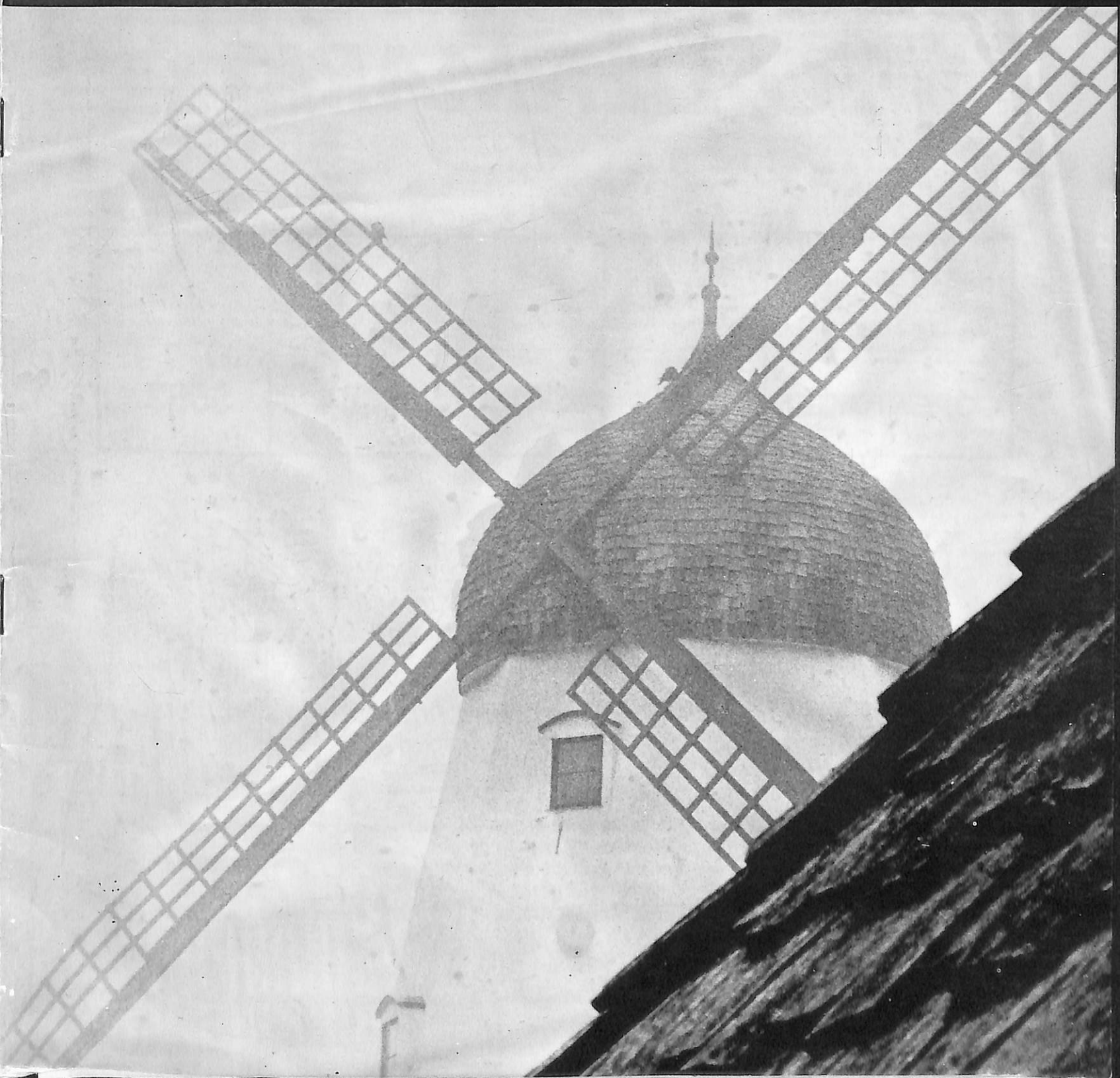


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What's New For January

This issue, of course, brings on another New Year — one more step closer to our Centennial Celebration as a Brotherhood in 1982. From time to time we'll be giving you bits of information about programs and events being planned so we can all share in the growing excitement.

This month we announce the Centennial Membership Program whereby you can win a trip to Denmark or other prizes for signing up new members.

In contrast to the old, time-tested power of the wind as shown on our cover with the Danish windmill, we have a story about modern power — solar energy. It's not only being made use of in the United States, but in other countries, like Denmark, as well. Lillian Bason writes about one of her relatives and his accomplishments with solar energy in Denmark. You may remember Lillian as a past contributor to our magazine.

Many of our members are independent businessmen, and many have fascinating stories about their struggles and achievements in creating their own business. We have a story here about Niels Malmquist and how he became proprietor of Nordic Books, a Scandinavian publications business.

We have many important announcements this month as we start off 1980, so I hope you'll read this issue carefully. Pleasant reading, and best wishes for the coming year!

Robert E. Coffey

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DBIA President
George Jacobsen

Directors Announce 24th Consecutive Refund

The National Board of Directors is pleased to announce the 24th consecutive refund of gains and savings to insured members of The Danish Brotherhood.

All certificates which have been in force for two or three years, depending upon issue date, including fully paid-up certificates, will share in the refund. Not entitled to a refund are term insurance certificates, including those carried under the extended non-forfeiture option.

Members have four options for receiving or applying the refunds. These options are:

1. They may be used to buy additional paid-up insurance. This means that there are no premiums to be paid on this additional insurance which the dividends will buy. This additional insurance will be payable at the same time and under the same conditions as the original certificate. This additional "paid-up" insurance is allowed regardless of the age, occupation or state of health of the member.
2. They may be left on deposit with the Brotherhood to accumulate at interest, compounded at a rate to be determined by the board.
3. They may be withdrawn at their cash value on the anniversary date of the certificate.
4. May use refund to reduce life insurance premiums if on direct bill from the Home Office.

Each qualified member is permitted to choose one of the mentioned optional uses for his refund.

IF A MEMBER EXERCISES NO CHOICE HIS DIVIDEND WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE USED TO BUY ADDITIONAL "PAID-UP" INSURANCE.

However, any member can receive payment of the cash value on the paid-up additions or payment of the refunds on deposit whenever he wishes to do so, by making a written request to the Home Office.

Your directors believe that D.B. members will welcome the opportunity to use the refund to purchase additional insurance, fully paid-up, without the necessity of giving evidence of insurability, and regardless of age and state of health, and without the payment of premiums on the additional paid-up portion.

While the amount of insurance purchased by one dividend payment is relatively small, if the payments are used in this fashion repeatedly, the total amount of additional insurance will be substantial in time.

The President's Column

We are another step closer to our 1982 centennial celebration as we conclude 1979 and begin 1980. Already a schedule of events is being planned by the Centennial Committee of our Board of Directors. We are asking for your help in this early stage.

What have you got in your attic? Is it dusty with pages yellowing? Does it happen to be an old lodge record, an old newspaper telling about a Danish Brotherhood event, or the personal record of one who was involved with the DBIA in the early years? Would you let me know what it is? Could we take a look? It may be the key to an important part of our history.

We have been able to frame and display a large percentage of convention pictures from past DBIA national meetings, but we need photos from January 1882, Omaha, Nebraska; January 1883, Racine, Wisconsin; January 1884, Clinton, Iowa; January 1887, Burlington, Iowa; January 1891, Davenport, Iowa; January 1893, Omaha, Nebraska; January 1896, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

(It is with some humor I note the change of convention months from a cold January in Minneapolis to the more favorable month of October in 1898.)

Are you a descendant of a DBIA supreme officer from 1882 to 1930? Could you drop us a line and let us know where you are?

The information we are requesting is in preparation for a "once in a lifetime" event for our society, our centennial celebration. If you submit materials we will do our best to keep them in good condition and return them to you if you request. All contributions of this nature will be acknowledged.

We already thank Harriet Betts of Lodge No. 206 in Blair, Nebraska, for sending us the library log from Lodge No. 26 in Fremont, Nebraska, and for the secretary's record book from Blair's lodge beginning in 1931.

Get in touch with me at the National Headquarters, 3717 Harney St., Omaha, NE 68131.

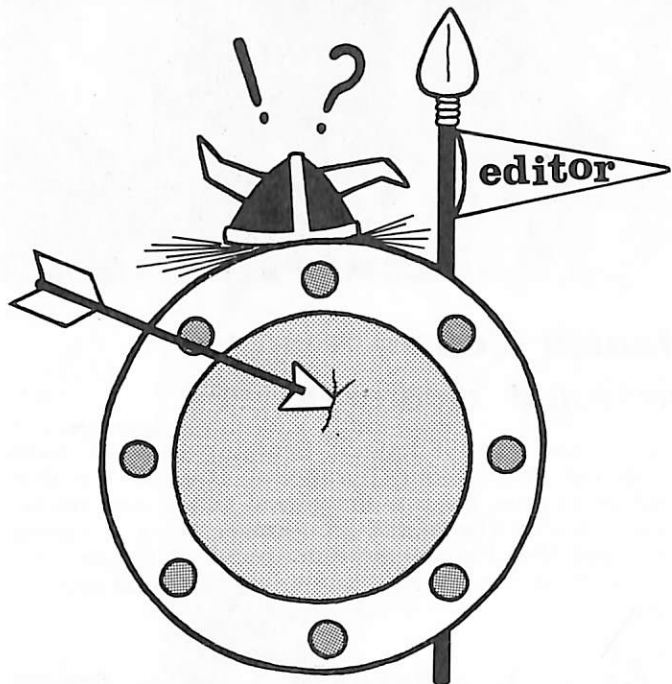
1980 Camp Grant Awards

Our society's camp grant program has been expanded, but requirements for application remain the same. Children who are members or who are relatives of members may apply.

Grants are awarded for attendance at a regular supervised camp. Awards will be based on need and interest shown by the applicant in attending.

Request application blanks from The Danish Brotherhood in America, P.O. Box 31748, Omaha, NE 68131, *not later than May 15, 1980.*

LETTERS



to the editors

Dear Editor,

I have a Danish Brotherhood friend that brings me **The American Dane** to read. I have enjoyed it very much.

I came to the U.S.A. in 1913, and many places I remember seeing before, but so many of the pictures on the cover page I do not recognize.

I would like to suggest that you not only tell who took the photo but also where these places are.

Sincerely, an old Danish lady,
Mrs. Juliane Taylor
Weeping Water, NE

Dear Mrs. Taylor,

Your suggestion is well taken, and we'll try to tell you where the photos were taken whenever possible.

Please keep in mind that many of our cover pictures come from professional photographers. In these cases we list their names and address so any of our readers may personally contact the photographer if they would like to get an actual print.

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Scholarship Announcement

The Scholarship Committee of the Board of Directors of The Danish Brotherhood wishes to announce that scholarship applications for the school year beginning September, 1980, will be considered beginning February 15, 1980. Eligible members wishing to apply should write to: The Danish Brotherhood in America, Scholarship Committee, P. O. Box 31748, Omaha, NE 68131, and request application forms not later than **December 31, 1979**. No applications received after February 15, 1980, will be considered by the Committee for the 1980 awards.

Scholarships are awarded in the amount of \$150.00 per semester and are renewable, pending qualification, to a total amount of \$1,200.00.

Eligible for scholarship awards are insured members in good standing within their local

lodge who are attending or planning to attend an accredited college, technical school, or vocational school in an undergraduate status. Under some circumstances, eligible persons attending school in Denmark may receive an award.

Changes approved by delegates to the Thirtieth National Convention of the society have increased the number and amount of scholarship awards available. Eight scholarships may now be awarded annually, two of which must be awarded to applicants planning to attend a vocational or trade school. (See Art. V of the Bylaws.)

Robert Ibsen, Chairman,
Scholarship Committee.

Applicants who plan to attend vocational, technical or business school should request forms for this purpose. Two of the eight scholarship awards must be made to students who will be entering a career training program of this nature. We urge you to take advantage of this opportunity. Exceptions will be made to the deadline for requesting all scholarship application forms. Forms must be completed and returned by February 15.

National Bowling Tournament

It is time, again, for the Danish Brotherhood National Bowling Tournament. All lodge secretaries will receive entry forms for their lodge teams.

The dates for bowling are between April 1 and June 1. Prize money will be awarded to the top 20 teams. Prize money will also be awarded for the high men's game, lady's high game, and top "Young Viking" score, as well as the high series in each category. Teams may be mixed, but all participants must be members of the society.

The high ladies' team will receive an award and provision has been made for an award to the high Young Vikings team. Total amount of prize money will be just under \$1,000.

No entry fee or expense is connected with this tournament other than the fee charged by the bowling establishment.



Danish Consul Visits National Headquarters

Recent guests at the National Headquarters were Danish Consul and Mrs. Folmer Dyrland of Chicago. We were delighted to meet the new Consul and to help him become acquainted with The Danish Brotherhood. While in Omaha, Consul and Mrs. Dyrland were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Holm. Mr. Holm is Consul for the Omaha area.

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

DECEMBER 1979

George J. Jacobsen, salary, \$276.88.



Lodge 34 Celebrates 90th Anniversary

Shown above are members of Lodge 34, Dwight, IL, as they received special membership certificates. These photos were taken by John Mollerskov

of Racine, WI, as he attended the 90th Anniversary celebration of Lodge 34. For more details, see the report in "Our Lodges in Action."

NORDIC BOOKS of Philadelphia— From Idea to Actuality



Niels Malmquist, proprietor of Nordic Books.

Success isn't always just around the corner. Sometimes you have to have a goal and work slowly toward its attainment. So it has been for Nordic Books and its proprietor, Niels Malmquist.

The adventure began in 1977, starting as a hobby more than a business. The basic goal of Nordic Books and Niels is to publish books of Scandinavian interest. But, it takes a lot of capital to start publishing.

With the basic objective in mind, Niels contacted all publishers listing a book or books of Scandinavian interest. He registered the name of Nordic Books in April of 1977 and compiled a catalog containing information about existing

Scandinavian publications. His first ad was in the June American Dane and brought orders for 1 copy of **Westward to Vinland** and 15 copies of **Of Danish Ways**.

It was a little less than might be hoped for, but a few names were placed on Nordic Books' mailing list which subsequently improved the picture.

The book list has grown and now contains a number of interesting novels, reference books and biographies. There are also some Danish titles.

Niels Malmquist is now well-established as a seller of books through his enterprise. He is a native of Denmark and grew up in Greenland where his father served on behalf of the Danish Government. During the war years and until 1955, the senior Mr. Malmquist was director of trade for Greenland. He retired last year from the presidency of a fishing company at the age of 78.

Niels first came to the United States as a student during the second world war. He returned to Denmark after the war ended and came back to the United States as an exchange student through American Scandinavian Foundation programs. When the program concluded, he went home to Denmark but returned and immigrated a year later in 1954.

A Danish Brotherhood member since 1955, he has been president of his lodge in Bucks County, president of Philadelphia lodge, and newsletter editor for the combined Philadelphia and Bucks County newsletters for 20 years, relinquishing the editorial responsibility to wife Lorraine in 1976.

Niels' knowledge of the publishing field has been gained partly through his work as production manager for J. B. Lippincott (publishing). During the past year alone he has produced 90 medical and nursing books with 40,000 pages and 17,000 illustrations for Lippincott and Harper and Row. To accomplish this, he has a staff of 9 assistants and art directors, along with about 20 free-lance artists.

And what about the original goal? To publish as well as sell? An inquiry from Lars Egede-Nissen and a grant from The Norsemen's Federation in Oslo have made attaining this goal a reality. In June of 1979 Nordic Books published its first volume, a translation of Nordahl Grieg's **Around the Cape of Good Hope** for American readers. The book of 20 poems describes the Norwegian Grieg's experiences as a merchant seaman and depicts the beauty and brutality of life at sea.

If you'd like to receive a copy of the Nordic Book list, drop a note to Niels Malmquist at P. O. Box 1941, Philadelphia, PA 19105.



New Jersey Governor Brendan Byrne and artist J.O.P. Pedersen with 1980 DBIA calendar.

New Jersey Governor Attends Liberty Park Festival October 6 & 7

Nearby DBIA lodges participated in the first Liberty Park Festival sponsored by their Governor's Ethnic Advisory Council. Each ethnic and cultural group flew the flag of the nation they represented while displaying crafts and traditions from their respective countries.

Artist J.O.P. Pedersen, member of our Danish Brotherhood lodge in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, was invited to exhibit his excellent drawings and prints.

At noon the first day, New Jersey Governor Brendan Byrne arrived at the festival by helicopter. Governor Byrne

was introduced to several of the artists and craftsmen.

Among those he met was J.O.P. Pedersen. While they were chatting about the 1980 Danish Brotherhood calendar artist Pedersen illustrated, television cameramen appeared and filmed the two gentlemen. The film was aired that evening on a special news report, which may have been responsible for a surge in calendar and note sales on the East Coast.

It all ended very well. Governor Byrne returned to Trenton with 12 calendars purchased from John Pedersen as gifts for his staff.



Our Lodges



In Action



NEBRASKA

Lodge No. 1, Omaha, NE — In January we will have only one meeting — a combined business and social night. Installation of officers will be at that time. We'll begin with a potluck dinner.

Marilyn Storms,
Secretary.

Lodge No. 206, Blair, NE — December 10 was the night for our annual Christmas party. This year we had a potluck dinner. Santa was there to hand out the gifts for all the children.

We won't have another meeting until January 28, where we will have initiation for recent members who have joined our lodge.

Harriet Betts, Secretary.

IOWA— MINNESOTA

Lodge No. 347, Cedar Rapids-Marion, IA — With Mortensaften and Thanksgiving in mind, we had a game night with winners going home with turkeys and all the trimmings.

We have re-elected all present officers to serve again in 1980. They include Arthur Wall, President; Howard Christensen, Vice President; Anker Severinsen, Treasurer; Kathrine Severinsen, Financial Secretary; Ulla Wall, Secretary; Donna Christensen, Asst. Secretary; Trustees Paul Nielsen, Norman Nielsen, Arnie Nissen, Paul Mortensen; and Jorn Christensen, Conductor.

Ulla Wall, Secretary.

MIDWEST

Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, WI — One hundred and sixty people had a great time at the Halloween party. About half were in costume, and prizes were awarded in various categories. The

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hall was beautifully decorated and added a nice touch to the festivities. The committee did a very fine job.

The Adult Christmas party took place on December 8 with members enjoying cocktails, dinner and dancing. There were door prizes and members also brought gifts to exchange. The children had their day to celebrate Christmas on December 16 with their own party.

Bob Ibsen, Reporter.

Lodge No. 182, Waukegan, IL — Following our December business meeting, we enjoyed Christmas festivities as we spent an hour of fellowship in games, complete with prizes. The evening culminated with an exchange of gifts and conversation over a cup of coffee and some delicious Danish goodies.

Janet Petersen,
Secretary.

Lodge No. 343, Waupaca, WI — David Reach, grandson of our member, Betty Nielsen, won first place in the state of Wisconsin for an essay on "Thoughts about the Star-Spangled Banner."

Steve Stocker, son of members Mr. and Mrs. Hartman Stocker, participated in the International Special Olympics at Brockport, NY last summer and won the medal for the standing long jump.

Niels Kragh from Denmark was our guest at our November meeting. He was in Waupaca supervising the installation of some Danish machinery at the Waupaca Foundry.

Earlier in the month, we met for the traditional Mortens Gaas dinner. Prayers were said in English and Danish, while the dinner was the traditional Danish.

Along with entertainment by some local high school students, the story of Morten's Gaas was read. Later we all had introductions to one another, then took part in some folk and regular dancing.

Aleine Miller,
Corresponding Secretary.

Lodge No. 34, Dwight, IL — On November 3, our lodge and members of lodges in Racine, Kenosha, Chicago, Rockford, St. Charles, Woodale and Janesville enjoyed an evening together to celebrate our 90th anniversary. Festivities included cocktails, dinner, speakers, a Copenhagen Review and dancing.

We gave away many raffle prizes, a "Spirit Box" and flowers to people who had a special mark on their chair.

Following dinner, we listened to our guest speaker, Bob Ibsen. Later John Mollerskov assisted Glen Boxam in presenting certificates to 30 members with 25 years or more. Then came the highlight of the evening — 7 gorgeous ladies (?) did a dance routine for us. Many laughs and more fun!

To sum it all up, we had a great time!

Margaret Goodwin,
Reporter.

Lodge No. 36, Milwaukee, WI — We had our Christmas party on December 4 with a potluck dinner being served. The lodge furnished the main course, with members bringing the other dishes. We also had the traditional Juletrae (Christmas tree) and special goodies for the kids.

The European Village, a permanent exhibit at the Milwaukee Public Museum, had its grand opening in December. The Dansk Hus is a distinguished part of this fascinating spectacle.

Al Larsen, Reporter.

EASTERN

Lodge No. 90, Port Reading, NJ — At our November meeting we accepted an invitation to celebrate our next meeting at the home of Mavis and Erik Kromann with a traditional Danish goose dinner. All members were invited, and we planned to exchange grab bag gifts.

A motion was made and passed to retain our present officers and delegates to the Danish Home for the Aged in Edison for the coming year.

From our lodge to yours, best wishes for a happy, healthy holiday season.

Claire Kjems, Secretary.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, PA — The lodge had its most successful White Elephant sale to date in November. The bidding was lively and competitive, and the profits will be gladly accepted by the Social Committee. We had great support from people donating items and others buying the "junk and treasures".

The pre-Christmas party-workshop staged by the Lars Cleeman family and Peder Pedersen was really a treat! The specially brewed hot Glug, the cookies, the aebleskage, and the aebleskiver were truly an experience. We also became somewhat adept at making woven hearts and stars for the Christmas tree, after the patient instruction by Peder and Lars. We didn't realize we had so many thumbs!

Lodge No. 342, Bucks County, PA — When the Christmas season is all over and all you have left are the bills, plan to spend an evening of horseracing with us in January. The hall seems small, but ... see how we do it!

The GCEL has suggested some "outings" for get-togethers of members of various lodges. One is a deep-sea fishing trip in the Long Island Sound area. Another is a summer "family camping trip". Our lodge officers are looking for members' feelings on these suggestions so we can indicate our interest and support of these projects.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, NY — In December, we will be enjoying a traditional Danish Christmas dinner prepared by our hosts, Jorgen Petersen, Esther Moeller, Gitte and Otto Andreasen, Joan and Maurice Gruber. Then in January is our Torskegilde (Cod fish party).

Last month we had four new applications submitted and approved.

Gifts from Santa, refreshments, singing and dancing were all part of the Christmas celebration for the children, held on the 16th.

One of our newer members, Dr. James A. Miller, will show his color slides of Danish church frescoes taken during his extensive travels in Denmark. It should be quite an educational experience.

We are urging all of our members to help preserve their Danish heritage

by contributing positive action to the lodge.

Egon Larsen, Secretary.

FLORIDA

Lodge No. 257, St. Petersburg, FL — At our November meeting we listened to our delegate to the National Convention as he gave us more details about the event. Later we initiated Viggo Christiansen as a member of our lodge.

We have set the date for our lodge's birthday party on March 29, and a good place has been secured.

**Bill Steffensen,
Secretary.**

CALIFORNIA— NEVADA

Lodge No. 346, Riverside, CA — We have once again proved that our lodge is unique. Our December meeting was held on a bus going to Solvang. While there, we visited the Danish church and enjoyed shopping, eating and drinking Danish foods and beverages. Bill Del Grippo had a birthday on the bus that he will never forget.

**Kaja Del Grippo,
Secretary.**

Lodge No. 323, Alhambra, CA — We welcomed members and friends to our annual Christmas party on the 14th. Children were invited, too, as we anticipated the arrival of a certain jolly stranger.

We will host the joint installation of officers for lodges 126, ours, and Sisterhood lodge No. 68. The Temple City Singers will perform and there will be dancing afterward. The date is set for January 11th.

Kate Krake.

Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, CA — On January 11, there will be a joint installation party with the sisterhood and Alhambra lodge. Details will be announced in the newspaper BIEN.

We cannot overemphasize the importance that you attend our meetings, bring your wife, friends or prospective members that might be interested in joining the Danish Brotherhood.

Leo Skou, Secretary.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Lodge No. 29, Seattle, WA — The Northwest Danish Home Bazaar, held in November, took place in the spacious new social hall of the home. An array of many wonderful things — ranging from delicatessen, baked goods, needle crafts and hand crafts — were offered for sale. Many of the items were made by the residents of the home who make this a special project throughout the year.

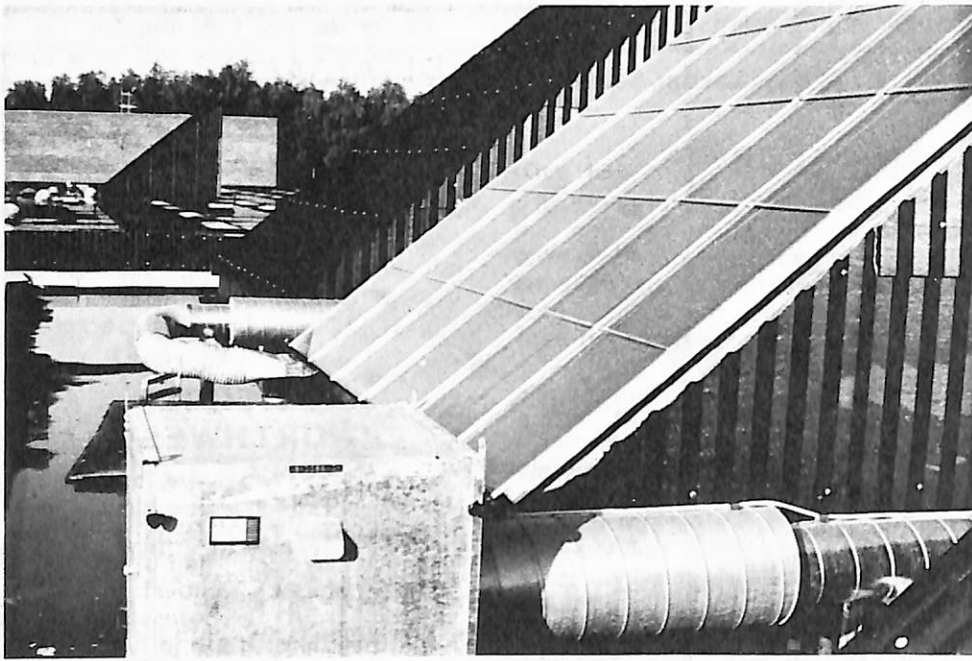
Just a few days later, we traveled to Enumclaw for the annual Brotherhood and Sisterhood Bazaar there. They, too, had a variety of items for sale — needlework, home-baked goods, and produce from their own gardens. We also enjoyed a tasty sandwich buffet.

Our annual Christmas party was held on December 9th. We had a beautiful Christmas tree, the Danalag folk dancers were there with their colorful costumes, and Santa Claus had goodies for all of the kids.

On December 23, we held Lille Juleaften (a Danish Christmas service) with Pastor Grenig coming from Vancouver to conduct the service in Danish. Dr. Louis Christensen, a member of our lodge, directed the choir.

1980 DBIA District Conventions

District	Host Lodge	Date
Pacific Northwest	Spokane, Lodge No. 42	Early Spring
Michigan-Ohio	Greenville, Lodge No. 70	Early Spring
Mjdwest	Dwight-Chicago, Lodges Nos. 34 and 17	Usually August
Nebraska	Grand Island, Lodge No. 210	Usually August
California-Nevada	Oakland, Lodge No. 39	Usually August
Eastern Lodges	Erie, Lodge No. 242.	Labor Day weekend
Minnesota-Iowa	Council Bluffs, Lodge No. 10	Labor Day weekend



Solar Air Heating System
Silkeborg Junior College, Denmark

Solar Energy in Denmark: the Contribution of One American Dane by Lillian Bason

Anyone who has lived through the four seasons of a Danish year has the impression of a preponderance of cloudy, windy days. The use of solar energy in such a climate might seem to be rather far-fetched. But the sun's energy has been used for centuries, in Denmark as elsewhere, in the growing of grass for the cows, grain to feed the pigs, vegetables and fruit for people — not to mention all the lines of washing that have dried in the sunshine.

As the industrialized world became aware that future supplies of coal and oil were limited, and as prices skyrocketed, a search to find other sources of energy began. This was particularly important in Denmark because it is a country that is dependent almost entirely upon imports for the coal and oil it uses. At the same time its energy requirements are continuously increasing.

In 1974, right after the "energy crisis" of the preceding winter, the National College of Architects and National Organization of Housing Cooperatives offered kr. 100,000 in prizes for energy-saving and alternative energy suggestions. Eight prizes were awarded, one of which went to a young American-born teacher of physics and mathematics at Th. Langs Gymnasium, in Silkeborg. Frank Bason's proposal described his home-built

solar water heating system for supplementing the hot water supply in his home. He showed that the system was practical and capable of supplying the hot water needs for a family of two adults and two children. The simplicity of the installation demonstrated that one need not be an engineer to install such a solar-powered water heating system in a private house. An important feature was its moderate cost, approximately \$400.

Soon afterwards, he built a second water heating system on his garage roof. This system was designed specifically for measurements as well as supplementary heat source. In 1976 he published results describing the winter performance and summer half year performance of his home installation, as well as articles on solar heating economics, theoretical calculation of solar heating system performance, and on popular use of solar energy. His article on the effects of yearly weather variations appeared in 1977.

In 1975-76, Frank Bason participated in meetings of the first solar energy committee at the National Institute of Technology and the Danish-hosted meeting of the International Energy Agency, in Copenhagen. Here he met solar research scientists from the United States. In conversations with a member of the Parliament from Silkeborg, he described

the American Solar Heating and Cooling Demonstration Act. Denmark now has passed similar legislation to aid financing and study of solar heating projects.

In 1977, he received a grant to study at Solar Energy Research Laboratory, Ft. Collins, Colorado, at Colorado State University, while on sabbatical leave from his school duties in Silkeborg. His paper on Danish efforts in the solar energy field was accepted for presentation at the International Solar Energy Society meeting held in New Delhi, India, in the same year.

Upon his return from Colorado, he delivered a report on the possible application of solar energy in the Silkeborg Junior College at its new location in Godvad. The illustration* shows this completed project. This is a direct air heating system, which requires no storage tank. It heats the building if solar energy is available and if the building requires heat. These conditions prevail primarily in the spring and autumn.

There are fundamental limitations on the use of solar energy in Denmark due to poor levels of winter solar radiation, and solar energy is not the whole answer to the energy supply problem in Denmark. But it can be an important part of it. Solar energy is most promising for hot water heating. Experiments are under way now in Silkeborg using a simple air heating system to provide economically attractive space heating in favorable months.

This is a brief description of the work of just one of Denmark's pioneers in the field of solar energy use. What exciting prospects the future may hold is unknown. There may be the possibility of Danish participation in a European space agency solar power station project, or perhaps a joint European — NASA space program to develop solar power stations in space. However, it can be said that at the present time there is considerable, and increasing, interest throughout Denmark in discovering the potentials of solar energy as a growing source of power.

Frank Bason

Born in New York State in 1943, he holds degrees in Physics from Lafayette College, Brown University and Aarhus University. During his service as Capt. in the U.S. Army, he was stationed at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, and did research in the field of laser safety and the human eye. He is married to Ingrid Stordal, of Nyvang, Karup, and they have two sons, Christian and Peter.

Frank and his family live in Linaa. He has been teaching mathematics and physics in Silkeborg on the Junior College level since 1970. When he isn't teaching or working on solar projects, he and his family enjoy his electric trains, which are computed-controlled, kayaking on the lakes and streams around Silkeborg, and flying.

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DBIA/DAFI Flight to Denmark

WHEN DOES IT LEAVE? June 20, 1980, at 5:30 p.m.

FROM WHERE DOES IT LEAVE? Minneapolis, Minnesota

WHEN DOES IT RETURN? You can choose either July 5, July 12 or July 19 as your return date

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? \$499 + \$3 tax for adults; \$332 + \$3 tax for children ages 2-11; \$68.40 + \$3 tax for children under 2

WHAT ABOUT EVER-INCREASING AIRLINE RATES? If you pay for your reservations in full immediately, you are guaranteed no increase.

WHERE DO I GET INFORMATION? Write to Margrethe Brown, Danish American Fellowship Institute, 4500 Morningside Road, Minneapolis, MN 55416, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for full particulars.

Yes, you can bring someone back from Denmark at the group rate, but you must purchase the ticket through the DAFI prior to departure. Northwest Airline personnel will carry your extra ticket to Denmark and deliver it for the return flight.

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JANUARY ASSESSMENT No. 967

is Due and Payable to the Lodge Treasurer

January 1, 1980

And Must Be Paid Before

February 1, 1980

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

HOWARD CHRISTENSEN,
 Secretary-Treasurer.

Denmark's Castles Theme for 1980 DBIA Calendar

12 of the beautiful castles of Denmark have been illustrated by internationally known artist J.O.P. Pedersen. Information about each castle accompanies the illustration with recipes for Danish delicacies on each monthly calendar page, too.

J.O.P. Pedersen has been recognized by the Danish government and several private Danish concerns as well as New York's influential Whitney Museum. He has been a member of our Perth Amboy, New Jersey, lodge since November of 1959.

Notes showing Kronborg, Gavno, Lerchenborg and Fredericksborg castles can be purchased, too. Four of each illustration for a set of 16 notes and envelopes. Order from: The Danish Brotherhood, P.O. Box 31748, Omaha, NE 68131. Hurry — supply limited.

Please send me _____ 1980 DBIA calendars at \$2.00 each.

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Tentative Dates and Locations of Regional Seminars

The date and location of the workshops with both the Fraternal and Insurance Departments participating, assisted by the National Board of Directors, have now been tentatively selected as follows:

OMAHA	February 16, 1980	Nebraska, Western Iowa, South Dakota & Colorado
SAN FRANCISCO	March 1, 1980	Northern California
LOS ANGELES	March 2, 1980	Southern California & Nevada
SEATTLE	March 15, 1980	Washington, Oregon & Idaho
KENOSHA	March 29, 1980	Wisconsin & Illinois
DETROIT	April 19, 1980	Michigan, Ohio & Indiana
NEW HAVEN	May 3, 1980	New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Vermont & Connecticut
ALBERT LEA	May 17, 1980	Eastern Iowa & Minnesota

District and Lodge Officers, Lodge Leaders, Lodge Representatives as well as anyone who might be interested in becoming a part-time lodge representative should plan on attending the workshops.

Subjects to be discussed with everybody participating will include: *"Improving Lodge Programming"* — *"How To Conduct Membership Drives"* — *"Duties of Lodge Officers"* — *"Danish Brotherhood Life Insurance"* and *"Communicating With The National Headquarters"*.

Mark your calendar for the date of the seminar for your area and plan to attend!

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
10-8-79	Einar Prang	67	Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1956
11-5-79	Lynwood L. Lauridsen	71	Ferndale, California	95	Ferndale, California	1977
11-9-79	Harold V. Bertelsen	69	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1972
11-21-79	Ernest H. Dennisen	76	Waltham, Minnesota	111	Austin, Minnesota	1968
10-20-79	Emma O. Anderson	82	Waupaca, Wisconsin	343	Waupaca, Wisconsin	1978
10-31-79	Karl E. Petersen	83	Bornholm, Denmark	202	Warren, Pennsylvania	1948
9-13-79	J. Alfred Jensen	85	Gardener, Illinois	34	Dwight, Illinois	1915
10-9-79	Gordon M. Jensen	65	Jackson, Minnesota	111	Austin, Minnesota	1961
8-18-79	Louis Larsen	72	Gronning, Denmark	143	Petaluma, California	1941
11-1-79	Henry Sloth	71	Vrensted, Denmark	334	Geneva, New York	1953
11-1-79	Maurice Olsen	78	Moen, Denmark	117	Plainview, Nebraska	1925
11-1-79	Paul Eric Haraldsen	14	Portland, Oregon	167	Portland, Oregon	1965
10-27-79	Ole L. H. Lindholm	90	Laso, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1924
10-28-79	Peter C. Christensen	90	Ejerslev, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1913
11-11-79	Ralph D. Andersen	67	Montcalm Co., Michigan	106	Trufant, Michigan	1945
11-5-79	Emil Hansen	84	Copenhagen, Denmark	164	New York City, New York	1927
8-29-79	Ingrid Kallesoe	74	Brooklyn, New York	164	New York City, New York	1965
11-22-79	Christian A. Paulsen	88	Esbjerg, Denmark	177	Cordova, Nebraska	1923
11-7-79	Mads C. Pedersen	80	Nykobing, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1923
10-29-79	Benjamin E. Bigelow	69	Kane, Pennsylvania	202	Warren, Pennsylvania	1948

New Members

Velkommen



to the Danish Brotherhood!

Name	Lodge No.	Location	Sponsor
Vernon Leigh McClain	10	Council Bluffs	Shirley J. Thomsen
James C. Dorr	14	Kenosha	Fred Caraccida
Terry R. Aalto	14	Kenosha	Jack Aalto
James W. Andrea	14	Kenosha	Harold Thomsen
Steve J. Mostenan	14	Kenosha	William Rozzoni
Kenneth G. Hansen	14	Kenosha	Robert Ibsen
Mildred L. Paulsen	16	Minden	Violet Nielsen
Laura H. Hansen	16	Minden	Glen Haselbarth
Lillie K. Hansen	16	Minden	Glen R. Haselbarth
Ronald Gosteli	34	Dwight	Oscar Seerup
David A. Mills	45	Minneapolis	Todd Manske
Phyllis S. Mills	45	Minneapolis	Todd Manske
Brent Inglehart	67	Fresno	Jim Jensen
Shelly Christensen	71	Penn Yan	H. Larry Andersen
Adam Christensen	71	Penn Yan	H. Larry Andersen
Jonna Byers	92	St. Charles	Jan Lundsteen
A. N. Fogdall	144	Dike	Harold Madsen
Kirstin Nielsen	167	Portland	Mel Pihl
Erika Nielsen	167	Portland	Mel Pihl
Carole L. Becker	167	Portland	Mel Pihl
Ove Carstensen	167	Portland	Don Bogh
Joyce E. Gimbel	167	Portland	Jens Gimbel
Dorine Johansen	167	Portland	Jens Gimbel
Lucie D. Jensen	167	Portland	David & Karen Jensen
Stanley E. Jensen	167	Portland	David & Karen Jensen
Viggo H. Christensen	257	St. Petersburg	Hans Schmidt
Mitchell Sharon	261	Fowler	Frank Jensen

Greg A. Vibber	261	Fowler	Frank Jensen
Dwight McIntosh	261	Fowler	David Denney
David Weulander	263	Askov	Byron Petersen
Olga S. Maccarrone	325	Nassau Co.	Svend A. Hansen
Anthony Maccarrone	325	Nassau Co.	Svend A. Hansen
Marie V. Borrie	325	Nassau Co.	Mr. & Mrs. Jim Mills
Susie Lang	325	Nassau Co.	Karen E. Moeller
Russell Karlov	340	Wood Dale	Raymond Christensen
Leola Thornbloom	347	Cedar Rapids	Jorn Christensen
Blair E. Thornbloom	347	Cedar Rapids	Jorn Christensen
John Pendergast	600	Omaha	P. Sten Jensen
Susan A. Godthaab	600	Omaha	George Godthaab
Thaddeus Stefanski	600	Omaha	Tage Guldbrandsen
Audrey Stefanski	600	Omaha	Tage Guldbrandsen

Centennial Membership Program

The Membership Point Program first introduced in May of 1974 has been revised and will be known as the Centennial Membership Program effective January 1, 1980.

The points you have accumulated will be carried forward and you can still earn additional points toward all the awards including a trip to Denmark.

A new award has been added! By accumulating 150 points — one-half of which must be from insured members — a member

can win an expense paid trip (up to \$250.00) to Omaha in 1982 to attend a Centennial Celebration being planned for the 100th Birthday of The Danish Brotherhood or receive a cash prize of \$150.00 at a local or district centennial function.

The award program will continue through the centennial year to be concluded on December 31, 1982.

Accumulate points by recommending friends and relatives for membership in your lodge.

10 Points	Appreciation Award [certificate]
25 Points	Booster Award [plaque]
50 Points	Meritorious Award [cup and \$50.00 bond]
100 Points	Distinguished Service Award [trophy and \$100.00 bond]
150 Points	Centennial Award [trip to Omaha or \$150.00 cash prize]
200 Points	Great Dane Award [trip to Denmark]

HOW TO WIN MEMBER POINTS:

1. Sign up a new member (membership application can be obtained from your lodge secretary or from the Home Office, Agency Department). Submit the white copy to your lodge secretary for approval of lodge membership and send pink copy to the lodge representative or send directly to Home Office for follow-up on insurance.
2. Two (2) point credit for each new insured member.
3. One (1) point credit for each new social member or increase in insurance for present member.
4. To receive Meritorious Award, Distinguished Service Award, Centennial Award or the Great Dane Award, 50% or more of the points must be from insured members.



WE'RE HANS AND GRETA!

Color our picture, clip it out and send to — The Danish Brotherhood in America, P.O. Box 31748, Omaha, NE 68131. You might win a LEGO building kit. Include:

1. Your name
2. Your return address
3. Your date of birth
4. Our colored picture

You need not be a DBIA member to enter. Three LEGO toy kits awarded in three age groups each month (ages 2-5, 6-8, and 9-12). You may win once during a six month period. *November winners: Maria Rodic, Chris Hokanson, and Andrea Jensen.*

Remember last year when Hans and Greta first appeared? Now they're celebrating their first birthday in the American Dane. We wish them a happy day.

The Danish Brotherhood in America



30th NATIONAL CONVENTION
September 19 - 22, 1979

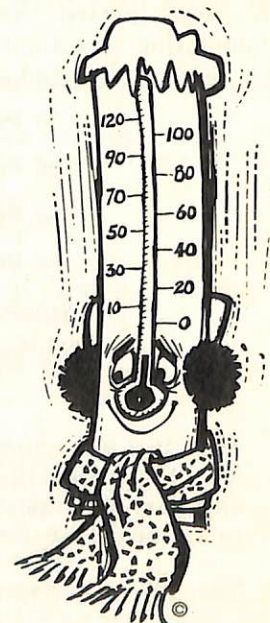
THANK YOU!

Vancouver Lodge 328 would like to thank the Board of Directors, Home Office, Lodges, Delegates and many Guests for their support to make The National Convention 1979 a success. We appreciate very much the many complimentary letters received and we are happy to announce that economically it was a success too.

May the future bring many happy events like this.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE 1979

Is Winter's Chill
getting to be too much?



find relief in the
warmth of fellowship
from the
Danish Brotherhood!

Two recipes from two of the
best cooks in two DBIA lodges!

MOCK CHICKEN*

1 1/2 lbs. round steak
fresh parsley

Cut round steak into serving pieces (2x3 inches). Pound well to flatten each piece; sprinkle with a little salt and pepper. Lay some parsley in each piece, roll together, and tie together. Brown well in hot fat, add a little water, cover, and cook slowly, until tender. Thicken liquid for gravy, and pour over meat.

SOUR CREAM SAUCE**

3 T. bacon drippings
3 T. flour
Pinch salt
1 bouillon cube
1 cup sour cream
Dash pepper
1/2 cup water

Grandma's Kitchen

Mix flour and drippings in pan over low heat and add bouillon mixed with water. Increase heat and stir until thick. Just before serving, stir in sour cream. Delicious over cooked cabbage.

*Recipe from *A Taste of Danish* by Lodge No. 1, Omaha. Available by mail from Marilyn Storms, 4129 N. 100 St., Omaha, NE 68134, 96 pages, \$3.50, postpaid.

**Recipe from *Make It Danish*, by Bonnie and Merton Kuhr, and Emily Kuhr Rath of Lodge No. 206 in Blair. Available by mail from J. Merton Kuhr, 551 N. 25 St., Blair, NE 68008., 160 pages, \$5.75, postpaid.

Viking Adventures

Coming Together—A Beginning

Keeping Together—Progress

Working Together—Success

While we look back and chronicle the history of our society as we prepare for our centennial, we at the same time look forward to its future. We ask you all to prepare to participate in a training workshop in your area. Each lodge and district will receive specific details, but now is the time to look at the schedule printed in this issue. Note the date on your calendar so you will be available to take part. Discuss the seminars at your meeting to bring others who are interested.

FEATHER BINGO

It's popular when Thanksgiving is close, but would be appreciated any time during the year. Here's how *Esther Jorgensen*, chairman for the evening, explained the event as organized for *Lodge No. 139, Viborg, South Dakota*:

"You asked me to tell you about our annual bingo or feather party, which we always have the Saturday before Thanksgiving. It starts at 7:30 p.m., and, of course, ladies in the kitchen start the coffee pots early, as some want coffee before the game. We only serve pie, coffee cake and white and dark cake.

"This year we were a little bit doubtful as there was a fireman's dance in town and the

two closest towns also had bingo parties. But, as usual, the old D.B.S'er had a full house.

"We have door prizes, a turkey, a duck and a ham; for which we sold numbers. This year we raffled off 8 geese (I wasn't lucky!) besides turkeys, hams and ducks.

"The tables were full playing all evening until we ran out of prizes. Only 10 pieces of pie were leftover. We had a great night."

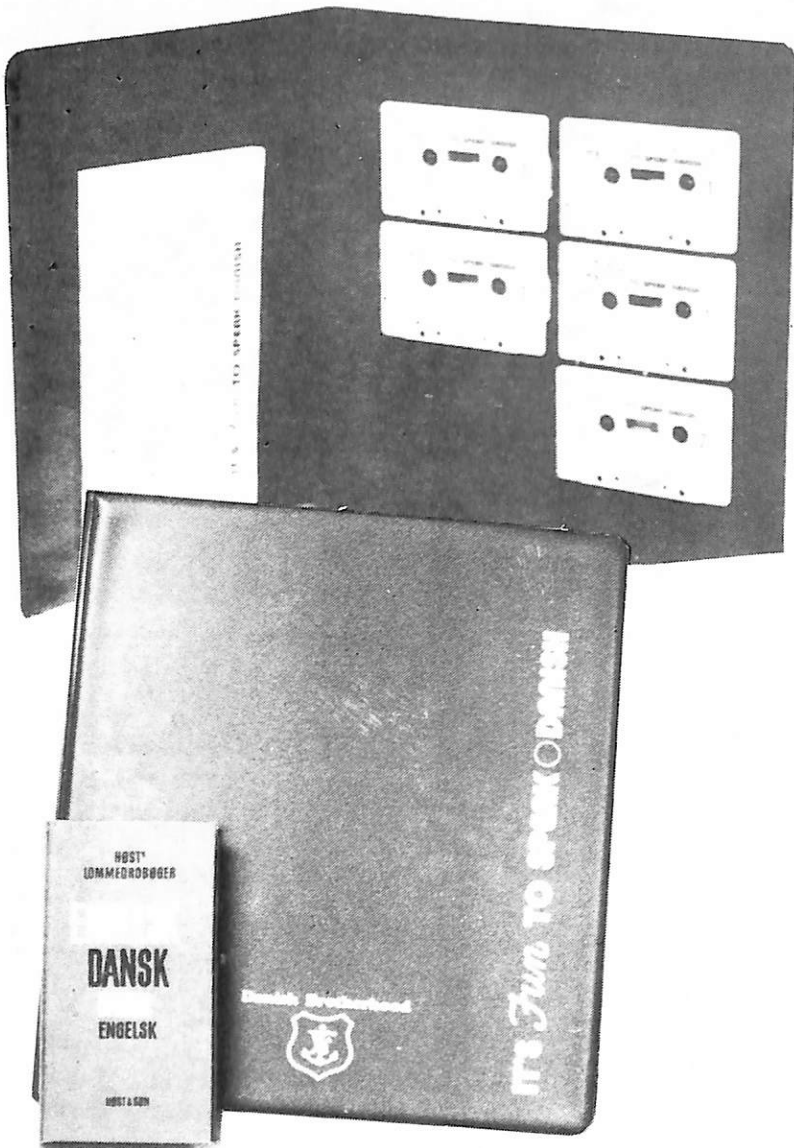
In case you are wondering why the committee might be concerned about attendance, Viborg is a community of less than 700. The lodge boasts a membership of well over 100 of its citizens.

NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Robert D. Reed has announced the publication of his book *How and Where to Research Your Ethnic-American Cultural Heritage: Scandinavian Americans*. It will give you an excellent basis for research. You can write directly to Robert D. Reed, 18581 McFarland Ave., Saratoga, CA 95075. The cost is \$3.55, including postage.

Two books not currently in the bibliography which are important to Danish Americans are Kristian Hvidt's *Danes Go West* and the two volume *Den Danske i Amerika*.

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 red 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. The 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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city, state, zip _____		name _____ age _____
		name _____ age _____

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