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Cover photo: Hans Christian Andersen grew up between the ages of 2-14 in one of the three flats in this house in Odense, Denmark. Photo courtesy of Tom and Joanne O'Toole, Travel Writers.



President's Page

Robert E. Ibsen
National President

Getting members involved is probably the number one challenge and the most important aspect of a successful lodge. This month I would like to offer a few suggestions on how to get members involved and how to keep them involved.

First of all, set a specific goal for your lodge. For instance, during a planning meeting, notify all officers that you would like to "involve ___ percent of all members in lodge activities next year." Make sure your goal is challenging, yet one that is possible to reach through the plan you develop.

Before we can expect members to become involved, we must be sure they are aware of the opportunities which are available through their membership in the Danish Brotherhood. All members should realize that they can vote, hold office, become involved in lodge activities and make use of the fraternal benefits offered by the National Headquarters.

Building members' awareness of the opportunities available is vital. The most common reason people give for not participating or attending a meeting is that "I was never asked." Therefore, we must have direct contact with our members whether in person, by letter or by telephone. Talking to someone in person is, of course, the most effective. Members need to know that others care and have a personal interest in them. Be sure to welcome all members and invite them to become active participants.

Arranging an orientation meeting for all members is a step in the right direction toward achieving your member involvement goal. The National Headquarters has an Orientation Booklet available simply for the asking which can be used as a guideline for your meeting. By inviting all members, the lodge officers and active members will have the opportunity to personally meet and extend a friendly welcome to less active and new members in your lodge. You can also tell them of the exciting activities which are planned in the near future.

Also, let them be a part of the actual planning process. Ask for input regarding what kind of things they would be interested in learning and doing. After you have gained this input, how do you get them to be involved and remain active during the year? One way is to ask, specifically, what interests, talents, and abilities they have that they are willing to share with the lodge. The National Headquarters has developed a Fraternal Activity Form which is available at no charge. All members of the lodge should complete this form. You will then have a resource file from which you can match the interests, talents and abilities to the jobs that need to be completed. Your members will also be willing to serve in areas that interest them or that they're comfortable performing.

While it is important for members to be aware of the fraternal benefits and insurance products offered by the Danish Brotherhood, we also realize that the local lodge is the main scene of action, the main reason many join and remain members. Therefore, we must make sure members become involved in the lodge and stay involved. By following the above mentioned steps, an interesting circle will develop. As more members become involved, better activities will be planned which stimulate more to become involved.

In closing, I just want to remind everyone about the National Convention in Des Moines, Iowa, on September 24-26. I'm looking forward to making new and re-acquainting old friendships.

Des Moines, Iowa . . . The Surprising Place

Joint National Convention, Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood, September 24-26, 1987

TO REGISTER: Complete this form (one per person) and mail with your check or money order payable to: 1987 NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, September 23

7:00-9:00 p.m. DBIA and DSS Presidents' no-host cocktail party, Hotel Fort Des Moines

3:00 p.m. Coffee break - \$1.00

5:30-6:30 p.m. Cocktail hour (cash bar) Hotel Marriott

6:30-7:30 p.m. Banquet - Melon with fruit, tossed salad, petite fillet with sauce, two vegetables, grand marnier dessert with raspberry sauce, rolls, and coffee or tea.

Thursday, September 24

8:30 a.m. Joint Grand Opening

10:00 a.m. Coffee and Danish - \$3.00

Noon Bar/Buffer Lunch - Cheese soup, sliced roast beef, turkey breast and ham. Sliced cheddar and Swiss cheeses, assorted breads, potato salad, marinated vegetables, fresh fruit in season, brownies or carrot cake. - \$12.50

3:00 p.m. Coffee break - \$1.00

Thursday p.m. Bus tour A - Grand View College and Living History Farms.

Bus tour B - Botanical Center and Living History Farms. Refreshments served. - \$14.50

8:00 p.m. Installation of officers.

9:00 p.m. Dance to William Tell Band - \$28.00

Souvenir Program - \$4.00

Convention package deal including one souvenir program - \$80.00.

Mail no later than August 15, 1987 to:

**Mary Olsen Riber
914 Boyd Street
Des Moines, IA 50316**

Free evening

Enclosed find my check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the cost of events circled above.

Friday, September 25

10:00 a.m. Coffee and Danish - \$3.00

3:00 p.m. Coffee break - \$1.00

5:30-6:30 p.m. Cocktail hour (cash bar)

6:30-7:30 p.m. Iowa pork chop dinner with dancing following - \$14.50

Capital Square Atrium.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Saturday, September 26

10:00 a.m. Coffee and Danish - \$3.00

PLEASE PRINT

The Headquarters for the Convention is the Hotel Fort Des Moines, 10th and Walnut

All events will take place at the Hotel Fort Des Moines except: Friday night cocktails, dinner and dancing at the Capital Square Atrium and Saturday night cocktails, banquet and dance at the Marriott Hotel.

Tours will depart from the Hotel Des Moines around 1:30 p.m.

We will not be mailing receipts back to those of you who have registered. They will be in your packet at the registration desk.

Get your reservations in soon! Looking forward to seeing you!

Delegates to the 1987 Joint National Convention

Individuals listed below have been honored by their lodges or districts by their election as delegates to the 32nd Danish Brotherhood National Convention.

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A Visit to Fairy Tale Master Hans Christian Andersen's Birthplace

*by Tom and Joanne O'Toole
Travel Writers*

Anyone who has ever been transported to another time and place by one of Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tales will find a visit to his birthplace and museum in Odense, on the Danish island of Funen, a moving experience.

The island is the second largest among Denmark's nearly 500, and Odense, its major city of 170,000 people, will mark its 1,000th anniversary in 1988.

Andersen was born here in 1805, the only child of a poor but well-read father and an illiterate mother. His early years were not happy ones, and at 14 he left for Copenhagen to try his hand at acting, dancing, singing, and writing poetry. After many years of failure he finally conceded defeat, and turned to writing stories he'd heard in his youth, and tales based on events in his life. By the time he was 30 his first book ("Tales Told for Children") was published, and included such well loved stories as "The Tinder Box" and "The Princess and the Pea." When Andersen died at the age of 70 he left behind as his legacy of love, 156 stories read and translated worldwide.

To mark the 100th birthday of Hans Christian Andersen, its most famous son, Odense established a museum in 1905, using as a cornerstone the small half-timbered cottage where he was born. Each year thousands of visitors travel to 37-45 Hans Jensensstrøede, at the corner of a narrow cobblestoned lane in the old quarter of town, to refresh some of their favorite childhood memories.

The birthplace and museum are in the oldest part of Odense, and until 15 years ago it was a slum area. The city purchased and restored the district, then resold the surrounding homes and commercial property. Now the homes provide an architectural harmony in the spirit of Andersen's life, with all of them dating from the late 1700s to the early 1800s.

Nearby, and also a branch of the museum, is the humble house where Andersen grew up between the ages of 2-14, helping his shoemaker father (who died when Hans was eight) and laundress mother.

The museum has been expanded twice, and as you enter its modern doorway you pass under a reproduction of a smiling paper cutout done by Andersen himself. A large domed rotunda decorated with huge frescos depicting scenes of the author's life and travels, plus a 10-minute slide show gives a background. You then tour the original house and galleries displaying paintings and photographs of the sad-faced writer (his story "The Ugly Duckling" was autobiographical), his treasured original manuscripts, and some of the many translated and illustrated copies of his books. The museum also has a library wing for scholars doing research.

Documents, letters written to his numerous famous friends and a complete reproduction of his study furnished with his personal effects give an insight to this man with a foot in two worlds. In the center of the study are his traveling bags, his ever-present umbrella, and the coil of rope he always carried to help him escape in case of a fire (his special terror).

Sadly, he loved often, but that love was never requited. Although he never married, his dear friend singer Jenny Lind became the inspiration for his story "The Nightingale." As his reputation spread, the teller of tales was invited to royal houses,

sought out by celebrities, and was the guest of honor when he traveled.

In his last years he heard himself compared to Shakespeare and Homer and acclaimed by nations. Before his death he acknowledged the tributes by writing "the tales were told for children, but the grown up person should be allowed to listen as well." His genius was in telling stories children identified with immediately, yet each of his fairy tales reflected a wisdom, a depth of feeling, a humorous twinkle, and a cutting irony — all of which was perceived by adults.

Funen is an island of winding roads and picturesque country villages (a perfect setting for a fairy tale master), and visitors often choose to take an organized tour that will include some of its other attractions. Egeskov Castle, about 40 miles from Odense, was built in 1554 and is often called the most beautiful moated castle in Europe. More than 200,000 visitors per year tour its formal gardens and its vintage car museum, although the castle itself is closed to the public.

Closer to Odense is Funen Village, preserving 18th and 19th century Danish village life. The village is alive with restored farms, a school house, weaver's shop, vicarage, and other sites. Andersen's tales are often presented in its open air theater.

St. Canute's Cathedral, a 13th century Gothic church in downtown Odense, is worth a stop. Be sure to tour its beautiful grounds and see Andersen's statue.

It's also possible to take a full day trip from Copenhagen to Funen on your own. Danes are friendly, helpful people and everyone speaks English, so travel on your own is very easy. We left Copenhagen on an early morning train and traveled completely across the island of Zealand. When we reached the coast our train rolled onto a large ferry and passengers walked up a few decks to enjoy a short cruise over to Nyborg on Funen Island. Our train came off the ferry and back onto the tracks and soon we arrived in Odense.

You can pick up an island tour there if you prefer and then return the same way to Copenhagen by 8:30 in the evening. Dining rooms on the ferry provided us with a pleasant breakfast and late dinner.

For those wishing to remain overnight in Odense, the perfect spot is the Hans Christian Andersen Hotel near the museum. For lunch and dinner the Under Lindstræet (at 2 Ramsherred) is a charming two and a half century old inn and restaurant across from the birthplace home.

Copenhagen too has traces of Andersen's life — the attic room where he lived as a young student (at 6 Vingaardsstræde), the place where he wrote his earliest fairy tales (at 20 Nyhavn), the home where he visited friends daily for many years (at 9 Amaliegade), and the quarters where he tried to settle down when he became an old man (at 18 Nyhavn).

Deciding to spend a day of our Scandinavian adventure visiting and re-acquainting ourselves with fairy tale teller Hans Christian Andersen turned out to be not only a special enjoyment, but one of the highlights of our trip.

For first hand information and literature on Hans Christian Andersen, his birthplace and childhood homes, and the museum, you can write direct to the Odense Tourist Office,

Radhuset, 5000 Odense, Denmark.

To obtain additional information and literature on Andersen and other sightseeing in the country, contact the Danish Tourist Office at 655 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017. The telephone is (212) 949-2333. There are also offices in Chicago, Beverly Hills, and Toronto, Canada. If you're in Copenhagen, the office is at 22 Hans Christian Andersen Boulevard.

If you're planning a trip to any of the Scandinavian countries, contact the national airline, Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS), for even more literature and information at 138-02 Queens Boulevard, Jamaica, New York 11435. The local telephone is (718) 657-2575. The North American (continental United States and all of Canada) toll-free telephone for flight information is (800) 221-2350.

1987 DBIA Bowling Tournament Results

Lodge	Team	Score	Handicap	Total	Award
341	Men's Team	2515	573	3088	\$100 1
263	Askov Alley Cats	2503	552	3055	75 2
34	Dwight's Danish Dolls	2348	696	3044	60 3
14	Country Boys	2660	381	3041	45 4
51	Secretary's Team	2712	324	3036	40 5
14	Kenosha Metal Products	2720	279	2999	35 6
45	Minneapolis Vikings	2523	462	2985	33 7
34	Lemar's Kids	2093	885	2978	30 8
14	Ipsen's Service	2518	459	2977	27 9
34	Marge's Misfits	2288	687	2975	25 10
143	Young Timers	2468	501	2969	24 11
51	Tuna's Tea Tottelers	2623	330	2953	23 12
34	Pin Busters	2505	417	2922	22 13
30	Danish I	2440	477	2917	21 14
92	Saints II	2413	501	2914	20 15
345	Great Danes	2369	540	2909	19 16
34	Herman's Hermits	2411	486	2897	18 17
51	Old Timers	2554	339	2893	17 18
227	Team #3	2321	567	2888	16 19
341	Herb's Team	2392	495	2887	15 20
143	Petaluma Gals	2022	861	2883	21
34	Handy Five	2370	501	2871	22
341	Howard's Team	1962	894	2856	23
113	Enumclaw Seniors	2178	672	2850	24
34	Pony Express Riders	2364	483	2847	25
341	Ladies	2185	618	2803	26
34	The Great Danes	2225	567	2792*	27
34	Bad News Strikers	2483	309	2792*	27
227	Team #1	2246	540	2786	28
184	Hayward #2	2122	663	2785	29
14	Accurate Printing	2279	165	2774	30
30	Viking Press	2337	420	2757	31
143	Old Timers	2330	423	2753	32
14	Hagars	2216	534	2750	33
34	The Leftovers	2154	591	2745	34
34	The Standards	2355	387	2742	35
14	Misfits	2197	528	2725	36
51	Ken's Clowns	2111	606	2717	37
227	Team #2	2184	504	2688	38
345	Danish Dolls	1883	804	2687	39
51	Sam's Bombers	2341	342	2683	40
341	Folmer's Team	2064	609	2673	41
39	Lodge No. 39	2002	663	2665	42
227	Team #4	1879	783	2662	43
51	Shorty's Stingers	2203	450	2653	44
92	Saints I	1944	708	2652	45
184	Hayward #1	2109	537	2646	46
34	Wilkey's Shellers	1948	696	2644	47

Lodge	Team	Score	Handicap	Total	Award
34	The Younger Danes	1909	729	2638	48
219	Outer Guards	1606	915	2521	49

Women

Top Women's Team

34—Dwight's Danish Dolls 2348 696 3044 \$100

Women's Individual High Game

341—Helen Petersen 198 62 260 \$ 25

Women's Individual High Series

34—Shirley Holzhauer 539 117 656 \$ 25

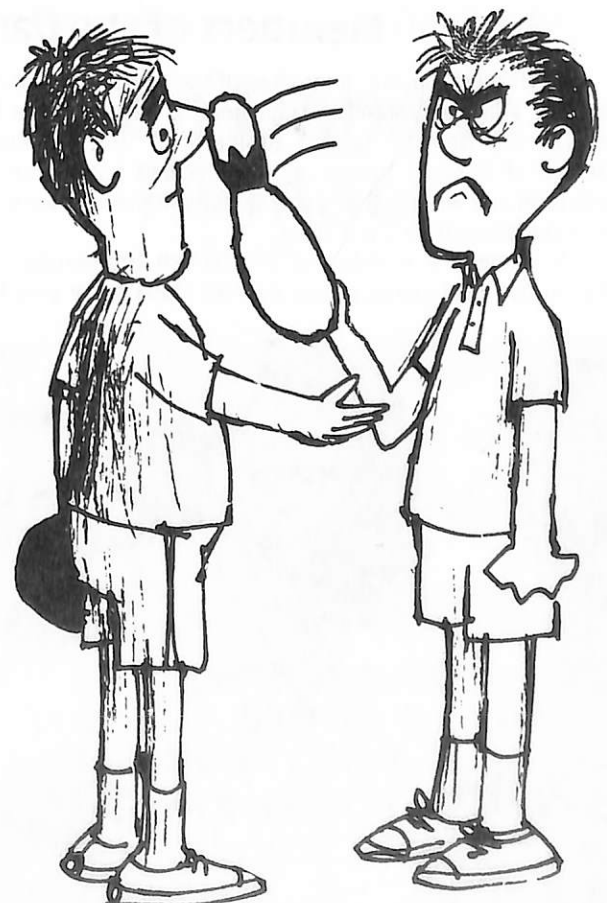
Men

Men's Individual High Game

14—Jim Rush 254 31 285 \$ 25

Men's Individual High Series

92—David Hunecke 628 87 715 \$ 25



The Des Moines Convention Hotels and Capital Squares

by Wilbur Williamson

Delegates and visitors attending the Joint National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood, September 24-26, 1987, in Des Moines, will find that most of their convention activities will involve two different hotels.

The convention headquarters will be located at the Fort Des Moines Hotel, 10th and Walnut, in downtown Des Moines. The registration of delegates and guests and the display booths will be at the Fort Des Moines Hotel. The joint opening sessions as well as the various general and business sessions will be held in assigned meeting rooms at this hotel.

The second hotel involved in the Joint Convention is the Marriott Hotel located at 700 Grand Avenue. The pre-banquet reception, the grand banquet, the installation of the National officers, and dancing to the music of the William Tell Band will all be at the Marriott on Saturday evening, September 26.

The enclosed atrium of the new Capital Square building on 5th Street between Locust and Walnut will be the location for the cocktail hour and the Iowa pork chop dinner on Friday evening, September 25.

A description of the facilities available at both hotels should be helpful information to the convention goer. The Hotel Fort Des Moines was built and opened its doors to the public in 1919. During the early years of its existence, the hotel was the showplace of the city and was the host to many visiting celebrities and dignitaries — from Herbert Hoover and Harry Truman to Nikita Krushchev.

A succession of changes and remodeling has taken place at the hotel over the years. In 1985 more renovation and an expensive expansion were begun. Guest rooms were combined to create fifty-five deluxe suites. An adjacent building was revitalized and joined to the main building. This addition contains an expansive exhibition hall, office condominiums, and a fitness facility which includes an indoor swimming pool, a whirlpool, a sauna, and locker rooms — all capped by an extensive roof top skylight. So conventioners pack a swimming suit and make a splash in this new pool.

The Fort Des Moines provides free parking for the guests who arrive by car, free limousine service to and from the airport, and the usual services associated with a first-class hotel. If one wishes to eat on the premises, Alexander's Restaurant is located on the main floor, a second restaurant was recently opened serving luncheons and dinners at "Truffles On Tenth." The Chequers Lounge off the main lobby is available if thirst becomes a problem.

One of the newest additions to the Des Moines skyline is the 33 story Marriott Hotel. In the heart of the downtown business and shopping area the hotel is connected to the skywalk system of the city. It has 416 rooms as well as a number of meeting and banquet rooms. The Iowa Ballroom where the Joint Conventions banquet will be held on Saturday night has a capacity for 925 diners.

Complimentary limousine service to and from the airport is

Members of the Danish Brotherhood in America:

I am Herbert Nielsen, a member of Lodge No. 16 of Minden, Nebraska. I have accepted the challenge to be a nominee to the Board of the National Danish Brotherhood. Brother Kenneth Pedersen of Ruskin, Nebraska, has decided not to run for a fourth term and we feel that Nebraska should have a representative on the Board from our district.

I have been a member of the Danish Brotherhood since 1949. In our local lodge, I have held an office every year for 25



years. In the district, I held most of the offices including president. I have been a licensed agent for the Brotherhood for 10 years and have sponsored many new members over the years. I have been a chairman or co-chairman of our annual Danish Days for seven out of 12 years and Shirley and I have danced with the Minden Folk Dancers for many years.

My wife Shirley and I have been married for 34 years and live on a farm near Minden. We have two children, Lonney, married with two children, and Valerie and her husband, Bruce. Bruce and Lonney both work with me on the farm. We belong to the Bethany Lutheran Church and served as a director for eight years. I have been active in the local co-op and served in many offices of the Nebraska Farmers Union.

If elected director of the DBIA, I will work to strengthen and enlarge the membership. I want to encourage all members to learn and also teach others of our rich Danish heritage. We want to continue relations and travels to the birthplace of our forefathers. I will work to further the fraternal aid sponsored by the DBIA for both young and old members.

I hope that the delegates of the 1987 National Convention will give consideration to voting for me. Being a part of four generations of insured Brotherhood members, traveling to Denmark in 1972 and 1986, and volunteering many hours to the Danish Brotherhood, I feel I am qualified to serve in this very important capacity.

See you all in Des Moines.

Fraternally,
Herbert Nielsen

available. Parking for those guests who arrive by car is available beneath the hotel itself and directly across the street at the Locust Mall. Nominal daily charges are in effect.

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The secretary of each Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodge has been furnished with registration cards for each of the two hotels. If additional cards are needed please contact: Willy Christensen, 7390 S.W. 60th St., Des Moines, Iowa 50312.

The following information printed in a previous issue is repeated for the benefit of those convention delegates and guests who would like additional choices for lodging.

1. Hotel Fort Des Moines, 10th and Walnut, Tel. (515) 243-1161, is the headquarters for the Joint Convention. The following discounted rates are offered by the hotel: Single \$52, Double \$56, Triple \$60, Quad. \$64, Requested Suites \$80.

2. Marriott Hotel, 700 Grand Ave., Tel. (515) 245-5500, the site of the Convention Banquet, offers discounted rates for Single \$55, and Double \$60.

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All Kinds of Friends

A Danish Folk Tale by Beverly Swerdlow Brown

Once upon a time in a forest, Skunk called to his father.

"I have a new friend," said Skunk.

Father Skunk appeared. "That's very nice," he said. "Who is it?"

"This is Porcupine," said Skunk. "We met in the woods today."

Father Skunk frowned. "I'm happy to see you with a new friend," he said, "but Porcupine might hurt you."

Skunk looked confused. "He wouldn't do that."

"Not on purpose," said Father Skunk, "but Porcupine has sharp quills. Be careful!"

"I will," said Skunk.

"Come on," said Porcupine. "Let's go to my home. I want you to meet my mother."

Quickly, the two friends ran to the other side of the forest.

"Mother, Mother," called Porcupine. "I want you to meet a friend of mine."

Mother Porcupine appeared.

"This is Skunk," said Porcupine. "My best friend!"

Mother Porcupine frowned and whispered to her son, "Skunk seems to be quite a nice fellow, but he can spray you with a nasty smell. Be careful!"

"I will," said Porcupine, looking at a yellow butterfly flitting about.

"What do you want to do?" asked Skunk.

Porcupine thought a moment. "Let's play hide and seek."

As he closed his eyes, Skunk ran and hid behind a tree.

The yellow butterfly sat on the tip of Skunk's nose.

"Don't move," whispered Skunk, "or Porcupine will find us!"

Suddenly, Skunk saw a big brown bear walking through the woods.

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"Oh, no," thought Skunk. "I sure don't want him to find us!"

Quickly, he sprayed a strong-smelling mist.

The butterfly zoomed into the air and disappeared in a field of wildflowers.

Porcupine opened his eyes. "What happened?" he asked.

Skunk trembled. "I saw a huge bear walking through the woods. Let's get out of here!"

Porcupine laughed. "There are no bears around here," he said. "Now close your eyes. It's your turn to be it."

Skunk did as he was told.

"I'M READY!" shouted Porcupine, peeking out from some wildflowers.

Skunk opened his eyes and began looking for his friend.

"Here I come!" shouted Skunk.

Quietly he went over to the tree.

But Porcupine wasn't there.

Skunk looked behind a clump of grass.

But Porcupine wasn't there, either.

Skunk scratched his head. "I wonder where he is,"

he thought as he turned around and gasped.

Standing beside the tall sunflower was a bear.

Skunk moved slowly backwards.

"OUCH!" he cried, as he bumped into his friend's quills.

Porcupine jumped. "I didn't see you," he said. "Are you all right?"

Rubbing his backside, Skunk said, "I thought you said that bears don't come around here."

Porcupine nodded. "That's right," he replied. "At least I've never seen one."

"Well," said Skunk, shaking. "What's that? Over there?"

Porcupine turned around. "It is a bear!"

Suddenly, Bear came over. "Can I play hide and seek with you both? I used to play with my cousin, but we kept bumping into one another."

Porcupine sighed. "We know what you mean."

Skunk looked at Bear and then at his friend, Porcupine.

"I guess friends can come in all sizes," he said, as the yellow butterfly found a new hiding place on top of the tall sunflower.

Danish Maid to Reign at Solvang's Danish Days



Susan J. Klitgaard will reign as Danish Maid during Solvang's Danish Days celebration September 19-20. Photo Courtesy of King Merrill.

Susan J. Klitgaard, a 17-year-old blue eyed, strawberry blonde and a native of Solvang has been named this year's Danish Maid and will reign over the annual Danish Days celebration on September 19-20.

Miss Klitgaard, daughter of Dean and Janice Klitgaard of Solvang, is junior at Santa Ynez Valley High School.

This year's Danish Maid has played a role in Danish Days since she was an infant. "She loved to be in the Danish Days parades and was a participant in 12 consecutive parades," said her mother.

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Miss Klitgaard is a second generation American, with her Danish blood coming from the paternal side of her family. Her Danish ancestors come from Solvang's sister city of Aalborg, Denmark. She still has many cousins, aunts and uncles living in Aalborg.

The Danish Maid's father, who served as Danish Days chairman in 1974 and who plays an active role in the celebration each year, is a journalism department instructor at Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo. He has been

associated with the university the past 17 years.

The maid's mother has been a clerk at the Solvang Post Office the past nine years.

The maid's national costume was fashioned after dresses worn in Aalborg, Silkeborg and the Faero Islands in Denmark. Kriss Agan designed and tailored the costume through photographs of authentic Danish national dress. The photos were supplied by Astrid Christiansen of Solvang.

"A Celebration of Citizenship" Plans Underway

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, Ret., Chairman of The Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution, has announced the preliminary plans for "A Celebration of Citizenship" on September 16, 1987.

"A Celebration of Citizenship" will unite all Americans around the world in a commemorative salute to our Constitution. It will encourage all citizens as well as our nation's youth to pay tribute to the Constitution, and to seek a greater understanding of our governing document.

At 1:00 p.m. (EDT) on September 16, national leaders will join America's youth in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and Chief Justice Burger will lead a reading of the Preamble to the Constitution via a live broadcast from Washington, D.C.

More than 66 million students, teachers, and administrators in 110,000 schools across the United States and American schools abroad will participate in a day-long teach-in focusing on the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. Teachers are expected to develop programs and design activities related to the Constitution as well as to participate in the national tribute through the live broadcast.

Business people, government officials, military personnel, workers and students in all communities are encouraged to create their own activities in conjunction with the national program.

"A Celebration of Citizenship" will offer all Americans the opportunity to rededicate themselves to the principles of the Constitution.

Our Lodges in Action

Material for publication must be received at the Danish Brotherhood in America National Headquarters, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131 by the tenth of the month preceding month of issue.

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

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

PACIFIC-NORTHWEST

Lodge #29, Seattle, WA — Welcome to Lise Larsen and Gretchen Pembroke who were initiated into our lodge at our meeting on June 3. We hope to see you often. One more applicant was accepted and we look forward to bidding you welcome at our next meeting.

Our June 3rd meeting was fairly well attended. After the meeting we joined the Sisterhood for coffee and pastry. A young lady, Doris Loeser, showed us a short video film of the play "A Sunday on Amager" which attracted wide attention for several days last year when it was produced on the stage of the old Washington Hall. The play was translated from Danish into English by Lori Larsen.

For the past several months a committee for establishing a Danish room at the Northwest Nordic Heritage Museum has been meeting under the able chairmanship of Gunnar Sorensen. This is a tremendous task, requiring both time, work, and money. Volunteers are needed. Saturday, June 6, was the date of the great event of fund raising for the Danish Room when our Canadian friends, the Danish Choir from Vancouver, B.C., came and entertained and thrilled us again. A most delicious smørrebrød supper was enjoyed by everyone before the concert prepared by Danish experts Else Sorensen and her family with the able assistance of Edith Andersen and Ingeborg Kisbye. Thank you very much! Gunnar Sorensen, as always, excelled as M.C. for the program. This being a fund-raising program for the Danish Room, we are most thankful and appreciative to the following for their donations: Larsen Brothers Danish Bakery, Molbak's Nursery, The Denmark Cheese Association-Esther Rasmussen, San Francisco, California, and Peter Krogh, Scan Fish Inc., Marysville, Washington.

The 27th annual Scandinavian Festival will be held in Junction City, Oregon, on August 13-16.

The Danish Brotherhood annual picnic at Martha Lake will be held on August 16 beginning at noon. There will be prizes for almost everyone. If you can donate, it will

The best idea for August goes to Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, WI. See page 20 for details.

be appreciated, anything from a jar of pickles or whatever. The picnic is free but there is a gate charge.

Our next lodge meeting, the "Veteran's Night," will be Wednesday, September 2, at the Northwest Danish Home. After the meeting, we will join with the Sisterhood for the traditional smørrebrød banquet. Be sure to attend. The smørrebrød will be \$3.00 per person. Reservations are to be made by August 29, 1987 to Edith Andersen.

Lodge #155, Bellingham, WA — Our member, Pearl Johansen has recently celebrated her 96th birthday. She received a Certificate of Merit along with a floral greeting from her many friends in our lodge, a gesture she much appreciated. She is doing remarkably well for a person of her age. She still maintains a small apartment in a supervised facility in North Seattle and enjoys entertaining friends and family.



Happy birthday, Pearl!

Although she occasionally spends a weekend with her granddaughter in Bellingham, she no longer is active in the lodge affairs. We do keep her posted on the various happenings as a means of maintaining ties with the members of the lodge.

Karen Bruun, Sec.

Lodge #167, Portland, OR — Our June 3 meeting opened with 20 members present.

Mel Pihl led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and explained the symbols.

We received a thank you from the Spokane Lodge for our part in the Pacific Northwest District Convention. The convention for next year will be in Eugene on May 20-22. We also have been sent raffle tickets and the convention hotel reservation cards for the National Convention in Des Moines this September. The raffle tickets are \$1 and the winner receives two round-trip tickets to Denmark on Scandinavian Airlines. The drawing is September 26 and you need not be there to be a winner!

We received an acknowledgement from the foreign minister of Denmark thanking us for the telegram we sent to the Queen.

The Danes' contribution to the Starlight Parade was a success. Thanks to all of you who got out there and marched! Don Bogh reported on the Folkfest Committee's banquet at the Filipino Hall. There was great food.

A couple of members emphasized the need for someone from our lodge to become actively involved in the Northwest Danish Home. There are scholarships available and Oregon needs to be represented.

The Outreach Committee is doing a great job. Ed Hirsch discussed the issues and Oregon is right in there reflecting Oregon needs.

The full page ad that was made for the Portland 1991 Convention will be reproduced as fliers at the Des Moines convention as a bit of advertisement. It was mentioned by Ed Hirsch that we need to make a contribution to the hospitality room at the convention. The members settled upon \$100.

The meeting closed with the singing of the Danish National Anthem. A film on monarchy and democracy in Denmark under Queen Margrethe followed the meeting. It was extremely interesting. Thank you, Asbjorn. **Sylvia Hurst, Sec.**

Lodge #348, Eugene, OR — President Niels Nedergaard called the June meeting to order with approximately 40 members present.

Applications for membership were sub-

mitted for Katherine and Peter Larsen and Bettie and Glen Madsen. The lodge voted to approve their applications. Knud Larsen, whose application was approved in May, was initiated in the customary way. We are growing.

The 1988 Northwest District Convention planning committee has been working on preliminary details. Svend Toftemark is advertising chairperson, Berniece Jensen will be in charge of banquet table decorations and Betty Christensen has accepted responsibility for menu planning including meals and coffee breaks.

Mona and Henning Kristiansen and committee served coffee, cookies and kringle. Henning, with the assistance of Bob Nelson, presented a program on Danish history, geography and customs during the social hour.

Karen and Knud Toftemark again hosted the annual St. Hans Fest at Misty Meadows on June 20th. Knud had a round birthday earlier and had a belated celebration. He furnished chicken for each guest and Karen had made two huge Danish layercakes and coffee. The chicken was barbecued by the experts Marcia and Don Johnson of the Junction City Lodge. The rest of the meal was potluck and, as usual, those Danish cooks put forth their best and what a tableful. Six people spent a lovely evening on Friday with beautiful weather. Saturday was a grey day with intermittent showers, but cleared up in time for everyone to enjoy the meal, the bonfire with the traditional witch and the singing of songs. Although it misted some, it didn't dampen the spirits of the singers. About 65 people attended the fest.

Hanne and Martin Taekker have invited the lodge members to spend the day and overnight at their cabin in Florence on Saturday, August 22. The day begins at noon with rolls and cheese at the cabin, then relaxing, sightseeing or walking on the beach. All will go together for a no-host dinner at Moe's Seafood restaurant. They have room for 6-8 in the cabin and others will bring vans or RVs, sleeping bags and food for Sunday morning. This is the second year that they have hosted the group and reports from last year made it sound like a lot of fun. **Verna Lynge, Cor.**

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Lodge #126, Los Angeles, CA — We had a very nice Memorial Service in May. Sad, but nice. Together with the Sisterhood Princess Marie Lodge No. 68, we remembered seventeen Brothers and three Sisters who have passed away in the last year.

Lillian Mathiasen officiated for the Sisters and Hal Mathiasen for the Brothers. After the service we enjoyed Danish open-faced sandwiches and coffee. The ladies supplied the sandwiches and as usual, they were excellent and we thank you.

At our last meeting, we had a guest, Jens Andersen, who had a special mission. He came to the meeting to personally inform us of Lars Mortensen's passing away. Lars was a member of the Brotherhood since 1953 and Jens visited Lars frequently. We thank you very much, Jens, for taking the time and driving the distance to inform us. It was good seeing you, too.

The Naverdalen Club has again extended an invitation to our lodge to join them for their annual picnic. The date to remember is Sunday, August 16.

Henry Olesen received his 25-year pin. It's always good to see you at the meeting. Congratulations on your 25 years with the Brotherhood Lodge.

Again this year, we will be celebrating our anniversary with a big party to be held at the Alamo in September.

Anne Kofod, Cor.

Lodge #143, Petaluma, CA — The past few months have been active ones and we wish to share these activities with you.

Following our April meeting, we took part in an Easter bonnet decorating contest. The ladies of our local Sisterhood furnished all the necessary materials, we furnished creativity and models! Many clever chapeaux were designed and worn by several Brothers. Also taking part and winning one of the prizes for his bonnet was a young visitor from Nordborg, Denmark. Simon Lorenzen was a guest of Brother Dick Hansen and his wife Betty, and he was a good sport about taking part in the contest.

In May we held our annual "Brothers' Treat." Each year we honor the ladies in celebration of Mother's Day by preparing and serving dinner to them. The dinner was preceded by a cocktail hour. This year our menu consisted of ham, new potatoes and green beans. Dessert was ice cream topped with fresh strawberries. Brother Dick Hansen furnished beautiful roses from his garden as table decorations. Chefs for the evening were Dick Hansen, Walt Miller, Iven Iverson and Harvey Rasmussen, assisted by Cliff Yarian.

In June we celebrated Father's Day. This time the ladies treated us to a potluck dinner and we enjoyed a variety of delicious food. Happy hour preceded this meal. Table decorations consisted of white vases containing white daisies and fern, with red ribbons accenting the white. There were

over 50 people gathered for the evening. During the potluck, Brother George Riis was awarded his 50-year membership pin. George joined our organization in Oakland, later transferring to Petaluma when his job brought him to this area. He was joined at the potluck by his wife, Eleanor, and he was honored with a beautifully decorated cake. Following the meal, we enjoyed slides presented by Jack Weddel. He showed pictures of his trip to Switzerland. The "Father of the Night" Award went to Brother Henry Brown.

Our annual chicken barbecue was held on June 28 at Penngrove Park and it was attended by over 200 people, including visitors from Modesto, Oakland, San Francisco, Oroville and Eureka, and even Denmark. It was also rewarding to see several generations of families present. The weather was on the chilly side, however, a warm feeling of fellowship was definitely present throughout the day.

Recently some of our members drove to the Eureka-Ferndale area where they attended the annual Scandinavian Midsummer Festival at Ferndale on June 20-21. This two-day event features ethnic folk dances and food, and it has been an attraction for 37 years.

Our next meeting will be held on August 21 at which time we will welcome home our delegates to the state convention.

Alice Rasmussen, Cor.

Lodge #299, Solvang, CA — On June 10, the always popular tri-tip dinner was enjoyed by 44 members and guests. The following meeting was chaired by our President, Bent Pedersen, and attended by 23 members. Bob Lassiter reported that our funds from the Copenhagen Boys Choir concert would be used for securing tables for the lodge.

It was decided that get well cards be sent to Sidney Birkholm and Svend Olsen, that the lodge invest \$100 in the Susan Johnson drawing at Grimes Ranch, and that the lodge purchase the remaining raffle tickets from the Rebild Society, the National Convention and from the District Convention.

Roy Alexander invited all members to the Bicentennial celebration of the Constitution at Solvang Park on Saturday, June 13. Various dignitaries including our own lodge president, Bent Pedersen, and the VAFB Color Guard were there. The March AFB Band of the Golden West played for the dance. It was a very successful affair.

Roy also voiced his thanks on behalf of the American Legion to the Brotherhood for the splendid result of the new flagpole project. Ken Fitzgerald gave a detailed



Our lodge donated a new flagpole.

account of the labor, materials and persons involved, the prime participants being Kirk Baylor, Ken Beberneck, Bruce Pedersen, Mark Bates, Gary Underseher, Mike Nedergaard, Bent Thomsen, Dave Christian, Ken Fitzgerald, and finally Bullfight Rock and K. J. Concrete.

Ferdinand Sorensen, who for some time was ill with cancer, recently passed away. A funeral service took place at Bethania Lutheran Church on July 3. Ferdinand, who was born in Nebraska as a third generation Dane, mastered the Danish language well and was a known and highly respected personality everywhere. He had a deep interest in maintaining the Danish culture and traditions and his great influence on the development of Solvang, where the result of his ingenuity and handiwork can be seen everywhere, will remain as a lasting memorial.

Jacob Ravn, Cor.

Lodge #306, San Diego, CA — August 22 will be the date for a new event which we have named "Summerfest." It will be held at a private residence. We will be serving a chicken dinner with all the trimmings. There will be card games, swimming,

horseshoes, etc. and should prove to be another successful fund raiser for our convention committee.

September 11-13 or September 18-20 will be our annual camping trip. We are not sure of the dates yet so please only mark these as tentative on your calendar.

October 24-25 will be the annual yard sale at the home of Jonna Aace. We really appreciate Jonna allowing us to use her home for this event each year. Anyone wishing to donate items for this event, please contact the lodge secretary.

The Bowling Banquet was a lot of fun. I understand that the food was fantastic and the entertainment was a lot of fun. Country and western music is always fun to dance away the night to.

New bowlers are always welcome to join. The new season will begin in September and anyone interested should contact Sharon Heckbert. This year bowling will be held at the Bolero Lanes.

The burning of the witch was, as usual, a fun-filled day enjoyed by all who attended. Special thanks go out to Fritz Jensen for making her especially ugly and David Suda for helping him. We missed those of you who weren't able to attend.

Lodge #332, Modesto, CA — During the month of May we had two social activities. On May 9, about 20 members drove to Pollarville, a pioneer western town, to attend a dinner show. All had a great time especially when some of our group were lured into the melodrama by the cast. Thanks to John Scheuber for arranging this delightful trip. A pleasant picnic in the park was enjoyed by all who attended this activity on May 22. Thanks to Gunvar Olsen for arranging this.

Our June meeting was held at the home of John and Opal Craig preceded by a tasty spaghetti dinner.

Our annual July 4th weekend at Lake Tahoe was enjoyed by 30 members and guests. Special thanks to Vernon and Bessie Olsen and Alvin and Gunvar Olsen who so graciously opened up their vacation homes to accommodate all of us. This year was special because our officers were installed outdoors under the rustling pines. We were pleased to have Ed Madsen, California-Nevada District President, from Solvang as our installing officer and Dan Mogenson from Fresno as our conductor. Members installed were: John Craig, President; Ebba Norby, Vice President; Regnor Hansen, Treasurer; Vernon Olsen, Secretary; Bob Sorensen, Conductor; Gunvar Olsen, Inner Guard; and Marge Scheuber, Outer Guard. Bessie Olsen announced to our guests about our monthly raffle to earn money to contribute to a needy family at Christmas time. Thanks to all who contributed to this cause.

Watching the spectacular 4th of July fireworks on beautiful scenic Lake Tahoe, being installed under the evergreens as the bright red and white Danish flag waved in the gentle breeze, and eating Danish cookies and aebleskiver reminds one of the blending of our roots. How we love being an American but yet yearn to keep our Danish heritage alive. God bless America! It is great to be a Dane!

Marge Scheuber, Cor.

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Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth Place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
5-2-87	—Christian A. Pedersen	90	Hjorring, Denmark	322	Santa Barbara, California	1942
5-23-87	—Johannes Reuss	90	Menominee, Michigan	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1914
5-3-87	—Carl Kanstrup	88	Snedsted, Denmark	92	St. Charles, Illinois	1923
4-27-87	—Thomas John Mulroy	58	Brooklyn, New York	325	Nassau County, New York	1971
5-27-87	—Wendell E. Christensen	59	Gardner, Illinois	34	Dwight, Illinois	1984
5-20-87	—Thomas R. Juul	86	Veng, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1930
6-7-87	—Alberta M. Jackson	66	Canton, Ohio	225	Canton, Ohio	1974
6-11-87	—Albert J. Christoffersen	93	Ludington, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1923
5-26-87	—Christian Brandholt	90	Esbjerg, Jerne, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1944
6-17-87	—Walter Jorgensen	90	Fyn, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1915
6-12-87	—Johannes Madsen	91	Dybe, Denmark	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1954
5-19-87	—James A. Wicklund	56	Ludington, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1981
4-19-85	—Arthur J. Lapointe	82	Chicago, Illinois	17	Chicago, Illinois	1973
12-28-84	—Olga E. Jorgensen	68	Chicago, Illinois	17	Chicago, Illinois	1981
10-14-86	—Swen Dangard	77	Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1984

Lodge #345, Orange County, CA — At the June meeting, we had a pretty good attendance for the bingo night. One thing for sure, we sure did have a lot of fine bingo prizes. We want to thank all those who so generously gave gifts to make the bingo games a fun time. Thanks to Jim and Ardie Weigandt for chairing the evening so well and also to those ladies who helped with the refreshments.

District Convention raffle tickets were also sold during the meeting. Thanks to Hazel Kjellsen for being the very best of sellers and taking care of this for us. All tickets were sold, and we were able to send the check for the sale to Riverside and Des Moines. The national booster list was also discussed and approximately 32 of our people signed up for the listing.

The Care and Share project is going well. The committee went shopping for the Orangewood Home for Abused Children and bought game room supplies and took them to the home. We will be collecting baking supplies for the home. So bring them with you to the August meeting. We will also collect manufacturers coupons. The home uses all kinds.

In memory of Spencer Nielsen, we send our most sincere condolences to Gertrude, Spencer's beloved and faithful wife, and their children and family. Spencer was greatly loved and enjoyed by the lodge. We will long remember his great outbursts of laughter and his humorous and kind disposition.

Gerry Olsen, Sec.

Lodge #346, Riverside, CA — Twenty-eight members and friends, four dogs, and Horrible Hilda (the witch) spent varying parts of the weekend at this year's St. Hans Aften campout. The mountain air was marvelous, the weather clear, the nights cool — all making for big appetites which were sated by plenty of scrumptious food. Thanks to Chefs Tom and Norma Loveday and Jim and Sue Patterson, who prepared Friday night's fish fry, Saturday morning's Mexican brunch, and then orchestrated the cooking of Saturday night's witch's stew. The food was exceptional and all of us appreciated your hard work.

Thanks also to Sue for taking care of the campground reservation; Tom and Jim for setting up "Puff the Magic Dragon" campstove and keeping fires going; to Doris Thompson for another fantastic witch creation; Ken Nielsen for building the huge witch-burning fire for Saturday night; Vikki Garrison for making the song sheets; and to everyone who came and participated. It was a perfect weekend!

On Saturday night before the burning, four new members and a Young Viking

were initiated into our lodge: Special Honorary Member Tom Loveday, Jens and Mardi Andersen, and their daughters Eileen and Trish (Viking) Ramirez. This makes a complete family membership for Knud and Anelise Andersen. Congratulations and welcome to Kodan!

Kodan's annual garage sale netted \$289.61 and thanks to all for their help, contributions, and support of the two-day event. We sold a lot of really neat stuff — all at fantastically low prices — and still had ten boxes of mixed leftovers which the Salvation Army truck picked up as our donation the next day.

Insurance representative, Norma Loveday, reported that she had a successful day at Grundlovsfest. Winner of the DBIA sweatshirt was Anker Nielsen and Norma has mailed his prize to his Torrance address. Congratulations, Anker!

Nancy Nielsen, Sec.

NEBRASKA

Nebraska District

Plans continue to be made for the Joint National Convention to be held in Des Moines, Iowa, on September 24-26, 1987. We hope the Nebraska District can have a big turn-out at the convention, since it is quite close to home. Secretaries of your lodges should have details available, for anyone who would like to attend.

Lodge #1, Omaha, NE — Everyone enjoyed the potluck dinner at the St. Hans' Aften party at Vennelyst Park on Tuesday evening, June 16. After the business meeting, the evening ended with the traditional St. Hans' Aften bonfire and the "burning of the witch." Committee Chairmen for the party were Ted and Ruth Stollard and Bob and Anna Kuony.

The Nebraska District Convention will be held in Superior on August 28-30. A good time is promised by the host Lodge No. 161.

Jim Christiansen, Cor.

Lodge #16, Minden, NE — We held the annual Mother's Day Banquet May 21 at the Community Action Building. Seventy-five members and spouses attended the evening's festivities. The dinner was catered by Lonney and Sue Nielsen which included swiss steak, battered fried chicken with baked potatoes, peas and mushrooms, rolls, salads, coffee, tea, and a rhubarb crisp for dessert. It was a very delicious meal. Doug Kristensen acted as M.C. for the evening.

The "We Three from Axetell" provided the entertainment, a humorous and musical act which was enjoyed by all. The following members also received their 25-

year pins: Rosa Nielsen; Warren, Maurine and Nathan Eckloff; William Gammill; Virginia Madsen; Stanley and Goldie Johnson; John Oder; Richard Jensen; John Garrett; William DeCamp; Evelyn Olsen; Wilbur Nelson; Willard Talbert; Harold Christ; Dale Johnson; Jean Liebers; and James McBride.

Shirley Nielsen, Cor.

Lodge #206, Blair, NE — We met at the shelter at Black Elk-Neihardt Park on Monday, June 22. Games were played and many enjoyed the nature walks.

Our bake sale was a success, thanks to all members who brought baked goods, donated cash, or helped man the sale. At present we have cleared \$202.75, all bills paid with still some donations to come in. If you have forgotten to send yours, please do so right away.

Harriet Palle, Cor.

IOWA-MINNESOTA

Lodge #15, Des Moines, IA — Fred Thomsen received his 50-year pin recently. Fred's wife, Elly, also received her 50-year pin from the Sisterhood Lodge No. 102. Congratulations to both of you!



Svend Christensen presents Fred Thomsen with a 50-year pin.

We were very sorry to learn that our member, Ann Ferguson passed away on May 16, 1987 as a result of a heart attack. Blessed be her memory!

The time is drawing nearer and nearer and we will soon see a group of happy Danes here in Des Moines from all over the U.S.A. Reservations are coming in daily.

Several summer events are being planned such as a picnic out at Saylorville Lake in August. This has always been a popular event for our group.

Mary Riber, Cor.

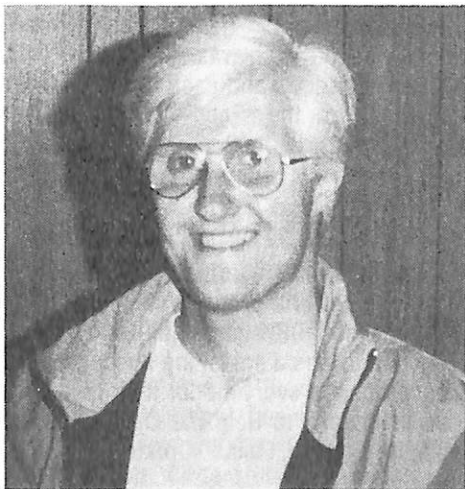
Lodge #144, Dike, IA — Frederik M. Pedersen received his 50-year membership pin from Lodge President George Olsen. Fred was born in Des Moines, Iowa, and joined the Brotherhood in 1937. He is a



President George Olsen presented Frederik M. Pedersen with his 50-year pin. Congratulations!

carpenter, by trade, now retired, and he and his wife Karen reside in Waterloo, Iowa. Karen is a member of the Sisterhood Lodge No. 176.

We recently had a visitor from Denmark, Jens Jacob Refshauge Foged. Jens is 22 years old and is a native of Aarhus, Denmark. He has completed one year of college and will be taking a job in a bank in Denmark, while continuing his education. He spoke to our group about the educational systems in Denmark, and how they differ from the systems in the USA. The taxation rates are quite high in Denmark, but the free benefits to those seeking education and those needing health care are an offsetting factor to the higher taxes.



Visitor, Jens Foged, gave a very interesting talk.



Welcome new member Ewald "Ozzie" Damgaard.

We welcome new member Ewald Damgaard. "Ozzie" is a farmer and retired Security Guard and says he will be spending more time this summer making use of his new high powered boat.

Lyle Refshauge, Sec.

Lodge #219, Clear Lake, IA — We met for a potluck supper in June. Plans are still being made for the upcoming district convention which will be held at the Sheraton Inn in Mason City. Reservations are coming in slowly. The motel requests advance notice on the number of people attending a banquet so it is important to get these reservations in. We are also giving a free raffle ticket with each pre-registration. Reservations can be sent to Bev Sorensen, R.R. 4, Mason City, IA 50401.

The members voted to send \$30 to help with the Hospitality Room at the National Convention in Des Moines.

Todd Sonsalla and Yvette Sorensen were presented camp grants. Yvette will attend Quaker Heights Camp and Todd will be going to National Youth Round-up Camp in Colorado.

Anyone with questions regarding the convention are asked to contact Kathy Sonsalla.

Kathy Sonsalla, Sec.

Lodge #263, Askov, MN — Members and guests of the lodge met at the Partridge Cafe Saturday evening, July 11 to celebrate their 80th anniversary. Byron Petersen acted as master of ceremonies.

James Miller, president of the Brotherhood Lodge and Ruth Jensen, past presi-

dent of the Sisterhood Lodge, welcomed all. After a delicious dinner of roast beef, chicken and all the trimmings, there was a short program.

Twenty-five year pins were given to Ray Clegg and Robert Madsen and a past president pin to Ed Melzark. Rebecca Melzark read some excerpts of old lodge minutes and Andy Andersen of Omaha gave a short talk. Richard Hermansen won the raffle, a Glaedelig Jul hanging.

A presentation of \$75 to the second place national bowling tournament winners, the Askov Alley Cats was held. Maurice Espointour, Robert Kenowski, Edward Melzark, James Miller, and Byron Petersen were on the team.

The evening ended with a joint installation of the Danish Sisterhood and Danish Brotherhood officers.

Edna Petersen, Sec.

Lodge #341, Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA — We met June 29 at the Elk Horn Town Hall. A potluck supper and Frikadeller made by committee members was enjoyed by 80 members.

Folmer Bonneson lead the Pledge of Allegiance before the business meeting. Myrna Christensen was initiated into the lodge. Viola Sanders was accepted as a new member. Delegates to the district convention were elected.

Helen Petersen received a certificate for high score in the women's division of the National Handicap Bowling Tournament. Herbert Larsen accepted the certificate for the men's team.

VELKOMMEN!

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



Name	Lodge		Sponsor
	No.	Location	
Marilyn O. Kramme	15	Des Moines, IA	Mary Riber
Charlotte A. Adams	35	Chicago, IL	Audrey Christiansen
Ethel L. Orszulak	35	Chicago, IL	Herrmina Richard
Clifford T. Johnson	35	Chicago, IL	Audrey Christiansen
Erliss I. Jensen	75	Albert Lea, MN	Grace Tomson
Harlan S. Erickson	75	Albert Lea, MN	Alton Neve
Heather N. Thomas	263	Askov, MN	Maurice Espointour
David N. Hopkins	323	Alhambra, CA	Beatrice Jepsen
Emmy Georgopoulos	325	Nassau County, NY	Niels Hansen
Vibeke Fischer	325	Nassau County, NY	Niels Hansen
Glenn H. Matson	348	Eugene, OR	Al Nyegaard
Bettie L. Matson	348	Eugene, OR	Al Nyegaard
Jill M. Larsen	600	Omaha, NE	John Larsen
Mary L. Christensen	600	Omaha, NE	Thomas Christensen



Congratulations to Helen Petersen.



Our witch enjoyed the meeting.

For the program we sang Danish and English songs and also had a reading about Saint Hans Aften. A witch had been made for the meeting. **Verdie Christensen, Cor.**

MIDWEST Midwest District

This year we were gratified to receive eight applications for scholarships. They were evaluated at a college in our district and three students were chosen. Linda Steffansen, Hoffman Estates, Illinois; Amy Lund, Dwight, Illinois; and Devereaux Jensen, South Wilmington, Illinois, will each receive a scholarship of \$500 during the upcoming school year when attendance is verified.

Students planning to attend school in 1988-89 should request applications from the Midwest District Secretary-Treasurer and file them before May 1, 1988.

R. C. Jensen, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI — Forty couples enjoyed a fine Sunday at the Scotch Doubles. We had four games of bowling at Sheridan Lanes and went back to the lodge
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for a good meal. There were plenty of raffles and string pulls and free beer and soda. This is a lot of work and we thank the committee headed by Duke and Winnie Ellingham and assisted by Tom, Mary Beth and Julie Nelson, Roger and Henrietta Sorensen, Roger Nelson, Pete Wildenberg, Dan Ervin and Bob Ibsen. First prize winners were Larry Boyd and Connie Batten. Thanks to all who bowled.

A big thank you goes to Dan Ervin who donated a large air conditioning unit for the Rathskellar and to Ken Learmont for replacing the door molding on the food elevator.

Ed Zydowsky has already got one bus full for the horse races at Hawthorne, so call him if you intend to go. The date is September 12. Bus, beer, wine, soda, snacks, meal at the track and good seats are all included for \$25.00.

Our chair lift fund is coming along in fine shape so far with \$850 collected at this time. I would like to thank members for their donation to this fund. This is a great start and we thank all of you for your help. With the help of all our members, this chair lift will become a reality in the near future.

Our annual Family Picnic will be held on August 16 at Alford's Park. It's free to members, their families and a special welcome to all the children and grandchildren. This is an old fashioned picnic so please bring your own lunch and silverware.

Lodge #35, Chicago, IL — The June 19th meeting was called to order by President Iversen and after the Pledge of Allegiance was given, visitors were made welcome.

Three initiations took place. Gust Carlson, Clifford T. Johnson and Curtis Petersen were made welcome by members present.

Grethe Jepsen, Chairperson for the Scholarship Committee, reported that her committee met and decided on scholarship awards. Four applications were received. Three \$400 scholarships will be awarded. Michelle Sloth, Susan Jepsen, and Laurette Jorgensen will receive this amount while Jeffrey Jorgensen will receive \$200. Grethe further explained that \$1,400 has been awarded from the Scholarship Fund, leaving a balance of \$2,023.86. This committee consists of Grethe Jepsen, Woody Petersen, Hertha Iversen, and Jenny Jensen. They were given a round of applause for their work.

As far as the National Convention to be held in September is concerned, Al Iversen reminded us that each person is responsible for their own hotel reservation. A package deal of \$80 is being offered (excluding hotel room). Forms for hotel

reservations, etc., may be obtained from Al.

The board has decided to honor the memory of Danish Consul General K. W. Rasmussen by sending \$25 to a memorial fund to the Danish Home.

There was a delicious variety of food to eat and everybody is to be thanked for their culinary donations. After the supper and the business meeting, a white elephant exchange was held, conducted by Linda and Frank Connerly and their children. There was lots of items flying around and especially popular were a gold bell, a nut-cracker and a plant stand shaped like a deer. It was lots of fun and \$15 was raised with swapping the gifts around. At the supper, \$50 was received from members present and the total profit from our Feed the Hungry evening was \$65. Thanks to all for being so generous. **Elsa Petersen**

Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI — During our June business meeting, our membership voted to award a 1987 Skovsøen scholarship to Lisa Hansen, granddaughter of Axel and Inga Hermansen. Lisa is scheduled to attend the camp on August 10-22.

Our Care and Share Program is alive and well. Members generously donated items for, and participated in, the silent auction which followed the business meeting. Besides donated non-perishable food items, \$29.00 cash was realized from the auction. The food and cash proceeds were delivered to the Food Pantry at the Milwaukee Christian Center.

Al Larsen, Sec.

MICHIGAN-OHIO

Lodge #225 & 301, Canton & Akron, OH — Due to the efforts of many members of our lodges, the 1987 Michigan-Ohio District Convention was a smashing success. Russ Thayer thanks everyone for their help, with special thanks to Bob and Dena Pedersen and Herb and Elaine Croxton for their hospitality.

It was a pleasure having Fraternal Director, Pam Dorau; National Second Vice President, Clyde Langsted; and National Director, Paul Carlsen, in attendance.

Among the recipients of district scholarships were Tim Pedersen, Jill and Lisa Peters, all of Lodge No. 225 and Jackie Young of Lodge No. 301. We also received the district's award for best newsletter.

We will hold our combined annual picnic on Sunday, August 9, at Eastwood Swim Club in Akron. Beer and pop will be provided by the lodges. Please bring a covered dish and your own table service. We will eat at 4 p.m. Think of it as one big family reunion. **Belinda James, Cor.**

Lodge #227, Detroit, MI — The second annual Grundlovfest Picnic was held June 7 at Middle Straits Lake. A special thanks to Gene Jensen for making this a memorable event.

New member, Harry Langsford, was welcomed at the June meeting.

At the June 24 meeting, we elected Victor Lauritsen, Paul Christensen, and Eric Ketelsen to the Board of Directors of The Danish Old Peoples Home in Rochester, Michigan.

The 82nd anniversary dinner dance of our lodge will be held on the 19th of September at the Danish Club. Please contact Paul Carlsen for reservations.

To keep our records as current as possible, we need your help. If you know of a member that is in the hospital or has had an unfortunate setback, we would appreciate hearing about it. Remember that the Brotherhood cannot aid fellow members in their time of need if we are not aware of their needs. We do not want anyone left out or forgotten.

The Vikings are still on the softball diamond every Sunday evening. Come on out to Soft Ball City and spend a summer evening watching our team in action.

This past spring we heard of the passing of Hans Hansen of Bronx, New York, and Alfred Wisby of Tucson, Arizona. Our sincere sympathy and condolences are extended to both families.

Karl Larsen, Sec.

GCEL

Lodge #32, New Haven, CT — After our June meeting we had a card party and a trivial pursuit game. One group of card sharks were playing poker and the other group was playing pinocle. The kids played trivial pursuit. Everyone had a good time.

We gave away two \$100 camp grants to Michael and Matthew Johnson, both four years old. They will be going to YMCA summer camp. Congratulations to both of you!

We need volunteers to help out on August 8 as well as some original ideas for games for the clam bake. Come and help us make it a great day. The time is 2 to 6 p.m. The menu will be New York strip steak, steamers, corn-on-the-cob, potatoes, dessert and watermelon. The children will have hot dogs and hamburgers. Beverages include beer, wine, soft drinks, coffee and tea. Ask your friends if they want to come and spend a day at the beach. Remember to bring your own lawn chairs.

Our August meeting will be on the 14th. It will be a short meeting. Our September

11th meeting will consist of what happened at the GCEL District Convention in Hartford over Labor Day. Barbara Larsen will supply the refreshments that night and also a surprise for entertainment.

We are expanding our photo album. If anyone has pictures of previous Brotherhood events and would like to have them added to our album, please bring them to the next meeting you attend.

Winnie Edmonds, Cor.

Lodge #46, Perth Amboy, NJ - The featured activity for the month of May was a bus trip to Atlantic City to participate in the entertainment available there. Those attending reportedly enjoyed the event although no statistics were available on the results of their endeavors. Another trip is a possibility this fall.

A group headed by Carl Pedersen took part in the Ethnic Festival activities at Glassboro in South Jersey.



Members enjoy relaxing after a delicious outdoor dinner.

Saturday, June 13, was the date of our second annual catered outdoor dinner meeting for members, wives or guests. About 50 attended. President Brown welcomed all and a short meeting was held. The combined efforts of Bill Brose, his committee, and the weatherman resulted in a very enjoyable evening. Coming up on August 15 is our potluck picnic at the Danish Home grounds. **Jens Jessen, Cor.**

Lodge #314, Hartford, CT — We are looking forward to hosting the 63rd Annual Convention of the General Committee of Eastern Lodges on September 5-7 at the Holiday Inn, in New Britain, CT.

For further information, please contact Waldo Elliott, Secretary, Lodge No. 314.

Hope to see many old and new friends at the convention! **Waldo Elliott, Sec.**

Lodge #325, Nassau County, NY — Our June meeting was well attended. John Hjulmand gave a report from the Danish Home in Metuchen. George Jacobsen reported on the Danish Constitution Day on June 7 at the Home for the Aged, Croton-on-Hudson, New York. We are still collect-

ing for the Care and Share Program. Mariane Andersen reported on this project.

Our guest for the evening was Mr. Gustave Tuhlin who presented the Student Travel Schools Program. S.T.S. arrange for young Scandinavians to come to America and study for a year.

Niels Hansen, Sec.

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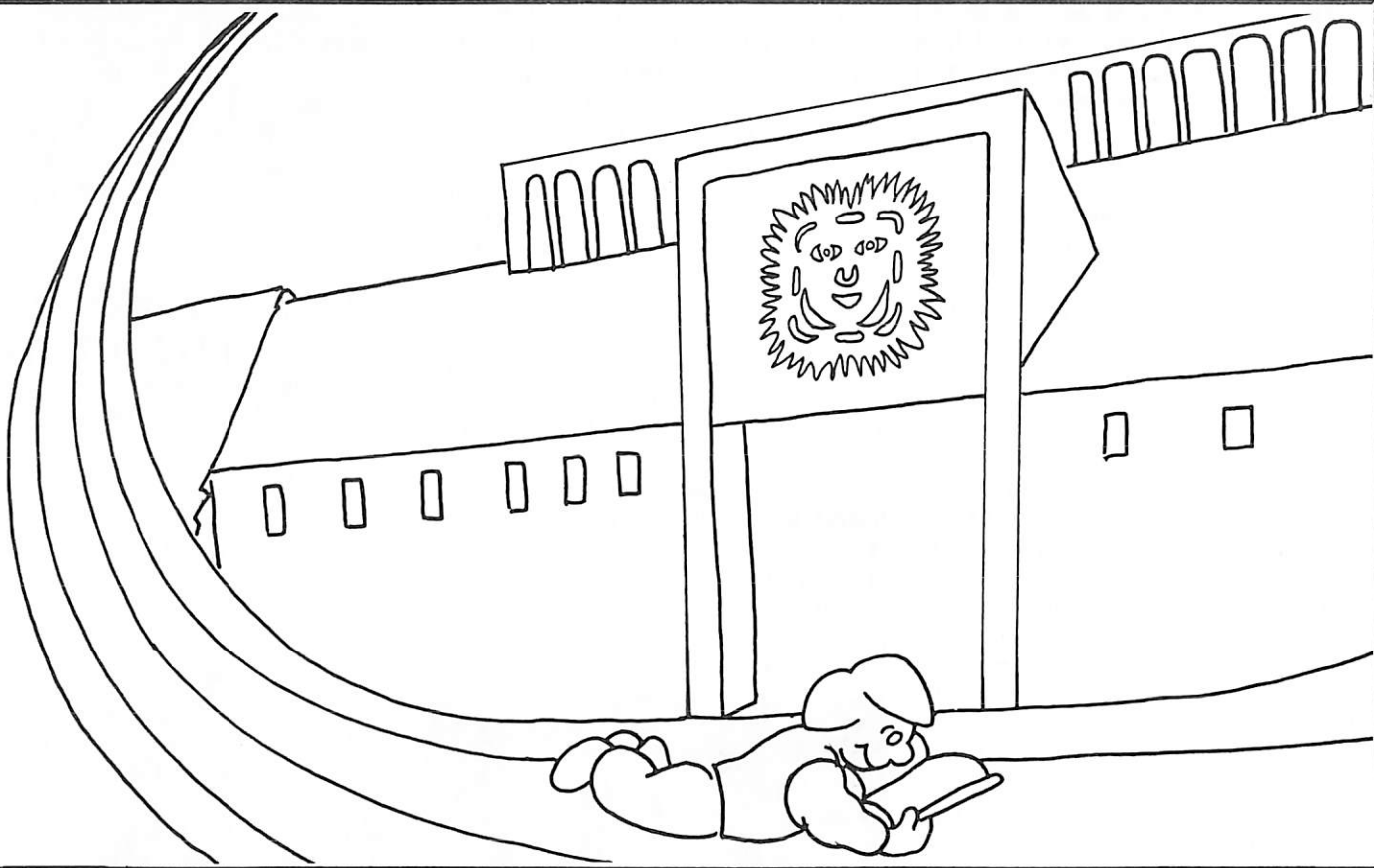
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July winners: Jill Nielsen, Jody Nielsen, and April Kinney.

Grandma's Kitchen



by Dagmar Jensen

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Lodge No. 42 in Spokane, WA, would like to offer a glimpse at the recently held Pacific Northwest District Convention. As you will note below, it was much more than a couple of days of business meetings. The National Headquarters would like to thank the Corresponding Secretary for Lodge No. 42, Lawrence Charneski, for sharing this with us.

Fairy Tales Come to Life at DBIA Convention

Everyone attending the Pacific Northwest District Convention in Spokane were entertained by the Perry Family who creatively brought Hans Christian Andersen's classic fairy tales to life. The talented family of Agnes Perry, President of the Sisterhood Princess Marie Lodge No. 117 and Sheridan Perry, President of the Brotherhood Vind Lodge No. 42, journeyed to Spokane from various places on the west coast to present their very special extravaganza. The decorated halls, entrance, and banquet room itself depicted Denmark and scenes from Andersen's famous tales, all accomplished by the Perry family. And then, the hall came alive with many of Andersen's characters to the absolute delight of all those present.



The underwater world of King Neptune.



Somer Wisecarver was "Thumbelina," Ray Oviatt as the Emperor in "The Emperor's New Clothes," and Violet Oviatt as the egg lady.



Louise Hill as the Princess in "The Princess and the Pea;" Sally Hill was "The Little Mermaid;" Donald Hill, King Neptune; and Jason Hill was the little boy in the park with Hans Christian Andersen.



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