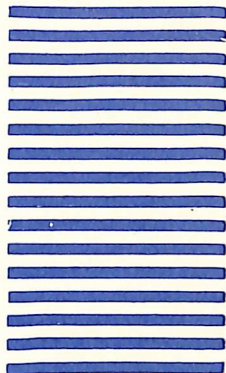
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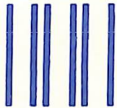
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