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President's Page

Robert E. Ibsen
National President

With the first district convention already coming up in May, it's time to again begin preparing for the District President's Awards and the National President's Awards. Please keep in mind that these awards were implemented for lodges to receive the recognition they deserve. Many of our lodges and districts put forth outstanding efforts throughout the year and should receive an award for doing so. As a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors which selects the winners on the national level, I can honestly say how hard it is to make these decisions. However, we cannot even attempt to make a decision and adequately consider every lodge and district unless the completed forms are returned to the National Headquarters by the Annual Board Meeting held in October, 1986.

Your District President will soon be receiving a packet of information regarding these awards. Included in this packet are Lodge Reporting Forms which will be forwarded to individual Lodge Secretaries for their completion. Once the completed forms are returned to the District President, the District President's Committee will evaluate the reports and, at the District Convention, present the winning lodges with a certificate and a check for \$25.00. The categories for which lodges will be recognized are: (1) Best Local Lodge Single Social Activity, (2) Best Local Lodge Single Civic Activity, (3) Best Local Lodge Annual Activity Schedule, and (4) Best Local Lodge Newsletter. The committee bases its decision on the following factors: (1) a. highest percentage of membership participation, b. new members attracted by activity, c. activity supportive of the Danish Brotherhood in America goals, (2) a. best community contribution (volunteer or financial), b. activity supportive of the Danish Brotherhood in America goals, c. activity that encouraged new member interest, (3) a. uniqueness of activities, b. percentage of attendance at meetings, c. promotion of activities to members and general public, and (4) a. easy to read and attractive, b. well written and informative, c. timely distribution.

A continuation of the District President's Award Program is the National President's Award Program. After the District Convention your District President will forward to the National Headquarters the District Reporting Form which includes the lodges which won at the district level and also information concerning activities which your district has participated in. At this point, the Executive Committee will select the winning lodges and the winning district in the following categories: (1) Best District of 1986, (2) Best Single Social Activity, (3) Best Single Civic Activity, (4) Best Annual Activity Schedule, and (5) Best Newsletter.

Once the decisions have been reached, a check in the amount of \$100.00 will be directly sent to the winning lodges and the best district will receive a check in the amount of \$200.00. Besides being nationally recognized, the winning lodge and district will receive a certificate hand-delivered to your lodge or district by a member of the Board of Directors.

I am sure every Danish Brotherhood lodge could put \$100.00 to good use just as every district could use \$200.00. However, remember your lodge and district cannot even begin thinking of what to do with the money until the forms are completed and returned to the National Headquarters. The Board of Directors is anxious to recognize and award lodges for their hard work and by completing the forms you can help us do so.

At this time I would like to personally thank each and everyone for all your contributions to the Brian Perschnick Fund. On March 1, 1986 this drive concluded and I was extremely pleased to present a check to the Perschnick family in the amount of \$5,644.20. Without all of the individuals who contributed their time, efforts, and money, none of this would have been possible. In the May magazine watch for the complete details concerning this drive.

Finally, I, along with the entire Board of Directors and the home office staff, would like to offer our congratulations to Jens Gimbel for the recent honor bestowed upon him. On February 17, 1986, Henning Kristiansen, Consul General of Denmark of Los Angeles appointed Mr. Gimbel Honorary Consul of Denmark for the state of Oregon. Congratulations, Jens!



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Annual Report of the Lodges

December 31, 1985

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Fraternal Benefits	Total Assets						
1	Omaha, NE	157	108	DB	561,616								
3*	Davenport, IA	8	8	DB	14,750								
4*	Racine, WI	163	71	DB	208,125								
9*	Oshkosh, WI	10	1	2.30	9,000								
10*	Council Bluffs, IA	55	7	37.55	75,969								
14	Kenosha, WI	168	201	60.42	561,616	2,967.12	133,478.99						
15	Des Moines, IA	43	32	19.49	72,250	71.00	16,300.81						
16*	Minden, NE	124	74	194.59	770,000								
17*	Chicago, IL	52	33	69.74	169,000								
26*	Fremont, NE	12	0	DB	10,750								
29	Seattle, WA	186	53	81.55	448,577		77,237.00						
30*	Muskegon, MI	34	2	13.64	27,875								
32	New Haven, CT	79	10	54.96	110,750	4,912.04	23,367.99						
33	Tacoma, WA	20	25	DB	17,500		7,805.48						
34	Dwight, IL	195	63	DB	236,500	2,499.80	16,805.63						
35	Chicago, IL	73	67	10.36	149,710		58,630.30						
36	Milwaukee, WI	30	29	8.35	48,000		4,415.25						
37*	Bridgeport, CT	15	1	10.21	13,250								
39	Oakland, CA	52	4	33.28	36,750	460.50	72,996.71						
41	Derby, CT	20	1	20.24	17,125	50.00	3,265.00						
42	Spokane, WA	44	17	25.54	54,125		10,960.21						
43*	Denver, CO	52	22	DB	67,375								
45*	Minneapolis, MN	54	37	36.36	55,222								
46	Perth Amboy, NJ	53	123	19.81	114,500	548.00	32,920.70						
49*	San Francisco, CA	67	26	45.97	36,375								
51	Ludington, MI	139	83	49.99	185,125	8,400.00	73,457.67						
56	Kansas City, MO	30	27	11.19	22,000		3,938.62						
62	Sioux City, IA	14	9	17.52	26,250		5,996.59						
64	Rockford, IL	20	10	17.41	17,125		1,366.75						
67	Fresno, CA	35	8	47.11	58,625	100.00	25,973.64						
70	Greenville, MI	59	11	41.89	70,250		17,768.18						
71	Penn Yan, NY	63	13	59.96	94,500		37,700.00						
73	Alden, MN	7		DB	7,625		2,865.26						
75	Albert Lea, MN	41	79	99.69	70,500		10,672.51						
78*	Salt Lake City, UT	7		DB	2,750								
84*	Lincoln, NE	39	21	28.83	76,269								
89*	Superior, WI	7	11	1.52	3,500								
90	Port Reading, NJ	8		11.24	7,500		487.66						
92	St. Charles, IL	88	28	18.88	44,250	408.33	44,723.99						
95*	Ferndale, CA	38	12	40.02	43,250								
102	Providence, RI	23	3	18.50	44,125		320.66						
106*	Trufant, MI	59	2	54.01	59,000								
107*	Chicago, IL	13		DB	9,000								
110*	Winside, NE	11	5	2.83	10,000								
111	Austin, MN	19	4	3.62	18,250		4,242.66						
113	Enumclaw, WA	17	12	8.59	36,125	1,949.02	46,920.85						
116*	Newark, NJ	73	8	105.71	99,125								
117*	Plainview, NE	49		24.19	44,375								
121	Tyler, MN	11	27	DB	10,500		320.41						
125	Weeping Water, NE	21	1	5.20	179,674		4,473.38						
126	Los Angeles, CA	161	53	102.38	224,011	150.00	89,505.63						
134*	Ringsted, IA	9		DB	10,000								
139	Viborg, SD	55		DB	45,250								
143	Petaluma, CA	56	28	24.36	75,250	125.00	11,998.75						
144	Dike, IA	75	14	DB	150,902		10,438.16						
147	Newell, IA	25	18	7.55	74,875		1,461.93						
148*	Cheyenne, WY	11		DB	14,000								
155	Bellingham, WA	17	8	3.08	14,250								
161	Ruskin, NE	60	50	DB	146,000	750.00	5,101.66						
163*	Edmore, MI	1		DB	1,000								
164	New York, NY	29	44	DB	29,625								
167	Portland, OR	199	79	57.96	1,011,434			1,403.00					43,489.00
170*	Rocky River, OH	24	19	28.52	59,500								
172*	Philadelphia, PA	61	24	DB									
177	Cordova, NE	29	4	9.01									1,148.11
182	Waukegan, IL	35	18	2.24	33,250								8,152.77
183	Troy, NY	31	4	23.68	33,125								30,036.72
184	Hayward, CA	44	4	46.92	64,000								8,992.38
186	Luck, WI	24	76	DB	41,125			175.00					49,525.56
190*	Schenectady, NY	51	9	39.52	54,875								
194	McMinnville, OR	15	8	13.81	13,000								1,778.67
195*	Omaha, NE	16	4	25.58	22,125								
202*	Warren, PA	16	4	2.16	15,250								
206*	Blair, NE	23	64	DB	109,504								
211	Grand Island, NE	34	21	DB	135,000								1,189.70
213*	Ord, NE	8	0	DB	8,750								
217	Humboldt, IA	11	41	DB	39,500								7,697.49
219	Clear Lake, IA	23	6	10.66	44,750			33.00					926.45
225	Canton, OH	60	3	61.88	95,657			50.00					4,421.21
227*	Detroit, MI	280	161	241.64	533,895								
230	Arcata, CA	19	18	31.91	18,250								14,461.15
240	Rochester, NY	6	2	1.25	1,375								402.66
241	Sayreville, NJ	18	0	10.90	11,125								1,712.03
242	Erie, PA	73	4	29.88	50,500			25.00					140,590.18
245*	South Bend, IN	28	0	DB	20,750								
254*	Brush, CO	3	0	3.11	2,500								
255*	Selma, CA	19	0	9.08	9,125								
257*	St. Petersburg, FL	13	47	10.44	53,500								
260*	Williston, ND	7	0	DB	5,750								
261	Fowler, CO	71	13	48.10	78,625			143.45					8,724.55
263	Askov, MN	100	6	45.23	138,022			826.99					157.22
264*	Pocatello, ID	13	1	5.99	11,000								
268	Junction City, OR	31	21	15.65	69,875								13,000.00
273	Dillon, MT	57	10	80.81	89,750			179.50					16,294.10
279*	Hunter, ND	5	0	1.39	3,625								
283	Dagmar, MT	79	4	27.27	98,375			285.00					11,920.90
288	Cotesfield, NE	14	0	9.07	13,000								122.73
294*	Barre, VT	66	9	43.66	72,500								
299	Solvang, CA	95	52	DB	415,625								17,865.41
300*	Oneonta, NY	9	0	DB	7,250								
301	Akron, OH	52	1	157.58	143,750								936.62
306*	San Diego, CA	44	13	14.87	28,750								
314*	Hartford, CT	53	5	34.39	42,500								
318*	Copenhagen, DK												
319	Bakersfield, CA	26	4	34.64	23,500								5,870.91
321	West Palm Bch, CA	3	12	3.63	2,500								701.31
322	Santa Barbara, CA	35	16	33.35	21,375								16,578.01
323	Alhambra, CA	40	26	22.55	58,114			1,730.00					2,125.63
325	Nassau Co., NY	81	60	160.34	110,875								6,614.00
326	West Branch, IA	16	13	DB	22,225								455.64
328	Vancouver, CAN		120					1,349.00					28,328.00
332	Ripon, CA	70	14	35.06	83,875								14,591.16
334*	Geneva, NY	23	1	25.10	30,750								
337	Fremont, CA	25	11	32.70	15,875								378.82
339*	Las Vegas, NV	15	1	DB	20,500								
340*	Wood Dale, IL	26	6	DB	258,500								
341	Kmblltn-Elkhorn, IA	28	116	DB	71,500								2,586.57
342	Bucks Co., PA	46	24	DB	71,250			150.00					8,721.67
343	Waupaca, WI	2	64	DB	26,000								1,122.82
344*	Janesville, WI	15	26	DB	35,500								
345	Orange Co., CA	50	56	DB	92,000			116.00					4,566.48
346	Riverside, CA	27	22	DB	43,240								4,330.96
347	Cedar Rapids, IA	15	42	DB	40,500			300.00					920.00
348	Eugene, OR	56	57	DB	238,625								3,379.14
349	Atlantic, IA	0	44	DB	0								51.39
600	Omaha, NE	1,461	77	DB	4,242,638								

NOTES TO ANNUAL REPORT

The report for 1985 was not received, or was received too late. Secretaries who find an asterisk () after their lodge number are asked to submit their 1985 report to the Home Office as soon as possible.

"DB" All lodge members are on direct billing.

The above listing gives 126 lodges, membership consisting of 7,075 insured and 3,208 social; a total monthly assessment of \$3,041.16 and a combined amount of insurance of \$15,121,170. Insured and social membership is 10,283.

Lodges reporting for 1985

Paid fraternal benefits \$ 30,156.75
 Cash and other assets \$1,377,230.21

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

The average insured age attained as of December 31, 1985 is 51.

JEROME L. CHRISTENSEN
 Secretary-Treasurer

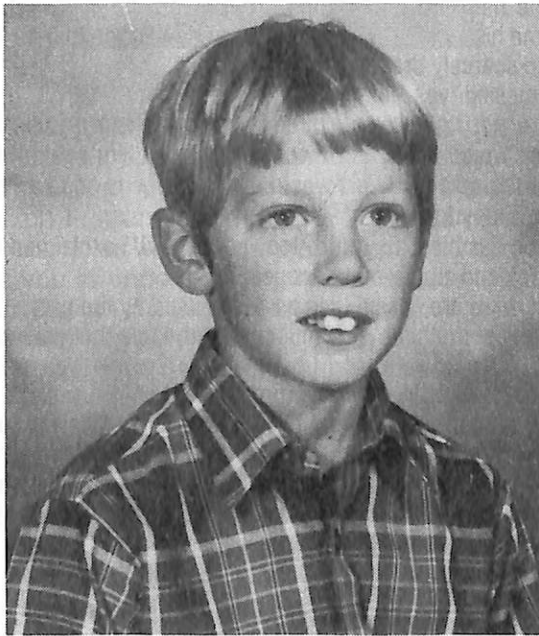
Congratulations!

Elpha O'Brien of Lodge No. 164 in New York, New York has been declared "Recommender of the Month" for February. She sponsored 4 new members.

We salute Ms. O'Brien for enlarging our chain of members and for truly believing that "It's Better to Give Than to Receive!"

In keeping with the true spirit of fraternalism, a \$50 donation will be given to a charity of Elpha's choice. Watch for details in future issues of the **American Dane**.

Introducing . . .



father is the president of our lodge and my mother is the president of the Sisterhood Lodge No. 65. My sister Melissa and I go to the meetings with our parents and have a lot of fun. I also go to the dances that the lodge has and participate in the Danish Festival each year. I attend the Central Montcalm Elementary School and I am in the 5th grade. Collecting baseball cards is my hobby and I enjoy participating in basketball, baseball, swimming and riding my bike.

Welcome Greg!

Are you a new Young Viking member? If so, everyone would like to meet you, too! Just send a picture and a short article describing yourself and the hobbies or activities which you enjoy along with why you joined the Danish Brotherhood and mail to DBIA, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131.

Gregory Louis Thomsen — one of our newest Young Vikings. Greg joined Lodge No. 70 in Greenville, Michigan, and has this to say —
I joined the lodge because of my parents. My



We all need to know, where we come from. And we all have a pedigree with big or small roots.

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A Wedding in the Spring

by Donald A. Christensen

"Emma, Emma!"

She heard her name being called and was starting to turn to answer when Line appeared at her side.

"What is it? Why are you so excited?"

Line's face shone with an angelic aura. The lights glistened in her bright blue eyes. Emma had to admit that there was an exciting beauty about her sylph-like cousin Pauline. It was no wonder that young men flocked about her, as moths drawn to a flame. Her golden brown hair, smooth pink complexion, perfect teeth, and sparkling laughter would catch any man's eye. And was Pauline not a proper young lady as well? She attended all the church meetings and also sang in the choir. Yes, she was to be admired, perhaps even envied.

"Well? Are you going to tell me?" asked Emma.

"He... he asked me... last night!" replied Line, drawing in her breath sharply.

Emma's eyes widened. "He asked you... Mr. Due... Peder asked you... last night?"

Line nodded 'yes,' too excited to speak.

"Oh, that is wonderful! And you accepted?"

Again without speaking, Line nodded 'yes.' Her smile told all.

Emma's eyes blurred with tears. She turned and hugged her cousin. Emotions choked off all words.

"Come. People are staring at us," Line finally said, softly.

"Come, walk home with me. We'll have something to eat and I'll tell you all about it."

Adjusting their capes, they left the foyer of the church and walked side-by-side down the dimly lit street.

"How good God is to Line," thought Emma. "Mr. Due... Mr. Peder Due — the young, energetic, handsome Dane... He is so clever. No more does he speak Danish — only English. How quickly he has become an American. Was he not an example to all the young men of the congregation? They struggled hard to learn the new language. It came so easily to him. He tries to put aside all his Danish ways. Somehow, it doesn't seem right, but it is the way now, here in America."

"It was last night." Line's words interrupted Emma's thoughts. "Peder wrote me a letter asking me to meet him last night. He had something important to tell me."

"Well, I had noticed that you two had some serious talks each time as you left church," Emma remarked dryly.

Line smiled. "And you do tease me so much about his name - Peder **Dove**."

Emma returned the smile.

"I stood at the fence waiting almost an hour for him. Father was worried that I should catch a cold, but I had to discover what was so important."

"You should not have appeared so eager."

"What? And what about you with your Mr. Barfod? I notice how you hang on to every word he says. Are you not going to the church outing with him and baking a special cake?" Line laughed.

Emma blushed. She had hoped no one had noticed. "Oh, we are just going as a group. Now tell me... what did he say?" she asked, anxious to change the subject.

"Oh, he was such a dear. He apologized for being late and said that he had now, for a long time, loved me in secret. Would I become his wife? It was the first time he told me that he loved me. I could scarcely breathe."

"You said 'yes,' of course..."

"No, not right away... but I could not help myself. When he said he would leave and I would never see him again if I rejected him, I thought my heart would melt. Oh, he is such a fine man! I am so happy I said 'yes!'"

"God has blessed you! I, too, am happy!" exclaimed Emma as she took and squeezed her cousin's hand.

"Here we are," said Line as she paused by the gate. "Come in. We'll eat something. You must be tired. I see that you are limping again."

"Yes, I would like that," Emma replied.

Thoughts of the wedding filled Emma's mind as she sat and ate quietly. She could picture Line, a beautiful bride in her black wedding dress, her face hidden by a white veil, her golden hair crowned by a garland of myrtle leaves. Emma could hear the old wedding song.

"Det er saa yndigt, at følges ad,
For to som gerne vil sammen vaere..."

("It is so lovely to go together,
For two, who willingly would be as one...")

Later, when she had returned to her room, she wrote her thoughts of the day's happy events and added another poem to her notebook:

Skøn Line og Ridder Due!

(Tilegnet min Cousine Pauline)

*Der fløj en Due bort fra Danmark's grønne
Skove.*

*Den fløj saa vide over Sø og saltene Vave,
Den bort sig vendte for Lykken nu at finde,
Og se om dem paa Vejen en lille Mage
kunde vinde.*

*Dog her jeg fortælle maa, det ej en rigtig
Due var,*

Beautiful Line and Sir Due

(dedicated to my cousin Pauline)

*A dove flew away from Denmark's green
forests,*

*It flew so far over sea and salty waves,
It turned around for fortune now to find,
And see if, on the way, a little mate it could
win.*

*However, here I must tell, it was not a real
dove,*



FRATERNAL PROTECTION



Understanding Life Insurance

by Andy Andersen, CLU Sales Director
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This is one of a series of monthly articles discussing the various life insurance and annuity plans available to you and your family as members of the Danish Brotherhood which first appeared in the "American Dane" in 1981. The articles will be reprinted in an updated version to assist you in understanding life insurance in general and your Danish Brotherhood life insurance and retirement plans in particular. Should you have any questions about life insurance or retirement plans such as funding of your IRA, call us collect.

This month we will discuss the Whole Life certificate, sometimes called Straight Life or Ordinary Life and the reason it is considered the standard model of conventional permanent cash value life insurance contracts. Almost every other permanent insurance contract is merely a modification of Whole Life. Add a feature here and the name changes. Add a special benefit or shorten the premium paying period and the name changes again and the premium changes accordingly.

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Remember, although the certificate-holder can take his cash value and dividends if left with the Society (dividends are not guaranteed) and end his insurance protection before age 100 he has the privilege of paying premiums to age 100 and keeping his certificate in force. **So, the Whole Life premium to age 100 arrangement is not an obligation that binds the certificate-holder — It is a right he may exercise if he wishes.**

To summarize the advantages of Whole Life:

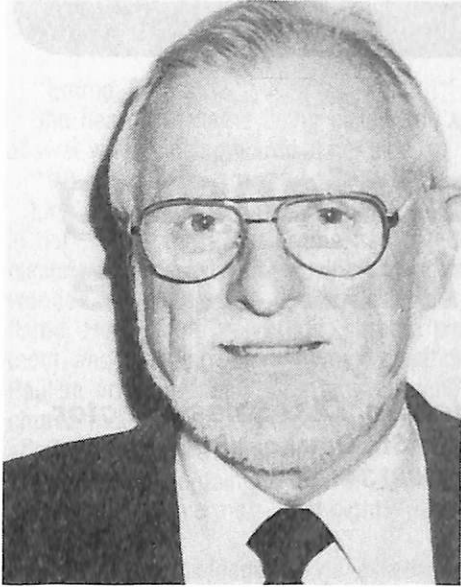
Maximum Protection — compared with other permanent insurance plans Whole Life provides the largest amount of insurance protection for the smallest premium payment.

Cash for emergencies or retirement — although Whole Life emphasizes protection more than accumulation of cash value, the cash value increases steadily and can be substantial at retirement especially when issued at a young age.

Conversion Privilege — the Whole Life certificate may be purchased when the certificate-holder needs insurance protection the most. He can change it later to any other type of permanent insurance with greater accent on cash accumulation.

Flexibility — many high cash value type certificates terminate and insurance protection ends long before age 100. Very often insurance is still needed to offset the cost of death. With Whole Life the certificate-holder can keep the insurance in force as long as he wants to (up to age 100) or he can cut it off earlier (if he doesn't need the protection) and use the cash value as a retirement fund.

Past President of Lodge No. 167 Appointed Honorary Consul of Denmark



Jens O. Gimbel has been appointed Honorary Consul of Denmark for the state of Oregon. Jens Gimbel is a Past President of the Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 167 and

Past President of the Danish Brotherhood Pacific Northwest District. He serves on the executive committee of the Northwest Danish Home and is Vice President of the Portland chapter of the Danish-American Chamber of Commerce.

Jens has proven his ability to lead and to volunteer in many facets of his interest in the Danish American movement on the West Coast of the United States.

This appointment was announced at a luncheon on February 17 by Henning Kristiansen, Consul General of Denmark in Los Angeles.

Mr. Gimbel succeeds the late Harvey Benson, who was Danish Consul in Portland for more than 20 years. Jens has been an Oregon resident for 10 years and is a member of the Propeller Club of the U.S., the Council of American Master Mariners, the World Trade Club and the Small Yacht Sailing Club of Oregon.

Congratulations, Jens!

Charity is Declared

In the February, 1986 issue of the American Dane, Berger Rasmussen of Lodge No. 14 in Kenosha, Wisconsin, was declared "Recommend of the Month" for December, 1985. Keeping with the membership campaign of "It's Better to Give Than to Receive," Mr. Rasmussen declared the American Lung Association of Wisconsin as his charity. A donation of \$50 was given in memory of his father, Holm Rasmussen.

The American Lung Association of Wisconsin promotes respiratory health for people of all ages throughout the state. Their primary focus is on smoking, the number one preventable cause of death, and programs are directed towards education, prevention and smoking cessation.

Mr. Rasmussen was congratulated by Donald W. Huiner, Director of Development for the American Lung Association of Wisconsin, for his efforts in recommending new members and heartily thanked for this thoughtful donation.

Berger is to be saluted for enlarging our chain of Danish Brotherhood in America members!

Festivities Planned at Rebild Park

Believe it or not, the largest celebration of U.S. Independence Day does not take place in the U.S.A., but at a distance of over 4,000 miles from Washington, D.C. in the heather-covered hills of Rebild National Park in the heart of beautiful Jutland, Denmark.

As long ago as in 1912, Americans of Danish descent presented an area of land to the Danish nation to be a national park. This token of affection for their ancestral homeland became the site of the Rebild Festival, held each year on July 4.

Tens of thousands of Danish-Americans and others of Scandinavian descent have, over the years, joined with Danes in the celebration of American Independence Day. As many as 40,000 have been present on a single occasion.

The American and Danish flags fly side-by-side over a natural amphitheatre in the Rebild Hills. There are messages of greeting from prominent Americans and Danes, there is music, entertainment, choir and community singing. Time and again the

events have been graced by the presence of members of the Danish royal family. The afternoon is rounded off with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Both before and after July 4, the near-by festive city of Aalborg opens its heart to its visitors from abroad in a special program of concerts, exhibitions, conducted tours and other events.

If you would like more information, contact July 4 Committee, Aalborg Tourist Bureau, 8 Østera, DK-9000 Aalborg, Denmark.

1986 District Convention Schedule

District	Host Lodge	Date
Pacific Northwest	Lodge No. 328, Vancouver, B.C.	May 16-18
California-Nevada	Lodge No. 299, Solvang, CA	July 17-19
Iowa-Minnesota	Lodge No. 147, Newell, IA	Labor Day Weekend
Midwest	Lodge No. 4, Racine, WI	September 6-7
Nebraska	Lodge No. 1 and 206, Omaha and Blair, NE	September 12-14
Michigan-Ohio	Lodge No. 51, Ludington, MI	May 10
GCEL	Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, NY	Labor Day Weekend

Nej, en aedel Ungersvend, som Duenav-
net bar,
Med Vemed han forlod sin Faedrenestrand,
Og Rejsen tog til Amerikas gyldne Land.

Han Engelsk snart lærte, og Modersmaald
blev saa lagt paa Hylden,
Dog retfaerdig mod ham vaer, og tilregn ej
ham Skylden.
Det er nu engang en Skik i vore Dage,
At fremmed Mad os alle best vil smage.

I Brooklyn By der levede en ung og dejlig
Pige.
De ej saa ganske let kunde finde hendes
Lige.
Saa mange brave Svende for hende monne
svaerme,
Saa glad de blev, naar blot de saa en Flig af
hindes Kjoleaerme.

En Søndag Aften skøn Line i Kirken kom,
Ti ej alene van hun smuk, hun var tillige
from.
En herre bestandig paa hende, kun saa
skue,
Som ikke var nogen anden end vor Vend,
den unge danske Due.

Da de nu fra Kirke kom, begynde at tale
om Smaa og Stort,
Og dermed var jo saa Bekendtskabet gjort.
Men Amor lumsk en Gnist i Hjerte taendte,
Og snart derinde højt og klart en Flammed
der nu braendte.

En Aftenstund ved Porten, skøn Line man
saa staa,
Da i det samme hendes Fader forbi hende
monnegaa.
"Hvad staar Du efter Barn?, du bliver for-
kølet, vil faa Snue!"
"Nej, Papa, jeg venter paa Hr. Due."

"Jeg just har faaet nu et Brev,

No, a noble young lad who bore the name
of "Dove."
With sadness he left his native shore,
And took a journey to America's golden
land.

He soon learned English, and the mother
tongue remained where put, on the
shelf.

However, be fair with him. Do not judge
him guilty.

That is how the custom is in our days,
That strange food, to all of us, will taste
best.

In the town of Brooklyn there lived a young
and lovely girl,

It was absolutely not easy to be able to find
her equal,

So many brave swains worshipped her.
They were so happy if they only saw a cor-
ner of her dress sleeve.

One Sunday evening beautiful Line came
to church,

For not only was she lovely, she was pious
as well.

A gentleman constantly stared at her,
Who was none other than our friend, the
young Dane Due.

As they came from church they began to
talk of this and that,

And with that was that acquaintance made.

But Cupid cunningly lit a spark in their
hearts,

And soon therein, high and clear, a flame
burned.

One evening, one could see beautiful Line
standing close to the gate.

At the same time her father happened to
pass by.

"What are you waiting for, Child? You will
chill, catch a cold."

But, Papa, I am waiting for Mr. Due!"

"I have just now received a letter

Som Hr. Due imorges til meg skrev.
At han iaften med mig tale vilde,
Og at jeg maatte komme vist og ej ham
Tidenspilde."

Hun vented nu en Stund og taenkte, "Mon
han holde mig vil for Nar."
Da, idet samme, hun den Elskte blev var.
"De kommer sent, se Sol har alt begyndt at
dale!"
"O ja! men blev ej ured, thi endelig, jeg
maa med Dem tale."

"Og hør nu Line, du Pige saa skøn,
Du vist laenge maerket har, jeg elskede Dig
i Løn.
Saa lykkelig Du kun gøre mig, du kaere,
Naar, blot min Hustru du vilde vaere."

"Og vil du som jeg, fejrer vi Bryllyp i Vaar,
Smukt Krandsen skal smykke Dit gulbrune
Haar.
Stol Du kun paa mig, jeg fremme vil Din
Lykke,
Som Due to, vi da skal sammen bo og
bygge."

"Men siger du mig, 'Nej,' og du mig vrager,
Og Dig til Husband en anden Mand nu tager,
Saa drager jeg herfra, Du aldrig mer mig
skal skue."
Men rørt, skøn Line hvisker, "O rejs ej bort
min Due!"

That Mr. Due wrote to me this morning
That he, this evening, wanted to talk to me,
And that I must surely come, and he didn't
have time to lose."

She waited for an hour and thought, "I
wonder if he will take me for a fool."
Then, at the same time, her beloved ap-
peared to her.
"You are late. See, the sun has already be-
gun to set."
Oh yes! But don't be angry, for at last I must
talk to you!"

"And listen now, Line, you beautiful girl,
You surely have noticed for a long time I
have loved you in secret.
How happy you would make me, you dear,
When only my wife you would be.
"And would you, as I, celebrate our wed-
ding in the spring,

A fine garland shall adorn your golden
brown hair.
If you will only trust me, I will further your
happiness.
Like two doves we shall live together, and
take up our abode.
"But if you say 'No!' to me, and you do me
wrong,

And now take another man as your hus-
band,
Then shall I leave here, and you shall
nevermore see me!"
Thus touched, beautiful Line whispered,
"Oh, don't leave, my dove."

Cloverleaf

A Danish Folk Tale

by Beverly Swerdlow Brown

*A small breeze stirred Bird in his nest. He settled
down to sleep after watching life's creatures parade
on by.*

*The tree in which Bird slept stood at a cloverleaf
near the forests edge.*

*Ambling down an empty road near the tree was
Bear.*

It was a good day for a walk.

As Bear approached the cloverleaf, he saw

Goose, Fox, and Snake in a heated argument.

*"What's all the fuss?" he asked, hurrying to his
neighbors.*

*"My eggs are gone!" snapped Goose, "and
Snake ate them!"*

*"Hssssss," said Snake. "You have no proof. No
proof at all that I ate your precious eggs!"*

*Goose ruffled her feathers. "Then why is your
belly so full?" she asked, honking in between her*

words.

A smile curved on Snake's mouth. "True," he admitted. "I did have lunch. A mighty tasty lunch. But it was not your eggs!"

Goose began to sob. Tears rolled down her face. Her eggs were gone and she knew the guilty party was right there.

"How could you be so mean?" cried Goose. "Give me back my eggs!"

Snake slithered closer to Goose. "You are accusing me unjustly," he hissed. "I think it wise if you were to ask Fox where she put them."

Goose turned and looked directly into Fox's eyes. "Did you steal my eggs?" she asked, confused.

"Now why would I do that?" said Fox, glancing slyly at Goose.

"Fox," blurted Snake, "I saw you take the eggs. I was moving toward the cloverleaf when I saw you carrying them away!"

"That's a lie," said Fox, annoyed. "You're as nearsighted as a bat. I was minding my own business when I bumped into Goose on the road acting hysterical."

"You would be, too," said Goose, "if your babies were missing."

"Well," said Fox. "I think you forgot where you put them. And that's child neglect!"

Bear held up his hands. "STOP!" he ordered. "Let's go over this more logically. Goose's eggs are missing. She thinks Snake gobbled them up. Snake says that Fox stole them. Fox believes Goose misplaced them. Do I have the stories right?"

All at once, Goose, Snake, and Fox began blaming each other again only this time the noise became louder than ever.

Bird was startled by the commotion below.

He tried listening to the accusations punctuated by honks, hisses, and growls until he heard what the problem was.

"Excuse me," said Bird, to no avail. "EXCUSE ME! UP HERE! LOOK UP IN THE TREE!"

Finally, he got everyone's attention.

"I know what happened," yawned Bird. "I know what happened to your eggs."

Goose's eyes lit up. "Tell me please," she begged. "Where are they?"

Bird, still resting in his nest explained. "Fox and Snake do not have them, so you owe them an apology. Your darling eggs hatched and scampered away. They are down the road from the cloverleaf and if you hurry you can gather them up. Now if you will all be so kind to be quiet, I would like to finish my nap." And he slumped back into his nest.

"Oh, thank you, thank you," said Goose and she

scurried down a road, not really knowing which one to choose, to search for her babies.

Snake still accused Fox of stealing the eggs while Fox was ready to agree with Goose that he had them for lunch.

Bear threw up his hands and ambled back into the forest still not knowing who was right.

Only after Goose had checked all the roads, she was last seen with her babies waddling after her; as darkness settled and the cloverleaf was empty at day's end.

Skovsøen

The Board of Directors of The Danish Brotherhood in America has given support to a fraternal project for Danish Brotherhood lodges. The purpose of the project will be to assist financially members, children or grandchildren of members between the ages of 8 and 17 who wish to attend Skovsøen, the Danish Language Village in Minnesota.

The project will provide support of up to \$200 per Villager. Half of the cost is to be borne by the local lodge and matched by the National Headquarters. Each participating lodge will contribute \$100 and the national Headquarters will contribute a maximum of \$100 for each Villager. Lodges may decide whether or not they wish to assist Villagers further with transportation expenses.

Skovsøen is an accredited two-week camp and is operated in connection with the 25 year old International Language Village program of Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota.

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PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST DISTRICT

PACIFIC- NORTHWEST

Lodge #29, Seattle, WA — The Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood joint installation party was held on January 25 at the Sand Point Officers Club. Seventy people enjoyed a fine dinner after a happy and get acquainted hour was observed. After the dinner, District Vice President Sharon Kinder of the Brotherhood and Past National Vice President Lilly Andersen of the Sisterhood performed the installation ceremonies with the able assistance of Clyde Langsted for the Brotherhood and our Danish Princess, Liette Hammond, of the Sisterhood as conductors. After the ceremonies, there was dancing to Chester Ramage's Orchestra. A special thanks to Kristen Jorgensen for making the arrangements and Ms. Hammond and committee for the beautiful flower arrangements. Also, Ted and Virginia Kofoed wish to thank the lodges for the beautiful certificate and the beautiful flower ensemble which was presented to them for being editors of our newsletter for ten years.

Kris Jorgensen reported that Valdemar (Walter) Larsen observed his 96th birthday on January 27 in private with his family. We presented him with a pretty azalea plant, and he also received a certificate from the Home Office in Omaha. Many happy returns, Walter!

Our soccer team, the Danes, proudly displayed two beautiful trophies that the team had won this winter. We congratulate you!

At our February meeting, the following were elected delegates to the Pacific Northwest District convention in Vancouver, B.C., coming up in May: Bente Noble, Fleming Sorensen, Gerald Jensen, and Paul Hansen. Alternates chosen are Clyde Langsted, Mads Mauritsen, Ted Kofoed, and Frank Larsen.

Mark your calendars! Washington Hall, the former home of the Danish community, will once again be the site of an historic Danish theatre production when Lori Larsen and On the Boards, the arts organization that now occupies the performance hall, bring to Seattle once again, "En Søndag

The best idea for April goes to Lodge No. 342, Bucks Co., PA. See page 21.

Paa Amager."

The 1848 vaudeville, written by Denmark's beloved actress, Johanne Luise Heiberg, has been staged every 25 years at the hall since 1911 to celebrate the birth of 'Harmonien,' which was founded to preserve the Danish language through theatre. In this 75th anniversary celebration, Lori hopes to recreate the atmosphere that existed in the hall during the heyday of the old theatre group and an opening night gala for the Danish community is planned for May 7, 1986.

Lodge #42, Spokane, WA — The officers elected to serve our lodge in 1986 include: Past President, Merle Kinder; President, Sheridan Perry; Vice President, Rudy Vida; Secretary, Lawrence Charneski; Treasurer, Emil Larsen; 1st Trustee, Edith Gage; 2nd Trustee, Fred Matheny; 3rd Trustee, Pat Gilbert; Marshal/Conductor, Iver Hansen; Entertainment, Woodrow Nelson; and Insurance Representative, Bob Jespersen.

We welcome Bob Jespersen who became our lodge's newest member on December 5, 1985. Bob was elected to become our insurance representative at the February 6, 1986 meeting. Please let Bob know about prospective members.

Lawrence Charneski, Sec.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST NEWSLETTER

Lodge #167, Portland, OR — At our February 5 meeting, six new applications for membership were read: Ernest Vincent, Mary Wolfe, Rowena Epps, Alan Rademacher, Karl Hansen and Alica Hazlet. Two new members, Norman and Emma Powell, were present for initiation.

The following members were elected to represent our lodge at the Pacific Northwest District Convention to be held in Vancouver, B.C. on May 16-18: Don Bogh, Jan Christiansen, George Larsen, and Don Thorkildsen. Alternates are Erik Enevoldsen, Joyce Gimbel, Delores Sharp and Karen Thacker.

President Stig Hansen presented Jens Gimbel with the "Recommender of the Month" Award for sponsoring two new members in the month of November. He also presented his President's Award to the Northwest District Convention Committee — Tami Hansen, Diane Fisker, Lisa Mortensen, and Joyce Gimbel — for their excellent work.

Joanne Kantor, Sec.

Lodge #328, Vancouver, BC — Six new brothers were recently inducted into our lodge. They are Villy Lauvring, Aage Sylvest, Frits Jacobsen, Kurt Baarts, Bjarne Mide, and Ole Andersen. Welcome to you all.

Representing our lodge at the Pacific Northwest District Convention on May 16-18 will be Peter Jensen, Peter Praegel, and Jens Peter Vestergaard. The alternates are Poul B. Christensen, and Elith Marcussen.

Our March 5th meeting was an entertaining one. We watched a film called "Snapsens Kulturhistorie" which is the story about Aalborg Spritfabrikkerne. Afterwards we tasted the goodies, having worked up a thirst sitting there in the dark!

Jarl Christensen, Cor.

CALIFORNIA- NEVADA

Lodge #39, Oakland, CA — Sixteen members from our lodge attended the workshop held in Petaluma on March 1, 1986, which was well attended by other lodges in northern California. We would like to thank Jerry Christensen, Pam Dorau, and Andy Andersen for coming out here to the West Coast to tell us what the Danish Brotherhood is all about.

Some upcoming events include the Spring Luncheon and Card Party on April 25; Past President's Night on June 27; the California-Nevada District Convention in Solvang on July 17-19; and a Welcome Home Delegate Party on July 25.

Jage Lundquist, Cor.

Lodge #67, Fresno, CA — To brighten our otherwise gloomy winter season, a festive joint installation of officers for our lodge and the Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 149 was held on February 13 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fresno.

The evening hours began with a social

gathering with cocktails and a buffet dinner. California-Nevada District President, Howard Kjellsen, and his wife, Hazel, lent splendor to this occasion as did the Danish Sisterhood Vice President, Sylvia Lindquist. On the same occasion, Howard presented two of our members with 25-year pins.

Lodge #126, Los Angeles, CA — Congratulations to the incoming officers for 1986 and our first woman president for our lodge: Past President, Erik Kofod; President, Anne Kofod; Vice President, Bill Christensen; Secretary, Betty Seale; Financial Secretary, Harold Mathaisen; Treasurer, Owen Miller; Chairman of Trustees, Howard Hanson; Trustees, Lars Westerskov and Madelle Pedersen; and Conductor, Doris Christensen. Each officer said they will try to do the best they can for the coming year.

The installation on February 8 was very nice and a good time was had by all 73 in attendance.

Lars Westerskov, Peter Breum, and Pete Pedersen presented Marius Jespersen with his 60-year-pin. He was very happy and sent greetings back to all his Brothers.

Anyone who plans to attend the convention at Solvang in July should contact Howard Hanson for hotel reservations as soon as possible.
Betty Seale, Sec.

Lodge #143, Petaluma, CA — Together with Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 126, we held our installation of new officers on February 1st. The president of the California-Nevada District, Howard Kjellsen, was on hand to install our officers. The conductor's duties were performed by our own Brother Walt Miller, immediate Past President of the California-Nevada District. Officers for the ensuing year are: Past President, Jim A. Larsen; President, Harvey Rasmussen; Vice President, Dick Hansen; Secretary, Henry Brown; Treasurer, Walt Miller (substitute for the evening, Russell Petersen); Trustees, Jim P. Larsen, Iven Iversen and Harvey Rasmussen; Conductor, Buster Forney; and Inner Guard, Frank Taddei. We wish to thank the beautiful escort team composed of Dorothy MacKinnon, Lydia Hansen, Donna Larsen, and Maria Mortens who helped guide us along the way.

We started the evening with Happy Hour, followed by the installation ceremonies. A meal of Danish sandwiches, prepared by the committee, was then served with cookies and pastry as dessert. There was an attendance of 80 people and dancing rounded out the activities.

On Sunday, February 2, 21 people attended a "send-off breakfast" at Adobe Inn for out-of-towners and localites.

Alice Rasmussen, Cor.

Lodge #230, Arcata, CA — "Denmark Our Heritage, America Our Home" was the theme of our joint installation ceremony



Everyone enjoyed the beautiful decorations for the installation of officers.

with the Ferndale, California lodge held on January 25 at our hall in Arcata. Two life-size Tivoli guards and a banner proclaiming "Velkommen" greeted our 65 members

and guests as they arrived. Thirty handmade flags representing "Dannebrog" and "Old Glory" hung overhead. Tables were decorated in white with red streamers and adorned with 25 bouquets of daffodils. The "blomster", in white vases tied with large red bows, were later raffled along with other items, including a Danish "fastelavn's ris", which was won by Hazel Kjellsen of Lodge No. 345.

Background piano music was enjoyed throughout the cocktail hour and dinner. Howard Kjellsen of Lodge No. 345 conducted the installation of officers following the dinner. The Petaluma Drill Team in their festive red gowns escorted the officers through the rituals. Francis Sweet and Kenneth Sanborn, both of Lodge No. 95 in Ferndale, were presented their 25-year membership pins. Our retiring

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
David M. Davis	1	—Omaha, NE	Verne Madsen
Mary Ann Sorensen	1	—Omaha, NE	Bernice Eckley
Dick R. Sylvester	14	—Kenosha, WI	Alan Frederick
G. E. "Pete" Peterson	33	—Tacoma, WA	Signe Wenness
Perry G. Brochner	33	—Tacoma, WA	Myra E. Brochner
Richard L. Christensen	34	—Dwight, IL	Park Thompson
John P. Trankar	35	—Chicago, IL	John Trankar
Lois M. Fluss	35	—Chicago, IL	Paul E. Sloth
Susan Jensen	43	—Denver, CO	Svend Jensen
Andrew Louis Nelson	46	—Perth Amboy, NJ	Robert Christoffersen
Clifford R. Paulsen	75	—Albert Lea, MN	Don Levisen
Rigmor L. Paulsen	75	—Albert Lea, MN	Don Levisen
John Knudsen	164	—New York, NY	Elpha O'Brien
Edly Steen	164	—New York, NY	Elpha O'Brien
Eva M. Singer	164	—New York, NY	Elpha O'Brien
Ely Brinkmann	164	—New York, NY	Elpha O'Brien
Ida Silverman	164	—New York, NY	Esther Muskett
Ian David Krogh	167	—Portland, OR	David Krogh
Thomas J. Sullivan, Jr.	167	—Portland, OR	Mel Pihl
Catherine A. Gilpatrick	167	—Portland, OR	Nancy Gilpatrick
Dian L. Ross	167	—Portland, OR	Alice Hazlet
Richard L. Hansen	206	—Blair, NE	Paul Strand
Yvette Petra Sorensen	219	—Clear Lake, IA	Thorvald Sorensen
Frank H. Clausen	227	—Detroit MI	Robert Buckhave
Svend V. Koch	144	—Dike, IA	Maurice Petersen
John B. Clark	301	—Akron, OH	Ejnar Madsen
Harvey C. Jensen	322	—Santa Barbara, CA	Erik Jorgensen
Elmer C. Jensen	341	—Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA	JoAnn Sorensen
Frances M. Jensen	341	—Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA	JoAnn Sorensen
Melba E. Czerniawski	600	—Omaha, NE	Andy Andersen



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



secretary, Laura Schuler, was presented with a clock/barometer for her many years of service.

The following morning a group of 25 members and guests met at the Old Samoa Cookhouse for a delicious "farvel" breakfast.



Tree planated by our members has grown since 1968.

At our recent meeting, we all enjoyed looking at a picture of a tree that was planted in 1968 in Tivoli by some of our members who participated in the trip to Denmark.

Mary Johannessen, Sec.

Lodge #299, Solvang, CA — On February 12 a delicious Hamburgerryg with all the trimming was prepared and served by Mogens Mortensen and crew which was enjoyed by 61 members and guests.

During the following meeting, which was attended by 31 members, it was decided that the lodge pay the deficit from the installation; that the approved portion of the scholarship be paid to Ida Fitzgerald; that the lodge provide a \$500 loan for the convention, as suggested by Bob Lassiter; and that the lodge buy a cord of B.B.Q. wood.

Jacob Ravn, Cor.

Lodge #306, San Diego, CA — Greatly pleased with the initiative of our young officers, coming into leadership alongside our faithful longtermers, expectations are running high.

And the expectations of our new "workers" are also high, and that is pleasing, too. Growth in numbers continues a dream with us all. But growth in fraternal bonds, and in interest in bringing to the community fresh awareness of Denmark, Danes, Danish-Americans, and the contribution of all these, is a greater goal.

Being brotherly, exercising that natural affection among brothers and sisters of our lodge, and to the community, will accomplish our objectives. It will also cement the membership, and by example and reputation, make us known to unreached area Danes and others of Danish parentage.

Publicity for the annual St. Hans Fest with bonfire and beachfront picnic will make a fine opportunity to bring together the Danish-American community — to rekindle fond memories in the local June tradition.

On March 12, our lodge, together with Danish Sisterhood Lodge No. 136, held a potluck dinner in celebration of the 72nd Anniversary of the two lodges.

Ted Hansen, Cor.

Lodge #323, Alhambra, CA — Those who missed the installation missed a great evening. The dinner was excellent. For starters, we were served a tasty shrimp cocktail and crackers. Following this, the roast pork, brown potatoes, red cabbage, and gravy arrived on the table, ready to eat! Dessert was beautifully prepared with whipped cream decorations all around the apple cake. The chef did an outstanding job. Next came the installation ceremony. We all

had plenty of fun dancing our way to our chairs. Several presentations were made to the installing officers, new officers, and guests. Afterwards, everybody danced to Ray Vermeulen's Orchestra. A grand time was had by all!

Philis Davis, Cor.

Lodge #332, Ripon, CA — We are looking forward to a busy year ahead. Some of our upcoming activities include traveling to Oroville and meeting in the home of Jack and Melba Belmont on May 17; on June 20, we will hold a dinner meeting at the home of John and Opal Craig; and on July 4, 5 and 6, we will participate in the annual Lake Tahoe Week by taking advantage of the hospitality of Vernon and Bessie Olsen and Alvin and Gunvar Olsen.

Vernon Olsen, Sec.

Lodge #345, Orange Co., CA — We want to thank all for attending the February meeting. We of course celebrated Fastelavns Fest. Though we were kind of small in number, we were a lively group. Many in the spirit of Fastelavns came in their favorite costumes. We had cowboys and cowgirls, a karate expert, a magnificent king, and a total Danish family, mom, dad, and three children all in handmade costumes. Many had a good time dressing up and it was fun. The winners of the costumes were voted on from the floor. Two prizes were given, one for the girls and one for the guys. Da Neil Gossett won the girl's prize. She was the exact duplicate of Pipi Longstockings, complete with sprayed red hair. Brady Olsen won in the boy's division for his interpretation of what a real cowboy should look like.

At the business meeting we were pleased to receive four applications for membership, the Chappell family, another 100% insured family. Bill, Kandy and their

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
2-2-86	Albert M. Hansen	88	Ferndale, California	95	Ferndale, California	1921
12-25-85	Bret Irwin Jacobson	23	Canton, Ohio	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1962
2-7-86	William B. Schilling	77	Wall, South Dakota	139	Viborg, South Dakota	1956
11-4-84	Thorvald A. Kellerup	88	Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1918
1-25-86	Borge R. Petersen	81	Horsens, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1929
1-22-86	Werner B. Johnsen	77	Marquette, Nebraska	263	Askov, Minnesota	1938
2-7-86	Karl Markussen	83	Denmark	245	South Bend, Indiana	1922
1-20-86	William A. Sorensen	34	New Haven, Connecticut	32	New Haven, Connecticut	1971
2-7-86	Peter Jensen Larsen	89	Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1921
2-10-86	Lee Petersen	52	Reinbeck, Iowa	144	Dike, Iowa	1961
1-15-86	Hans O. H. Fokdal Nielsen	82	Copenhagen, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1926
12-31-85	Lorentz Thongren	71	Aarhus, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1972
1-28-86	Nickolas S. Majewski	71	Ludington, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1982
1-1-86	Jeanette Frances Johnsen	69	Omaha, Nebraska	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1977
12-31-85	LeRoy Edward Cameron	62	Seattle, Washington	167	Portland, Oregon	1985
12-16-85	Stanley E. Jensen	63	San Francisco, California	167	Portland, Oregon	1979
2-7-86	Hans C. Korsgaard	91	Morsø, Denmark	299	Solvang, California	1945
2-5-86	Edwin B. Larsen	66	Minneapolis, Minnesota	345	Orange Co., California	1977



DaNeil Gossett won first prize in the girl's contest during Fastelavns.

children, Donald and Kaliena, have joined us many times previously and now we're so happy to welcome them into membership.

February was the month of beginnings for the Vikings. Each one of those attending received their Viking Power T-shirt that our lodge provided for them. Toni Gossett, youth chairman, had all the activities under control. They had a simple language lesson and then came in from their room and



Brady Olsen won first prize in the boy's contest during Fastelavns.



New Young Vikings Club officially begins with members all receiving their T-shirts.

shared what they could learn in only one lesson. They really did a great job.

Gerry Olsen, Sec.

Lodge #346, Riverside, CA — Seventeen members and guests enjoyed some rousing games of bingo following our last meeting. Guests included Herb and Jerry Clemensen of San Bernardino. We hope to see both of you often at our future activities!

Refreshments were donated by Kaja Del Grippio and Anelise Andersen. Thanks to each of you and to everyone for their part in the bingo games and prizes.

May 17 has been tentatively set for folk-dancers and barbeque at the Patterson's barn.
Nancy Nielsen, Sec.

IOWA-MINNESOTA

Lodge #75, Albert Lea, MN — At our March 1st meeting we were privileged to initiate four new members into our lodge, Holger and Harriett Knudsen and Clifford and Rigmor Paulsen. A decision was made to observe the 92nd Anniversary of our lodge on May 16 at the Holiday Inn and we anticipate having Jerome Christensen, Andy Andersen and Pam Dorau of the Home Office as our honored guests. It was also decided that we contribute \$505.00 to the Van Fund project of the Freeborn County Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion Posts.

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western vocalist, Dunnell Lenort, whose presentation was very well received.

Viggo Berthelsen, Sec.

Lodge #341, Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA — We held our Fastelavns Party, which was attended by 78 people, on February 24 at the Kimballton Town Hall. Andy Andersen, National Sales Director, was in charge of installing the 1986 officers. Andy and his wife, Annette, were also in charge of the Grand March. Initiation was held for the 1985 new members.



Andy Andersen, National Sales Director, and 1986 officers are ready for the year ahead.



Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hansen reign as Cat King and Queen.

There were two barrels, one for the men and one for the women, to "Slaa Katten af Tønden". Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hansen were crowned Cat King and Queen. Fastelavnsboller and coffee were served at the close of the meeting.

Verdie Christensen, Cor.

Lodge #347, Cedar Rapids, IA — We gathered at the Marion Community Center on Thursday, February 13 for our Fastelavns celebration. Activities for the evening got under way when Anker Severinsen was honored by his niece Norma Nietert who read a "This Is Your Life Tribute" from his son in honor of Anker's 80th birthday. Anker, a native of Denmark, is one of our lodge's charter members and he and his wife, Kathrine, have contributed much to our lodge.

Some of our members wore costumes for

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Fastelavns costume winners included Krista Andersen, Howard Christensen, and Lisa Andersen.

the evening and Valentine boxes of candy were awarded to Howard Christensen, Lisa Andersen, and Krista Andersen for best costume.

Lee Thornbloom gave the Danish spotlight on the "Windmill" which the Danes brought over from Denmark and reconstructed at the Elk Horn-Kimballton site in Iowa.

Many participated in the contest of the evening in getting the cat out of the wooden barrel by striking it with a stick. The winner of the event was Eric Andersen.

Hosting the event with a Valentine theme were Kathrine Severinsen and Norma Nietert.

Lee Thornbloom, Cor.

Lodge #349, Atlantic, IA — Our meeting was held Monday night, January 13, in the basement of the Whitney Bank Building.

President Knudsen introduced and welcomed Wilbert and Esther Hoegh as new members. Nadine Williamson introduced her daughter, Julie, who was a guest. Other guests were Andy Andersen, National Sales Director, and Jerry Christensen, National Secretary-Treasurer.

The new officers were installed by Jerry Christensen. They include: Robert Nelson, President; Richard Becker, Vice President; Marge Holland, Secretary, and Harvey Hansen, Treasurer. **Mary Lou Hoegh, Sec.**

MIDWEST

Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI — On January 19 we held a remodeling Open House and breakfast. It was a tremendous turnout serving approximately 450 people and several more came to look at the hall. A big thanks goes to Gordon Andersen for taking over as General Chairman and to everyone who helped! We not only got to show off our remodeling but once again proved that our lodge is an active and cooperative group of people who work together for the betterment of our lodge.

Congratulations to Berger Rasmussen and John Larsen for being named "Recommender of the Month" in our national membership drive. Donations were sent in their names to the Statue of Liberty Fund.

Welcome to our new members, Al Larsen, Bob Loss, Roger Hawes, William Nerling, John Zapf, and Wayne Mutchler.

Upcoming events include the Midwest District Bowling Tournament sponsored by Lodge No. 4 in Racine on April 19, and our 94th Anniversary Banquet on April 26. Cocktails will begin the evening, followed by a dinner and dance.

Lodge #34, Dwight, IL — At our meeting on February 10, Vice President, Keith Telford, very capably took over in the absence of our President. Dick Christensen was voted on and approved for membership. Welcome, Dick! Vernon Goodwin and George Feddersen were awarded their 25-year membership pins.



Vernon Goodwin and George Feddersen are awarded 25-year pins from Vice President Keith Telford.

On Saturday, April 19, we will hold the bowling tournament in Racine. It's time to get your teams lined up. These will also be entered in the Nationals.

Margaret Goodwin, Sec.

**PRESIDENT'S AWARD
BEST NEWSLETTER**

Lodge #35, Chicago, IL — Our February meeting featured a very successful Fastelavns Party. The costumes were great! Costume winner in the adult category went to Mark Nussle and his wife, Lori. They teamed up as an organ grinder and monkey.



Lori and Mark Nussle get into the spirit of things!

Bea Zimmerman was a great Charlie Chaplin and came in second. In the children's contest, Ilene Nussle was Packman and won first place while Erik Jensen as a construction worker was second. Everyone had lots of fun trying to hit the black cats out of the barrels. Afterwards, we enjoyed Danish sandwiches and Fastelavnsboller.

On April 11, a Frikadeller Dinner will be served as the April activity. Lots of delicious food will accompany the Danish meat balls. After the dinner, music will be provided by Frank Tintari and his accordion.

Elsa Petersen, Cor.

**PRESIDENT'S AWARD
CIVIC ACTIVITY**

Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI — On Friday, April 11, we will be serving a real Danish fish dinner at the Spring Torsk Dinner. The menu will include Icelandic codfish fillets, potatoes, mustard sauce, cole slaw, bread, butter, coffee, and Danish pastry. Door prizes of whole kringle and pumpernickel

Payment to Board Member

MARCH: Robert E. Ibsen, salary, \$262.00.

from Racine will also be given. Activities will begin at 8 p.m. at the International Institute. Contact Mrs. Carol M. Larsen for reservations.

Several of our members have signed up for, and look forward to attending, the Danish Brotherhood Workshop to be held at Lodge No. 14's Danish Brotherhood Hall in Kenosha on April 20.

Holger Danske Lodge No. 36 was chartered November 22, 1889. Our Centennial Celebration Steering Committee met February 24 and established general long-range plans for the 1989 affair.

Al Larsen, Sec.

Lodge #92, St Charles, IL — We held our February meeting on Valentine's Day. We had our usual meeting and were pleased to add two new members. We are always glad when we can add to our membership. It is always good to get some new blood into a group. We were lucky to have a gentleman from H & R Block speak to us about filing our income tax forms. Hopefully he was helpful in saving some of us some extra money that we didn't know we could save.

For our April meeting we will have a guest speaker who will speak on "self esteem." This is a subject that most of us could learn something about. Some of us have too much and some do not have enough. Which group do you fit into? Come to this meeting and find out.

After our general meeting and income tax discussion, we were treated to a pizza party. We have a lot of members who are visiting the warm state of Florida and thus our luncheon committee was short a few people so we decided to have a pizza party. This was enjoyed by everyone even though it isn't a Danish dish. **Lois Skraboly, Cor.**

Lodge #340, Wood Dale, IL — It was decided at our officer's meeting in February that we would hold a formal meeting at 8 p.m. promptly at each regular lodge meeting. This meeting will be held in the small meeting room at the clubhouse.

Be sure to mark your calendar for the Midwest District events which include the bowling tournament to be held in Racine on April 19 and the combination golf and picnic in Dwight on July 12. This should be a great

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time. Everyone in Dwight always go out of their way to make sure a good time is had by all.
Janet Villacci, Sec.

Lodge #343, Waupaca, WI — At our February 27th meeting, Mary Nelson, one of our newest members, displayed her beautiful lace collection, including some winter additions to our local historical society, a Victorian museum, and told us of the history of lace and lace-making. Open-faced sandwiches, bars and coffee concluded the evening.

Some future dates to mark on your calendar include our annual Aebleskiver Supper on September 25, our annual Morten's Goose Supper on November 8, and our Christmas pot-luck supper on December 18.
Evelyn Doerr, Pres.

MISSOURI

Lodge #56, Kansas City, MO — We enjoyed open-face Danish sandwiches at the February meeting and made plans for the 94th anniversary of our lodge. A catered dinner will be held and special entertainment is planned.



Exchange student, Minna Manninen, spoke to our lodge.

Members of our lodge were also treated to an interesting talk about Finland. Minna Manninen, a foreign exchange student from Finland, described the people and culture of Finland accompanied by slide photographs. Minna is from Posio, Finland, which is not too far away from the home of the Finnish Santa Claus! Minna attends the Blue Valley High School in the Kansas City area and will return to Finland next July. Minna described the long Finnish winters as "having the lights out" all the time, while summers were like "having the lights on all the time." The Finns celebrate Midsummer Day on the 21st day of June like other Scandinavian countries.

The members of our lodge are quite proud of their good friend, Lucia Sorensen, who celebrated her 100th birthday on March 12.

Lucia's parents immigrated from Denmark in the late 1880s and Lucia grew up in Osage City, Kansas, where her family had their farm. She married Sophus Sorensen, who also immigrated from Denmark on



Happy 100th birthday, Lucia!

June 12, 1911. She has two daughters, Margaret Ann Floyd and Frances Marie Lancaster. There are five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. **Bob Wallace, Cor.**

NEBRASKA PRESIDENT'S AWARD SINGLE SOCIAL ACTIVITY

Lodge #1, Omaha, NE — Our February 18th social took the theme of Fastelavn. Approximately 85 people attended this event, some in costume. Games were played by everyone. The young people then took turns at "Slaa Katten af Tønden," (Knock the cat from the barrel). Johan Christian Bakken was the winner, and was crowned Cat King. He chose Molly Dorau to be the Cat Queen. Refreshments included fastelavn-boller, hot chocolate, and coffee.

Nine members of our lodge attended the workshop on Saturday, February 15, at the National Headquarters. Those attending gained a better insight of the Danish Brotherhood in regard to its operation, membership, insurance and fraternal programs. A special thanks to the National Headquarters staff — Jerome Christensen, Andy Andersen, and Pam Dorau — for making the workshop so interesting and informative.
Jim Christiansen, Sec.

Lodge #84, Lincoln, NE — Twenty members attended our February 8th meeting held at the IOOF Hall. Our new President, Quentin Johnson, was in charge of the business meeting.

We were honored to have National Fraternal Director, Pam Dorau, initiate the following into our lodge: Harold Jensen, Eudean Lehn, Denton Lehn, Marsha Lehn, James Lehn, and Rhonda Lehn.

Gayle Miller from Lincoln was a visitor as well as members from the Omaha Lodge No. 1, which were Paul and Jan Wehner, and James, John and Lois Hansen.

Following our business meeting, our Lincoln Sisterhood Lodge No. 90 joined us to listen to Paul Wehner give a very interesting talk and film on insurance. Thank you Paul for this information.

The next part of the evening seemed to be the most enjoyable, which was lunch time.

Everyone brought an attractive and a variety of tasty, open-faced sandwiches and other goodies, which was served with tea and coffee. A number of members and guests found Danish Valentines under their place-mats and they shared the humorous verse with the members. Ingrid Hansen told how the Danes celebrate Valentine's Day.

The committee for the evening was Lennie and Doris Kincheloe, Chairman, assisted by Harold and Hilde Jensen, Marie Husbands, Hertha Olson, and Gladys Sorensen.
Don Lehn, Cor.

Lodge #125, Weeping Water, NE — Our lodge met February 11, for our regular meeting. Special recognition was given to Otto Mogensen for his 70 years of membership in the Danish Brotherhood in America.



Congratulations, Otto!

Otto was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, on November 29, 1892, and came to the United States in 1915. Otto settled in the Weeping Water area and has lived in this area since that time. Otto was married to Christiana Christensen on February 23, 1918, and two sons and three daughters were born to this union. On February 8, 1916, he became a member of our lodge and has been active through the years.

Kenneth Lauritzen, Sec.

Lodge #161, Ruskin, NE — We met at the Ruskin Community Hall on Saturday, February 8th for a delicious soup and pie supper. Sixty-eight members and guests attended.

It was a very special party to honor two member couples who were having golden wedding anniversaries. They were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cox and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nielsen of Superior. They were presented with gifts and many congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Petersen of Superior were guests. Harvey showed his miniature farm machinery that he had made from

wood and told how they were made.

The committee for the evening was Mr. and Mrs. Harley Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martens, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Jensby. **Grace Thomsen, Cor.**

Lodge #206, Blair, NE — All new officers were installed at our January meeting and we are ready to begin the new year.

To create a bit more interest and enlarge our attendance, we will try a new venture for Rummelkassen. Names of all members have now been placed into plastic capsules. There will be a drawing at every meeting. If the name drawn is present, he or she will receive \$2; if not present, the capsule will be returned to the container, a new name will be drawn at the next meeting and if present will receive \$4. You could be lucky, but you must be present.

Thanks to the January committee who included Morris and Harriet Palle; Duane, Karen and Lydia Nielsen; and Earl and Doris Stokes. **Harriet Palle, Cor.**

Lodge #211, Grand Island, NE — We met Monday evening, February 10, at the Blue Flame Room. After the business meeting, Lars Gustafsson, a Swedish exchange student attending St. Paul High School, showed slides of Sweden and answered many questions about his country. Hostess Betty Alderman had the lunch table decorated in the Valentine theme and three lucky persons won Valentine candles.

Vera Petersen, Sec.

MICHIGAN-OHIO

Lodge #51, Ludington, MI — Twelve members attended our regular meeting on March 6. The Michigan-Ohio District Workshop to be held in Greenville on April 10 was discussed as well as the District Convention to be held in Ludington on May 10. The District Baseball Outing to be held on June 28 in Detroit was also discussed.

Twenty-three members and guests attended our Valentine Party and Dance on February 14. Socializing and dancing was enjoyed by everyone attending and during the evening lunch was served.

On Saturday, February 15, a Setback Tournament was held with 20 members and guests playing. Gordie Schultz took first place and Don Stahl took second. As we had food left over from the Valentine Party, we also served lunch. Everyone had an enjoyable afternoon.

Keith Koegler, Past Pres.

Lodge #227, Detroit, MI — We held our new officer installation dinner-dance on January 18 featuring a small combo and a

roast pork dinner. Paul Carlsen, National Director, installed the new officers while Helen Sorensen performed like honors for the Sisterhood lodge.

During the evening a 50-50 raffle was held with the proceeds going to Brother Brian Perschnick of Lodge No. 34, Dwight, Illinois, to help defray the costs associated with his recent heart operation.



Otto Pedersen and Willy Pedersen are congratulated by Past President, Ken Rehan.

A plaque was presented to Otto Pedersen and Willy Pedersen by Ken Rehan, Past President, for their outstanding efforts in our 1985 Blood Drive. **Carl Mayland, Sec.**

GCEL

District Scholarships Available

The deadline for GCEL District Scholarships is June 15, 1986. For information contact Erling Braumann, 115 White Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886 or your local lodge secretary. Applicants must be a member in good standing of the GCEL District Danish Brotherhood in America.

Lodge #164, New York, NY — Forty members attended our December meeting and Christmas party at which three new members — Margaret Cull, Edly Steen and John Knudsen — were sworn in and warmly welcomed by all. A beautiful tree stood in the middle of the floor and members danced around it in the Danish tradition. Danish and English carols were sung. As usual, there were gifts for all and even some leftovers. A piece of B&G porcelain was won by Tina Madsen in the raffle, a feature of all our gatherings.

President Ray Leth reported on the home in Edison, New Jersey. All the rooms there have been newly painted and a visiting nurse service has taken over seeing to the health of residents, visiting each one on a regular basis.

Lodge #172, Philadelphia, PA — Special thanks to Birthe and Georg Olesen for the delicious Torsk Dinner at the January meeting. It produced good Danish fellowship and a terrific night!

For February, we celebrated Fastelavns. Many came dressed in costumes to join us in this Danish custom. We held the tradi-

tional crowning of the cat queen and cat king after we "slaet katten af tonden!"

Niels Malmquist, Cor.

Lodge #294, Barre, VT — On February 6th we were saddened to hear of the death of one of our older members. Kenney Lunde passed away on his birthday at the age of 79 years. Kenney had received his 60-year membership pin in 1985. He had held most offices in the lodge and at one time when the lodge was in danger of giving up its charter, he renewed the members' enthusiasm and kept the lodge alive. He was a member of several other fraternal orders and was a Navy veteran of World War II. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Thomas Mekkelsen, Sec.

Lodge #342, Bucks Co., PA — To promote efficiency, we are experimenting with something new. Before our meetings, a tempting dish of aebleskiver and pancakes will be served.

Re-elected delegates to the Danish Home, voted in January, are Hans and Ida Andersen, with Bob and Bert Lindemann serving as alternates.

Viking Lodge members responded to the campaign for young Brian Perschnick by personally contributing a minimum of \$2 per member to this cause. We received \$120.

Niels Malmquist, Cor.

YOUNG VIKINGS

Lodge #167, Portland, OR — The Young Vikings had a great day at Snow Bunny Lodge on Sunday, February 9. About 20 persons joined together for a fun-filled day of inner-tube sledding, sunshine, and lots of good food.

The weather was so nice we had to take off our hats, coats and mittens. From the youngest to the oldest, we all played thoroughly hard and went home exhausted with our rosy red cheeks.

Linda Jensen was initiated as the new Young Viking President in January. She will be planning upcoming activities for the group.

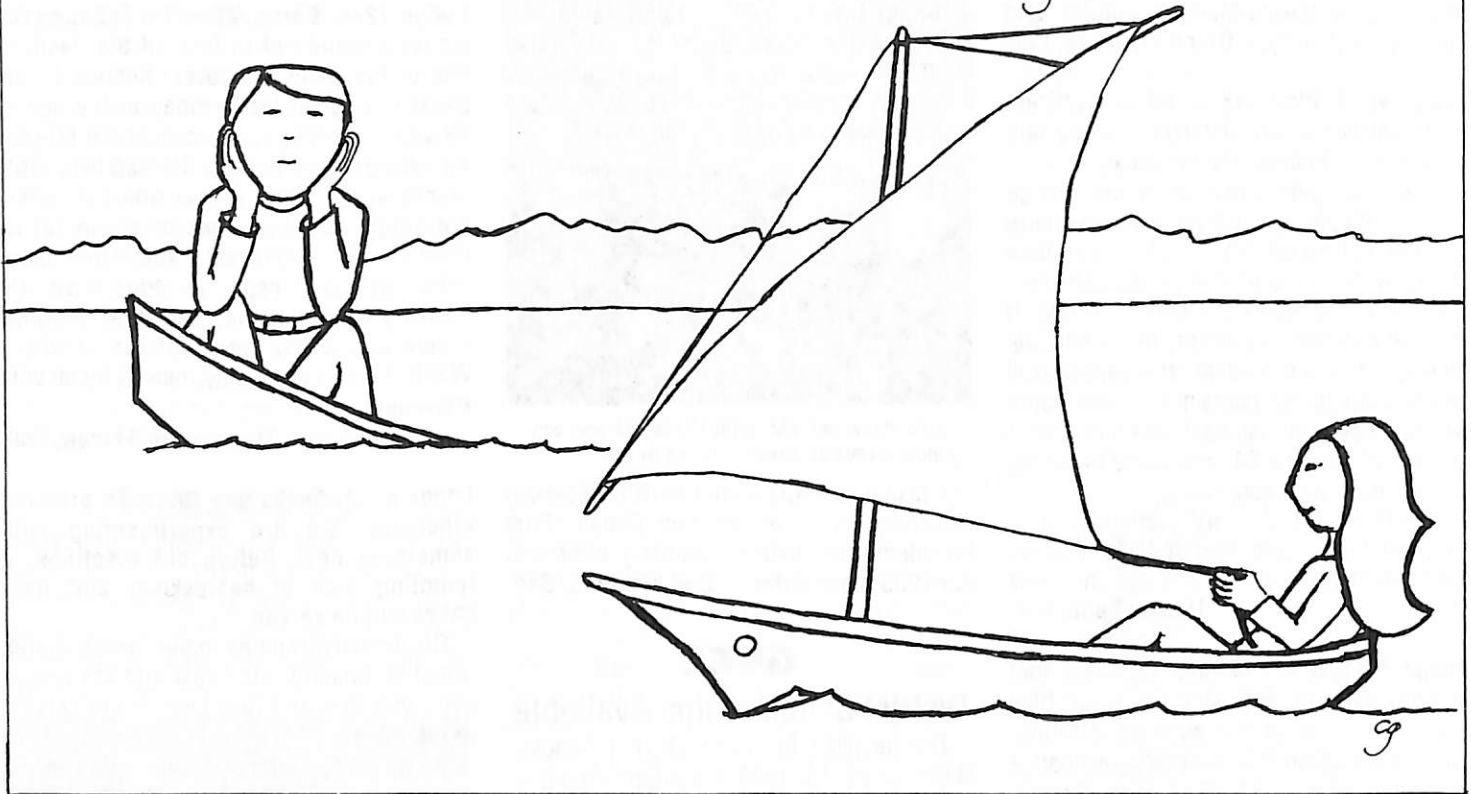
ASF to Hold Second National Meeting

The American-Scandinavian Foundation is pleased to announce that on April 18-20 it will be sponsoring the Second National meeting of Associate and Cooperating Groups in Portland, Oregon.

Hosted by the Oregon-Southwest Washington Associates of ASF, the meeting will take place at the Heathman Hotel in downtown Portland.

Hans and Grete

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March winners: Lisa Jaspersen, Sarah Abraham, and Jill Luvaas.

Grandma's Kitchen



by Dagmar Jensen

Hyldebarsuppe (Elderberry Soup)

8 cups diluted elderberry juice	Sugar to taste
1 tsp. whole cloves	$\frac{2}{3}$ cups flour
	1 small lemon

Bring the juice to a boil, place the cloves in a small bag and drop into the juice. Add sugar gradually; add flour, which has been mixed in a little water. Let cook until slightly thickened, adding the sliced lemon. Remove the bag of cloves. Serves 6. Diced apples or flour dumplings may be cooked in the soup or sugared croutons may be served with the soup.

It's Time For Summer Camp

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Viking Adventures

District Workshops Declared a Success



Lee Pedersen of Lodge No. 43 in Denver, CO traveled the farthest to attend the workshop held in Omaha, Nebraska.



Los Angeles workshop hosted a large attendance.



National Sales Director Andy Andersen speaks to an enthusiastic group in Petaluma, California.



National First Vice President Peter Weber attended the workshop in Los Angeles, California.

Dates and locations of workshops yet to be held include:

Greenville, MI	April 19, 1986
Kenosha, WI	April 20, 1986
Albert Lea, MN	May 17, 1986
New Haven/Milford, CT	May 24, 1986

Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana
Wisconsin, Illinois, and Davenport, Iowa
Minnesota, Eastern Iowa, and Luck, Wisconsin
Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, and Vermont

All lodge officers, representatives, committee chairmen and interested members are encouraged to attend. The purpose of the workshops, led by National Secretary-Treasurer, Jerome L. Christensen, National Sales Director, Andy Andersen, and National Fraternal Director, Pam Dorau, is to reinforce knowledge of the Danish Brotherhood in America, provide current information regarding our insurance and fraternal programs to make membership more attractive in your lodge, and discuss any problems or concerns your lodge may have.

Plan to attend!

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Etan Patz

DBIA joins with NFCA to locate Missing Children

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