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World Wide Photo Feature by Jack Walrad.



# President's Page

**Robert E. Ibsen**  
**National President**

The Danish Brotherhood offers many fraternal benefits such as scholarships, camp grants, the orphan benefit, low-cost insurance, special aid, general aid, and the American Dane; all of which we are very much aware of. However, other fraternal benefits are available but, because of special circumstances, are not as well known. For instance, did you know that DBIA provides assistance to victims affected by a disaster?

The majority of our fraternal benefits are available at least once a year and are publicized as such. Since disasters affecting our members are so unpredictable and luckily few and far between, the need for this type of assistance may not exist for several years. However, the Danish Brotherhood in America stands ready to lend support at all times and has proven this throughout its history.

The need to assist disaster victims was originally recognized in 1906 when an earthquake rocked the city of San Francisco, California. Members of the Danish Brotherhood joined together and sent financial aid to help those who suffered losses.

In 1972 members also realized the need to financially assist flood stricken residents of Rapid City, South Dakota. In less than one week after "The Rapid City Relief Fund" was established, money was initially collected with several additional donations to follow.

The "Tornado Relief Fund" was established in 1975 to aid both members and non-members in their recovery from the tornado which struck residents in Omaha, Nebraska. A substantial amount was raised to help victims rebuild, relocate, pay bills, and reshape their lives.

The most recent example of assistance furnished to disaster victims is when Grand Island, Nebraska, was struck by five tornadoes on June 3, 1980. An appeal for financial assistance was printed in the American Dane and members from all across the country mailed in contributions.

While none of us look forward to disasters such as those mentioned above, it is comforting to know that the Danish Brotherhood will always continue the tradition which has been at the heart of our society since its conception — people helping people. Our minds may remain at ease knowing that when trouble strikes, our brothers and sisters must be informed as to when the need arises.

Contact the National Headquarters if a tragedy strikes in your area as soon as possible. Once the home office is informed of the disaster the Board of Directors are contacted. If approved, a disaster fund is immediately established with an article describing the disaster and a plea for contributions included in the next issue of the American Dane. Once donations are received, they are held at the home office until the conclusion of the drive, at which time a final check is issued to the affected lodges which will govern the disbursement of monies.

Helping our brothers and sisters is not only incurred because of a disaster, but I recall an instance in 1977 when one of our members, Stanley Sakowski, was seriously injured in an automobile accident at the age of 23. After an extensive and costly hospital stay, a decision had to be made — Stan was in what appeared to be an irreversible coma. His mother, Beatrice, a registered nurse, could not accept placing him in a nursing home and decided to care for him herself. Besides special fraternal aid from the home office, the "Fraternal Friends of Stan Fund" was set up with an immediate outpouring of assistance from caring brothers all across the country. Just another example of people caring for people.

As a footnote to this story, it is now 1985 and his mother is still caring for our brother, Stanley. She has never given up hope and I know you join with me in saluting this wonderful woman and her love for her son. Stanley has continuously received special fraternal aid from the Danish Brotherhood for the past eight years.

These types of assistance, along with numerous other fraternal benefits, reflects the highest degree of respect — respect for and from our brothers and sisters, and our fellow man. We need to work together to continue to deserve this respect and to shoulder all our responsibilities as true examples of the free fraternal system at work.



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# Denmark in America

by Jack Walrad

*World Press Foreign Correspondent*



**THE ORIGINAL ANDERSEN CENTER, at Buellton, has been extensively remodeled and expanded.**



**THE NEWEST ANDERSEN CENTER, on Interstate 5, north of San Diego, attracts Danish tour groups as well as highway travelers and local residents, at Carlsbad.**

**JULIETTE ANDERSEN, French-born wife of Anton, brought recipes of special dishes from the east of France to Buellton. Among them was the recipe for split pea soup, a menu item which soon became so popular that "Andersen's Pea Soup Restaurant" became the nucleus for the Andersen Centers.**

Denmark in America! Imagine!

Yes, it's true.

Just as in Aarhus, in Denmark, on every Fourth of July, when Danes throng to the American Independence Day celebration there, so do Danish-Americans — and Danish tourists, often in large groups — visit the Andersen Centers in the United States.

Just as the stars and stripes flying proudly at Aarhus thrill visitors there, so does the Danish flag, flying just as proudly, thrill visitors to Denmark in America.

Now composed of a Danish-styled "Best Western Inn," a large restaurant featuring Danish menus, a large super service station, and a well-stocked convenience store, the Andersen Centers started with "Pea Soup" Andersen's Restaurant in June, 1924 at Buellton, California.

At that time, in 1924, Anton and Juliette Andersen arrived in California's beautiful Santa Ynez Valley, now near the summer

vacation home of President and Mrs. Ronald Reagan.

There they opened their highway restaurant, now a point of interest for many Danish travelers.

Anton was from Denmark and Juliette was from France. Both had years of successful experience in the preparation of fine foods. Juliette's recipe for split pea soup became an immediate favorite. With Anton's flair for the dramatic, they soon popularized the restaurant as the "Original Home of Split Pea Soup."

There are now three Andersen Centers. The one at Buellton is 40 miles north of Santa Barbara. Another is located at Santa Nella, 65 miles south of Stockton. The third is 30 miles north of San Diego at Carlsbad. All are in California.

At each of the three Andersen Centers a celebration commemorated the 60th anniversary of the Andersen's Centers and the founding of "Pea Soup" Andersen's Restaurant at Buellton on Friday, June 13, 1924.



**THE DANISH FLAG** flies proudly at the Carlsbad, California, Andersen Center where countless Danish Americans and Danish tourists see a bit of Denmark in America. World Wide Photo by Jack Walrad.



**ANTON ANDERSEN**, Danish-born chef trained in exclusive restaurants of Europe and New York, put his tuxedo in mothballs and donned an apron when he opened "Andersen's Electric Cafe" at Buellton, California, with his wife, Juliette, in 1924.



**A DANISH looking** windmill has become a familiar landmark at each of the Andersen Centers in California.

1984 started, in the Los Angeles-Hollywood area, with the entry and participation of The Andersen Centers float in the Rose Bowl Parade at Pasadena. National and international network commentators told an estimated 60 million TV viewers of the significance of TAC's entry, "The Princess and the Pea," of its



**ROBERT T. (Pea Soup) ANDERSEN**, son of Anton and Juliette, assumed responsibility for management and growth of the business in the 1940s. He became known as "Pea Soup" Andersen to millions of restaurant guests.

Danish origin, and of the float's Danish motif.

Throughout 1985 Danish-oriented special programs will continue the 1984 Jubilee Year of the Andersen Centers. And festivities are intended to show countless Danish Americans and Danish tourists memorable showcases of Denmark in America.

## Students Enjoy "Learning Vacations" in Scandinavia

SAS teamed with Scandinavian Express, one of the leading tour operators in Scandinavia, to organize one-week learning vacations in Denmark, Norway, and Sweden that were educational, adventurous and a lot of fun.

With the declaration by the United Nations General Assembly that International Youth Year should take place in 1985 with three themes: "Participation, Development and Peace," Scandinavian Airlines decided to get involved.

Speaking at a VIP departure briefing at Tom Bradley International Terminal at the L.A. Airport, Anders Bjorck, Director/Southwest Area of Scandinavian Airlines said, "SAS is honored to have a chance to support the 1985 United Nations International Youth Year initiative by enabling 30 of California's finest youths an opportunity to make new friends in Scandinavia; and in a small but important way to contribute to the development of universal understanding which ultimately fosters world peace."



Anders Bjorck, Director/Southwest Area of Scandinavian Airlines, presents Susan Iko, new SAS sweater, specially designed for 30 super students from the L.A. public schools who recently traveled to Scandinavia as guests of SAS.

Additionally, Bjorck said, U.S. corporations have been encouraged to become partners in education, and it's time for international carriers to get involved, to extend the learning "field trip" concept from the local community to the world.

Special, individualized "off the beaten track" learning vacations for groups for the young and "young at heart" are now available in Scandinavia. In Denmark, for

example, options include a visit to Legoland, an amusement park made entirely of lego blocks (a dentist's delight since no candy is sold at any of the concessions); a horse and buggy ride through the loveliest part of Jutland on an old military road, followed by afternoon steamboating through Silkeborg's lake district (a five-six hour canoe ride in Silkeborg is ideal for aerobic enthusiasts and nature lovers). A morning visit at an authentic working Danish farm can be extended into a longer mini-vacation in the countryside. And a visit to the quaint town of Odense, the home of Hans Christian Andersen, is, of course, a must do item in the land of fairytales and castles. Navigating a historic Danish schooner along North Sealand's scenic coast (on a clear day you can see the coastline of neighboring Sweden) can also be included on the agenda.

Local guides provide expert guidance and instruction in such activities as canoeing in Denmark and nature walks through Scandinavian wilderness.

For additional information on SAS/Scandinavian Express learning vacations to Scandinavia, write to Scandinavian Airlines, Box G0, 8929 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, CA 90211.

## Harvey Bensen In Memoriam

On July 18, 1985, Portland lost a prominent member of its Danish community. Harvey Bensen, the Danish Consul for Oregon for 25 years, passed away.

Those of us who knew Harvey will feel a big loss. Unfortunately, his poor health did not allow him to participate in as many Danish functions as he would have liked to the last few years.

However, just within the last few months he did attend the Northwest District Convention Dinner as well as the reception and cocktail party for Consul General Henning Kristiansen and his wife. It was such a joy for all of us to see him at both these functions having a great time — with a big smile on his face and in his eyes — and with his beautiful Danish sense of humor in full bloom.

Harvey was an attorney in Portland for 53 years and whenever the Danish lodges needed any legal advise or assistance, he was always ready with his big help.

In 1975 Harvey was decorated by Queen Margrethe with the Danish Ridderkors.

He was indeed a proud Dane — and a Dane we could be proud of.

Aere vaere hans minde.

**Lisa Mortensen**, Past President  
Lodge No. 167

## Danish Canadian Conference in New Denmark

Over 60 Danes from across Canada participated in the fourth national Danish Canadian Conference in New Denmark on June 14-16, 1985. New Denmark, situated in northern New Brunswick, is the oldest Danish settlement in Canada, established in 1872. The host was the New Denmark Historical Society, which is one of the member organizations of the Federation of Danish Associations in Canada, the national umbrella organization. The Danish Federation brings together 25 groups and associations across Canada, and thus provides them with a permanent framework for cooperation.



Participants at the Danish Canadian Conference in New Denmark, where the theme was "Preserving and Documenting our History."

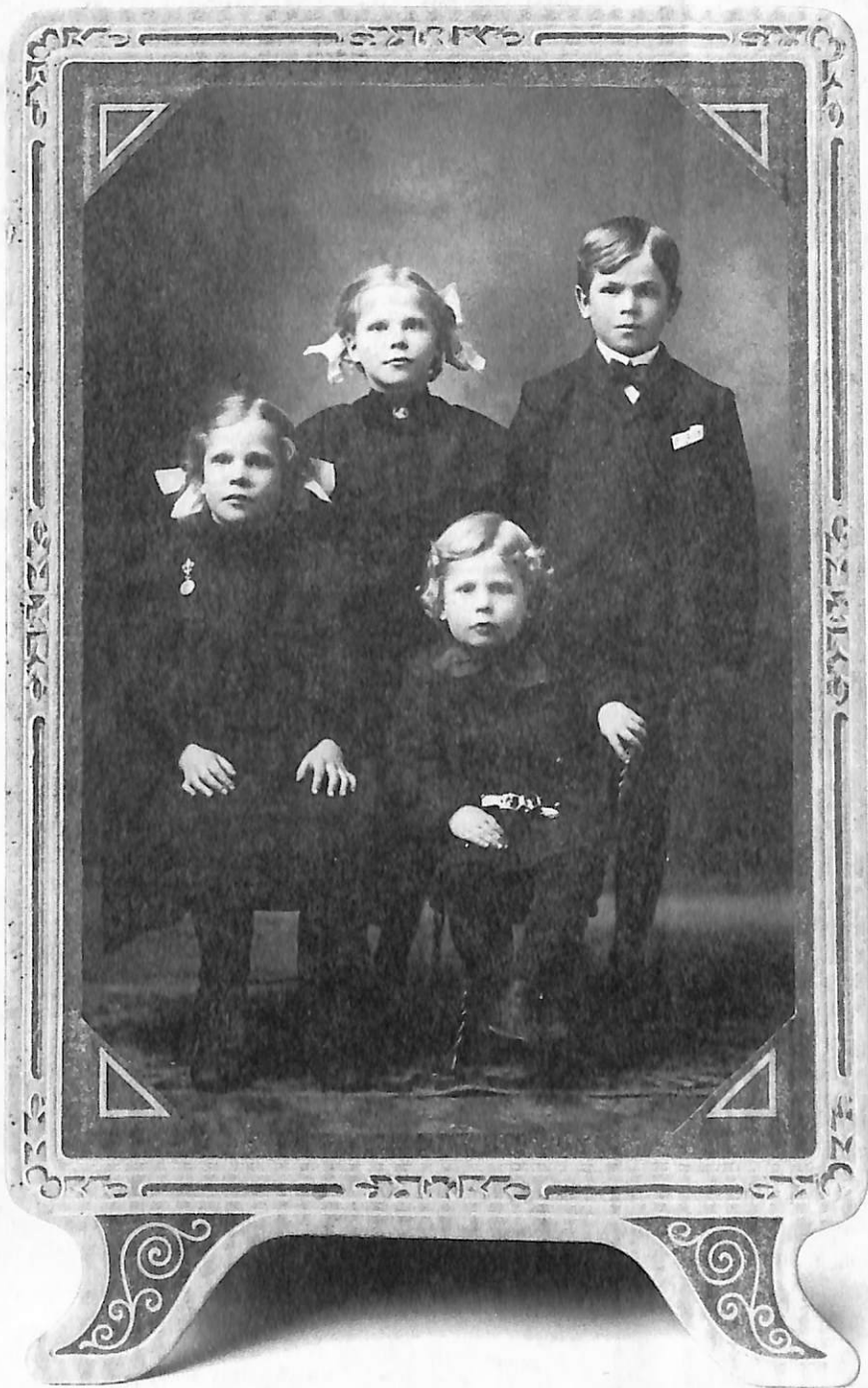
The conference theme was "How to Preserve and Document our History," a theme quite fitting to discuss in New Denmark, where they have succeeded in doing just that.

Professor Kell Antoft, Dalhousie University, Halifax, spoke about "The Importance of Preserving Archival Material," while Dr. Edward Laine, Public Archives of Canada, spoke about the Ethnic Archives and the federal Danish Archives Program.

The 154-page New Denmark Conference booklet was itself a heritage project. The booklet contains a treasure of Danish Canadian biographies, songs and poems, as well as histories, photographs and articles. The New Denmark Conference Booklet, costing \$10, is available from the Federation's Treasurer, Mrs. Esther Machacynski, 16 Campbell Crescent, Kingston, Ontario, Canada K7M 1Z5.

Holding the national Danish Canadian Conference in New Denmark was moving and inspiring. All the participants raved about the Conference, and were moved by the hospitality and friendliness of the people of New Denmark.

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## From the Desk of National Fraternal Director

Alexander Graham Bell once stated "When one door closes, another opens." His comment reflects a very positive attitude concerning the continual changes we face in life.

A new door was opened for me when I was appointed Fraternal Director which meant another door had to close. Changes are inevitable, some changes are initiated by ourselves while others we have no control over. Either way, we must strive to see that the change is for the better and not just something different.

Throughout the years the Danish Brotherhood has recognized the needs of a changing membership. In 1939 men who were married to Danish women were allowed to join, juvenile members were accepted in 1952, and in 1961, the membership was opened to women. In 1971 the Danish Brotherhood adopted a resolution which stated, "Let us open our doors more and more, and let us all share our knowledge and love for the Danish Brotherhood. We should encourage wives and children to join our lodge, and to keep their interest, we must develop our programs to meet the cultural needs of the whole family."

The Danish Brotherhood will always be bound by history and traditions, and will remain true to one purpose — to enrich the lives of those it touched. At the same time, we must realize that we exist in a fiercely competitive environment. In order to remain a viable and prosperous society we need to be flexible and be able to respond to the ever changing world in which we live.

You will continue to see a changing Danish Brotherhood. For instance, you may have already noticed some of the new or different fraternal products available, a new membership contest will soon be underway, and many more changes are just in the planning stages. Although some of these changes may seem small or insignificant, together they are being made for the advancement of our society.

In order to guarantee that changes will be made for the better and not to just be different, we need to know what you think. Please do not hesitate to offer your opinions and suggestions. Also, if we may provide any assistance — ideas for fraternal activities, programs, visual aids, etc., please let us know. We are very anxious to hear from you.

Fraternally,

Pamela K. Dorau  
Fraternal Director

## The Tie Has Been Broken!

Congratulations to Kenneth Olsen of Lodge No. 345 in Orange County, CA. Mr. Olsen finished first in the Steak/Byte Contest by sponsoring 17 new members. Complete details will be included in the October issue of the American Dane.

## Danish Antiques

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Year	B&G	RC	Year	B&G	RC	Year	B&G	RC
1969	\$256		1975	\$ 7	\$ 9	1981	\$11	\$16
1970	\$20		1976	\$ 7	\$10	1982	\$20	\$18
1971	\$ 7	\$18	1977	\$ 7	\$11	1983	\$13	
1972	\$ 7	\$ 7	1978	\$ 8	\$11	1984	\$14	
1973	\$ 7	\$ 7	1979	\$11	\$14	1985	\$15	
1974	\$15	\$ 8	1980	\$11	\$14			

### RC—New series from 1982 (animals):

1982 \$19 | 1983/84 \$18 | 1985 \$18

### X-MAS PLATES BING & GRØNDAHL AND ROYAL COPENHAGEN:

Year	B&G	RC	Year	B&G	RC	Year	B&G	RC
1895-1905	Ask		1932	\$34	\$40	1959	\$53	\$76
1906	\$41		1933	\$30	\$56	1960	\$101	\$98
1907	\$53		1934	\$30	\$55	1961	\$50	\$98
1908	\$29	Ask	1935	\$30	\$70	1962	\$32	\$136
1909	\$35	\$84	1936	\$33	\$81	1963	\$58	\$46
1910	\$36	\$64	1937	\$33	\$82	1964	\$25	\$36
1911	\$36	\$78	1938	\$48	\$163	1965	\$29	\$36
1912	\$34	\$70	1939	\$75	\$164	1966	\$24	\$34
1913	\$34	\$64	1940	\$78	\$274	1967	\$23	\$32
1914	\$31	\$54	1941	\$129	\$219	1968	\$22	\$21
1915	\$61	\$64	1942	\$78	\$257	1969	\$15	\$21
1916	\$33	\$38	1943	\$78	\$295	1970	\$15	\$22
1917	\$33	\$38	1944	\$41	\$113	1971	\$9	\$17
1918	\$32	\$40	1945	\$51	\$221	1972	\$9	\$14
1919	\$31	\$40	1946	\$33	\$94	1973	\$16	\$12
1920	\$30	\$40	1947	\$37	\$139	1974	\$9	\$12
1921	\$30	\$34	1948	\$28	\$85	1975	\$9	\$10
1922	\$26	\$32	1949	\$28	\$105	1976	\$9	\$19
1923	\$30	\$32	1950	\$54	\$105	1977	\$12	\$11
1924	\$26	\$47	1951	\$37	\$209	1978	\$12	\$12
1925	\$30	\$37	1952	\$31	\$66	1979	\$14	\$35
1926	\$30	\$37	1953	\$33	\$58	1980	\$18	\$19
1927	\$41	\$80	1954	\$37	\$75	1981	\$20	\$20
1928	\$25	\$39	1955	\$37	\$120	1982	\$19	\$21
1929	\$33	\$39	1956	\$49	\$104	1983	\$19	\$19
1930	\$36	\$42	1957	\$60	\$50	1984	\$21	\$21
1931	\$31	\$42	1958	\$40	\$59	1985	*\$23	*\$23

\*Delivery June 1985

**B&G:** Jubilee pl., M.D. Jubilee pl., Olympic pl., Year Bells, X-mas Bells, Year Thimble.

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# It's Better To Give Than To Receive

## *Announcing:*

### **The Recommender of the Month Award**

Effective October 1, 1985, a new membership campaign will be underway. Keeping with the spirit of true fraternalism, whoever sponsors the most members in one month's time will be awarded \$50 to be given to the charity of his or her choice — what better way to prove that the Danish Brotherhood sincerely believes **"It's better to give than to receive."** Just think, not only will you be responsible for adding links to our large chain of members, but for helping others also.

In addition to the \$50 given to the charity of his or her choice, the "Recommender of the Month" will receive a personalized plaque and be recognized in the American Dane.

### **It's Easy**

All the records will be kept at the National Headquarters. Just follow the normal application procedures. Your representative can assist you in calling on the new member to complete the insurance application or simply send one copy of the membership application to our Home Office for follow up by our Sales Director, Andy Andersen, or call him collect at (402) 347-5049 Monday through Friday. Then, sit back and watch the American Dane to see if you're the "Recommender of the Month."

In case of a tie in any given month, a donation of \$50 will automatically be given to the Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund in the name of all contending recommenders. \$50 will also be given to the Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund if no charity is declared.

Representatives, Home Office personnel, and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.

# Our Lodges in Action

Material for publication must be received by the tenth of the month preceding month of issue.

The American Dane is mailed by the sixth day of the month of issue.

The magazine reserves the right to edit material accepted for publication.

## PACIFIC-NORTHWEST

**Lodge #29, Seattle, WA** — Our annual picnic was held Sunday, August 18 at Martha Lake. Games for young and old were played with prizes being presented. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely.

**Ted Kofoed, Cor.**

**Lodge #113, Enumclaw, WA** — On July 6 we joined the Sisterhood Lodge No. 75 and entered a float in the centennial celebration of Enumclaw. The float consisted of a vintage red jeep and wagon. Live music was played by Fred Madsen on his accordion.



Our float won first prize in the marching division at the centennial celebration of Enumclaw.

We had six dancers including four children who danced "The Little Shoemaker." Several of our members, dressed in Danish costumes, marched along. Two hundred red and white balloons with prizes and messages were released. We were very proud as we won first prize in the marching division.

**Howard E. Abbott, Sec.**

## PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST NEWSLETTER

**Lodge #167, Portland, OR** — What a great July meeting we had, with good food and a lot of time to socialize. There were many very tasty potluck salads and desserts, and it turned out to be a great dinner. Everyone got in the spirit to celebrate the "Fourth," the next day.

Stig Hansen announced that the first winner of the lodge's new camp scholarship is Carla Jensen, daughter of Gert and Linda Jensen. Carla will use her grant to attend a camp in Washington with her horse.

Guest Ed Cameron was introduced to the members. We received one new application for membership from Robert Jacobs.

Stig Hansen read a letter from the Consul  
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The best idea for September goes to Lodge No. 36, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. See page 16.

General Henning Kristiansen expressing the delightful time both he and his wife had in Portland; and were looking forward to returning to Portland some day.

**Joanne Kantor, Sec.**

**Lodge #328, Vancouver, B.C.** — There were 44 brothers present at our June meeting.

The Danish Brotherhood team won the tug-of-war contest at the annual Peace Arch picnic again this year. Well done brothers!

**Per Caspersen, Cor.**

## CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

**Lodge #126, Los Angeles, CA** — A big thank you goes to Jim Nelson for all he donated to Grundslovsfest, the hot dogs and all the trimmings. He also donated the same for our film evening "Luxury Liner" on June 19th. We had a good turnout that evening and everyone enjoyed the film.

We had a very good turnout for our July 19th meeting, and a beautiful selection of open-face sandwiches. We all enjoyed the evening and had good food to go along with the fellowship. We had guests from Denmark, Fred Frederidsen, sister Bodil Hanses and her grandson Jes Sorensen. Lillian Mathaisen had two young ladies who are here for a year's stay.

A date to remember is Saturday, September 28th, which will be our annual anniversary dinner. The chef will be Hans Christensen and the orchestra of Ray Vermuelen. We are also going to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Theodore Christensen and Benjamin Hansen. Also, seven brothers will celebrate 25 years. They are Hans Brodersen, Paul Germansen, Peter Germansen, Henry Hansen, Wayne Luster, Erik Moller and Otto Olsen. We hope to see them all at the anniversary party.

On Friday, October 18, we will have our annual Fish Dinner with bingo to follow. The chef will be Jim Nelson.

**Betty Seale, Sec.**

**Lodge #299, Solvang, CA** — The dinner committee, Hans Larsen and crew, lived up to their reputation and served a first class frikadelle dinner with all the trimmings at our July 10 meeting.

An application for membership was submitted by Dave Lish and approved by the members. We decided to buy two books of Rebild fundraising tickets and a donation of \$50 was granted to the Danish Immigrant Museum in Elk Horn, Iowa. Disappointment was expressed regarding the absence of the local high school band at the 4th of July parade, especially because it receives support from the Brotherhood; thus it was decided to express our concern in a letter to Dan Neece, Director of Music, Santa Ynez High School.

The Danish Brotherhood's candidate, Miss Tammy Lish, was the winner in the 4th of July queen contest.

**Jacob Ravn, Cor.**

**Lodge #323, Alhambra, CA** — The barbecue-swim party-meeting at Kate Krake's house was great. The food was delicious and many had fun in the pool. All those in attendance wish to thank Kate for her gracious hospitality. Thank you Kate!

**Philis Davis, Cor.**

**Lodge #345, Orange Co., CA** — Our July 14 meeting was in the form of the annual family picnic. We who attended were spared the summer heat that was felt in most of Los Angeles and Orange County. It was cool and crisp at Lake Park where we held the picnic. In front of our lunch area was a lovely green open area for our picnic games. The playground was next to that, so we could watch all our little ones on the swings, jungle gym and slides. The setting was great and the members and friends were ready for a full day of eating aebleskiver at breakfast and the hot dog feast-potluck later.

A big thank you goes to Sherman and Dawn Nielsen and Helga Bjorn who cooked all those delicious aebleskiver, to Gary and Toni Gossett for well organized and carried out lawn games, and to Ken Nielsen and his grandson, Brandon, who carried what seemed to be tons of equipment to the picnic site and back again. Thanks also to all the ladies who supplied the salads, fruit,

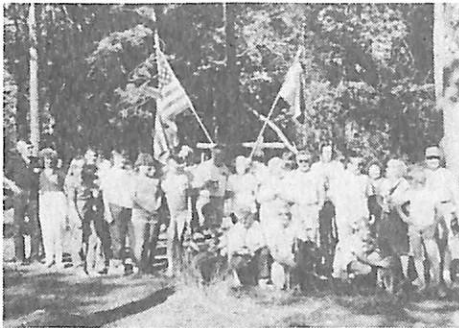
beans, desserts, etc., to complete the lunch.

Everyone entered in one activity or another and we had a good cheering section from the resting onlookers. The best thing was we were all together and had a great time!

Plans are underway for a Luau to be held September 14. We have been given permission to use the Moble Park meeting room for our party. Put the date on your calendar.

**Gerry Olsen, Sec.**

**Lodge #346, Riverside, CA** — Attendance doubled at our second annual St. Hans weekend campout! Thirty-seven members and friends came to enjoy the beautiful mountain air, share our witches stew, and



The St. Hans weekend campout was a huge success.

see the witch go up in flames. A big thank you to Sue and Jim Patterson for arranging the campground, furnishing a brand new "Puff" (the magic dragon cookstove), and supervising the witches stew; to Ken Nielsen for teaching the leather craft class and building the huge bonfire; to Doris Thompson for fashioning the marvelous



Doris Thompson proudly displays the witch.

witch; to Babe, Karen, and Kate for the pre-burning dog show; to Hans and Chris Terkelsen for teaching the aebleskiver class;



One member thought the St. Hans weekend campout was very relaxing.



Inger and Roy Olsen receive a special initiation ceremony.

to Bingomaster Bill Johansen; and to everyone who came. You are the reason this was an outstanding time! Welcome to our newest members, Inger and Roy Olsen, who had a special high altitude initiation.

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**Nancy Nielsen, Sec.**

## IOWA-MINNESOTA

**Lodge #15, Des Moines, IA** — Several prospective new members attended our July meeting and by next report we hope to have initiated the new ones to our group.

Delegates were picked for the Iowa-Minnesota District convention in Cedar Rapids. They include Svend Christensen, Willy Christensen, and Sophus Christensen with Ellis Lundgren as alternate.

Our attendance at the monthly meetings would be better if we could remember to "each one reach one" a few days before the meeting date.

**Mary Riber, Cor.**

**Lodge #217, Humboldt, IA** — The business meeting was held on July 8 at the Senior Citizen's Center.

Certificates of Award were given to Peggy Hansen, Harlan Johnsen, and Fremond Nielsen for having recruited new members during the concluding membership promotion.

Correspondence included a letter from National Headquarters and a card from National President Robert E. Ibsen congratulating Lodge No. 217 on our 80th

anniversary.

We decided to send \$100 to the Lady, the Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund. Helen Larsen of the program committee read the poem "The Spirit of Liberty."

Edna Johnson introduced Vivian Erickson who showed her collection on spoons, bears, and dolls.

Lunch was served to 24 members and 4 guests by the committee which consisted of Violet Bergeson, Harlan Johnsen, Adolph Madsen, and Fremond Nielsen.

**Peggy Hansen, Sec.**

**Lodge #219, Clear Lake, IA** — We met at Riverside Friends Church in Mason City, in July for an ice cream social. The lodge celebrated its 80th anniversary with home-made ice cream made by some of our Young Vikings; Todd Sonsalla, Kristen Sorensen, and Doug Bernhardt. Cookies were provided by Verner Sorensen and Bev Sorensen and the lodge furnished the cake.

During the business meeting Jerry Sonsalla and Thorvald Sorensen were elected delegates to the Iowa-Minnesota District Convention. Alternates are Edith Skene and Verner Sorensen.

Thorvald Sorensen taped the show about the July 4 celebration in Rebild, Denmark, and showed it to the members at the conclusion of the business meeting.

**Kathy Sonsalla, Sec.**

**Lodge #263, Askov, MN** — On Sunday, June 23, Askov's annual picnic was held at Obie's Campground. Friends from the Luck, Wisconsin lodge joined our fun for the day with over 45 attending.



Everyone enjoyed a relaxing day at Obie's Campground.

Hot dogs were grilled by Byron Petersen and Ed Melzark. Also served was a potluck picnic.



Jerry Jensen and Bob Kenowski were declared winners of the horseshoe games.

# 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
6-16-85	Jens Peter Andersen	90	Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1916
6-27-85	Carl A. Hansen	93	Muskegon, Michigan	30	Muskegon, Michigan	1914
11-20-84	Elmer R. Jorgensen	81	New York	190	Schenectady, New York	1923
6-6-85	Norman A. Jensen	65	Blackfoot, Idaho	264	Pocatella, Idaho	1944
6-22-85	M. Alfred Jespersen	91	Arup, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1923
7-5-85	Walter Nelson	89	Wisconsin	268	Junction City, Oregon	1931
7-14-85	Peder Christian Pedersen	83	Fredericia, Denmark	32	New Haven, Connecticut	1928
6-7-85	Robert Chr. Madsen	70	Cleveland, Ohio	650	Omaha, Nebraska	1932
7-11-85	Carl J. Andersen	80	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1940
5-12-85	Julius R. McBride	80	Cowles, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1962
4-14-85	John A. Welander	76	Copenhagen, Denmark	164	New York, New York	1983
4-27-85	Otto B. Mortensen	78	Denmark	164	New York, New York	1974
7-1-85	Frances J. Andersen	80	Littleton, Colorado	323	Alhambra, California	1969
7-8-85	Raymond L. Hansen	69	Rio Vista, California	29	Seattle, Washington	1983
7-8-85	Albert Jorgensen	67	Hardy, Nebraska	29	Seattle, Washington	1984
7-8-85	Helen Sorensen	64	Humboldt, Iowa	219	Clear Lake, Iowa	1970
6-25-85	Jens Jensen	86	Denmark	182	Waukegan, Illinois	1940
7-9-85	H. Walter Gilbert	75	Spokane, Washington	42	Spokane, Washington	1952
6-20-85	Kenneth V. Leonhardi	68	Emmons, Minnesota	186	Luck, Wisconsin	1982
7-25-85	Arnold J. Boyle	71	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1978
7-11-85	Karles K. Pedersen	81	Denmark	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1927
6-24-85	Jens P. H. Nielsen	84	Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1926
6-26-85	Lyle C. Bach	68	Luck, Wisconsin	186	Luck, Wisconsin	1962
7-24-85	Henry Carl Jacob Blom	84	Copenhagen, Denmark	675	Omaha, Nebraska	1937
7-11-85	Max A. Madsen	89	Copenhagen, Denmark	167	Portland, Oregon	1933
7-11-85	Marius Schmidt	88	Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1932
6-30-85	Ed H. Clausen	91	Loup City, Iowa	29	Seattle, Washington	1919
6-8-85	George Newton Roberts, Jr.	62	San Bernadino, California	29	Seattle, Washington	1946

The horseshoe games were won by Bob Kenowski and Jerry Jensen. There was a good turnout for this. The weather was perfect and the day was relaxing.

**Rebecca Melzark, Sec.**

**Lodge #349, Atlantic, IA** — Our lodge met in our Atlantic park for a successful picnic and ice cream social. We enjoyed a former Danish citizen now living at Stuart who told us all about the 4th of July celebration in Denmark.

**PRESIDENT'S AWARD  
BEST DISTRICT  
MIDWEST**

**PRESIDENT'S AWARD  
ANNUAL ACTIVITY SCHEDULE**

**Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI** — Our Midwest District Convention delegates and alternates have been selected by the membership. Ron Jensen and Ben Peterson are delegates and Rudy Bernhardt, Jr. and Rich Walker are alternates. The convention will be held the weekend of September 28th near Kankakee, Illinois. Plan to join us; it's always an interesting and fun time.

Two young people sponsored by our lodge will be going to the Danish Skovsøen camp in Minnesota this month. They are Carrie Lynn Kirby, daughter of Jim and Linda Kirby, and Ann Marie Higgins, granddaughter of Ed and Ruth Yankus.

We were represented by four teams in the Midwest Golf Outing hosted by Lodge No. 4 in Racine. The fourth place team was Randall Sorensen, Carl Larsen, Peter and Wayne Kavaliauskas (Wayne is a member of the Racine lodge but golfed with the Kenosha lodge). Peter Kavaliauskas also won the prize for the longest putt. Other golfers were Vince Roders, Bob Ibsen, Gordy Andersen, Don Servais, Harold Lawler, Fred Gray, Dan Greenwald, Larry Boyd, Don Gerlach, Jim Miller and Bill Bull. We had a good group at the dinner and we were entertained by Johnny Berniz and his accordion. Chairpersons John and Betty Mollerskov and their committee are to be congratulated on an excellent job. We all had fun.

We were also well represented on July 4

**Annual Board Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of The Danish Brotherhood will begin on October 24, 1985, at the National Headquarters Building, 3717 Harney St., Omaha, NE 68131.

at the Rebild Fest picnic held in Rockford at the home of Sofus and Metha Sorensen. It was a fun day and a great way to remember how Denmark celebrates our Independence Day each year.

One of our bowling teams, The Hungry Five, won first place and \$100 in the DBIA

National Handicap Bowling Tournament. Team members were Duke Ellingham, Roger Nelson, Rudy Bernhardt, Jr., Al Pecnick and Peter Wildenberg. Way to go guys! Also bowling in this tournament were Rich Walker, Dick Walker, Warren Rasmussen, Henry Studtman, Bus Baker, Ron

**VELKOMMEN!**

We have added more links to our chain — a chain of people who have joined hands promising to stand by each other.



New Member	Lodge No.	Location	Sponsor
John C. Hansen	1—	Omaha, NE	Mrs. Verne Madsen
Lois Petersen Hansen	1—	Omaha, NE	Mrs. Verne Madsen
Marge A. Higgins	1—	Omaha, NE	Andy Andersen
Jessica L. Nielsen	1—	Omaha, NE	Michael Nielsen
Christopher Nielsen	1—	Omaha, NE	Michael Nielsen
James C. Hansen, Sr.	1—	Omaha, NE	Armand Thomsen
Peter J. Hansen	1—	Omaha, NE	Armand Thomsen
Christopher A. Hansen	1—	Omaha, NE	Armand Thomsen
Brian A. Hansen	1—	Omaha, NE	Armand Thomsen
James C. Hansen, Jr.	1—	Omaha, NE	Armand Thomsen
Gaylene A. Hansen	1—	Omaha, NE	Armand Thomsen
Stephen N. Oleson	1—	Omaha, NE	Paul Wehner
Mark A. Petersen	1—	Omaha, NE	Paul Wehner
William S. Trafford	14—	Kenosha, WI	Raymond Zieth
Milun Zekovic	14—	Kenosha, WI	John Gellert
Neal R. Rusecki	14—	Kenosha, WI	John H. Johnson
Glen C. Anderson	14—	Kenosha, WI	John H. Sokow
Elwyn J. Fonk	14—	Kenosha, WI	Kenneth Hansen
Olivia E. Ibsen	15—	Des Moines, IA	Margaret Gee
Wilber J. Williamson	15—	Des Moines, IA	Mary Riber
Roland L. Jensen	15—	Des Moines, IA	Mary Riber
Velma C. Landstrom	16—	Minden, NE	Elmer Jepsen
Roland E. Christensen	16—	Minden, NE	Mabel Haselbarth
Dolores S. Christensen	16—	Minden, NE	Mabel Haselbarth
Marshall R. Christensen	16—	Minden, NE	Mabel Haselbarth
Rose Farrelly	17—	Chicago, IL	Merle L. Nylan
Matthew F. Emmick	29—	Seattle, WA	Craig Emmick
Paul August Christensen	32—	New Haven, CT	Chris Simonsen
Debra Lynn Nelson	34—	Dwight, IL	Michael Dunlap
Ricky A. Nelson	34—	Dwight, IL	Michael Dunlap
Chris M. Hansen	71—	Penn Yan, NY	Clarence Jensen
Carol A. Darch	164—	New York, NY	Elpha O'Brien
Eugene A. Harfst	167—	Portland, OR	Mel Pihl
Ronald S. Vig	206—	Blair, NE	Harriet Palle
Jason A. Vig	206—	Blair, NE	Harriet Palle
Ronald M. Bolfik	227—	Detroit, MI	Paul Carlsen
D. Stanley Fedde	261—	Fowler, CO	Jerry Harris
Daniel F. Cadwallader	261—	Fowler, CO	Don Dunsmoor
Arnold C. Knudtson	341—	Elk Horn, IA	JoAnn Sorensen
Shirley I. Knudtson	341—	Elk Horn, IA	JoAnn Sorensen
Belle Cody	345—	Orange Co., CA	Kenneth Olsen
Wayne W. Mouritzen	600—	Omaha, NE	Andy Andersen
Donna G. Mouritzen	600—	Omaha, NE	Wayne W. Mouritzen
Jorgen H. Petersen, Sr.	600—	Omaha, NE	Andy Andersen

**It's Better To Give Than To Receive**  
New members can add to our chain, too!

Gillmore, Ken Gillmore, and Al Bosk. Better luck next year fellas.

Welcome to our new members William Trafford, Milun Zekovic, Glen Anderson, and Neal Rusecki.

**Lodge #35, Chicago, IL** — At our July meeting, Ray Nielsen, President, presented



Ray Nielsen presents scholarships to the 1985 recipients.

scholarships from the lodge to Susan Jepsen, Laurette Jorgensen and Michelle Sloth.

**Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI** — At our July 16 business meeting, Rev. Ernest O. Norquist and Albert L. Larsen were elected delegates to the 34th annual Midwest District Convention to be held September 28-29, 1985, in Bradley, Illinois. Elmer C. Jorgensen and Sally M. Jorgensen were elected alternates.

Fifteen members had a good time during the back yard picnic at the Elmer C. Jorgensen's on Saturday, July 13. We partook of refreshing drinks, hors d'oeuvres and gourmet food Sally prepared. It was a warm, sunny day and most of the attendees cooled off in the beautiful in-ground swimming pool. Our thanks goes to the Jorgensen's for another successful event.

**Our members have volunteered to support Public Television during Channel 10's membership/fund drive on Friday, September 6, 1985. They will answer telephones (approximately 6:30-11:00 p.m.), in Channel 10's Studio A during periodic, live membership pitches between wonderful programming.**

Albert Larsen, Sec.

**Lodge #64, Rockford, IL** — The following letter was sent to our National President after our very successful "Rebild Fest" held on the Fourth of July.

Dear Bob:

At our July lodge meeting, I heard so many good reports, not only from our members, but also letters from other Danes outside our area, who were present, having read about it in the newspaper, telling us how much they enjoyed it. Sitting there listening to our secretary reporting all that, I realized again how much we owed to your presence here, that our 4th of July picnic turned out to be the success it was. So, I want to take this opportunity to tell you how

much we appreciate your fitting our picnic into your very busy schedule.

I know we cannot find words to really express what we feel you deserve for doing this. So, all I can think of saying is, "Many, many thanks for all you did for us," and we hope and pray that you may have the health and energy to continue the enormous job you are doing as President of the Danish Brotherhood in America.

Sincerely,  
Lodge No. 64  
Danish Brotherhood  
S. Peter Larsen, President

"I wish to thank Lodge No. 64 for this wonderful letter — it is always my pleasure to attend any events that I can, to further the cause of our Danish heritage and the Danish Brotherhood in America. Congratulations to No. 64, Rockford, for a 'JOB WELL DONE'." Bob Ibsen

**Lodge #343, Waupaca, WI** — Our lodge met on July 25 at Waupaca's Riverside Park for our annual picnic. The potluck supper was an assortment of delicious foods that could not have been better if each item had been planned. Threatening rain clouds bypassed us. After our meal, we played bingo for prizes brought by our members.

At our meeting on August 22 our various European travelers told us of their adventures. Also, our visitors to California told us of their Solvang trip. Evelyn Doerr, Pres.

## NEBRASKA

**Lodge #1, Omaha, NE** — The annual picnic for the Nebraska District was held on Sunday, July 21, in Superior, Nebraska. Ruskin Lodge No. 161 hosted this event. Forty-three persons made the bus trip to attend the picnic. There were approximately 125 persons at the picnic.



Dale Dorau and Deloris Hansen enjoy playing games at the state picnic.

Rose Skelbeck reported that Axel is making progress, but very slowly and hopefully. He is at the Fontenelle Immanuel Rest Home, 6901 North 72nd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68122. Rose wanted to take this means to thank everyone for remembering Axel through their cards, phone calls, and visits.

At the July and August meetings we gained 15 new members. They include John

C. and Lois P. Hansen, Sr., Marge Higgins, Martha Paulsen-Franklin, Mark A. Petersen, Stephen N. Oleson, Jessica and Christopher Nielsen, and James C. and Julie B. Jensen, Sr., Gaylene Hansen, Peter Hansen, James C. Hansen, Jr., Brian Hansen, and Christopher Hansen. The six members of the James C. Hansen family makes them a 100% insured family. Florence Hansen, serving as president at our August 6th business meeting, presented them a Danish plaque for being a 100% insured family.

Our members gave overwhelming support to taking part in future ethnic festivals. This was the consensus of the replies to the questionnaire in the July Viking Vistas. Jim Christiansen, Sec.

## PRESIDENT'S AWARD SINGLE SOCIAL ACTIVITY

**Lodge #16, Minden, NE** — We meet on the third Thursday evening of each month, and always have a special program enjoyed by all attending. This year we have enjoyed slides from friends who have traveled to Alaska, Denmark, and other Scandinavian countries.

In May we had a Mother's Day banquet with a delicious dinner catered for over 60 members by one of our members, Mrs. Lonnie Nielsen. The committee in charge included Mr. and Mrs. Merle Haselbarth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Youngson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Olsen, and Doug Kristensen. We enjoyed an interesting program centered around the Mother's Day theme. We were also enlightened of the origin of Mother's Day. We were entertained with special music by Marshall Christensen and Glen Haselbarth. Also, each lady was presented with a flower and gifts were given to the oldest mother, the youngest mother, the mother with the most children, and the grandmother with the most grandchildren.

We were happy to have applications for membership in our lodge by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Christensen and Mr. Marshall Christensen. Mildred Christensen, Cor.

**Lodge #84, Lincoln, NE** — The monthly meeting of our lodge was held at the I.O.O.F. Hall with Vice President Quentin Johnson conducting the meeting. Chosen to

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be delegates to our state convention were: Donald Lehn, Lennie Kincheloe and Stenwald Pedersen. Alternates chosen were: Quentin Johnson, Dennis Rasmussen, and Gunnar Overgaard.

Following the meeting we joined our Sisterhood Lodge No. 90 for a fun evening playing cards, with lunch being served later.

Olie Ahlquist was a visiting guest and Roy Boyeson, member, was our acting secretary.

On July 23, President Donald Lehn called a special meeting at his home for the members of the Lincoln Brotherhood and Sisterhood to finalize the program for the state annual convention to be held at the Villager Motor Inn in Lincoln on September 6-8. An exciting time is forthcoming. Following the meeting, Mrs. Eudean Lehn served the group lunch.

Eight members of our Lincoln lodges were in attendance at our state picnic held at Superior, Nebraska Eagles Building, hosted by Lodge No. 161, Ruskin, Nebraska. A fun time of food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

**Don Lehn, Pres.**

## MICHIGAN-OHIO

**Lodge #51, Ludington, MI** — The regular meeting was held on Wednesday, August 7th, with an attendance of 31 members. A lunch of hot dogs and all the trimmings was served by Ralph Christensen following the meeting.

Our fast pitch softball team has just about concluded their season, ending up with five wins versus seven losses for the regular season. They will play in the post season tournament now and that will be the softball season for another year. Good playing to all the players of the Danish Brotherhood softball team and bring home the post season tournament trophy.

Our bingo committee has been busy lately. Outside of working the Danish Brotherhood bingo weekly, they also put on a bingo once a month at the Oakview Medical Facility for all of the shut ins. On the 21st of July, all of the bingo workers and their wives were invited to a smorgasbord dinner. Twenty-two people attended this dinner.

On the fourth Wednesday of every month, we have a pinochle party at the Danish Hall, which is enjoyed by 30 to 40 players. It is kind of a potluck affair where everyone brings something to pass, sandwiches, cakes, pies; they even have fresh strawberries and fruits and just about anything imaginable. They really set out a table of food, which isn't surprising because you get all good cooks there who have been preparing good food for a long time. Prizes are awarded to the winners and everyone has

an enjoyable evening. This activity is chaired by Lars Christoffersen and Al Garcia.

**Keith Koepler, Past Pres.**

**Lodge #225, Canton, OH** — We held our annual combined picnic with Akron Lodge No. 301 on July 7, at Eastwood Swim Club in Akron, Ohio.



Members enjoyed sunbathing at our picnic.

It was a most successful outing with approximately 75 members and guests attending. The weather cooperated with a perfect day for swimming and the young folks took advantage of every minute to swim and sunbathe on the sandy beach. There were swings, slides and bars for the younger children to climb on, and a penny scramble for those under five years.

The cooks outdid themselves with goodies to eat at 4 p.m. Beer, pop and coffee were furnished by the lodges.

**Audrey Pedersen, Sec.**

## GCEL

**Lodge #46, Perth Amboy, NJ** — On July 1 Brother Wilbur Jensen celebrated 60 years of a very active membership in our lodge. Wilbur held the office of Financial Secretary for many years and is also a Past President of our lodge and a past officer of the GCEL District. Due to illness, we have missed him at our meetings the past few months.

Our other 60-year members are Peter Christensen and Albert Borup.

On June 15 the lodge had a catered dinner at the Danish Home grounds which was enjoyed by all. Our Scholarship Fund is growing and will be administered by Bob Lund, John Kjersgaard and Harold W. Hansen.

Proposed changes in our bylaws involving expenditure of funds and sick benefit payments are underway. Gordon Petersen has been named chairman of our Christmas Party Committee; the date is December 14.

**Jens C. Jessen, Sec.**

## Young Vikings

**Lodge #167, Portland, OR** — We encourage all youngsters and their families to support and participate in the upcoming events of our lodges. It is a chance to learn more about your Danish culture and make new friends.

Plans are being made for a Young Viking outing in September. We hope to have a hayride/barbecue and tour the historic Pomeroy Estate in Clark County.

## Attend College in Denmark

Scandinavian Seminar announces its 1986-87 College Year in Scandinavia program. Now in its 37th year, this unique foreign study program in Denmark, Finland, Norway or Sweden is open to college students, graduates, and other adults (over 18) who want to study in Scandinavia, learn one of its languages and become immersed in another culture. The application deadline is April 1, 1986.

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## Payment to Board Members

AUGUST 1985

Robert E. Ibsen, salary, \$260.00.

# TVILLINGER



Are Hans and Grete twins (tvillinger)? Spot says, "I believe so" (Det tror jeg).

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 prize. 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. Four prizes awarded in four age groups each month (ages 2-4, 5-7, 8-9, 10-12).

**August winners: Melissa Kanning, Vanessa Hubbard, Juliana Bertelsen, and Matthew Lunde.**

## Grandma's Kitchen



by Dagmar Jensen

### Skinkefrikadeller

Meat Balls from Ham

- |                         |                      |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 pound potatoes boiled | 1/3 cup bread crumbs |
| 3/4 pound of ham boiled | 1/4 cup milk         |
| or left over            | 1/3 teaspoon pepper  |
| 2 eggs                  |                      |

Grind boiled ham and potatoes together, stir in the eggs one at a time. Add milk, drop in crumbs, fry in deep fat. Serve with creamed potatoes or other vegetables creamed in milk with parsley added.

### American Dane Classified

Help! I'm looking for Danes who settled in and around Weeping Water, Cass County, Nebraska. If you have information about the date and place of birth, year of emigration, and settlement in the United States (before, during, and after their stay in Weeping Water) please contact me: Edith Matteson-Jarvi, 3953 St. Johns Terrace, Cincinnati, Ohio 45236, (513) 791-6049. The maiden names of women who married in the United States are badly needed! Persons providing information in Danish will be given free copies of English translations. Tak for hjælpen!

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# Viking Adventures

*In the following article Alice Rasmussen of Lodge No. 143 in Petaluma, California, tells us how they are involving their Young Vikings. We salute Petaluma for their efforts in preserving our heritage through the leaders of tomorrow.*

## Young Vikings Enjoy Campout

On July 13th and 14th the Young Vikings of the Petaluma lodges held an overnight campout at Kastania Ranch located south of Petaluma. Kastania Ranch is owned by the Danish Soldiers Club of Northern California, and the buildings and surroundings resemble Danish architecture, complete with a guard house — thus, an excellent atmosphere for our young people to learn their Danish culture.



Young Vikings all try to squeeze into the guard house.

Approximately 15 children and 15 adults attended, and the weather cooperated beautifully so that we could be outside comfortably enjoying community singing. Arriving on Saturday afternoon, we set up tents and then a hot dog barbecue was shared. Everyone settled down for a good night's sleep, to be awakened by reveille at 7 a.m. on Sunday, to another beautiful day. A flag raising ceremony was held, with Joyce Miller and Catherine Fonseca raising the American and Danish flags. We also were pleased to



Reveille calls! It's time to get up for a beautiful morning.

have a short sunrise service among the trees, with Doug Merriman conducting and Sister Inga Brown accompanied our singing on a portable piano. Following this service, a delicious pancake breakfast was served at the picnic tables. This was Danish Heritage Day, and there were many activities planned. Nancy Cameron and Joan O'Keeffe conducted a Danish Language Class which had been prepared with much thought. The ladies had made large flash cards showing simple Danish words such as "Mor," "Far," "Bedstemor," and "Bedstefar," and the children learned rapidly, with Nancy giving the words proper pronunciation and English meaning. At the conclusion of the class, each child was presented with a small package wrapped in white, decorated with Danish and American flags and tied with red yarn. In the package were miniatures of the larger flash cards so that these words will always be on hand. Later in the morning a history and craft class were conducted by Nancy Cameron and Dorothy MacKinnon — each child had been asked to gather information as to his or her ancestors' place of birth in Denmark, also the year they came to America. Dorothy pointed out locations on a map of Denmark. Also taught was the construction of the traditional heart baskets used for Christmas decorations. By then it was time for lunch, and we all enjoyed barbecued hamburgers and salads, with cake and cookies for dessert. During the afternoon a water balloon contest was held and a Hans Christian Andersen storytime was enjoyed, with Martin Nielsen narrating the tales.



Everybody's ready for the water balloon toss.

After the grounds were cleaned up, a flag ceremony was held by the youth and many red, white and blue balloons were sent into the air to bring the campout to a successful close.

We say thanks to the youth leaders for their sincere and constant interest and the many hours of devotion to this worthwhile project — and, of course, to the young people and parents who participated.

# Having a Party, Membership Dinner or Banquet?

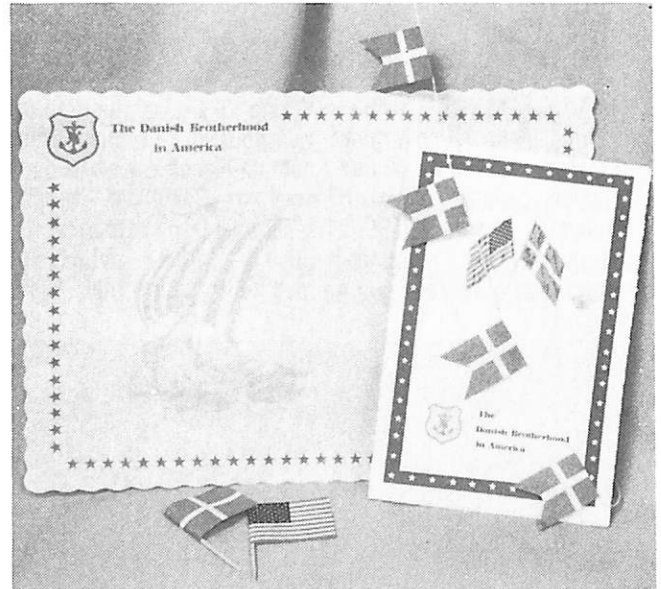
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