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This painting, by Michael Ancher in 1889, "Two Fishermen with a Boat" resides at the Museum of Skagen. Photo courtesy of Jane Eppinga.



President's Page

Robert E. Ibsen
National President

The future of the Danish Brotherhood in America lies greatly in the hands of our youth — our Young Vikings. In years to come our leaders of today will be stepping down. Does your lodge have leaders of tomorrow to take their places?

The current average age of Danish Brotherhood members is 51. We need to involve our youth **now** if we want to guarantee that our society will remain a viable organization and be as important to our children as it is to ourselves. If we can create an immediate interest in the Danish Brotherhood by providing interesting Young Viking programs in our lodges, our heritage will be able to live on forever. Not only can we secure the future of our society, but we will also have the opportunity to assist our youth as they grow and mature into responsible adults, making them aware of their duty to serve others and benefit their community. The fraternal spirit which would be prompted by Young Viking activities would grow into full involvement within our lodges as our youngsters reach adulthood.

The Danish Brotherhood offers several national benefits to attract the youth. Scholarships are available on a yearly basis to students planning to attend college or a vocational, business, or trade school. Camp grants are awarded each year to help defray the cost of a camp of a young person's choice. Every month prizes are given to four youngsters entering the Hans and Grete coloring contest. Low-cost insurance is available for protection and savings. Lodges and the National Headquarters work together in support of the matching fund program for a member, child or grandchild of a member to attend the Danish Language Village, Skovsøen.

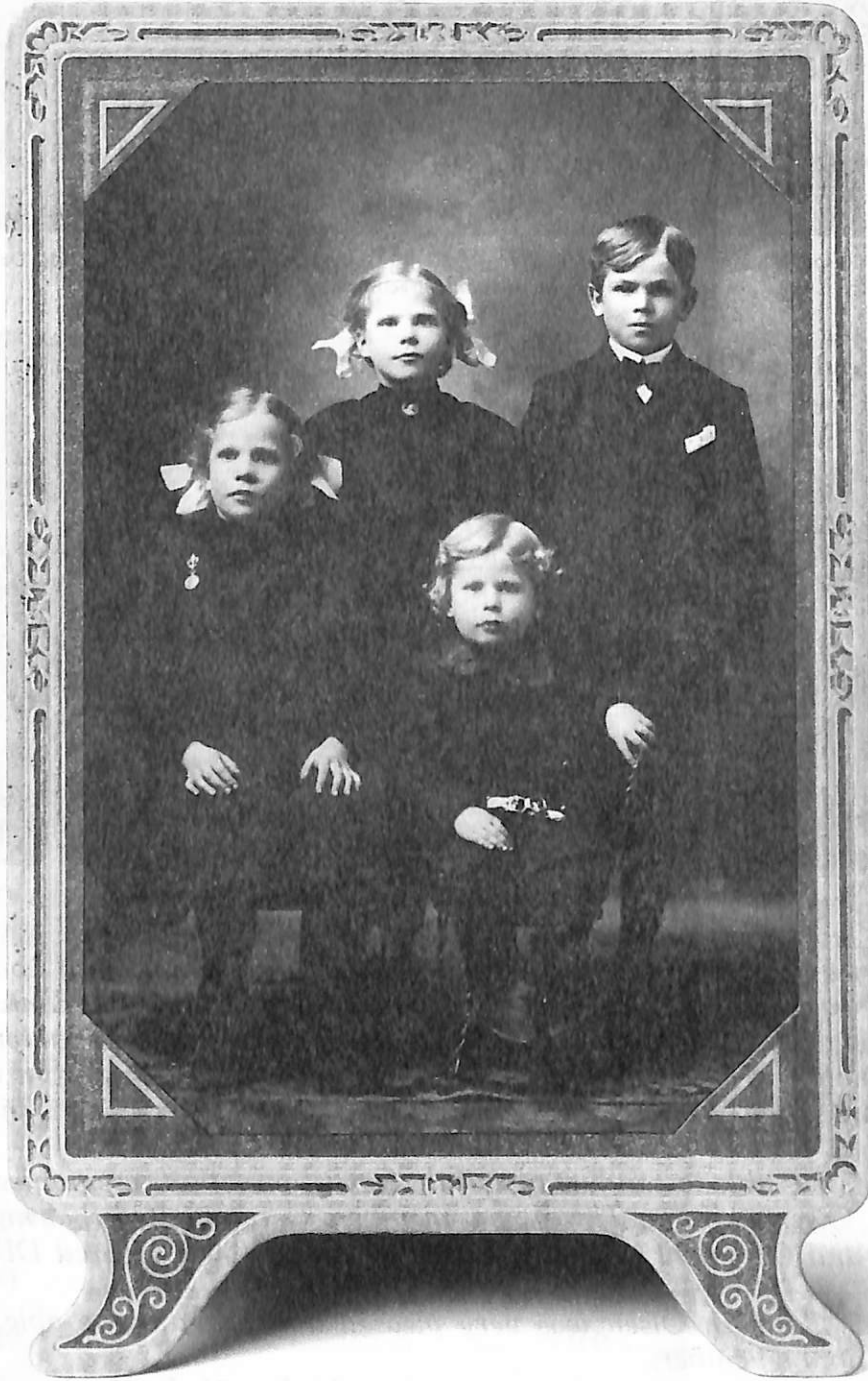
While the above benefits encourage a Young Viking program, activities need to be held at the local lodge level on a regular basis to make this program a success. To start a Young Vikings club in your lodge, a committee needs to be appointed. This committee should then appoint a chairperson who will act as the adult leader. The adult leader is an extremely important part of the club. This person needs to be active, interested, aware and eager. He/She must be the type of individual who can and will give special attention to every Young Viking member while encouraging them to find their own solutions to problems and develop their own plans with sensible limits. If you have a large number of Young Vikings attending club meetings, an assistant leader should be recruited. This person can also make contributions to planning and give personal attention to the young people.

Your lodge, working with its youth leaders, could further support the Young Vikings club by donating a financial gift. Perhaps a one-time donation to get the club started is a good idea. Once the club is established, they can hold their own fund raising projects.

Personally, I believe our youth are interested in preserving and learning about their heritage. As adult members of the Danish Brotherhood, it is our responsibility to provide an outlet such as a Young Vikings club to cultivate and energize this interest.

In closing, I would like to refer you to "Viking Adventures" on page 23 which contains an article about several of our youth who attended the Danish Language Village, Skovsøen. This proves that our children are interested in their Danish heritage and want to learn more about it.

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Steak/Byte Winner Announced



National Director Erling Braumann presents the personal home computer to Kenneth Olsen.



Mr. Olsen proudly displays the plaque he received from the Danish Brotherhood Board of Directors.



Lodge No. 345 holds huge initiation ceremony.



Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Olsen with the 15 family members Mr. Olsen recommended and initiated.

At the California-Nevada District Convention held August 8-10 Mr. Kenneth Olsen of Lodge No. 345 in Orange County, California was declared the winner of the Steak/Byte membership contest. Mr. Olsen received, in addition to 2 packages of steaks, the grand prize — a personal home computer.

National Director Erling Braumann presented the computer and a mounted plaque from the National Board of Directors to a very surprised Mr. Olsen. He earned the award by sponsoring 17 new members.

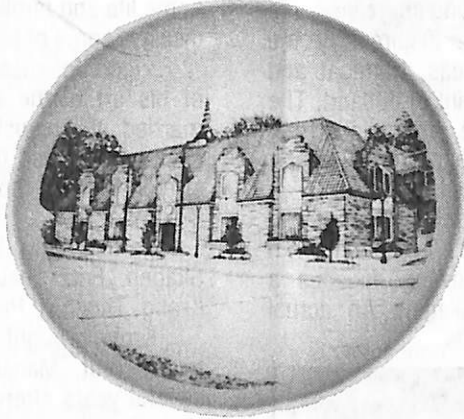
On April 9, 1985, Lodge No. 345 was able to conduct one of the largest initiation ceremonies in the lodge's history largely due to Mr. Olsen's efforts. Thirty new members were initiated that night with four families receiving the Bing and Grøndahl centennial plate for being 100% insured DBIA families.

As President of Lodge No. 345, Kenneth Olsen was very pleased and proud to be able to recommend and initiate 15 of his own family members.

Kenneth Olsen is to be saluted for all his efforts in proving that the Danish Brotherhood in America is truly a family oriented society.

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The Museum of Skagen

by Jane Eppinga

Between 1870 and 1880, Skagen (the Skaw) became important in the development of Scandinavian art. Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish pioneers of the "Open-Air" painting school were entranced by the lonely countryside, the long shorelines, the dunes and the moors. Moreover, they were inspired by the dazzling intense light, reflected by the two seas, Kattegat and Skaggeak, which meet at the northernmost point of Jutland. The fishermen and their families welcomed these artists into their homes. The result is an honest and intimate portrayal of the everyday life of the common people of this region.

In 1833, Martinus Rørbye of the Danish golden age came to Skagen to paint the scenes from the fishermen's lives along with dramatic shipwreck scenes. During the following decades a number of Danish marine painters visited Skagen. An actual colony of artists was established in the late 1870s.



This 1884 painting of "Fishing Boat at Sea by Full Moon" was painted by Wilhelm Xylander.



Portrait by Martinus Rørbye entitled "Fishermen From Skagen Rowing Out in a Boat 1847."

Here at Skagen, Holger Drachmann, the marine painter and poet, began his specialization in shipwrecks. His student, Carl Locher, accompanied Drachmann to Skagen, and began a series of paintings of the eternally changing coastline.

In 1874, Michael Ancher visited Skagen for the first time. He married his wife Anna, a native of Skagen, in 1880, and for the rest of their lives they would be captivated by the area and become central figures in the Skaw artist colony.

Michael Ancher's portraits of the fishermen is both heroic and dignified. He was impressed by the serious and dangerous

elements in the lives of the fishermen, as they eked out their meager livings and often courageously came to the rescue of seafarers. However, where his work is concerned with his own home life and family, it reflects a lighter more optimistic view and displays some of his finest qualities as a painter.

Viggo Johansen came to Skagen in 1875. The starting point of his art is the depiction of everyday Danish home life. He married the cousin of Anna Ancher. Johansen's landscape paintings showed the flicker of sunlight off the boats, the barren stretches of the moors, the aerial perspective of windmills toward the sky.

In the early 1870s Norwegian painters began coming to Skagen. Fritz Thaulow in 1879 persuaded his friend Christian Krohg. Then Eilif Peterssen joined the colony.

Krohg brought new ideas from Paris where he was influenced by Courbet, Manet, and the impressionists. In 1882 and for several years afterwards his brilliant portrayals of the fishermen Niels Gaihed and his wife Ane, were the culmination of his art.

It wasn't until 1882 that one of the most popular and talented Danish artists, P. S. Krøyer arrived at Skagen. He had studied at Bonnat's School in Paris and painted one of the masterpieces of his youth, "Artists' Lunch at Cernay-la-ville" which is now at the Skagens Museum. He decided to decorate the dining hall at Brøndums Hotel in Skagen which was the meeting place for the Skagen artists. In 1883, he painted a picture of the Scandinavian artists at the lunch table in the hotel. The summer evenings of Skagen were his main source of inspiration.



"Summer Evening on the South Coast of Skagen 1893" painted by Peder Severin Krøyer.

The young Swedish painter Oscar Bjorck also came to Skagen in 1882. Here he developed his rich talent and created some of his most important works. His was a portrayal of character which showed the humorous side of life.

From early childhood, Anna Ancher, the daughter of Erik Brøndum associated with the artists who visited her father's hotel. Her paintings show an extraordinary color sensitivity and she soon developed her own artistic view. Her pictorial technique expanded even more after a period of study in Paris at the Puvis de Chavanne's School. She was a pioneer in the use of color and very much in tune with the main currents of the modern painting of this period.

The Skagen era rose and flowered with the "open air" painting. The link between this Golden Age of Danish painting and the present is Helga Ancher. She developed her mother's ideals in

painting and contributed her own personal viewpoint. The light and rhythm of the sea still draws the artist to Skagen.

The Skagens Museum was founded in 1908, by V. Chr. Klaebel, a pharmacist, and a meeting in the hall of paintings at Brøndums Hotel. The founders included Michael Ancher, P. S. Krøyer, Laurits Tuxen and Degn Brøndum, the hotel's owner and Anna Ancher's brother.

However, many years went by before the present building was designed by architect Ulrik Plesner. It was to be erected in the garden of the old hotel which the Brøndum family had given for this purpose. The Museum was opened in 1928.

The collection has grown over the years. In the early years the collection was housed in "Krøyer's House." At the time the collection was not very large but had been accessible to the public since 1911. In the museum garden one can still see the "Old Garden House" which belonged to the Brøndum family and had the Skagen artists for residents, many times. This building contains Michael Ancher's first studio. Two restorations were carried out in 1942 and 1956 and now the entire house is open to the public as a part of Skagen's Museum. Inside there are memorial rooms to Peder Krøyer and Holger Drachmann. There is also a small grain-drying store which Krøyer used as a studio in 1884. Astrid Noack's statue of Anna Ancher was erected in the garden in 1939. It was financed by the New Carlsburg Foundation which has provided extensive aid to the Museum.

In 1946 the entire hall of paintings from Brøndum's Hotel, including wainscoting designed by Thorvald Binesbøll was transferred to a room in the museum, built expressly for this purpose. This particular room is culturally and artistically a valuable document remembering the artists and art of an earlier day. A deep impression of the importance of Skagen as inspiration is to be found in the works of the rest of the Museum.



From the Desk of National Secretary- Treasurer

Where does the time go? When you look at your calendars you will find that this is the month your lodge's nominating committee begins its task of developing the slate of officers for the coming year. This is not a glamorous job, nor is it an easy one.

Leaders are an integral part of every organization, business, social club and church; the list is endless. No organization can exist without leaders to assist in directing its aims and goals. The Danish Brotherhood in America is no exception.

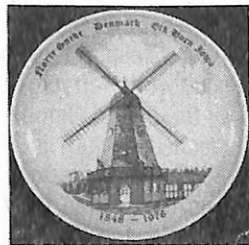
We need leaders within our lodges who will be unbiased, impartial, faithful, considerate and keep the interest of the members and lodges at heart. Moreover, these leaders should claim our corporate purpose as their own and direct the lodge with same; "to promote and perpetuate Danish culture and traditions, and to provide fraternal benefits and family protection." As you can see, these are big shoes to fill, and should be considered seriously before slipping into them.

The leadership quality of any individual is not solely made up of the personal characteristics of that individual. Leaders also need the backing of the people in which they serve. Therefore, the members of the lodge must have confidence in their leaders' ability to carry out the duties of his or her office. Without this support and confidence, lodge leaders cannot succeed in their specific tasks. It would be similar to a band leader trying to lead a band within which there are members who do not have confidence in their leader and therefore do not watch for, nor pay any attention to, his direction. They play the notes as they feel it, which is different from the person next to them, which is different than the person behind them. If you listen close, you hear noise and not music. So, each and every member of a lodge is an important and necessary part in their lodge's leadership ability; a well orchestrated band.

If you are asked to be an officer of your lodge this month, I would ask that you do not answer immediately, but consider the importance of such an office and its role in the leadership of the lodge. Further, do not take a job unless you are prepared to fulfill the duties of that position to its utmost. The leadership within the lodge is a reflection not only on the lodge itself, but the national organization as well.

In closing, I wish to quote Frederick W. Taylor, the father of scientific management, who once said "The time is fast going by for the great personal or individual achievement of any one man standing alone and without the help of those around him. And the time is coming when all great things will be done by that type of cooperation in which each man performs the function for which he is best suited, each man preserves his own individuality and is supreme in his particular function, and each man at the same time loses none of his originality and proper personal initiative, and yet is controlled by and must work harmoniously with many other men..."

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The Danish Miracle

by Lynda La Rocca

It was autumn, 1943. World War II raged across Europe. Millions of Jews and others deemed "undesirable" by the Nazis had already perished in death camps. Millions more were yet to die.

On October 1, 1943, Denmark's Jewish population quietly prepared to celebrate the holiday of Rosh Hashanah, unaware of the trap about to ensnare them — or of the extraordinary event that would save them.

Denmark had chafed under full German occupation since April 9, 1940. The country had attempted to remain neutral, but held little hope of escaping the conflict rapidly engulfing Europe. Fear of provoking a German attack prevented Denmark from increasing its military forces. Aware of its strategic location as the gate way to Scandinavia and lack of natural geographical barriers against a Nazi onslaught, the Danes decided the best response to an attack would be nonresistance.

When the anticipated invasion took place, Denmark's capitulation was swift and complete. Two hours after German troops crossed the frontier, killing sixteen Danish soldiers, the Danish government surrendered. Denmark had been invaded and occupied in one stunning, terrible stroke.

Knowing the German Reich depended upon Denmark's continued capacity to produce food and industrial goods, Adolf Hitler reluctantly allowed the country to retain much of its domestic independence. This meant leaving unmolested Denmark's Jewish population of about 7,000, a concession that would become increasingly onerous.

Although Denmark was completely controlled by the German invaders, outward forms of political democracy remained intact and King Christian X continued to rule. From 1940-1943, Denmark's small Jewish population remained relatively unscathed by the carnage and horror visited upon other European Jews. Denmark's Jews were not forced to wear the odious yellow star that distinguished Jews from Gentiles in most of Europe. They continued working, attending school and otherwise enjoying lives free from persecution. But their existence had become intolerable to Nazis like Adolf Eichmann, who were determined to see Hitler's "final solution" to its ultimate conclusion.

In September, 1943, a secret order went out to collect all Danish Jews for shipment to German concentration camps. October 1, Rosh Hashanah, was chosen as the date of the operation because most Jews would be at home or in synagogues celebrating the holiday, making them easy targets.

Advance warning of the planned Jewish roundup reached Danish authorities through a German shipping attache. When word spread, the Danish people sprang into action. Danes of all faiths and social classes banded together to save their countrymen in an effort now known as the "Danish Miracle." Overnight, Denmark's Jewish population were hidden in schools, churches, cellars and attics of homes. Hospitals even provided hiding places by admitting Jews for "treatment" under false names.

When the Germans arrived to begin their hateful mission, Denmark's Jews had vanished. King Christian X exemplified the spirit of a nation in his courageous reply to a Gestapo commander's demand to know the Jews' whereabouts: "There are no Jews in Denmark — only Danes."

The rescue operation was dangerous, for both the Jewish people and their saviors. The plan was to hide the Jews until they

could escape by boat to neutral Sweden. Fellow Danes quickly recruited fishermen, contacted Swedish supporters and secured funds to complete the mission. Soon a fleet of fishing boats, rowboats and sailboats was assembled to transport the Jews across the Oresund Strait to Sweden.

Escape routes followed the Zealand coast from Gilleleje to Helsingor (Elsinore) and south to Copenhagen. Other routes included Jutland to Sweden and from Copenhagen via Bornholm to Sweden. From points on the Danish coast, Sweden — and safety — were less than ten miles away. But the Danish countryside and coast were patrolled by German troops, making undetected travel difficult. Imaginative schemes were concocted to spirit Jews to the Danish coastal villages serving as escape points. Some refugees came by ambulance, disguised as patients. Others arrived in mock funeral corteges. Once at the villages, the Jews were hidden until dark. Then they scurried across fields and through woods to board waiting rescue boats.

Rescue attempts were not always successful. The fishing village of Gilleleje, the most northerly point on the Zealand coast, was a major escape route, with rescue operations beginning there as early as October 2. On the morning of October 6, 180 Jews escaped safely. Another eighty were hidden in the village church. But Gestapo troops received word of the rescue efforts and that night they surrounded the church, flushing out its occupants. Only one person manage to escape capture — by hiding inside the church bell tower. The other seventy-nine were shipped to German strongholds, where thirty-eight were eventually released after producing documents certifying them as "half Jewish." The rest were sent to the Theresienstadt concentration camp, where three died. Despite this setback, the village of Gilleleje continued its rescue work, ferrying 960 people to safety.

By the end of October, all but 500 of Denmark's 7,000 Jews had reached asylum in Sweden. Those unable to escape were interred at the Theresienstadt concentration camp. But after the Germans capitulated in May, 1945, 425 Danish prisoners were found alive and returned to Denmark.

The Germans did not allow the show of Danish courage and unity evident in the rescue operation to go unpunished. Hundreds of Danish gentiles were executed by the Gestapo. Others were shipped to concentration camps. Many simply vanished without a trace. At least 3,000 Danes lost their lives during the five-year occupation.

But punishment could not alter the fact that the Danish people, with help from their Swedish neighbors, had truly accomplished a miracle — in more ways than one. The rescue effort marked a turning point in Denmark's national consciousness. Once the Danes realized that hatred of the Nazis was widespread, Denmark's small organized resistance movement burgeoned. The 1940 attitude of frightened resignation metamorphosized into one of anger and determination. The rescue operation also served as the genesis for an ongoing contraband shuttle between Denmark and Sweden, through which Sweden supplied the Danish underground with 10,000 hand grenades, 5,000 carbines, more than 5,200 machine pistols and almost 10 million rounds of ammunition.

The spirited resistance that continued prompted Danish poet Kaj Munk, later a victim of the Nazis, to write of his fellow patriots:

"Boys, you boys who died,

"You lit for Denmark
 "In her darkest gloom
 "A brightening dawn."

A message delivered to the Danish Resistance Movement on January 1, 1945 by British Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill aptly summarized the Danish character: "We know what price you have paid and are paying for refusing to be tempted by Nazi blandishments or cowed by Nazi threats; we know something of your achievements in harrying and wrecking the German war machine which rolled across your defenseless frontiers nearly five years ago. We admire your steadfastness and your skill. Your resistance is a valuable contribution both to the Allied cause and to the future prosperity of a free Denmark. . ."

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The Troubles of Mr. Thorbjorn

A Danish Folk Tale

by

Beverly Swerdlow Brown

Mr. Thorbjorn lived in a small house.

He had a wife and ten children.

They all lived in one room.

It was very noisy.

Everyday the children laughed.

Everyday the children cried.

Mr. Thorbjorn loved his children. But his ears hurt from all of the noise.

One day, he went to see his friend, Palle the farmer.

"Palle," said Mr. Thorbjorn. "It is very noisy in my house. What should I do?"

Palle thought for a moment. "Take my duck," he said. "The children will play with him."

Mr. Thorbjorn smiled. "That is a good idea," he said.

When he got home, he gave the duck to his ten children.

Some of the children laughed.

Some of the children cried.

And the duck went, QUACK, QUACK, QUACK.

"Oh, no," cried Mr. Thorbjorn, covering his ears.

Quickly, he went to see Palle the farmer.

"Palle," said Mr. Thorbjorn. "My children love the duck. But it is still noisy in my house."

Palle thought for a moment. "Take my lamb," he said. "The children will play with him, too."

Mr. Thorbjorn smiled. "That is a good idea," he said.

When he got home, he gave the lamb to his ten children.

They played with the duck and the lamb.

Some of the children laughed.

Some of the children cried.

And the lamb went BAA, BAA, BAA.

"Oh, no," cried Mr. Thorbjorn, covering his ears.

Again, he went to see Palle the farmer.

"Palle," said Mr. Thorbjorn. "My children love the duck and the lamb. But it is still noisy in my house."

*Palle walked back and forth.
 He thought very hard. "Take my pig," he said. "The children will play with him, too."
 Mr. Thorbjorn smiled. "That is a good idea," he said.
 When he got home, he gave the pig to his ten children.
 They played with the duck, the lamb and the pig.
 Some of the children laughed.
 Some of the children cried.
 And the pig went, OINK, OINK, OINK.
 "Oh, no," cried Mr. Thorbjorn, covering his ears.
 He ran over to see Palle the farmer.
 "Is everything all right?" asked Palle, concerned.
 "No," said Mr. Thorbjorn. "My house is so noisy I don't know what to do."
 Palle walked around in a circle.
 He thought and thought and thought.*

*"Take my chicken," he said. "The children will play with him, too."
 Mr. Thorbjorn smiled. "Of course," he said.
 When he got home, he gave the chicken to his ten children.
 They played with the duck, the lamb, the pig and the chicken.
 Some of the children laughed.
 Some of the children cried.
 And the chicken went CLUCK, CLUCK, CLUCK.
 "Oh, nooooo," cried Mr. Thorbjorn, putting his fingers in his ears.
 He went over to his wife. "My dear," he said. "Do your ears hurt from all of the noise?"
 "Yes," she sighed. "I will take the duck, the lamb, the pig and the chicken back to Palle. The animals make too much noise."
 Some of the children laughed. Some of the children cried.
 Suddenly, Mr. Thorbjorn looked up. "It's quiet at last!"*

Scandinavian Immigration Conference to be Held

Museum experts from five countries will gather in Decorah, Iowa, for SIMCON III, the third Scandinavian Immigration Conference, to consider the topic "Scandinavia to America: The Transfer and Transformation of Objects."

Leading scholars of material culture from Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden will meet with colleagues from the United States for over two days of intensive discussion. The conference is co-sponsored by Luther College and Vesterheim, the Norwegian-American Museum, and is open to the public. SIMCON III will be held at Luther College on October 24-26, 1985.

According to Dr. J. R. Christianson, Professor of History at Luther College and originator of the SIMCON idea, the goal of SIMCON III is to bring leading authorities from Scandinavian folk and history museums to America, where they can meet with American scholars and the staff members from Scandinavian-American museums to discuss common problems. "The overall aim of the SIMCON meetings is to strengthen Scandinavian-American studies by an interchange between American scholars, their Scandinavian counterparts, and the interested general public," says Christianson.

Dr. Marion J. Nelson, director of Vesterheim, adds, "SIMCON III will try to determine how objects can be used as documents of ethnicity and assimilation. Essentially we will be considering the role of the

museum and historic preservation in the study and interpretation of the immigrant experience. To assure clear focus in the discussions, the concentration in this conference will be on the rural immigrant during the period of high immigration from about 1840 to 1920." Christianson and Nelson are co-directors of SIMCON III.

Stig Thornsohn, designer of a popular international exhibition on Scandinavian emigration, "The Dream of America," will be among the Danes attending the conference, as well Birthe Friis, of Denmark's National Museum, an authority on Danish rural culture of the nineteenth century. Erik Helmer Pedersen of the Institute of Economic History at the University of Copenhagen will hopefully be joining the representatives from Denmark.

Participating scholars with expertise in Danish-American material are Signe Nielsen Betsinger of the University of Minnesota and Thomas Carter of the Division of State History, Salt Lake City, Utah. Scholars of Swedish-American materials include Ronald Nelson, Bishop Hill, Illinois; Arnold Barton, Southern Illinois University, and Carolyn Wilson, Minnesota Historical Society. Norwegian-American materials will be presented by Claire Selkurt, University of Minnesota-Mankato; Kenneth Alan Breisch of the Texas Historical Division; and staff members of the Norwegian-American Museum. Two scholars who deal more generally with North European material culture

and its impact in America have also been approached about participation. They are the architectural historian, Terry G. Jordan, University of Texas, and the anthropologist, Robert Spier, University of Missouri.

Without presenting papers, directors and staffs of Scandinavian-American museums will participate in a session on the preservation and interpretation of immigrant materials.

According to the tentative schedule, the Thursday evening session, October 24, will be devoted to the collecting and interpreting of 19th century material culture in Scandinavia. Friday is reserved largely for the consideration of immigrant architecture and its prototypes. Saturday's sessions will focus on household and industrial implements and on the achievements, potentials, and needs of Scandinavian-American museums.

The conference will also include films, special exhibits, a banquet, and tours of the Vesterheim collections. Vesterheim is widely recognized as one of the largest and best immigrant ethnic museums in America.

The public is invited to register and participate in SIMCON III, the third Scandinavian Immigration Conference, in Decorah, Iowa, on October 24-26, 1985. For more information, contact Dr. Marion J. Nelson, Director, Vesterheim, Decorah, IA 52101, or Professor J. R. Christianson, Luther College, Decorah, IA 52101.

Meet Our Two Newest DBIA 100% Families



Gary, Toni, Bryce, Jamey and DaNeil Gossett joined Lodge No. 345 in Orange County, California.

Since I am of Danish descent I have always been interested in learning about my Danish heritage. My grandfather and grandmother Olsen immigrated from Denmark and settled in Iowa during the early 1900s. My father, Ken and his two brothers, George and Glen, were raised in a traditional Danish home; in fact, when Ken started kindergarten in Hudson, Iowa, he only spoke Danish. Currently, my father, Ken Olsen, is president of Holger Danske Lodge No. 345 and my mother, Gerry Olsen, is their secretary. My uncle and aunt, George and Tillie Olsen, are involved and active in the Dike Lodge in Iowa. Glen and Dorothy Olsen, another aunt and uncle, are involved with the Des Moines Lodge in Iowa.

My family consists of myself, my husband Gary, and our three children, Bryce, Jamey, and DaNeil. Gary is of English descent. Since my father always emphasized our heritage and taught me many Danish customs and traditions, we are teaching our children in the same manner.

Gary Gossett is currently working as a roofing installer for the Olsen Roofing Company. Along with this occupation, he has also been involved in the restaurant business and has previously owned and operated four restaurants. Gary is very active in the church and is serving as Deacon for the second consecutive year. He has many responsibilities and duties in helping to oversee a congregation of 650. Gary also collects old coins and he is a video enthusiast. Among his other talents, Gary is an excellent sculptor and a novice artist.

My name is Toni Gossett. Family togetherness is very important to my husband and myself and I have strong feelings about the importance of a mother being home with her children; for this reason I have chosen to work at home. I am a licensed Orange County child-care provider and I watch several children in my home. I offer a complete pre-school and day care environment to them. Of course, the most important thing in my life is my husband and children, but I also enjoy writing poetry and working as a Sunday School teacher.

Gary and I have been married for almost fourteen years and we both came from homes that taught strong family unity. Most importantly, we are a Christian family and strive to honor and glorify the Lord in all that we do. We have found many fellow Danes with strong religious beliefs and have felt a bond with them. We are looking forward to being active members in our lodge and learning more about our exciting Danish ancestry.

Toni Olsen Gossett



Jim, Gaylene, Jim Jr., Peter, Christopher and Brian Hansen joined Lodge No. 1 in Omaha, Nebraska.

We are the James C. Hansen, Sr. family. Our family consists of Jim, Gaylene, James Charles, Peter Jorgen, Christopher Andrew, Brian Austin, and our family cat, Mr. Bojangles.

I am employed with the Nebraska Army National Guard at Ashland, Nebraska, as an instructor at the Academy which services an eleven state area. I teach soldiers the fundamentals of what it takes to be an effective leader and a wide variety of soldierly skills.

Gaylene works on-call as a Pediatric Technician at Children's Memorial Hospital as well as keeping the house and four boys in order.

Both Gaylene and I are active in Cub Scouts. I am the Cubmaster for Pack 432 and Gaylene is going to be a Den Leader this year. Our other hobbies include woodworking, fixing up our house, fishing, camping when we have time, sightseeing, and Danish cooking.

We were asked why we joined the Danish Brotherhood. It is because of our feelings toward the family and a strong Danish background. The Brotherhood is family-oriented and designs its programs to strengthen the family unit as well as provide knowledge on heritage and customs. Another good reason to join and be actively involved is the fraternal structure itself; Danes working together for our benefit and the benefit of others in the community through the benefits we provide. We also enjoy meeting new people and already have met many wonderful fellow Danes.

James C. Hansen, Sr.

May We Meet You, Too?

We would like to give all our members the opportunity to meet the new DBIA 100% insured families. If your family has just joined, please forward a picture and a short article describing your family and why you joined the Danish Brotherhood in America to 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131.

Remember, new DBIA 100% insured families will receive an attractive plate produced by Bing and Grøndahl to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Danish Brotherhood while supplies last.

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 #42, Spokane, WA — Been enjoying the long hot summer? Every one of the 38 hungry people who showed up at Mary and Emil's park for the annual picnic on August 4 did. At 11:00 a.m. that Sunday it really looked like rain so Emil called Rudy Vida, the lodge magician, and yelled, "HELP!" Rudy took his magic wand and said the magic words (we couldn't find out what they were) and the clouds flew over to Idaho. Lo and behold, a lovely sunny Danish picnic was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Scandinavian lodge was well represented and shared in covering the costs. Thank you.

Upcoming events include a Public Pinochle Party at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 19, 1985. L. P. Charneski, Sec.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST NEWSLETTER

Lodge #167, Portland, OR — At our August 7, 1985 meeting two persons were present for initiation, Eugene Harst and Leroy Cameron. Following the initiation, a five minute recess was called so all could welcome the new members.

We received two thank-you notes from Karla Jensen and Jason Cheney, both of whom received camp scholarships. Jason Cheney said he had a great time at Camp Meriwether. Karla Jensen can't wait to go back again to the horse camp she attended with her horse, learning the refinements of becoming an equestrian. A letter was also read from Sharon Kinder, secretary of the Pacific Northwest lodges on behalf of her fellow officers and delegates expressing their appreciation for a most successful and fun convention.

The Folkfest was again a success this year with an estimated 350,000 people visiting. For our lodge it may not have been a great financial success; but in every other way it was. A lot of new members were involved in bartending; and of course, the committee was the greatest example of active new members taking initiative and doing a great job.

Jens Jensen introduced prospective member Ted Demarst who was recruited at

The best idea for October goes to Lodge No. 167, Portland, Oregon. See page 14.

the Folkfest. Jens also read the names of several other persons he met there.

There were several Young Vikings who were among the children singing "We Are The World" at the open ceremonies of Folkfest at Neighborfair. We hope Karla Jensen, Joshua Burns and Justin Burns enjoyed themselves as much as we all enjoyed seeing them participate.

Lodge members Don Thorkildsen and Doug Turner have volunteered to make a permanent ethnic display of Danish cultural information and memorabilia.

All lodge members are encouraged to donate items for this display. Photos, books, Danish history, handicrafts, etc., will be most welcome. The Young Vikings are going to assist in making this standing display, enclosed display case and scrapbook. It will be a valuable asset to our participation in community events.

Joanne Kantor, Sec.

Lodge #328, Vancouver, B.C. — Thirty-seven brothers attended our last meeting. Allan Paquette had good news from the Fourth Canadian Conference in New Denmark. The three rewards from the conference were won by Harry Jensen, Peder Rasch and Jan Nielsen.

The conference book contains a historical overview of Danes and Danish clubs in Canada. The price is \$10.00.

Jarl Christensen, Cor.

Lodge #348, Eugene, OR — We met on July 11 at Carl Jensen's deck on a lovely summer evening overlooking Fern Ridge Lake. Fifty-two members and friends were present. Our guests for the evening were Vic and Anita Lyngaard's grandchildren, Tony and Luke; Mona and Henning Kristiansen's granddaughter Elisabeth; William Jensen, the father of our new member Peter Jensen; and Bente Stockton's mother, Grethe Hansen, who was visiting from Denmark. How nice to have all of these

guests. We received Peter Jensen as a new member. Welcome Peter, we look forward to getting to know you.

Everyone gave Knud and Karen Toftemark a big round of applause for another fun St. Hans celebration on their property.

The University of Oregon will again have Danish classes this fall. A Danish woman named Suzanne will be arriving to be the instructor. There will be both a first and second year offered.

Jean and Charlie Lake and Jim Bosteter gave an expert demonstration with their bows and arrows. Everyone enjoyed how well they could hit their target. Everyone except Poul Olesen! Was he ever relieved to know that the "dummy" got the arrow in the head and not him. But, Poul was very brave and a good sport. Thanks to Carl and his committee for a very nice meeting and an unusual demonstration.

Lois Toftemark, Sec.

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

California-Nevada District

President Walter Miller brought the 64th annual convention of the California-Nevada District to order on August 9. Before opening the convention, members of the host lodge brought in a large, beautiful floral arrangement and placed it before the president's lectern. National Officers Peter Weber and Erling Braumann were escorted to places of honor near the president.

The convention was opened with the salute to the flag and a moment of silence in respect of the memory of members who have passed away since the last convention.

It was agreed that we should honor the memory of the late Secretary-Treasurer Howard Christensen with a contribution to his favorite charity. Fifty dollars was sent to Nebraska Parks and Games Commission.

A letter from Kenneth Larsen, President of Lodge No. 49, was read. It dealt with compulsory life insurance, and that matter was discussed extensively, and Peter Weber explained the present status of that problem.

A youth program was directed toward

younger children and provided interest and amusement. A gymnastic team featuring small children was of interest to both adults and children.

Installation of officers took place as scheduled on Saturday, August 10. National Director Erling Braumann served as installing president, and National First Vice President Peter Weber served as installing conductor. The host lodge arranged for a drill team of six ladies to lend decorum and dignity to the occasion.



National Officers Erling Braumann and Peter Weber install new district officers.

Howard Kjellsen, our newly installed president, after presenting past president's emblems and paying respects to those who participated in the ceremony, closed the convention.

Following the convention a banquet and grand ball was enjoyed.

Lodge #299, Solvang, CA — Forty members and guests enjoyed a first class barbeque dinner served by J. Nedegaard and crew, but only 19 members stayed for the meeting presided by Max Hanberg.

Ed Madsen outlined what was learned at the recent convention especially related to the efforts made by other lodges to keep up the interest and participation of the members, hoping that our lodge may benefit from such experience.

Ed Madsen and Lloyd Sorensen volunteered to strike while the iron is hot and dream up new ideas and programs for our lodge. Ken Fitzgerald, a convention delegate, shared his observations related to planning for a convention, especially for the benefit of the 1985 convention to be held here in Solvang. In that connection it was mentioned that Omaha will contribute up to \$200 for youth activities during the convention or toward the rental of a hall.

Max Hanberg announced that Ed Madsen now is vice president at the district level.

Jacob Ravn, Cor.

Lodge # 323, Alhambra, CA — The annual Progressive Dinner has been scheduled for October 12, 1985.

Congratulations to Susan MacIntosh who won a handmade afghan at the raffle which was held during the district convention in

Anaheim. The convention was very nice. The hotel was beautiful and the food was excellent. The meeting rooms even had the pitchers of ice water with the glasses for all of us "weary" delegates and officers. Everything was well organized. Those in attendance from our lodge were John and Helene Kristensen, Richard and Karen Rowse, Kate Krake, Inger Dix, Doris Davis, Dawn Davis, and Philis Davis. We all had a great time. Next year's convention will be held in Solvang.

Thanks are in order to John and Helen Kristensen for offering the use of their home for the last meeting (especially on such short notice). Thank you very much.

Carl Christensen, Sr. received his 50-year pin in September. Congratulations, Carl!

Philis Davis, Cor.

Lodge #345, Orange Co., CA — The regular meeting for August was called to order with 49 members and friends present. Marie Christensen and Pat Christensen introduced several guests which we welcomed.

Helga Bjorn was the winner of the "Free Banquet Dinner" (value of \$22.50) for selling the most raffle tickets for the convention. She sold 120 tickets. Helga generously asked that the amount be left in the treasury.

Sherman Nielsen gave a very informative report on the youth program at the convention. He actually went to the kids and asked "What would you like to do during the convention?" and they told him. Sherman also suggested that the youth and their parents could be responsible for one or two social activities a year in the local lodge.

Kaj and Helga Bjorn announced that the Danish language classes began on Monday, September 9. The usual class dates are the 2nd and 4th Monday night of each month.

The 1985 California-Nevada District Convention has come and gone. A lot of time and effort went into the planning and carrying out of those plans. Many members of our lodge helped in so many ways that it would be impossible to give "credits."

Some of the roles were very "visible," yet just as much went on behind the scenes. There were some roles that were filled at a moment's notice, and roles that took weeks of preparation. It took many hands to complete the task. We saw that the deadline dates were met and the performances completed.

We, as a lodge, are capable of doing big things. Big things are in store for our lodge because we can do it. On behalf of our president, Ken Olsen, and convention chairman, Howard Kjellsen, congratulations Holger Danske Lodge for a job well done and thank you.

National Director Erling Braumann really took Ken Olsen, President of Lodge No. 345, by surprise at the recent 1985 convention. Erling had asked Ken if he could make a presentation to the Petaluma lodge at the closing banquet and ball. When the time came for the presentation, Erling presented Ken with a home computer for winning the National Steak/Byte Membership Contest. Ken was truly surprised. He had been making a pest of himself for the past couple of weeks, calling the National Headquarters about the results. The National Headquarters, in turn, felt it would be a great opportunity to have Erling present the award in person, so they stalled and stalled him. A plaque was also given to Ken. Now all the waiting is over, and the wait was well worth it. **Gerry Olsen, Sec.**

Lodge #346, Riverside, CA — Our Lake Perris outing saw 18 members and guests in attendance. It was an absolutely beautiful day with lots of clear sky, sunshine, and the right amount of a cool breeze under the shade tree and the big blue tarp. Many thanks to Dale and Janet Jensen for arranging to be there early and finding the perfect spot.

The District Convention is now a pleasant memory. Lodge No. 345 members were fantastic hosts, the hotel was new and beautiful, the food outstanding, Disneyland was great fun. . . Best of all was the gathering of DBIA members from all over California and Nevada and the making/renewing of friendships. Seven members from Lodge No. 346 attended and thoroughly enjoyed it. Congratulations to all newly installed district officers. Next year's convention will be hosted by the Solvang lodge.

Reservations have been made for our Christmas party on December 7 at Harry C's in Riverside. Be sure to set aside this date.

Nancy Nielsen, Sec.

IOWA-MINNESOTA

Lodge #75, Albert Lea, MN — We met on September 7 at the Senior Citizens Center for our first meeting of the fall season. Members and guests enjoyed a potluck supper followed by a short business meeting. Marion Hansen told of her visit to Skovsøen, the Danish Language Village in northern Minnesota where her granddaughter was enrolled.

Earl and Arnold Levisen were awarded custody of the plaque won by our lodge for the first place float in the Albert Lea Fourth of July parade. Earl and Arnold did a super job in decorating the float.

Heidi Bryson of Alden, Minnesota, showed slides and told of her experience as an exchange student in Japan. It was good

to meet with the brothers and sisters again and we are looking forward to a good year.

Alton Neve, Cor.

Lodge #217, Humboldt, IA — The August 12 business meeting was opened with the song "Happy Anniversary" to celebrate our lodge's 80th anniversary.

Correspondence included a reply from Pam Dorau, Fraternal Director, telling us that our lodge was officially chartered July 6, 1905, with 29 members. President Hansen asked the group how many names they recognized. A lot of hands went up. Four persons indicated their father's names were on the roster. The lodge later topped the evening off by eating anniversary cake.

The "Dane Day" museum committee gave its report. On July 14, twelve lodge members had displayed Danish cookbooks, plates, counted cross-stitch, pictures, Christmas decorations, and our 3'x5' Danish flag, as well as dispensed extra **American Dane** magazines and Danish Brotherhood in America brochures. Fifty-six persons from our county and four neighboring counties had attended and several had showed interest in joining the lodge.

Flor Johnsen of the program committee sang some songs to the group with her guitar. Violet Bergeson then started the group playing 500 for the evening. Prizes were awarded for high and low scores. The program committee consisted of Violet Bergeson, Harlan and Flor Johnsen, Adolph Madsen, and Fremond Nielsen.

Lunch was served to 24 members and two guests by the committee which consisted of Beulah and Fred Benjamin and Rudy Olson.

Peggy Hansen, Sec.

MIDWEST PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST DISTRICT

Lodge #4, Racine, WI — It seems the summer has slipped by all too quickly. The golf outing is over — we had a heck of a good time. Nine golfers from Racine played. We have not had a picnic yet this summer. It's not too late to plan a fall picnic. Let us know your feelings at the upcoming meeting.

Perhaps if we schedule a few more social events including our wives we might create a little more enthusiasm, so bring your suggestions to the upcoming meetings. Have you brought in a new member this year? Fall is a good time to initiate a new member.

Wayne Kavaliauskas, Pres.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD ANNUAL ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI — We welcome new members Steve Borggren, Ronald

Elliott, James Mauldin, John Hartnell, Robert Lewison, Don Servais and Richard Wicks.

Our annual summer picnic was once again a huge success with over 200 adults and children in attendance on a beautiful day. Beer, soda, ice cream and coffee were furnished by the lodge. Games were played for all ages. The egg toss was won by Brian and Wes Bernhardt; the water balloon toss by Rick and Cathy Schneider. Horseshoe tournament champs were Bob Kostrewa and Wayne Murray. Your hard working committee was Dan and Barb Ervin, Bob and Elaine Ibsen, Tom and Judy Nielsen, Tom and Donna Nelson, and Vince and Shirley Roders. Nice job gang.

We thank all those who donated raffle prizes including May Beverage, K & R Supply, Mat Fosbinder, Vince Roders, Bob Ibsen and Tom Nelson. Also a big thank you to Tom and Bill Nelson for use of their United Van Line truck once again.

A busload went to see the Milwaukee Brewers win for a change (first time since we have been going up there). We had a great time and we thank the committee including Rich Walker, Ken Hansen and Duke Ellingham, who was our song leader.

The Saturday that we were to head for Arlington Race Track with two busloads of people had to be canceled due to the disastrous fire at the track. We want to thank Ed Zydowsky for all of his hard work in setting up this event for us. We set up an alternate date at Hawthorne Race Track in Chicago in September.

Over 100 happy people came and enjoyed a great corn roast and dance. The crowd was very enthusiastic and most came in western clothes. Betty Jean and the Country Express played for us and they were outstanding. Keep it in mind for next year — you won't be sorry. Thanks to the committee for all their hard work.

There are still booths available in the

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
Julie B. Jensen	1	—Omaha, NE	Paul Wehner
Sharon A. Pacaj	1	—Omaha, NE	Povl Pacaj
Dino I. Laurenzi	14	—Kenosha, WI	Robert Ibsen
Robert A. Emmick	29	—Seattle, WA	Craig Emmick
Cassandra Jo Wilson	34	—Dwight, IL	Raymond Holzhauer
Ann Johnson	35	—Chicago, IL	Marie Johansson
Arvid Swanson	35	—Chicago, IL	Paul Sloth
Esther D. Swanson	35	—Chicago, IL	Paul Sloth
Clifford W. Oberg	35	—Chicago, IL	Marie Johansson
Margaret E. Oberg	35	—Chicago, IL	Marie Johansson
Ellen J. Hacher	35	—Chicago, IL	Jenny E. Jensen
Esther L. Madsen	36	—Milwaukee, WI	Elsa Berlin
Erma M. Miller	161	—Ruskin, NE	Florence Borgen
Mildred M. Andersen	161	—Ruskin, NE	Wayne Schultz
David G. Christiansen	167	—Portland, OR	Mel Pihl
Paul A. Schroder	167	—Portland, OR	Jan Hansen
Penny Chernitz Straughan	167	—Portland, OR	Jan Hansen
Nevill H. Eschen	167	—Portland, OR	Mel Pihl
Greta E. Davis	190	—Schenectady, NY	Elpha O'Brien
Jennifer J. Jensen	206	—Blair, NE	Paul Strand
Richard William Løbner	306	—San Diego, CA	Art Norgaard
Wayne H. Young	346	—Riverside, CA	Inger Olson
Shirley M. Young	346	—Riverside, CA	Inger Olson
Joseph H. Renier	346	—Riverside, CA	Knud Andersen
Georgianne R. Gerhart	600	—Omaha, NE	Andy Andersen



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



Rathskeller for the Christmas Fair on November 3. Price for downstairs is \$15.00, so call Shirley Rodgers. Speaking of the fair, please do not wait to be called to help — we need all of you. Call Gordy Andersen and volunteer your services to help. We need cooks, mixers, kitchen help, dish washers, table cleanup, set up people, etc.



The "Viking" made by Vince and Shirley Rodgers.

To raise money for our building fund, Vince and Shirley Rodgers made "Vikings" out of bowling pins which were sold for \$5.00. Because they were so popular, we thought we would let everyone know how to make them. Materials needed are: 1 bowling pin, 1 silver Leggs panty hose container, 1 small set red plastic horns, 1 red pom pom, 2 eyes, orange macrame yarn for beard, 14" of 5/8" rope, 1 small styrofoam ball, 1 pointed 1/4" dowel, 1 coffee cup size plastic cover for shield, paint and red tape. Paint the bowling pin white, drill holes all the way through pins for arms. Insert rope in holes. Attach styrofoam ball to one end of rope for hand. Insert spear. Curve other end of rope and attach to

1/2" off center of pin by driving a nail through the shield. Attach horns to Leggs container and place on head. Position eyes and red pom pom for nose. Make eyebrows with black marking pen. Fray orange macrame yarn for beard and glue in place. Tape one red stripe around neck area and one near the bottom.

Lodge #34, Dwight, IL — Congratulations to the recipients of scholarships from the Midwest District including Vicki Clavey attending Illinois State University at Normal; Susan Scott attending the University of Illinois at Champaign; and Julie Scott attending Northern Illinois University at DeKalb.

At our August 12 meeting Cyrus Dunlap, Rick and Deb Nelson were voted on and approved for membership. Welcome to Rick Nelson who was initiated into the lodge. Awards for the National Bowling Tournament were handed out. It was reported that 12 teams were entered in the Trap Shoot in June with Dwight taking first and third place. Thanks to all who participated.

Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI — Three of our members sang in the Milwaukee-based Scandinavia Chorus for the annual picnic program on the afternoon of August 4 at the Danish Old People's Home in Racine. Although it began to rain and everyone moved inside, we had a good time with a "group sing" and enjoyed wonderful food.

We welcome our newest member, Miss Esther L. Madsen, who was accepted into the lodge as a social member during our August 20 business meeting.

Our committee is making plans for our Pork and Red Cabbage Dinner to be held the evening of Saturday, October 26, at International Institute, Milwaukee.

Albert L. Larsen, Sec.

Lodge #64, Rockford, IL — On August 24 S. Peter and Marge Larsen celebrated their



Sofus T. Sorensen presents S. Peter and Marge Larsen with National's 50 year wedding certificate.

50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations! At our regular meeting August 21st at Mary Andersen's home they were presented with a certificate of merit from the National Board of Directors. Larsen is president of our lodge and our secretary Sofus T. Sorensen made the presentations.

On August 30 to September 1 our lodge together with Sisterhood Lodge No. 55 participated in "On The Waterfront" celebration and we had a cultural display in the Metro Centre.

Otto Ehlers, Cor.

Lodge #92, St. Charles, IL — We have been missing a few articles the last month or so. The reason is simple, because the correspondent has been in Denmark for five weeks with her husband. It was a most marvelous trip.

We had a very successful picnic attended by about 50 people and our meetings have had such good programs and also some

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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
7-24-85	Herbert J. Chadwick	73	Kearney, New Jersey	116	Newark, New Jersey	1944
7-18-85	Harvey S. Bensen	76	Portland, Oregon	167	Portland, Oregon	1936
7-10-85	Herbert Houghton	76	Evanston, Wyoming	264	Pocatello, Idaho	1952
6-30-85	Niels J. Jorgensen	71	Blackfoot, Idaho	43	Denver, Colorado	1939
7-22-85	Herbert E. Johnson	72	Yorkville Township, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1956
7-16-85	Carl Overgard	84	Aarhus, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1940
8-19-85	Elmer Nelson, Jr.	58	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1969
7-29-85	Irving H. Christensen	68	Wilson, Connecticut	314	Hartford, Connecticut	1952
5-9-85	Woodrow W. Jensen	82	Warren, Pennsylvania	202	Warren, Pennsylvania	1975
7-1-85	Gudrun M. Andersen	75	Gjerlev, Denmark	217	Humboldt, Iowa	1973
8-6-85	Ernest J. Durivage	74	Troy, New York	183	Troy, New York	1979
8-21-85	Delores L. DiSilvestro	63	Omaha, Nebraska	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1979
8-16-85	George A. Telmos	76	Saginaw, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1971

good lunches which stands in the tradition of any good Danish group. We are looking forward to having some interesting things coming up this fall and winter and hope that everyone will come to the meetings. It's a good way to spend a Friday evening and good fellowship. Please make the effort to come and I'm sure it will be worth your while.

Lois Skraboly, Cor.

Lodge #340, Wood Dale, Ill — The swimming party was a lot of fun. It was great splashing around. Afterwards, you could tell who had been swimming and who chickened out. It could have been the goosebumps. With the sun down and cool nippy breeze in the air, a wet bathing suit can become a real liability. The lodge treated to pizza which was gobbled down by one and all. It's amazing how hungry we all were after that dip in the pool.

We received a brochure from the Danish Immigrant Museum. A national museum has been established to tell the immigrants' story of survival in a new land. Elk Horn, Iowa, was chosen as the site for the new museum. It will be built on the west edge of Elk Horn conveniently located seven miles north of Interstate 80.

Janet Villacci, Sec.

Lodge #343, Waupaca, WI — On August 22nd we discussed plans for our annual aebleskiver supper which was held on September 26th with our able vice president Loyal Lundorf as chairman. Our annual Mortens Aften dinner will be held on November 9th at the Waucapa Country Club.

Members August Christensen and Harold Rasmussen told us of their trips this summer to Denmark, Norway and Sweden. They showed many pictures and souvenir gifts from Denmark. Delicious open-face sandwiches, bars and coffee were enjoyed by all.

Evelyn Doerr, Pres.

NEBRASKA

Nebraska District

Over one hundred delegates, members and friends of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges throughout the state of Nebraska held their sixty-first annual State Convention at the Villager Motor Inn and Convention Center on September 6, 7 and 8th. Host and hostess for the convention were Lincoln Brotherhood Lodge No. 84 and Lincoln Sisterhood Lodge No. 90.

The Friday evening meeting in the Plaza room was highlighted by accordion music by Donald and Suzanne Nohavek, followed by a slide presentation "Voices from the New Land," a history of Danish immigration to America, and especially to Nebraska and Iowa, presented by Dana College English

Professor and Historian John M. Nielsen and his wife, Dawn, Blair High School teacher.

Saturday's all day session was devoted to general and individual Brotherhood and Sisterhood meetings. The evening banquet and program was held in the Ballroom Convention Center. Don Schrader and vocalist provided the dinner music. State Presidents of the Brotherhood and Sisterhood, Floyd Andersen and Joyce Nielsen, announced the new officers for the 1985-1986 year. National Sisterhood President, Gladys Nordine of Warren, Pennsylvania, and National Director Woodrow Petersen of Park Forest, Illinois, were the main speakers for the evening. Following the installation of the state officers, the coronation of Kenneth Pedersen and Margaret Larsen as King and Queen, and the announcements of awards and scholarships, the remainder of the evening was spent dancing to the music of Gene Harding and Band. Prize winners were announced later in the evening.

The conventions closed with a morning breakfast held at the I.O.O.F. Hall with the Lincoln lodges as host and hostess.

The 1986 Danish State Convention will be held next September in Omaha with Blair Lodge No. 206 and Omaha Lodge No. 1 as co-hosts.

Donald F. Lehn, Pres.
Lodge No. 84

Lodge #1, Omaha, NE — At our August business meeting we were very happy to



Conductor Clarence Hansen gives membership pins to newly initiated members.



Past President Flo Hansen presents a centennial plate to James Hansen and sons for becoming a 100% DBIA family. Mrs. James Hansen was unable to attend.

initiate so many new members into our lodge. Welcome all, we're very glad you joined our family.

We enjoyed a catered dinner for our social meeting in August. A variety of games were enjoyed after the meal.

Several of our members attended the Nebraska District Convention held September 6, 7 and 8. We are very anxious to hear their reports. **James Christiansen, Sec.**

Lodge #206, Blair, NE — Members of our lodge enjoyed viewing the program "Denmark: A Star Spangled Fourth" at our July meeting. Our host committee was Mr. and Mrs. Merton Kuhr, chairpersons, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Andersen, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Follen, Pearl Stricklett and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wilson.

At this meeting the following were chosen as delegates to the Nebraska District Convention: Bonnie Kuhr, Laurids Pedersen and Jennifer Christensen. Robert Jorgensen replaced Laurids Pedersen at the convention.

Our August committee, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Johansen, chairpersons, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mathiesen, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Goll, and Kai Kastrup, tickled everyone's funny bone by showing a Laurel and Hardy film. Dessert, refreshments and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

We wish to thank our July and August committees for a job well done.

Jerry Christensen, Pres.

MICHIGAN-OHIO

Lodge #51, Ludington, MI — Our regular business meeting was held on September 4 with 17 members attending. We wish to welcome Marlin D. Fouts who was initiated August 21st into the Danish Brotherhood in America.

With profound regret and in thoughtful remembrance of Brother George Telmos, we deeply regret the loss of this good and loyal Brother and extend to his bereaved family and friends our most deepfelt sympathy and consolation.

On Friday, August 16, we held the fourth annual Widow Night, where widows of deceased members are treated to corn on the cob and a hot dog roast with no cost to them. This year the event was attended by 48 members and guests and six widows including Lena Hansen, Dorothy Goodrich, Ella Jeppesen, Irene Sealey, Vera Hansen and Clara Talsman. The widows were given a long stem rose and all of the ladies present were given a ticket for a mum plant that was given away as a door prize. We wish to thank Bill Krause and his committee for preparing and serving the food and all of

the hard work and planning that goes into a an activity such as this.

Keith Koegler, Past Pres.

Lodge #227, Detroit, MI — Here's wishing that everyone had a nice long summer and looking forward to another season of lodge activities.

July and August were slow with no new members. In September we started the dinner meetings which will be held on the first meeting night of each month through June of 1986.

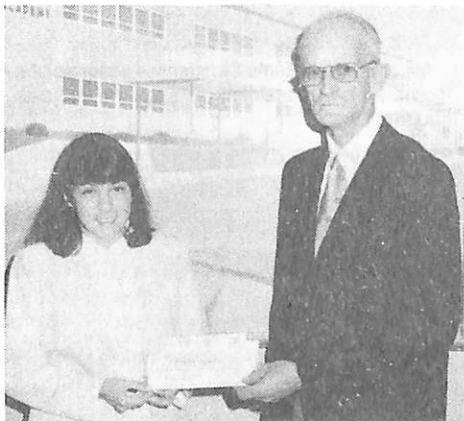
Ken Christensen, Sec.

GCEL

Lodge #71, Penn Yan, NY — We have been having a busy year starting out with our annual Christmas tree card dance, followed by a pancake breakfast. We made \$200 which we donated to the Yates County Arts Council for their Danish Heritage Celebration.

Our annual picnic was held at the Koek Farms. Sixty-six members were present.

A \$50 scholarship was awarded to a Gorham student in memory of Arden Angell and a \$100 scholarship was awarded to Kristen Bailey by Secretary Clarence Jensen at our Penn Yan school.



Secretary Jensen presents Kristen Bailey with scholarship check.

Our annual banquet will be held in November.

Carl Spencer was elected president of the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges over Labor Day weekend. The next GCEL Convention will be held in Penn Yan during Labor Day of 1986. **Clarence Jensen, Sec.**

Lodge #116, Newark, NJ — Be at the next meeting to share the exciting report from your delegate to the Labor Day convention. Next year's convention will be in Penn Yan, New York. **John C. Madsen, Sec.**

Lodge #164, New York, NY — Since you haven't heard from us in a while, here's a recap of what we've been doing during the

year. After our January meeting we held our first annual "Flea Market." As it is always successful, we also had one in June.

February was "Cod Fish Party Time" held at the Danish Athletic Club with dancing and music by our famous Walter Ericksen and Son.

On June 2nd we all met at the Danish Home in Croton-on-Hudson to celebrate Grønnavsdagen.

On July 14th we had a great turnout for our yearly picnic in Edison, New Jersey. The grounds are a beautiful sight to behold.

Long time members Gina and John Madsen from Poughkeepsie surprised us with an invitation to a pool party at their home on August 3rd. What a wonderful day we had with all kinds of Danish food, beer, aqvavit, etc. We chartered a small bus so that those that had no cars could also come and enjoy the Madsen's hospitality and beautiful pool.

On September 15 we all got together for the end of the year picnic, the yearly "Høstfest," at Crotons Home and ground.

Elpha O'Brien, Sec.

Lodge #314, Hartford, CT — This past June the brothers had a potluck supper with the sisters. Brother Erling Braumann and his lovely wife, Mary, came up from Rhode Island to present a special award to our lodge. Erling is one of our National Directors of the Danish Brotherhood. The award presented by Brother Erling was for Lodge No.

314's contribution to the GCEL Scholarship Fund.

This past Labor Day weekend the GCEL Convention was held in Barre, Vermont. Lodge No. 294 was our host. What a marvelous job they did. Our delegate this year was John Christiansen. Brother John was accompanied by his lovely wife Evelyn. Also attending the convention were Brother Aage Jespersen and his lovely wife, Vera. Needless to say I was also there along with my lovely wife, Jennie, and our three boys Matt, Mark, and Jeff. We all had a great time at the convention. Again, thanks and congratulations to Lodge No. 294 on a job well done.

Waldo Jim Elliott, Sec.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD CIVIC ACTIVITY

Lodge #325, Nassau Co., NY — At our August meeting, George Jacobsen reported on the Scandinavian Festival Show in Eisenhower Park held July 20. A big group of our members had participated in making the plans for the festival, making the setting for the stage, and setting up for the Arts and Craft Show, in which a great number of our members exhibited.

The stage show drew a crowd of 20,000 people. Myron Florens was the big attraction, together with Walter Ericson's orchestra. The Finn Rhythm Orchestra, and our own Carol Rasmussen also entertained with a melody of Danish songs.

During the evening we showed a video

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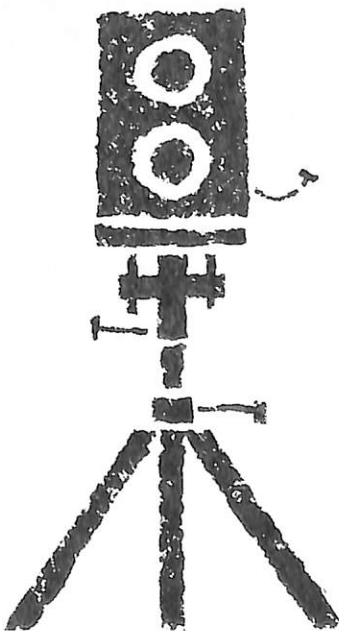
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tape about the Danish team of handicapped athletes participating in the olympics held here on Long Island in 1984. The tape was presented to us from the "Dansk Handicap Idrets Forbund." Our member, Maureen Sullivan, just returned from Denmark where she had studied during the past year and gave an excellent and interesting speech about her experience. **Niels Hansen, Sec.**

MISSOURI

Lodge #56, Kansas City, MO — Our booth at the Sixth Annual Ethnic Enrichment Festival was one of the most popular booths at the festival held in Kansas City's Swope Park on August 16-18, 1985. More than 40,000 people visited the festival.

The popularity was largely due to the Danish aebleskiver which was made on the spot by several members of the lodge. Both experienced and "trainee" cooks made the activity a success. Crowds of ten and twenty often circled around to watch the aebleskiver being made and to taste the unusual Danish treat.



Aebleskiver was a big attraction.

An additional attraction was found in the Danish Immigrant exhibit which included some items on loan from the museum in Elk Horn, Iowa. The exhibit also contained some items from the families of Danish immigrants from the Kansas City area.

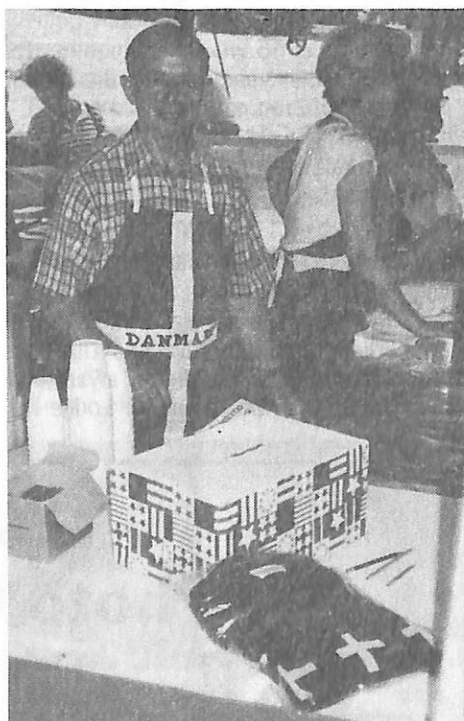
Danish history and genealogy aids were also offered to the public and many first and second generation Danes stopped to learn more about tracing their family. The recent articles from the **American Dane** were referenced as well as other items.

Many Danish Brotherhood members made and donated cookies, Danish caraway pretzels and kringle cake. One of the lodge members demonstrated Danish heart baskets and "how to make it" kits were for

sale. A fashion show included authentic Danish costumes worn by Margaret Shanklin and Gerda Wallace. Proceeds from the festival are used for scholarship and local charities as well as other Danish immigrant history and culture preservation efforts.



Items on loan from the museum were displayed.



Hopefully, new members will be the result of the DBIA sweater give-away.

Finally, a Danish Brotherhood sweater was given away in a drawing of names that registered during the three day festival. The lodge expects to draw new memberships from the drawing. **R. J. Wallace, Cor.**

MONTANA

Lodge #273, Dillon, MT — During a recent visit to Dillon, Montana, Mr. and Mrs. Ove Nielsen found a lodge attempting to beautify its community.

In 1976, as part of the American bicentennial celebration, the lodge placed 30 boxes of flowers in the community. They were located in front of business establishments and cared for by DBIA members.

Since then, under the leadership of DBIA member Clifford Bay, the boxes have been planted each year and presented to business establishments willing to care for them. This is certainly a visible and effective way to reach out into the community!

Lodge #283, Dagmar, MT — We had distinguished guests, namely Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Christensen, Secretary-Treasurer of the National Headquarters, when we celebrated our 75th anniversary on June 5, 1985.

Approximately 250 people enjoyed the festivities and the barbecue that was served to members and visitors. Lloyd and Richard Sorensen were in charge of barbecuing the beef and a good-sized pig was barbecued by Dave Chrisman and Carl Westergard. Ethel Sorensen baked the anniversary cake.



Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Christensen congratulate Harold Nielsen, President of Lodge No. 283 and his wife, Cleo.



75th anniversary cake made by Mrs. Gilbert (Ethel) Sorensen.

George Johnson of Glasgow was emcee for the program. Several Danish songs were sung by the Brothers under the direction of Niels Miller. Norwegian dancers from Williston, North Dakota, entertained along with the Danish dancers of Dagmar.

President Harold Nielsen accepted the gift of a plaque presented by Brother Jerome Christensen congratulating us on 75 years, and he in turn received a cap with our lodge insignia on it for himself and his wife.

For the dancing which completed an enjoyable evening, Niels Miller, Arlo and Helen Sampsen, Harold DeSilva and Calvin Syme furnished music.

Visitors from a distance were Leslie and

Ruby Larsen, Laurids and Judy Pedersen, from Nebraska, Arnie Rasmussen from Helena, Montana, and Carl and Mary Petersen from Havre, Montana.

Gregg Nielsen, Sec.

Grant Awarded to the Danish Immigrant Museum

The Danish Immigrant Museum has been awarded a grant of \$13,000 by the Iowa Community Cultural Grant Commission. The purpose of the Community Cultural Grant program is to employ lowans on projects that promote a community's historical, cultural and ethnic heritage through the development of cultural programs such as the Museum.

The grant award will help the Danish Immigrant Museum with some of the initial steps in the construction of its building, such as the site and topographic surveys. The surveys must be completed before plans can be drawn and the site preparation, (dirt work), can proceed.

The site of the future Danish Immigrant Museum building is twenty acres of land on the west edge of Elk Horn, Iowa. The land, donated by the Elk Horn Lutheran Church, is now farmed, but will be the setting for a living museum to preserve the Danish American heritage for the enjoyment of future generations.

For more information about the Museum and how you can help write: The Danish Immigrant Museum, Box 178, Elk Horn, Iowa 51531.

Payments to Board Members

SEPTEMBER 1985

Semiannual expense allowance, Peter Weber, \$250; Clyde Langsted, \$250; Erling Braumann, \$250; Paul Carlsen, \$250; Kenneth Pedersen, \$250; Woodrow Petersen, \$250; and George Jacobsen, \$250. Iowa-Minnesota Convention, Arcata Lodge 85th anniversary, Clyde Langseth, \$728; GCEL Convention, Paul Carlsen, \$491; Nebraska Convention, Woodrow Petersen, \$388; Robert E. Ibsen, salary, \$262.

Menucha, A Cultural Conclave

The Pacific Northwest Danish Cultural Conference held June 28-30 was sponsored by the Danish American Heritage Society at Menucha. The more than 120 people attending were nearly all of Danish ancestry in whole or in part.

The magnificent river, flowing far below the beautiful old "manor," symbolized the coming together from Western Canada and the United States to share cultural heritage. That heritage was presented in song, lectures, pictorial presentations, folk dancing, and exquisite needle work.

Karen Madsen McCumsey of Junction City, Oregon, is the originator of the Pacific Northwest Danish Cultural Conference of which this was the seventh. For the last three years, a program for children ages 7-12 has proven very successful.

The 1986 conference will be held on June 27-29 at Menucha.

Ingmar Bergman to Receive ASF's First Bergman Award

As part of "Northern Lights Shine at Lincoln Center," the American-Scandinavian Foundation's upcoming gala tribute to 75 years of Scandinavian performing arts, Swedish film-maker Ingmar Bergman will be on hand to receive ASF's first award for outstanding achievement in Nordic culture.

The award, to be named for Mr. Bergman, will be presented every three years to a fine or performing artist from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, or Sweden whose work has had lasting impact on American culture. Future selections will be made by an international committee, including Mr. Bergman, and the award will include a \$10,000 honorarium.

It has also been announced that the Honorary Chairman of the September 30 "Northern Lights" benefit will be Martin E. Segal, Chairman of the Board of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts. Working with Mr. Segal as Co-chairpersons are actress Celeste Holm; ASF Trustee Lena Björck Kaplan; Richard Oldenburg, Director of the Museum of Modern Art; and George C. White, President of the Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center.

The tribute will include the premiere of "Northern Stars," a documentary film on Scandinavian performing arts together with live performances and appearances by both well-known and rising stars. Among those now scheduled to appear are Victor Borge, Anne Gjevang, Ralf Gothoni, Hrafn Gunnlaugsson, Aage Haugland, Sylvia Lindstrand, Birgit Nilsson, Martti Talvela, Helgi Tomasson, Liv Ullmann, and Max von Sydow.

If you would like additional information, contact the American-Scandinavian Foundation, 127 East 73rd Street, New York, NY 10021.

Quilting Club Becomes Charter Member of Danish Museum

The Busy Bee Quilting Club of Atlantic has become a charter member of the Danish Immigrant Museum. Members of the club invited Museum Director, June Sampson, to their weekly meeting on August 1st to accept their contribution of \$200 toward the establishment of the museum in Elk Horn.

The members of the Busy Bee Quilting Club are not Danish. However, this club has supported worthy projects with the proceeds of their quilting since before 1910.

"We want to help the museum get started," said Mrs. Dorothy Hillerson, club treasurer. The many hours of hand quilting that the members spend on each quilt have been turned into a gift to the museum, the club is now a charter member and will be recognized in the future as one of the founders of the museum. "The museum is honored that this organization with such a long history in the area is helping the new museum," says Director Sampson.

Other organizations that are charter members of the museum are: The Danish Brotherhood in America National Headquarters, The Better Elk Horn Club, Ringsted Danish American Fellowship, Danish Brotherhood in America Lodges No. 56 of Kansas City, Missouri, No. 319 of Bakersfield, California, and No. 299 of Solvang, California, Danish Sisterhood United Lodges of Iowa and Minnesota, and the Elk Horn Lutheran Church.

The Danish Immigrant Museum's charter membership drive began in March. There are now over 400 members from all across the country. Businesses, organizations or individuals who join the museum before December 31, 1985, will become charter members. For further details write: June Sampson, Director, The Danish Immigrant Museum, Box 178, Elk Horn, Iowa 51531.

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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).

September winners: Kai Busch-Petersen, Elizabeth Jensen, Jennifer Axen, and Flemming Bertelsen.

Grandma's Kitchen



by Dagmar Jensen

Osteomelet Cheese Omelet

4 slices of bread 1 cup milk
1 cup grated cheese 4 eggs
1/2 teaspoon salt

Soak bread in milk, add grated cheese, stir in beaten egg yolks and salt. Fold in whipped egg whites, bake 30 minutes in moderate oven.

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For two weeks, youngsters between the ages of 8 through 17 learned Danish songs, crafts, sports, folk dances and how to speak and understand the Danish language. They also experienced several authentic Danish traditions such as the Mid-summer festival and the Danish Christmas celebration.

Paul Lund, Dean of Skovsøen, stated, "This was the best session ever held, even though we had the worst weather." However, while it did rain the last few days, the campers' spirits were not dampened a bit. When camper Debra Ann Aubert was asked her feelings during a cloud burst, she summed them up in two words, "it's great!" This was Debra's first year at Skovsøen and she said she can't wait to go back again next year.

Through the matching fund program at the Danish Brotherhood, individual lodges working together with the National Headquarters were able to help defray the cost of tuition to attend Skovsøen for 17 youngsters. Four additional youngsters received their tuition paid in full thanks to donations from the Danish Old People's Home Board in Detroit, Michigan, and Lodge No. 314 in Hartford, Connecticut. An essay contest was held earlier in the year to determine who the lucky four youngsters would be.

The following is a list of the DBIA campers and those who gave their support.



Campers enjoyed the lovely surrounding of Morgan Lake.

Camper

Debra Ann Aubert
Elijah Berg
Kelley Coblentz
Bob Dønvg
Christopher Dunlap
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Tina Hansen
Ann-Marie Higgins
Lisa Marie Jensen
Carrie Lynn Kirby
Tricia Ann Larsen
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Lodge No. 34, Dwight, IL
Lodge No. 34, Dwight, IL
Lodge No. 75, Albert Lea, MN
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Lodge No. 144, Dike, IA
Lodge No. 45, Minneapolis, MN
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