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What's New For April



This month we have a very timely article on a young woman who has been nothing short of sensational in her basketball career at Old Dominion University.

Inge Nissen is a 6'5" center who came to the United States from her native Denmark to play in a more competitive level of basketball and, at the same time, complete a much-wanted education.

Since the time that Betty Milsaps Jones, a free-lance writer from Virginia, prepared the story on Inge, there have been two honors added to the Lady Monarch's star center's long list of achievements.

The first was being named to the starting five of the Women's College Basketball Team of the Decade. The team was selected by Mel Greenberg, founder and director of the Associated Press' Top 20 Poll (for Women's Basketball).

The second honor was achieved on Sunday, March 23rd, as Inge scored 20 points to lead Old Dominion to its second straight NCAA title in nationally televised victory over Tennessee.

I trust you'll enjoy reading about Inge, a Dane who has made a big hit in our country, and will be watching for her next year in the beginning of a possible pro career.

Robert E. Coffey

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The President's Column



**DBIA President
George Jacobsen**

As President of a national organization, communication is a real concern. Our lodges are often scattered and not all of us have a chance to speak directly to our National Headquarters staff. A primary objective of the workshops which are underway is to help acquaint you with staff members and give you an opportunity to discuss your Danish Brotherhood questions.

But what if you haven't attended the workshop in your area? Why hesitate to send your questions directly to the national office? The people who work there want to be of assistance to you.

We communicate with our members in a number of ways. First, through the lodges. We send bulletins to your lodge secretaries, treasurers and presidents. No doubt many of these are read during meetings and would be available if you failed to catch all the necessary information.

We communicate with district officers. From time to time you have heard your delegate report on district convention activities. Some of the discussions may have been generated by National Headquarters correspondence.

We communicate through our American Dane magazine. Each month you can find announcements of new programs and services. Read these announcements and perhaps clip them for future reference. They are messages containing important

information about national benefits, contests, reports of nationally accumulated statistics, such as the Annual Report of Lodges in this issue. You can check on the progress of the society by reviewing this report.

Our monthly magazine also features Viking Adventures, written especially to help lodges and districts become more attractive and find good program suggestions. Viking Adventures also features notes on changes or requests from National Headquarters.

Finally, if you will correspond with the National Headquarters you will receive a response on a person-to-person basis.

If we have problems your Board of Directors wants to know about them and so does the Headquarters staff. We may be able to help you find the solution you are seeking. But we need you to communicate with us, too.

Take advantage of the fact you belong to a large national organization with a full-time staff. What we need to be a good society for you is a two-way conversation.

PHOTO CONTEST



Now amateur and professional photographer-members (or those of you who just happen to enjoy taking pictures) can compete in an annual photography contest. The theme for the contest is family Danish ethnic activities, DBIA lodge Danish ethnic activities, and Danish Brotherhood district or national activities.

TO ENTER

1. Send your photograph along with your name, address, lodge and member number to The Danish Brotherhood in America, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131.

2. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of photo at the conclusion of the contest.

3. Indicate the category of the entry: **FAMILY DANISH ETHNIC ACTIVITY; DBIA LODGE DANISH ETHNIC ACTIVITY; OR DANISH BROTHERHOOD DISTRICT OR NATIONAL ACTIVITY.** Include a brief description of the activity (15 words or less) and the date the photo was taken.

4. The entries may be snapshots or enlargements, but must not exceed 8x10. Glossy, black and white photos preferred. Slides will not be accepted.

5. Contestants may enter a total of 5 photos annually.

6. Photos may have been taken any time two years prior to July 15, 1980. Entries must be postmarked by July 15 and received by July 30, 1980.

AWARDS

First place winners in each category will receive \$25 and publication as a future **American Dane** cover photo. Second and third place awards will be made in a category if 10 or more entries are received within that category. Second place winners will receive \$15 and third place winners will receive \$10. All winners will be published in the **American Dane**. In any event, no entrant may receive more than one award annually.



NEW!

A Contest for Young Vikings

THIS CONTEST IS VERY SPECIAL. An essay contest just for Danish Brotherhood members between the ages of 9 and 18. Four winners will be selected to receive cash prizes of \$25 each.

WHY SPECIAL? Your essay entries will help the National Headquarters staff determine where Young Viking mini-summer sessions should be held in the summer of 1980. The idea originated in Portland, Oregon, last year when the first session was led by Young Vikings leader Mark Pihl. It's such a good idea, we want more Young Vikings to learn about their heritage and have fun, too.

TO WRITE YOUR ESSAY, you must understand what the Young Vikings mini-summer session will be, so please read this brief description carefully. Participating Young Vikings will attend the sessions for two days. During this time they will learn a little about Danish language, Danish customs, history, a craft and perhaps a folk dance.

NOW, ABOUT THE CONTEST. Write an essay on "Why I Would Like to Have a Young Vikings Mini-Summer Session Near My Home," not more than 500 words in length.

The four cash winners will be judged on sincerity, understanding, and English usage.

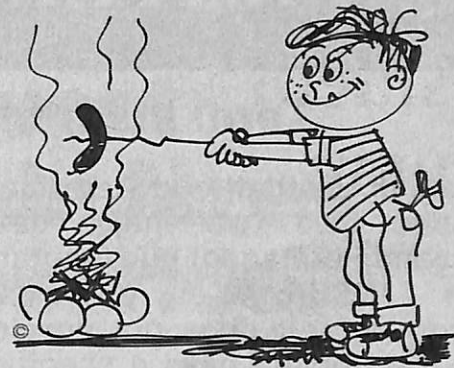
Locations of the sessions will be determined after essays have been evaluated and local lodges can be contacted. Sessions will be held in July or August.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 1980.

WANTED

A husband and wife team to serve as caretakers of Danebod Folk School. If interested, please contact Pastor Dean S. Finke, Danebod, Tyler, Mn. 56178.

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.*

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.

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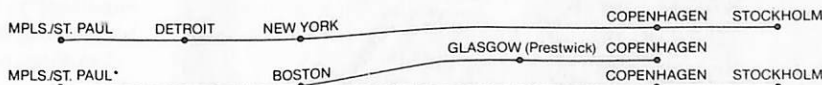
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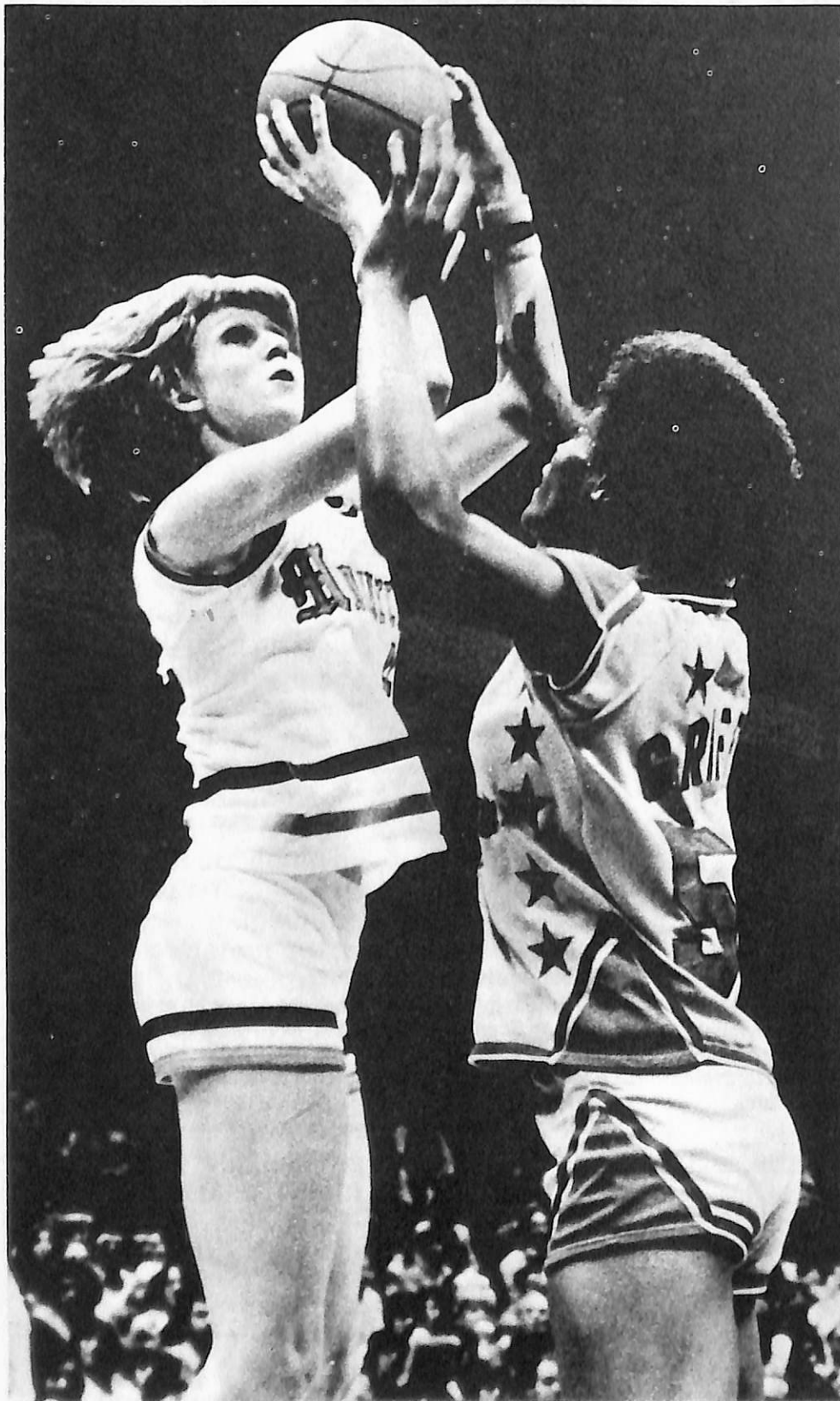
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INGE NISSEN: All-American

Photos Courtesy Old Dominion Sports Information Office.

Betty Milsaps Jones



Inge Nissen goes up for a basket against Louisiana Tech's Elinor Griffin, a 6'5" All-American, during the nationally televised AIAW national championship match in March, 1979. Inge, the game's top scorer and rebounder, led Old Dominion to a 75-65 victory.

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Inge Nissen is blonde, poised, tall and willowly—striking enough to be a fashion model. But the 6'5" Nissen is not a fashion model. A native of Randers, Denmark, Inge Nissen is a three time All-American basketball player. In 1977 she was the third highest scorer in the World University Games played in Sophia, Bulgaria. She is one of the world's outstanding players; and many experienced observers consider her America's premier center, the Larry Bird of women's basketball.

In 1979 Inge led the Lady Monarchs of Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, to the AIAW (Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women) national crown in a championship game which was nationally televised by NBC-TV. In its review of the 1979 basketball season, *Sports Illustrated* termed Inge the "secret of Old Dominion's success." Presently in her final season of collegiate play, Inge has been a key factor in Old Dominion's defense of its national crown.

How did a young Danish girl become the leading scorer and rebounder on a Virginia team that Coach Van Chancellor of the University of Mississippi calls the "greatest collegiate team in the history of women's basketball"?

The story began ten years ago when Inge, as a high school student in Randers, began playing basketball. Inge recalls: "In Denmark, very few people knew the sport of basketball, but I was very fortunate that one of my high school teachers was into basketball. I did well. And, of course, when you're doing something well, you tend to stick to it, to see how far you can go."

Inge did well indeed. At the age of 16, she made the Danish national team. Not surprisingly, her high school team won the national championship.

Looking back on her youth, Inge feels that growing up in Denmark was a definite advantage to her. "In Denmark there simply isn't the urgency to date that teenage Americans feel. At home, the young people go places in groups; they don't face the intense pressure to 'pair off' that there is here. Growing up in Denmark, I didn't go through an awkward teenage period, feeling self-conscious about my height. Of course, I'm also convinced that people are just taller in Denmark. My mother at 6'0" is the

shortest member of my family."

Inge's acceptance of and pride in her height thus came easily. As she once told a reporter: "I am tall. So what? I like it. I got over people making jokes in the 5th and 6th grades. I am pleased with my size. My height is ideal for basketball."

After her graduation from Randers Statskole, Inge was recruited by one of the best club teams in Europe, the Clermont University Club in Clermont-Ferrand, France. Inge joined the club as one of the two "foreigners" which its team was permitted. "There wasn't any challenge for me in Danish basketball," Inge explains. "I wanted a higher competitive level."

The move to France was a wise one, for the play at Clermont had a tremendous impact upon the quality of Inge's play. "I learned a lot," Inge explains. "There were three other girls on the team my size. Coming out of Danish basketball, where we had practiced once a week — if we felt like it — and changing into an atmosphere that was almost professional was extremely valuable to me. There they were practicing two or three times a day. My teammates were all top-notch players; and for the first few weeks I was the 'stupid Dane' who couldn't even catch the ball! Playing with some of the best players in Europe really toughened me up quickly."

Inge played in France for two years. The next major change in her life resulted from a chance meeting with an American high school student. The young American was Nancy Lieberman, who has since become the most widely publicized player in the history of women's basketball. At age 17, Nancy was the 1976 sensation of the rapidly growing sport. The youngest member of the United States Olympic team, Nancy was the most hotly recruited high school player in the United States. The Clermont team had also heard of the young hoopster; and Nancy, visiting France, considered becoming the team's second "foreigner." However, instead of resulting in the American's joining the Clermont team, Nancy Lieberman's visit ended in Lieberman's recruiting Inge to come to America to play college ball. Sought by an unprecedented number of schools, Lieberman had essentially narrowed her choice to Old Dominion University, a relatively unknown team with an enthusiastic coach who had convinced Lieberman that Old Dominion could be transformed into a contender for the national title.

"If you'll go to Old Dominion, I'll go to Old Dominion," Lieberman told Nissen. "I think we'd make a great nucleus for a team." The accuracy of this assessment was soon revealed! As sophomores, they led ODU to victory in the National Women's Invitational Tournament. Then during their junior year Old Dominion, ranked No. 1 almost from the beginning of the season, capped a 35-1 record with a win over No. 2 ranked Louisiana Tech in

the AIAW championship game. In this, their final, season Lieberman and Nissen have made Old Dominion the overwhelming favorite to win the AIAW national championship tournament which will be held at Mount Pleasant, Michigan in March.

Nancy Lieberman's pact with Inge Nissen four years ago in Clermont, France, was the starting point for Old Dominion's meteoric rise to national prominence. The decision to come to ODU was not an easy one for Inge to make. But the young player was ready for a change.

Club play had left her no time to study; and Inge was concerned about her future. "What had just happened to one of the best players in Europe worried me," Inge recalls. "After ten years of playing, she stopped at the age of 31. She hadn't developed any other skills; she had limited schooling; she had no security. It made me think a lot. I knew that I wanted an education."

Prior to Nancy's visit, the Clermont Club team had toured the United States, playing several of America's best collegiate teams. Consequently, the thought of



After another successful year, a few changes have been made in awards for 1980 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. This information should not appear on the manuscript.
2. For return of manuscript, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
3. Include a snapshot of the author.
4. Entries must be postmarked by August 30, 1980, and received by September 11, 1980.
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.
6. First, Second and Third prizes will be awarded in each category if

we have 12 entries or more. First and Second prizes will be awarded if we have five to eleven entries in a category. First prizes only will be awarded in categories receiving four or fewer entries.

Prizes in all categories will be: 1st place, \$15, framed certificate and publication in *The American Dane* magazine; 2nd place, \$10 and certificate; 3rd place, \$5 and certificate.

Categories

Group I (Age 12 and under)
Poetry, Fiction, and Non-Fiction

Group II (Age 13-18)
Poetry, Fiction and Non-Fiction

Group III (Age 19 and over)
Poetry, Fiction and Non-Fiction

Send entries to: **The Danish Brotherhood in America, P.O. Box 31748, Omaha, NE 68131.**

Include: 1. title sheet, 2. 3 copies of manuscript, 3. photograph of author, and 4. return envelope (optional).

Remember, deadline is August 30, 1980!

enrolling in an American college was not a completely alien prospect for Inge. Still, it was not easy for her to make the decision to be so far away from home. ODU coach Pam Parsons, whose scouting reports had confirmed Nancy's raves concerning Inge's play, was determined to bring Inge to Old Dominion. "I literally spent hundreds of dollars — at the rate of something like \$12 a minute — on overseas telephone calls to recruit her," Parsons recently recalled.

Eventually, the appeal of being able to continue her studies while playing basketball became too attractive a prospect for Inge to reject. At Old Dominion, Inge has been able to achieve her educational goals. A language major, she looks forward to obtaining her masters in business and hopes to pursue a career in international trade.

When she began her senior season earlier this winter, Inge had already broken 14 school records. She has become the Lady Monarchs' all-time leading scorer (averaging 19 points per game) as well as their all-time leading rebounder (averaging 12 rebounds per game). Moreover, according to many basketball observers, Inge Nissen's influence at Old Dominion will last for years beyond her four seasons of play. Last spring the nation's prize recruit, 6'8" Anne Donovan chose ODU from the more than 200 schools who recruited. Donovan, the most highly publicized high school player since Nancy Lieberman four years earlier, was subjected to the most intense recruitment in the history of women's basketball. After months of deliberation, Donovan chose ODU. "The chief reason I'm coming to ODU," the high school All-American told reporters, "is Inge Nissen. I want to play with the best, and Inge is the best. Last spring I played against Inge for just a few minutes, and I realized then that I

need so much more work. By playing with and practicing against her, I know that I'll improve my game. I'm going to learn so much from her."

Donovan's assessment has proved accurate. Because of their height, both girls play center. Inge has thus become Donovan's mentor and has come full circle from those early days in France when she was the young rookie being toughened by play with the older, more skilled centers on the Clermont team.

Under Nissen's tutelage, the younger player has improved so markedly that — even though she is a freshman — she now starts for Old Dominion, thereby allowing Coach Marianne Stanley to use both her centers in an awesome twin-post offense. Moreover, Donovan has been invited to the Olympic tryouts to be held in March. Many basketball observers feel that the 6'8" freshman will make the 1980 Olympic team and may be a key factor in the American quest for an Olympic medal.

Unfortunately, Inge Nissen can not be on that 1980 Olympic team. A Danish citizen in the United States on a student visa, Inge is ineligible for the United States team. Since Olympic play will be limited to five teams, the qualifying rounds to be held in Bulgaria are expected to be rigorous. Denmark will not field a team. Inge, who has been a member of the Danish national team for nine years, says simply: "We just wouldn't be competitive."

Nissen will thus miss the Olympics for a second time. "When I played in France, my Clermont teammates went to the 1976 Olympics," Nissen explains. "This year, two or three of my ODU teammates will probably be on the United States team. Once again, I'm going to have to sit home and watch it. I don't like it. But I've accepted the situation. There is no need to dwell on it."

Despite her ineligibility for the United States Olympic team, Inge's future is almost certain to include more American basketball. Considered one of the top prospects of the Women's Basketball League, Inge will probably be a first-round draft pick. The league, only in its second year of play, is in its infancy, but the expansion of the WBL this fall from eight teams to fourteen and rapidly increasing media coverage are good omens for its future.

One of the WBL's biggest weaknesses has been a lack of nationally-known, charismatic players, particularly since several graduate collegiate stars have chosen to retain their amateur status for the 1980 Olympics. WBL officials are thus anxious for Inge Nissen to turn professional after the 1979-80 collegiate season.

Asked if she plans to return to Denmark to live, Inge smiles and replies: "My mother plans for me to return." Basketball fans, especially WBL financial backers, would like to see such a return postponed indefinitely for they know that Inge could have a tremendous impact on the fledgling women's pro game. "When the WBL gets top attractions like Inge," one coach explains, "the league is really going to take off. There's no doubt. Basketball fans will pay to see someone like Inge Nissen play!"

NBC-TV sportscaster Al McGuire calls women's basketball "a tidal wave." Inge has ridden the wave since she first began playing basketball as a young schoolgirl in Randers. She's represented Denmark on its national team for nearly a decade. She has played on the best club team in Europe. She has led Old Dominion to the AIAW national collegiate championship.

The next challenge is professional play. Surely here too — riding the crest of the wave — will be Inge Nissen, America's Danish Superstar.

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
1-20-80	Arnold Andersen	73	Montcalm Co., Michigan	181	Sidney, Michigan	1943
1-30-80	Anton Petersen	92	Brande, Denmark	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1909
1-23-80	Rasmus N. M. Petersen	67	Rorth, Denmark	264	Pocatello, Idaho	1931
12-18-79	Albert O. Snyder	70	Palmer, Nebraska	211	Grand Island, Nebraska	1950
1-26-80	Johanna M. Anderson	65	Exira, Iowa	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1971
2-10-80	Aage W. Nielsen	59	Dronninglund, Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1946
2-11-80	Paul T. Mauritsen	86	Copenhagen, Denmark	164	New York, New York	1916
1-23-80	Orville Gunderson	64	Black Duck, Minnesota	113	Enumclaw, Washington	1964
11-21-79	Carl J. Bonde	91	Elk Horn, Iowa	121	Tyler, Minnesota	1918
12-17-79	Carl Jacobsen	76	Denmark	283	Dagmar, Montana	1935
2-21-80	Thorvald Thomsen	75	Sdr. Draaby, Denmark	326	West Branch, Iowa	1946
2-9-80	Axel A. P. Olsen	86	Spjlerup, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1911
2-9-80	Christian A. Jensen	81	Hjorring Amt., Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1917
1-24-80	Paul B. J. Bengtson	72	Chicago, Illinois	346	Riverside, California	1978
2-6-80	Harry Knudsen	77	Jackson Township, Iowa	341	Kimballton-Elk Horn, Iowa	1975
2-14-80	Lawrence L. Swan	77	Battlecreek, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1967
2-20-80	Jesse P. Petersen	81	Kearney County, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1978

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Emma E. Andresen	321	West Palm Beach	Carl Rasmussen
Helen H. Fromberg	321	West Palm Beach	John Petersen
Erik M. Andersen	328	Vancouver	Mogens B. Mogensen
Harald E. Andersen	328	Vancouver	Chris I. Bendsen
Tom Christensen	328	Vancouver	Mogens B. Mogensen
Jakob B. Iversen	328	Vancouver	Ingjaldt Bach
Peter K. Johannsen	328	Vancouver	Ingjaldt Bach
Karl E. Kristensen	328	Vancouver	Mogens B. Mogensen
Svend A. Laursen	328	Vancouver	Mogens B. Mogensen
Miller Nielsen	328	Vancouver	Ingjaldt Bach
Jorgen R. Olesen	328	Vancouver	Peter Jensen
Jan Plaetner	328	Vancouver	Ingjaldt Bach
Peter U. Sloth	328	Vancouver	Aage Bang
James A. Smith	328	Vancouver	Ingjaldt Bach
Erik Strandgaard	328	Vancouver	Mogens B. Mogensen
Holger Wammen	328	Vancouver	Mogens B. Mogensen
Kristian N. Severinsen	347	Cedar Rapids	Anker Severinsen
Julie A. Jorgensen	600	Omaha	Lenora Madsen
Albert B. Connelly	600	Omaha	John Rasmussen
Elva A. Connelly	600	Omaha	John Rasmussen

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 been selected as follows:

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!

Regional Workshops Are A Growing Success

SAN FRANCISCO



Close to opening the workshop program in San Francisco, March 1.



Later in the day, a short stretch break provides a pleasant moment of relaxation.



Time for a few moments of conversation after the program concludes. Secretary-treasurer Howard Christensen and Iver Poulsen, treasurer of Hayward Lodge No. 184.

LOS ANGELES



Discussion groups exchanging ideas at Los Angeles workshop, March 2.



This group from Lodges Nos. 323 and 345 is about ready to present their ideas.



During breaks, participants had a chance to look over the unusual and interesting album being kept by Holger Danske Lodge No. 345.

Our Lodges In Action

Nebraska

Lodge #206, Blair, NE — Presidents of the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Committee of Blair have approached us stating they will support us for our annual Danish Day in any way that is necessary.

We have been invited to join Lodge #1 on March 21 for their annual banquet and the Council Bluffs Sisterhood has invited us for their covered dish supper on March 4.

Our February program was the film, "China".

Harriet Betts, Sec.

Lodge #1, Omaha, NE — In February we enjoyed a slide program from Costa Rica shown and narrated by Flo Hansen. Flo participated in a people-to-people program in 1979 and brought back some excellent slides and interesting observations from her trip.

Thanks go to Dorothy and Ejvind Pedersen for serving the refreshments afterwards.

We have two Danish language classes going in our lodge before each meeting. The advanced class is taught by Aase Donahue and the beginner's class by Anna Hauswald.

Eastern

Lodge #190, Schenectady, NY — Hello again to all our brothers, sisters and friends.

Our annual Torsk dinner is coming up April 16. We purposely scheduled it a little later since we promised we'd wait til some of our brothers flew back from the South.

Just a few days before that, we'll celebrate our 76th anniversary, with special honors going to Chris B. Christensen. Chris is a Past Supreme President of the DBIA and an ex-President of our lodge.

The date will be April 12 at the Holiday Inn. There will be cocktails, dinner, dancing and more.

Lodge #172, Philadelphia, PA — George Jacobsen, President of the DBIA, presided over a joint installation of officers March 14. Also present were Past National President George Godthaab and GCEL President John Madsen.

In February we again met spring head-on with a rousing Fastelavns Fest. Thanks go to Chairmen Lars Cleemen, Carl Gudnitz and their helpers.

We are running a contest in our lodge to come up with a slogan or motto for the 1983 convention here in Philadelphia. The slogans are to refer in some way to Philadelphia as well as to Danes and/or the Brotherhood.

Lodge #342, Bucks County, PA — Our Fastelavns games in February were rudely interrupted by a sudden burst of snow that sent everyone scurrying to their cars.

Bargain-hunting was the order of business in March as we held an auction for all kinds of things — handmade items, baked goods ... even attic rummage.

Lodge #46, Edison, NJ — At our January meeting President Eric Brown was installed for a second term.

In February our senior members, Sigurd Nielsen, attained 73 years' membership. He was given a standing ovation and a robust "Hans skal leve".

Sigurd's speech was brief; he said he was just very glad to be able to be present. He and his wife, Martha, are residents of the Danish Home.

We have a potluck picnic planned for June 28 at the Danish Home grounds.

Jens C. Jessen, Sec.

Lodge #325, Long Island, NY — At our February meeting we saw the new film starring Victor Borge and his daughter. The film Denmark was a delight. The Danish landscapes were beautiful and Borge's humor gave it a special touch.

In April, Ib Andersen will be 60

years old. He became a member of our lodge in 1965 and has since then been our financial secretary, faithfully attending each meeting.

Niels B. Hansen, Sec.

Lodge #90, Port Reading, NJ — At our February meeting we firmed up plans for a Bingo Party night in March. We'll have prizes, refreshments and door prizes. Members were asked to bring guests to help make it a winning night.

Claire Kjems, Sec.

Michigan— Ohio

Lodge #227, Detroit, MI — In February we initiated one member into the lodge and voted on another 9 candidates.

One of our members, John Jensen, won a new car at the Detroit auto show.

Our annual fund night, Slaa Katten af Tønden, saw a full house with dinner, dancing and the crowning of a king and queen. There were gifts for the winners, and door prizes given away.

Our annual Blood Drive will take place on April 23 in the Danish Hall. We are asking members to bring everyone they can so we can surpass our quota of 50 pints.

Florida

Lodge #257, St. Petersburg, FL — At our February meeting we had several guests, 4 from New Jersey, 2 from Toronto, Canada, 2 from Denmark and 1 from DeLand, Florida.

Our entertainment committee is working hard to make our dinner-dance a big success March 29.

Bill Steffensen, Sec.

Montana

Lodge #273, Dillon, MT — About 175 guests attended our annual banquet in February. We enjoyed a cocktail hour, a banquet, a short program and dancing to the late hours.

During the program, Secretary Max Hansen presented Axel Madsen with his 50-year pin. At that time, we all recognized other members of the lodge who had been members for over 50 years.

Later that month, we had our annual family winter picnic at Clark Canyon Reservoir. About 60 of us engaged in ice skating, sledding and snowmobiling. It was a great opportunity for many of the older members

to get together and enjoy some winter activities.

We're always happy to hear from other lodges throughout the country, especially in regard to their activities.

Max Hansen, Sec.

Iowa— Minnesota



President Arthur Wall accepting Danish Flag presented by Anker Severinsen.

Lodge #347, Cedar Rapids-Marion, IA — In February our members enjoyed a John Denver film called "Rocky Mountain Adventure." That same night President Arthur Wall accepted a new Danish flag for our lodge, brought over from Denmark by Treasurer Anker Severinsen.

We then celebrated Fastelavns Dag with the children trying to knock Katten af Tønden.

Ulla Wall, Sec.



Sixty year pin presented to Alfred Krogh, the lodge's only living charter member of No. 326, by President Stewart Arnold.

Lodge #326, West Branch, IA — We're happy to report on these successful and well-attended events.

First, we had a yard, garage and bake sale in July to help raise money for sending our delegate to the National Convention.

Then in December we had a potluck dinner where we had a foreign

exchange student from Denmark, Birgitte Hansen, as our guest.

In January we had installation of officers and a presentation of a 60-year pin to our only living charter member, Alfred Krogh.

Last month we saw a film program on "The Viking Ships of Roskilde" and "On the Track of the Bog People". There was good attendance despite a bitterly cold night.

Deloris Ross, Sec.

Lodge #45, Minneapolis, MN — Preparations are being made to host the Askov Lodge #263 in our annual bowling shoot-out. The Minneapolis "Vikings" are hoping to recapture the trophy from the Askov "Alley Cats" as they've won two years in a row.

There will be a banquet and dancing after the bowling match. Speeches at the banquet will be limited to two minutes so we can get out on the dance floor.

Plans are also being made for our annual lodge banquet. Members are being encouraged to bring a guest.

Bill Aagaard, Rep.

California— Nevada

Lodge #230, Arcata, CA — In February we hosted joint installation ceremonies for lodge #95 of Ferndale, Sisterhood lodge #131 of Ferndale, and our own lodge. District President Bob Lassiter presided over the ceremonies, assisted by Al Tunsen and Eunice Sanborn.

The festivities included a cocktail hour, dinner, dancing and a breakfast afterwards. Many of our out-of-town guests had an opportunity to do some sight-seeing as it was a three-day holiday that weekend.

Three of us had the opportunity to travel to Petaluma lodge's installation, which we enjoyed immensely. On our way home, we stopped at the Veteran's Home in Yountville to visit our brother Henry Juhl, who was presented with his 25-year pin.

Mark your calendar for September 20 as we'll be celebrating our 75th anniversary on that date. We'd like to have as many as possible celebrate with us.

Laura Schuler, Sec.

Lodge #323, Alhambra, CA — Karen and Dick Rowse are in charge of entertainment for March and have decided to have a potluck dinner.

We have 4 months for which we have no programs planned. We're looking for any kind of expertise to help with the committees in planning our programs.

Kate D. Krake.

Pacific Northwest

Lodge #42, Spokane, WA — Coming lodge events include Pinochle parties in April and May. Also in May is the Pacific Northwest District Convention on the 23rd, 24th and 25th. It will be held at the Spokane Sheridan, so plan now to attend.

Anyone wanting an ad in the program, contact Agnes or Sheridan Perry right away.

Lodge #29, Seattle, WA — The joint installation of officers in January had to be postponed because of the severe weather. So in February, we held the ceremonies with National Director Clyde Langsted and Sisterhood District President Kay Wight officiating.

We shared some delicious Danish pastry following the meeting and viewed an interesting travel film to complete a very delightful evening.

Lodge #167, Portland, OR — At our January meeting, Lodge President Don Bogh was recognized for his efforts in bringing in new members.

We have appointed an advisory committee to help with Young Vikings activities.

Midwest

Lodge #34, Dwight, IL — After the installation of officers in January, President Glen Boxam received a handmade walnut gavel, thanks to the work of Les Hansen.

We are going to tackle an Aebleskiver supper on April 16, and plans are already underway.

The Target Shoot is coming soon, and we have been warned that the shooters from Chicago are going to give us some competition this year.

Margaret Goodwin, Rep.

APRIL ASSESSMENT NUMBER 970

is Due and Payable to the
Lodge Treasurer

April 1, 1980

And Must Be Paid Before

May 1, 1980

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

HOWARD CHRISTENSEN,
Secretary-Treasurer.



Lodge No. 14's new aebleskiver pan.

Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI — Pictured here is our new aebleskiver pan which can make up to 120 at a time. We got help from Ferdinand Christensen of Lodge #345, who sent us the plans. Dick Sorensen made our units,

which are made of aluminum with Teflon coating. Dick was kind enough to donate the pans to our lodge. Thanks go to him and Vern Ammentorp who assisted Dick.

Bob Ibsen, Rep.



The fearless Vikings of Lodge 186 launch their ship on the streets of Luck.

Lodge #186, Luck, WI — Shown here is a picture of our float as it appeared in the Luck Winter Carnival Parade. It was built by Christian Jacobsen on his boat trailer.

The fearless Vikings are Christian Jacobsen, John Bille and Chauncey

Weitz. The float will make another appearance in the summer when the village of Luck celebrates its 75th anniversary. (Photo courtesy Polk County Ledger)

Darlene Jensen, Sec.



Christian Madsen receiving his 60-year pin from secretary, Sofus Sorensen.

Lodge #64, Rockford, IL — Christian Madsen is shown as he recently received his 60-year pin from Secretary Sofus Sorensen.

Chris was 93 years old on January 28. He is a veteran of World War I. Chris lives at home with his wife, Clara. He's been an active member, but lately has been unable to attend our meetings — we miss him!

Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI — We will set aside winter doldrums for our March social night. It promises to be fun with a Take-Away Bingo game. Then Al Larsen and his wife will present a slide program on their trip to the National Convention in Vancouver.

For April we have planned a movie on loan from the Danish Consulate in Chicago. It's called "Time for Work, Time for Play".

The University of Wisconsin has two programs planned that may be of interest to our members. The first is a Scandinavian Day set for April 19, reservations required by the 16th.

The second is a non-credit course entitled "Scandinavian Heroes and Heroines". This is a six session series of talks and discussions of famous characters in Scandinavian literature.

Al Larsen, Rep.

Lodge #35, Chicago, IL — We are looking for members who would like to take a tour as Barbara Henriksen told us that Finnair Airlines is setting up a Royal Scandinavian Tour to Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

We are already practicing for the Target Shoot coming up soon. John Jorgensen said that there have been two practice sessions, with one more in February.

Our Dane for the Night* in February was Roger Larsen, who came to the U.S. from Denmark in 1923 at the age of 17. Roger has been a member of the lodge since 1924.

*See this month's Viking Adventures

Annual Report of the Lodges

December 31, 1979

Lodge No.	Location	Insured Members	Social Members	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Fraternal Benefits Paid	Total Assets				
1	Omaha, NE	140	107	91.91	376,665	264.00	26,607.47				
3	Davenport, IA	12	7		22,250		1,402.39				
4	Racine, WI	249	108	182.22	291,000	206.00	39,549.33				
9*	Oshkosh	14	0	4.61	11,500						
10	Council Bluffs, IA	60	14	91.06	128,125		2,392.49				
14	Kenosha, WI	176	128	113.15	465,839	1,123.00	88,660.73				
15	Des Moines, IA	41	19	42.69	41,500	250.00	12,190.00				
16	Minden, NE	112	73	288.07	491,025	583.17	6,346.65				
17*	Chicago, IL	76	23	119.59	207,750						
26	Fremont, NE	14	0	**	10,500						
29	Seattle, WA	187	33	229.52	489,110		61,397.92				
30*	Muskegon, MI	41	8	33.08	42,875						
32	New Haven, CT	59	9	85.52	67,000	284.00	17,106.17				
33	Tacoma, WA	12	10	4.81	7,250	100.00	6,020.88				
34	Dwight, IL	160	51	55.04	202,250		5,387.46				
35	Chicago, IL	66	28	28.83	79,750	1,264.00	25,903.45				
36	Milwaukee, WI	39	27	24.69	48,250		3,922.62				
37	Bridgeport, CT	19	0	13.56	16,375		10,430.38				
39	Oakland, CA	62	7	65.05	49,000	423.00	52,195.23				
41*	Derby, CT	21	0	20.80	16,875						
42	Spokane, WA	46	18	51.76	47,375		6,692.29				
43	Denver, CO	64	11	**	79,875		35,500.00				
45*	Minneapolis, MN	92	26	69.12	88,708						
46	Perth Amboy, NJ	53	139	40.97	88,176						
49*	San Francisco, CA	106	28	95.08	54,500						
50*	Byram, CT	15	1	14.12	10,875						
51	Ludington, MI	115	54	82.73	164,000		52,635.00				
56	Kansas City, MO	33	12	36.69	24,250		2,980.39				
62	Sioux City, IA	15	7	36.15	27,250		4,971.59				
64	Rockford, IL	28	11	27.34	43,250		1,694.34				
67	Fresno, CA	40	6	92.95	45,875		21,136.98				
70	Greenville, MI	63	24	64.18	72,625		16,881.38				
71*	Penn Yan, NY	56	14	71.64	67,125						
73	Alden, MN	10	0	**	21,750		1,663.63				
75	Albert Lea, MN	59	34	195.00	94,875		7,614.00				
78*	Salt Lake City, UT	13	0	**	6,500						
84*	Lincoln, NE	47	15	61.44	62,500						
89*	Superior, WI	10	6	2.49	4,000						
90	Port Reading, NJ	14	11	25.93	13,250		506.89				
92	St. Charles, IL	82	32	65.71	593,375	233.00	9,332.44				
95	Ferndale, CA	37	13	79.99	36,125		9,584.90				
102	Providence, RI	22	5	29.50	28,125		439.58				
103*	Waterbury, CT	8	1	**	10,000						
106*	Trufant, MI	71	0	127.48	92,750						
107*	Chicago, IL	17	0	**	11,750						
110	Winside, NE	17	5	12.70	14,750		101.56				
111	Austin, MN	20	8	17.20	21,000		3,029.22				
113	Enumclaw, WA	26	22	30.11	62,250		2,485.00				
116	Newark, NJ	96	13	150.62	133,875		17,730.60				
117	Plainview, NE	55	0	47.82	49,375	328.53	1,010.19				
121*	Tyler, MN	8	0	4.94	4,750						
125	W'ping Water, NE	20	1	23.77	61,500			100.00			2,862.81
126	Los Angeles, CA	183	54	228.53	285,500			340.00			70,189.00
134*	Ringsted, IA	13	0	**	11,000						
139	Viborg, SD	60	55	100.40	42,250						
143	Petaluma, CA	73	27	36.59	84,500			170.00			12,007.57
144	Dike, IA	109	19	**	225,500						6,688.30
147	Newell, IA	29	33	29.20	76,250						1,247.40
148*	Cheyenne, WY	12	0	**	15,000						
153	Dannevirke, NE	7	1	2.19	5,500						60.36
155	Bellingham, WA	18	18	27.24	15,250						
161	Ruskin, NE	61	53	**	132,000						5,962.94
163*	Edmore, MI	5	1	1.34	2,250						
164	New York, NY	32	22	31.37	28,375						
167	Portland, OR	161	62	104.45	672,750			100.00			15,116.92
169*	Hubbard, NE	3	0	2.00	1,750						
170	Rocky River, OH	28	8	49.55	57,000						7,300.94
171*	Jamestown, NY	16	0	11.23	10,375						
172	Philadelphia, PA	97	26	89.66	181,789			283.82			14,020.90
173*	Kansas City, KS	18	0	**	15,375						
177	Cordova, NE	35	3	36.37	43,500						1,305.38
181*	Sidney, MI	23	1	**	16,250						
182	Waukegan, IL	54	18	25.33	53,250						5,470.87
183	Troy, NY	35	4	43.18	32,750						25,200.00
184	Hayward, CA	38	1	49.36	30,375			70.00			7,619.98
186	Luck, WI	51	106	**	80,625						30,728.53
190	Schenectady, NY	67	9	65.15	63,625			977.00			3,957.29
194	McMinnville, OR	13	14	8.44	10,500						2,310.76
195	Omaha, NE	21	5	43.60	25,625						1,985.36
202*	Warren, PA	20	5	37.62	18,250						
206	Blair, Ne	29	90	**	128,875						3,176.95
211	Grand Island, NE	42	38	32.25	93,875						399.77
213*	Ord, NE	8	0	**	9,750						
217	Humboldt, IA	29	90	18.51	67,250			75.00			3,352.57
219	Clear Lake, IA	23	8	18.83	43,000						1,628.65
225	Canton, OH	53	4	64.16	88,532			265.00			4,290.22
227*	Detroit, MI	340	182	367.54	677,250						
230	Arcata, CA	19	13	24.31	14,000						12,819.57
233	Toledo, OH	8	0	1.33	4,250						
234*	Woodstock, IL	8	4	7.39	8,875						
238	Juhl, MI	10	0	5.97	6,250						103.71
239*	Lake Forest, IL	5	0	2.24	1,625						
240	Rochester, NY	7	2	2.25	2,375						483.73
241	Sayreville, NJ	25	0	19.27	14,250			34.00			6,294.39
242	Erie, PA	86	3	60.62	63,125			555.00			97,731.00
245*	South Bend, IN	29	0	**	21,250						
254*	Brush, CO	5	0	5.32	2,750						
255	Selma, CA	29	2	20.63	22,125			120.00			8,037.18
257	St. Petersburg, FL	16	52	10.41	23,625						1,090.93
260*	Williston, ND	9	0	7.03	7,250						
261	Fowler, CO	59	11	73.58	74,500						4,790.00
262	Cozad, NE	9	0	13.92	8,000						114.79
263	Askov, MN	103	5	75.54	131,375						3,911.32
264*	Pocatello, ID	19	2	22.82	15,500						
268	Junction City, OR	45	27	32.03	144,250			145.75			8,200.78
273	Dillon, MT	58	8	86.07	54,500						8,920.76
279	Hunter, ND	6	0	1.39	4,625						126.54
281	Cincinnati, OH	8	3	6.43	6,500						936.15
283	Dagmar, MT	86	5	72.33	91,750			1,200.00			11,082.56
288	Cotesfield, NE	15	0	40.41	14,000						150.90
294	Barre, VT	62	8	95.72	68,500						4,438.50
299	Soivang, CA	105	47	106.38	362,500			150.00			1,248.03
300*	Oneonta, NY	9	0	**	7,250						
301*	Akron, OH	43	1	118.94	56,250						
306	San Diego, CA	47	25	50.57	30,500			150.00			12,400.46
314*	Hartford, CT	73	9	71.50	65,500						
318*	Copenhagen, Den.	0	82								
319	Bakersfield, CA	34	5	42.56	34,625						3,547.38
321	W Palm Beach, FL	8	6	8.35	5,750						718.39
322*	Santa Barbara, CA	53	18	70.07	35,250						
323	Alhambra, CA	44	30	57.21	64,500			691.00			2,614.95
325	Nassau Co. NY	78	39	161.05	121,750			50.00			6,573.69
326	West Branch, IA	17	12	**	15,000						379.52
328	Vancouver, BC	0	111								12,908.19
329	Long Beach, CA	22	8	23.62	48,000						418.51
332	Ripon, CA	54	11	61.47	64,375						9,965.08
334	Geneva, NY	28	3	29.80	34,250						3,871.05
337	Fremont, CA	32	16	43.59	19,125						540.48
339*	Las Vegas, NV	16	7	**	20,000						
340*	Wood Dale, IL	63	7	**	571,000						
341	Kimballton-Elk Horn	38	110	**	141,750						1,067.02
342	Bucks County, PA	42	26	**	52,250						3,828.70
343	Waupaca, WI	1	76	**	1,000						815.66
344*	Janesville, WI	21	26	**	41,500						
245	Orange Co. CA	57	70	**	180,500			358.58			4,310.92
346	Riverside, CA	37	54	**	78,000						1,621.85
347	Cedar Rapids, IA	21	36	**	54,500						203.38
600	Omaha, NE	801	53	**2,761,718							

JUVENILE MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Location	Membership	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance
1	Omaha, NE	20	1.46	31,000
4	Racine, WI	4	2.19	7,500
10	Council Bluffs, IA	7	3.63	6,500
14	Kenosha, WI	11	4.38	42,000
15	Des Moines, IA	7	3.65	25,000
16	Minden, NE	16	3.82	29,500
17	Chicago, IL	1	**	2,500
26	Freemont, NE	2	**	1,000
29	Seattle, WA	20	10.90	82,500
32	New Haven, CT	6	8.67	5,500
34	Dwight, IL	44	3.65	67,000
35	Chicago, IL	6	**	24,000
36	Milwaukee, WI	6	3.52	12,000
39	Oakland, Ca	6	8.14	5,500
41	Derby, CT	1	1.45	1,000
42	Spokane, WA	7	2.82	14,500
43	Denver, CO	9	**	13,000
46	Perth Amboy, NJ	13	2.24	24,500
51	Ludington, MI	4	**	5,500
62	Sioux City, IA	2	2.18	4,000
67	Fresno, CA	3	**	15,000
70	Greenville, MI	1	1.51	1,000
71	Penn Yan, NY	11	9.45	9,500
75	Albert Lea, MN	2	4.36	3,000
84	Lincoln, NE	2	1.45	6,000
90	Port Reading, NJ	1	1.51	1,000
92	St. Charles, IL	20	4.35	83,500
95	Ferndale, CA	8	9.54	6,000
102	Providence, RI	4	**	18,000
107	Chicago, IL	2	**	2,000
111	Austin, MN	1	1.45	1,000
113	Enumclaw, WA	1	**	2,500
116	Newark, NJ	7	9.01	6,500
125	Weeping Water, NE	2	**	5,000
126	Los Angeles, CA	23	16.20	30,500
134	Ringsted, IA	1	**	2,500
139	Viborg, SD	7	13.58	10,000
143	Petaluma, CA	4	2.19	4,500
144	Dike, IA	7	**	30,500
147	Newell, IA	1	**	**
161	Ruskin, NE	5	**	5,000
167	Portland, OR	25	4.35	69,000
172	Philadelphia, PA	6	2.18	9,000
173	Kansas City, KS	1	**	1,000
177	Cordova, NE	10	**	25,000
182	Waukegan, IL	6	**	8,000
183	Troy, NY	4	5.15	4,000
184	Hayward, CA	9	9.40	8,000
190	Schenectady, NY	2	2.91	2,000
202	Warren, PA	1	.73	500
211	Grand Island, NE	13	**	42,500
217	Humboldt, IA	12	**	26,000
225	Canton, OH	13	17.50	29,000
227	Detroit, MI	4	3.68	4,500
230	Arcata, CA	2	**	**
238	Juhl, MI	11	4.19	25,500
242	Erie, PA	8	10.19	14,000
245	South Bend, IN	4	**	2,500
254	Brush, CO	1	**	2,500
257	St. Petersburg, FL	1	1.48	1,000
263	Askov, MN	7	8.00	10,500
268	Junction City, OR	5	2.78	22,000
283	Dagmar, MT	1	2.19	1,500
294	Barre, VT	5	6.56	9,500
299	Solvang, CA	3	3.73	17,500
301	Akron, OH	14	28.88	21,500
306	San Diego, CA	7	3.69	10,000
314	Hartford, CT	1	1.47	1,000
319	Bakersfield, CA	4	1.46	1,000
323	Alhambra, CA	7	**	39,000
325	Nassau Co., NY	2	10.18	7,500
326	West Branch, IA	4	**	9,000
329	Long Beach, CA	6	**	6,000
332	Ripon, CA	15	16.65	19,000
334	Geneva, NY	1	3.12	2,500
337	Fremont, CA	2	3.05	2,000
339	Las Vegas, NV	8	**	9,000
340	Wood Dale, IL	20	**	109,500
341	Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA	1	**	2,500
345	Orange Co., CA	19	**	9,000
346	Riverside, CA	15	**	1,500
600	Omaha, NE	136	**	446,000

The report for 1979 is not received, or was received too late to be included in the tabulation. The amounts used are taken from our records subject to final audit when the lodge report is received. Secretaries who find an asterisk() after their lodge number are asked to submit their 1979 report to the Home Office as soon as possible.

**All lodge members on direct billing.

The above listing gives 138 lodges and, as reported by the lodges, an adult membership consisting of 7,194 insured and 3,159 social; a total of one monthly assessment of \$6,108.83 for all lodges and a combined amount of insurance of \$14,219,062.

In addition to the above tabulation, as reported by the lodges, we have 721 juvenile members with an amount of \$290.82 for one monthly assessment and insurance of \$1,678,000.

This brings the adult and juvenile membership tabulation to a grand total membership of 11,074, one monthly assessment of \$6,399.65 and a total amount of insurance of \$15,897,062.

Lodges reporting for 1979

Paid fraternal benefits	\$ 10,893.85
Cash and other assets	\$1,018,652.69

The total sum of insurance assessment paid to the local lodge treasurer but not yet remitted to the Home Office is not included in the total assets as reported on the annual lodge report. All such assessments must be accounted for, and belong to the Home Office. However, all other assets belong to the local lodge and the Home Office has no claim on these where the lodge is in good standing.

With few exceptions lodge treasurers have remitted promptly when due. In states where it is required to report delinquent lodges at year-end, such requirements were complied with.

The average insured age attained as of December 31, 1979 is 52.

HOWARD CHRISTENSEN,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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:

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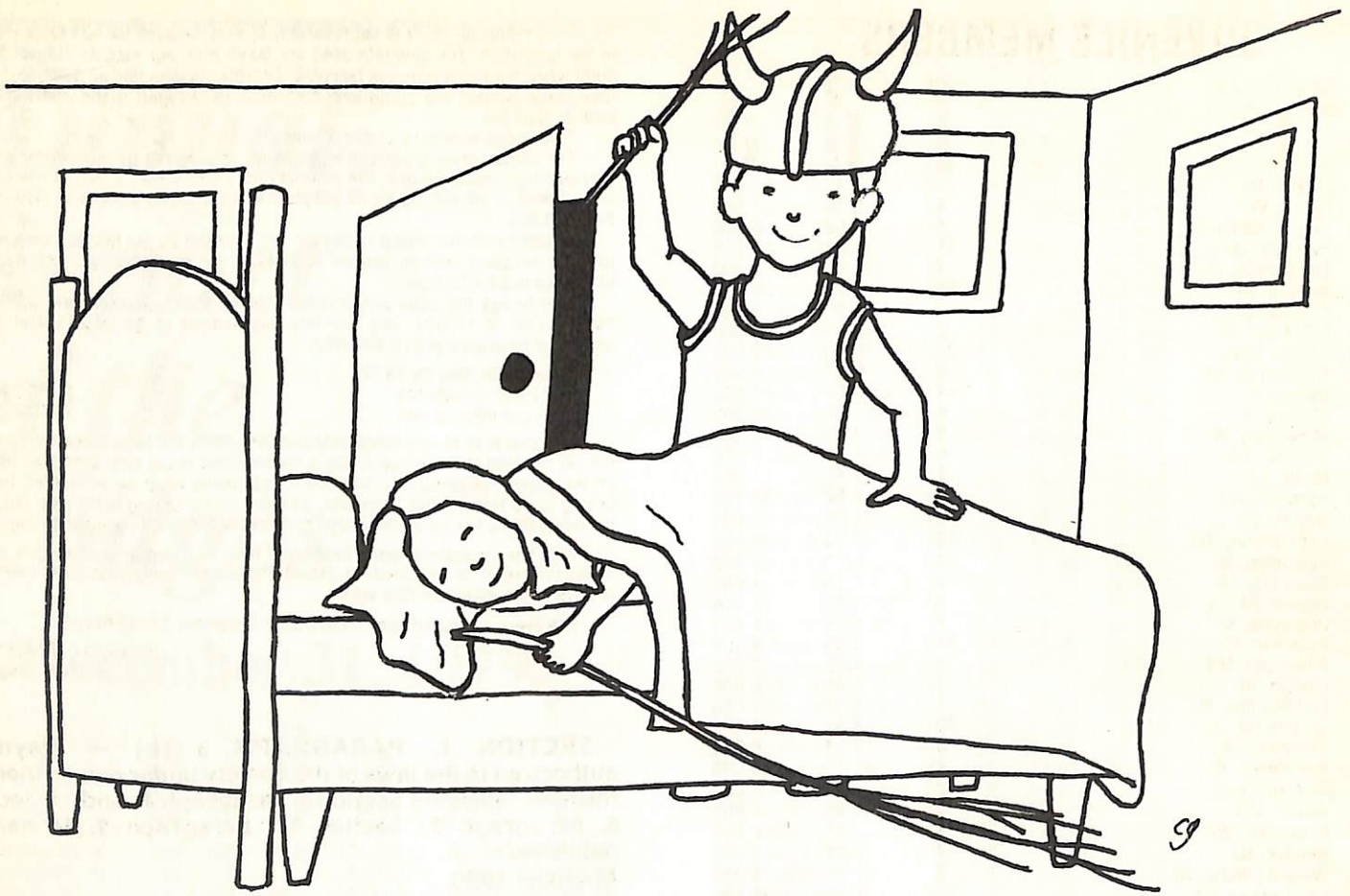
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PORK CHOPS IN SAUERKRAUT*

[*Svinekoteletter I Surkaal*]

- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1 (No. 2½) can kraut
- salt and pepper, paprika
- ¼ cup rice, uncooked
- 1 small can tomato soup (10¾ oz.)
- 2 cups water
- 1 tablespoon sugar

Sprinkle seasoning on chops, brown in casserole. Line casserole with the onion; add half the kraut. Add browned chops, and add rice. Add remaining kraut, cover with mixed soup, sugar and water. Bake at 350° for 1½ hours. Serves 4.

Grandma's Kitchen

*Recipe from A Taste of Danish, by Danish Brotherhood in America, Lodge 1, Omaha, Nebraska. Available by mail from Marilyn Storms, 4129 N. 100 St., Omaha, NE 68134, 96 pages, \$3.50, postpaid.

Viking Adventures

Coming Together—A Beginning

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Working Together—Success

Lodge Handbooks — those invaluable reference books for lodge officers are still in circulation. If you are a new officer and have not seen a Lodge Handbook, check with the secretary of your lodge. Revisions are being made and will be mailed as soon as possible. Your Lodge Handbook can be your guide to a better lodge, more programs and knowledge about the organization.

DANE FOR A NIGHT

A new feature at every monthly meeting of *Lodge No. 35* in *Chicago* has been described for us by their Newsletter Editor *Elsa Petersen*.

"...it was just a "top of the head" idea that took off. I thought the meetings needed a little extra spark and one night at a meeting... I quickly jotted down questions that might be asked, format, etc. Everyone likes a little recognition and it occurred to me that this was one way we could do it..."

"Anyone is fair game and they do not know ahead of time they are being selected — it is so much fun for everything to be spontaneous. I suppose this could pose problems if one really doesn't want to be asked, but I refuse to think about that right now!

"The two we have interviewed were absolutely delighted. I have made a silly little crown with some gold spray paint and stuck some small Danish flags in it and we sit our DANE FOR THE NIGHT in the front of the room in a big chair and ask the questions in a very informal and fun manner. I imagine I will maintain some kind of scrapbook for future use.

"We have developed a line of questions that

are pretty basic and at the last meeting someone suggested that the other members present might like to throw in a few questions too — that sounds like fun. Our basic questions run something like this: Where were you born? When did you come to America? Where did you settle? How many were in your family? What did your dad do? your mother? Where did you meet your wife? Is she Danish? How many children do you have? Do they speak Danish? What is your business? When did you join the lodge? What offices have you held? What would you like to see happen in your lodge?"

This should help your lodge get started on a similar program. *Elsa* has more ideas for their Dane for the Night activity and we will bring these to you in the next issue of *Viking Adventures*.

NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Under a ruling dated December 4, 1945, all lodges of The Danish Brotherhood in America were held to be exempt from federal income tax. This may not apply to unrelated business income received by your lodge.

If your lodge needs evidence of this tax exemption, the home office will be happy to send you a copy of the 1945 ruling. The home office also has available applications for employer identification numbers, IRS form SS-4.

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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.

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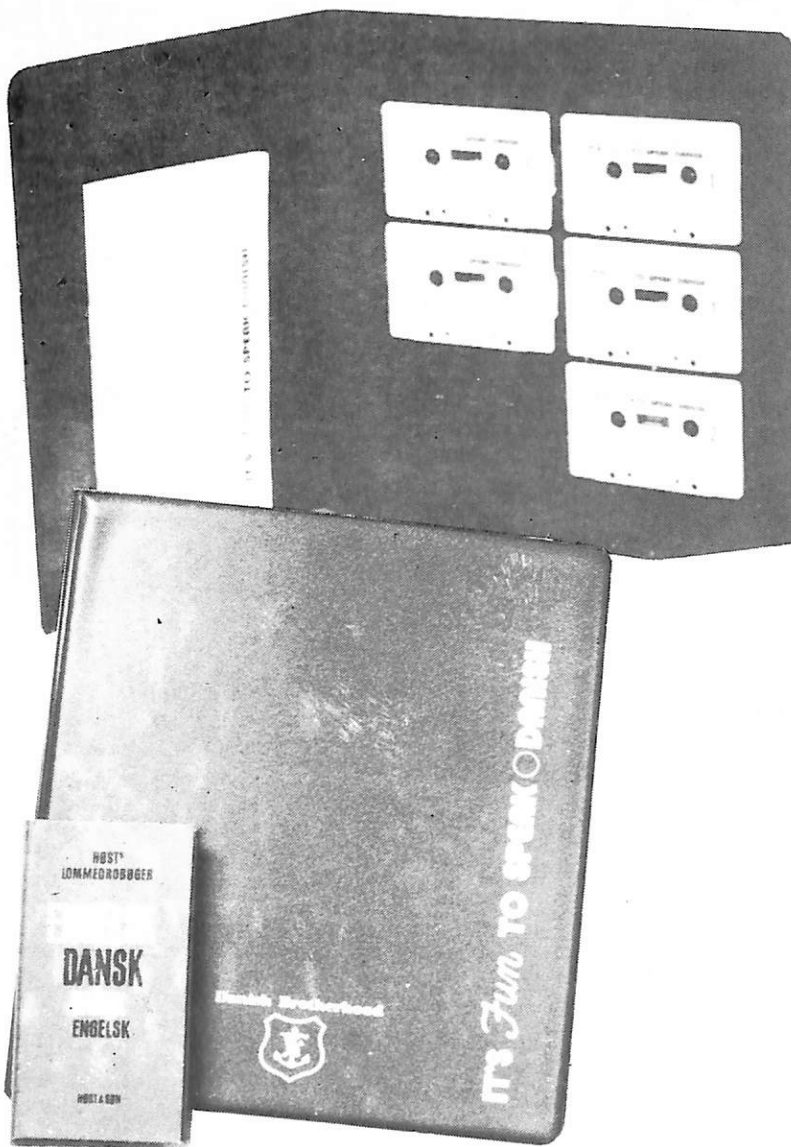
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