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# President's Page

**Clyde R. Langsted**  
**National President**



Last month I briefly covered some of the suggested name change ideas and a bit of the commentary concerning that subject. Space did not permit more. I promised, however, to continue with that topic this month.

I did receive some letters expressing concern, not only for our present Danish Brotherhood but for our future. In this particular instance I do not feel the writers would object to my mentioning their names.

Dr. Arne Hedegaard of Visalia, California, writes, "that there are enough lodges in America without adding another with no particular distinction or orientation." He continued by stating that "Change by itself is not necessarily beneficial nor desirable and is not, by itself, a reason for a new name." Dr. Hedegaard was concerned that we are attempting to dilute the character of the Danish Brotherhood. Among other things, I assured the good doctor in a letter, that is not our intention. I also explained my position for a change and the reason for it. In a subsequent telephone conversation, I believe we both came to the consensus that we must collectively do everything possible to preserve what is represented by our membership.

Karl Duus from Los Angeles also wrote, and in his letter he inquired as to, "Why change?" Karl also expressed his views about 'adjusting' the name of the DBIA, yet he felt very strongly that something must be done to make our organization attractive to the young second, third and even fourth generation American Dane. Isn't that what we should be all about, the future of this society? Sometimes the melting pot of America goes too far and individuals, through no fault of their own, lose the identity of their all important heritage.

My good friend, Gunnar Sorensen of Bellevue, Washington, also added his opinion, "Anything, any change which could contribute to the revitalizing of our great and century old fraternal organization should be welcome. We will not discard the real meaning of 'Brotherhood' by leaving it off the letterhead." Gunnar was also curious about my statement of the non-existent immigrant (as was Dr. Hedegaard) and I hope I have laid that to rest once and for all (no pun intended)

Other comments were: "Do not remove the word 'Danish' from any new name. . . this is the very foundation of the organi-  
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zation!" or, "As long as the group's prime emphasis is on insurance, which guarantees its eventual demise, perhaps the name should reflect this fact." or, "I do not believe 'Brotherhood' is a sexist word. It just means fraternalism." Lastly, "This is not what our fathers wanted, why change?"

I found the commentary to be thoughtful, enlightened and sincere. Yes, there was some which probably should not have been submitted or even considered but nonetheless, someone did express an opinion. We have not delved into personalities, and right or wrong, positive or negative, concerned people have written and expressed their feelings. As I mentioned in March, the response was overwhelming. I wish to express my profound gratitude to all of you who took the time to participate. Thank you. I know the Board of Directors will have their hands full as we try and reach a consensus based upon your input.

I would like to beg your indulgence for a moment and offer an observation based purely upon my own perceptions. I will advise you right now that I am climbing upon my proverbial soap-box.

Some of the commentary we received did cover the subject of insurance. There were those who felt very strongly that it should be included in a name change and there were others who implied that if we continue with the insurance program as a theme of the DBIA, we will continue to decline. For some of the membership, insurance is a blessing in disguise as it has become their scapegoat for not having a viable lodge and/or viable lodge programs. It is easy to point the finger at something which some find unnecessary i.e., insurance. No matter what, I have found insurance, in any form, a necessary commodity in this day and age. Please remember that any insured member of the Danish Brotherhood will never lose that protection. On the other hand, lose your job and see how much coverage there is! In reality, you cannot afford to be without it. The Danish Brotherhood was providing it long before many insurance companies were. If anything, it has helped keep us together.

Early next month Lodge 46, Perth Amboy, New Jersey, will be celebrating its 100th anniversary and I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate them.

Please remember your help to others. It doesn't go unnoticed!

Until next month.

# Ordinary Life Plan Revised

The **Ordinary Life**, also referred to as **Whole Life**, has been revised with a substantial reduction in premium for large amounts of life insurance. Non-smoker rates have also been introduced with a further reduction in premium.

Besides a reduction in premium; dividends, both when left to accumulate at interest and when applied to purchase additional paid-up insurance, have been increased.

The combination of lower premium and increased dividends make the **Ordinary Life** a plan of insurance our members and members of his or her family should seriously consider when in need of life insurance.

**Ordinary Life** is considered the standard model of conventional permanent cash value life insurance contracts. Almost any other permanent insurance contract is merely a modification of the Ordinary 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.

**Ordinary Life** has three distinguishable characteristics:

1. **Insurance protection to age 100** — the face amount will be paid as a death claim if all required premiums have been paid up to the time of death and if the insured dies before age 100.
2. **Premiums are payable to age 100** — level premium payments are made from the date of issue to age 100. However, the certificate holder does not have to pay the premiums that long. He or she can surrender his or her certificate for its cash value and dividends.
3. **Mature at age 100** — the cash value grows steadily and, if premiums are paid to age 100, cash value will then equal the face amount. The face amount and dividends (if left with the Society) are paid to the certificate holder at age 100 if living.

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 Ordinary Life premium to age 100 arrangement is not an obligation that binds the certificate holder — it is a right he or she may exercise.**

To summarize the advantages of the **Ordinary Life**:

**Maximum protection** — compared to other permanent insurance plans, Ordinary Life provides the largest amount of insurance protection for the smallest premium.

**Cash for emergencies or retirement** — although Ordinary 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 Ordinary Life certificate may be purchased when insurance protection is needed the most. It can be changed 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 Ordinary Life, the insurance can be kept in force for as long as needed (up to age 100) or the cash value and dividends can be used for retirement if the need for insurance has diminished.

Contact your Danish Brotherhood Insurance Representative or call the Home Office Agency Department at 800-553-1937 for information about the revised **Ordinary Life**.

# Annual Report of the Lodges

## December 31, 1990

Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Fraternal Benefits	Total Assets	Lodge No.	Location	Insured	Social	Monthly Assessment	Total Insurance	Fraternal Benefits	Total Assets
1	Omaha, NE	93	99	DB	423,907	3,375.79	41,183.91	202*	Warren, PA	16	3	.43	15,250		
3	Davenport, IA	8	7	DB	40,000		1,660.47	206	Blair, NE	28	55	DB	247,415		6,398.69
4	Racine, WI	82	18	DB	168,500	200.00	1,223.72	211	Grand Island, NE	29	30	DB	104,500	62.50	635.04
9*	Oshkosh, WI	9	0	1.77	8,500			213	Ord, NE	4	0	DB	6,500		
10	Council Bluffs, IA	49	8	DB	61,750		2,300.00	217*	Humboldt, IA	12	27	DB	32,000		
14	Kenosha, WI	170	255	DB	781,244	6,420.00	134,705.54	219	Clear Lake, IA	21	7	7.14	56,500		1,250.65
15	Des Moines, IA	57	72	DB	179,000	1,700.00	27,833.67	225	Canton, OH	62	2	42.66	205,125		4,430.60
16	Minden, NE	115	65	DB	531,750	318.49	319.81	227	Detroit, MI	179	83	85.56	284,645	1,100.00	710,488.00
17	Chicago, IL	44	26	55.19	163,500	233.32	640.31	230	Arcata, CA	13	10	16.54	14,500	107.86	15,070.56
26*	Fremont, NE	13	0	DB	15,750			242	Erie, PA	63	4	13.67	60,625	250.00	200,836.13
29	Seattle, WA	170	53	32.74	442,255	1,138.00	121,091.48	245	South Bend, IN	22	0	DB	15,250		633.00
30	Muskegon, MI	32	5	9.34	31,125	200.00		254*	Brush, CO	2	0	DB	1,500		
32	New Haven, CT	68	13	17.09	120,547	860.00	22,583.24	255	Selma, CA	12	0	1.82	6,500		3,900.55
33	Tacoma, WA	16	22	DB	14,904	50.00	6,977.72	257	St. Petersburg, FL	3	33	DB	42,000	45.00	1,245.48
34	Dwight, IL	176	59	DB	261,500	479.37	17,440.58	261*	Fowler, CO	63	16	26.46	93,375		
35	Chicago, IL	98	114	DB	375,437	5,358.40	64,307.51	263	Askov, MN	95	5	12.65	184,750	70.00	5,600.35
36	Milwaukee, WI	39	25	4.42	102,750	223.35	3,441.78	264*	Pocatello, ID	10	1	1.22	9,750		
37*	Bridgeport, CT	16	0	15.60	27,500			268	Junction City, OR	20	17	12.18	20,375	1,300.00	10,098.58
39	San Leandro, CA	40	6	9.94	66,375	2,055.00	85,117.01	273	Dillon, MT	55	21	73.04	89,500		1,283.81
41	LeRoy, CT	13	0	5.97	9,125	100.00	3,247.83	283	Dagmar, MT	71	6	16.46	107,250	165.00	15,816.44
42	Spokane, WA	40	15	19.62	50,125	210.00	11,626.70	288	Cotesfield, NE	14	1	3.11	13,000		430.54
43*	Denver, CO	46	38	DB	55,125			294	Barre, VT	66	11	34.38	78,000	522.01	12,246.47
45*	Minneapolis, MN	33	41	13.91	20,506			299	Solvang, CA	87	54	DB	368,861	1,800.00	18,511.97
46	Peth Amboy, NJ	42	98	6.89	100,000	2,800.00	41,941.02	300*	Oneonta, NY	8	0	DB	7,000		
49	San Francisco, CA	46	24	25.13	24,500	360.00	21,423.66	301	Akron, OH	40	2	135.28	119,250		1,000.15
51	Ludington, MI	150	78	22.99	202,690	912.25	169,596.76	306	San Diego, CA	34	8	10.38	44,875		18,645.54
56	Kansas City, MO	29	33	5.39	31,500	600.00	2,521.11	314	Hartford, CT	42	7	DB	43,000	2,650.00	75,314.85
62	Sioux City, IA	18	13	5.65	77,750		6,767.60	318	Copenhagen, DK	8	0				
64	Rockford, IL	20	7	DB	47,125	40.00	840.00	319	Bakersfield, CA	20	6	18.40	19,750	185.06	6,568.66
67	Fresno, CA	29	21	33.66	53,875	200.00	29,921.63	321*	W. Palm Beach, FL	2	10	DB	1,500		
70	Greenville, MI	53	9	23.28	96,375	645.00	18,976.00	322*	Santa Barbara, CA	25	19	19.00	15,125		
71	Penn Yan, NY	56	7	37.58	87,000		52,900.00	323	Alhambra, CA	27	17	8.49	22,375	250.00	1,926.95
75	Albert Lea, MN	43	74	44.99	93,750	500.00	10,710.43	325	Nassau Co., NY	56	39	121.80	96,375	300.00	5,513.91
78*	Salt Lake City, UT	6	0	DB	2,500			326	West Branch, IA	15	7	DB	18,625	150.00	1,285.50
84	Lincoln, NE	37	24	DB	99,269	366.00	1,061.80	328	Vancouver, BC	3	140	DB	2,500	2,729.00	40,400.00
89	Superior, NE	8	12	1.28	6,000		557.92	332	Ripon, CA	52	15	DB	175,625	200.00	16,838.51
90*	Port Reading, NJ	5	0	1.77	4,500			339*	Las Vegas, NV	10	1	DB	16,500		
92	St. Charles, IL	70	18	9.50	488,125	584.27	52,498.14	340	Wood Dale, IL	9	2	DB	15,500	50.00	207.65
95	Ferndale, CA	62	27	DB	125,750	150.00	60,166.19	341	Kmbitn-Elk Horn, IA	27	100	DB	72,000	172.00	2,409.18
102*	Providence, RI	19	2	9.90	37,125			342	Bucks Co., PA	43	24	DB	63,750	152.00	13,129.82
106*	Trufant, MI	52	1	44.22	53,500			343	Waupaca, WI	2	56	DB	26,000	215.00	1,266.59
107*	Chicago, IL	7	0	DB	5,500			344*	Janesville, WI	14	25	DB	33,500		
110*	Winside, NE	8	4	DB	7,000			345	Orange Co., CA	51	53	DB	184,000	1,645.00	5,555.50
113	Enumclaw, WA	15	8	2.27	14,855	500.00	83,416.49	346	Riverside, CA	29	20	DB	62,237	244.63	8,770.00
116	Newark, NJ	53	6	10.16	74,125	2,000.00	25,655.29	347*	Cedar Rapids, IA	15	33	DB	17,000		
117*	Plainview, NE	43	0	DB	37,875			348	Eugene, OR	50	63	DB	167,625	155.50	908.87
121	Tyler, MN	9	30	DB	6,784	60.00	190.84	349	Atlantic, IA	1	62	DB	3,000	42.00	5,277.66
125*	Weeping Water, NE	16	2	1.03	45,424			600	Omaha, NE	1617	71	DB	4,865,691		
126	Los Angeles, CA	118	80	46.44	149,375	1,400.00	100,207.33								
134*	Ringsted, IA	7	0	DB	7,500										
139	Viborg, SD	56	31	DB	103,000		9,599.07								
143	Petaluma, CA	46	34	7.20	55,750	100.00	14,300.00								
144	Dike, IA	66	15	DB	99,500	150.00	13,871.95								
147	Newell, IA	20	10	.77	68,500	150.00	2,713.22								
148*	Cheyenne, WY	9	0	DB	12,000										
155	Bellingham, WA	16	11	1.24	14,000	92.03	1,241.84								
161	Ruskin, NE	59	45	DB	92,500	489.12	4,406.10								
164*	New York, NY	27	57	DB	36,625										
167	Portland, OR	211	79	15.19	1,487,044	2,376.77	48,510.65								
170	Rocky River, OH	20	37	27.73	50,750		10,251.53								
172	Philadelphia, PA	47	24	DB	178,039	250.00	16,868.68								
177	Cordova, NE	23	5	7.97	25,000	53.90	990.05								
182	Waukegan, IL	29	15	40	127,999	300.00	8,179.46								
183	Troy, NY	30	3	23.68	32,125		28,291.09								
184	Hayward, CA	38	7	34.49	70,000	414.99	9,284.18								
186	Luck, WI	18	64	DB	112,875	446.00	74,399.16								
190	Schenectady, NY	42	5	24.75	49,875	350.00									
194	McMinnville, OR	13	9	10.72	11,500	33.00	1,124.95								
195	Omaha, NE	15	4	DB	20,500	125.00	1,464.29								

### NOTES TO ANNUAL REPORT

\*The report for 1990 was not received, or was received too late. Secretaries who find an asterisk (\*) after their lodge are asked to submit their 1990 report to the Home Office as soon as possible.

"DB" All lodge members are on direct billing.

The above listing gives 117 lodges, membership consisting of 6,380 insured and 3,140 social; a total monthly assessment of \$1,332.53 and a combined amount of insurance of \$16,728,503. Insured and social membership is 9,520.

Lodges reporting for 1990

Paid fraternal benefits ..... \$ 53,932.61  
Cash and other assets ..... \$2,684,445.91

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, 1990 is 52.

JEROME L. CHRISTENSEN  
Secretary-Treasurer

## DANISH PLATES

*No customs or duty fees*

### 1991 Collectibles from Denmark

#### Bing & Grøndahl

Christmas Plate (The Copenhagen Stock Exchange at Christmas) .....	\$ 45.00
Christmas Bell .....	39.00
Christmas Ornament .....	24.00
Children's Day Plate (Fun on the Beach) .....	30.00
Mother's Day Plate (Mother Goat and Kids) .....	34.00
Mother's Day Figurine (Baby Goat) .....	80.00
Christmas in America Plate (Independence Hall) .....	30.00
Christmas in America Ornament .....	19.50
Christmas in America Bell .....	27.00
Christmas in America Jubilee Plate (Williamsburg) NEW ..	55.00
Santa Claus Plate (Santa's Journey) — Full color .....	49.00
Santa Claus Ornament — Full color .....	19.50
Annual Figurine (Heinz) .....	210.00
Annual Vase .....	65.00
Annual Egg .....	28.50



#### Royal Copenhagen

Christmas Plate (The Festival of Santa Lucia) .....	45.00
Christmas Ornament — New Shape .....	26.00
Christmas Plaquette (The Hermitage) .....	12.00
Christmas Cup and Saucer .....	69.50
American Mother's Day Plate (Mother's Day at the Mission) .....	32.00
Christmas in Denmark Plate (Bringing Home the Tree) Multi color NEW .....	47.00
Christmas in Denmark Ornament — Full color NEW .....	19.50
Annual Mug — Small .....	45.00
Annual Mug — Large .....	95.00
Country Flower — Birthday Plate NEW .....	35.50
Country Flower — Birthday Mug NEW .....	55.50
Danish Windmill Plaquette — 3" .....	10.00



#### Georg Jensen

Christmas Ornament (Christmas Deer) .....	45.00
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Pendant of the Year (Onyx) .....	120.00
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Annual Spoon .....	165.00



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Christmas Dram Glasses (Set of 2) .....	19.50

#### Porsgrund — Norway

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## Hans Christian Andersen: The Not-So-Ugly Duckling of Denmark by Charles Smith

If you have ever read and loved any of the 168 fairy tales written by Hans Christian Andersen during his lifetime, then you may also find his own life story much to your liking.

It reads like a book.

Like — a mystery.

For starters, Andersen said he was a victim of a lowly birth; a product of a shoe-maker and a washerwoman. They lived in poverty.

Historian Jens Jorgensen says that Andersen seemingly overstated his case. Jorgensen's research and theories indicate that the secret, real-life story of Hans Christian Andersen was that the man was a child of royalty, and not a have-nothing person.

Another authority-figure, biographer Elias Bredsdorff, once was quoted as saying, "Much of what he (Andersen) told about his family background was pure fiction."

Due to his ungainly appearance, Andersen referred to himself as something of an "ugly duckling."

He said he was born in Odense.

Jorgensen and his following have their long-standing belief that Andersen was more like a "swan" than an "ugly duckling" and point-out that his original parents were Denmark's crown prince, Christian VIII, and a Danish aristocrat, Elise Ahlefeldt Laurvig — and not Hans "The Shoe-Maker" Andersen and Anna Maria "The Washerwoman" Andersdotter, as claimed.

Andersen, says Jorgensen, was born in the castle Broholm, a place of royalty.

Further into the pages of this mystery, one finds that the prince (Christian VIII), who later became king, and the aristocrat did not wed; illegitimate child Hans Christian was given into the care of a housekeeper. She, as the story goes, was none other than a woman with the same name as the boy's mother, Anna Marie Andersdotter — the washerwoman. All traces of the housekeeper were lost after 1805 — the same year that Hans was born.

Since the only existing birth certificate was the one issued in 1823, when Andersen was 17 years old, one is hard-pressed to determine if he was really so poor that he couldn't even "pay" attention, or if he was, indeed, being watched-over by some royal guardian angel and that he WAS really the child of a king.

Andersen, the man who became famous as a poet, a Danish novelist and a very prolific writer of fairy tales knew the answer.

Jorgensen says he knows.

So, too, does Bredsdorff.

Only time will tell.

In the end, Hans Christian Andersen's life (he died in 1875 at the age of 70) will remain somewhat of a mystery because it reads like like one of those made-up stories, like a fantasy or better yet... a fairy tale. Whether or not he was an "ugly duckling" or he was born upon a duck's pond and hatched from a beautiful swan's egg, it matters not because his life from the beginning to end serves as a continuing lesson for us all, in that, it makes a difference what one does with his or her life be they poor or be they rich... or be they a duck.

Andersen was a success.

*Charles Smith, a freelance writer formerly of Maersk Line Agency, lives in Summerville, South Carolina.*

# A Kettle of Gold A Danish Folk Tale

by Beverly Swerdlow Brown

ONCE UPON A TIME there was a poor man. He had many children and a wife all of whom had to be fed, but he spent the days sighing and moaning about his poverty, his hardships and life in general.

If only some good luck would come his way to make things easier, he thought. And he kept on sighing and moaning until one day good fortune unexpectedly came his way.

He was ploughing his field when suddenly he struck something. The poor man bent down to see what it was and he nearly choked in surprise. Lying in the ground was a huge kettle filled with gold. He became so excited that he didn't know if he was dreaming or awake. He pinched himself and realized that indeed he was fully awake.

Then a thought hit him. Should he leave his cows in the field? No, someone might steal them. Should he go home with the cows? No, the neighbors might suspect something.

As he sat pondering his problem, along came a young man.

he saw the kettle of gold and his mouth dropped open.

"That's some treasure!" said the young man, smiling.

"You bet!" agreed the poor man.

"What are you going to do with it?" asked the young man, eagerly.

"I can't make up my mind," said the poor man. "I can't leave it here and I can't take it home by myself. Oh, what should I do?"

The young man thought about it and shrugged.

At last the poor man said, "If I could find someone to carry the kettle back to my home for me, I would be happy to give him a fistful of this gold!"

The young man's eyes bulged out. "For a fistful of this gold, I'll carry it myself!" he offered.

And so, it was agreed.

The poor man gave the young man a fistful of gold and he lifted up the very heavy kettle onto his shoulders.

The young man grunted and moaned with each step he took. Finally, he put the heavy kettle down and sat by the roadside to rest. He was still panting and moaning when he suddenly thought, "Why should I carry this kettle back to his house? Why shouldn't I keep this for myself?"

He smiled and got up. He picked up the kettle and went on his way, but took another road instead of the one which would lead him to the poor man's house.

When he reached town, he made straight for an inn.

He rented a room and hid the kettle under the bed. Then he went downstairs and ordered some food from the innkeeper.

Meanwhile, the poor man returned home. He was so excited he could barely speak. Finally, after catching his breath, he asked his children, "Where's the kettle? Where's the huge kettle?"

His children didn't know what their father was talking about and told him so.

Suddenly, the poor man became alarmed.

"Didn't a young man come by here?" he asked, wide-eyed

"Didn't he bring a huge kettle of gold?"

"No," replied the children. "No one came here to this house and nobody brought anything in kettles!"

The poor man was beside himself. He didn't know which way to turn. After he calmed down a bit, he bitterly explained to his

children about how he found the kettle of gold and how a young man offered to bring it home for him.

"I was cheated!" said the poor man, outraged once again.

Amongst his children, there were three girls.

The eldest was called Bringmetea; the middle one was Hadenuff and the youngest was Irunaweigh. They were smart girls and they wanted to help their father.

"Don't worry," said the youngest, "because the three of us will find the one who cheated you and we'll bring back the kettle of gold for you!"

The three girls went straight to town, guessing that the young man would have gone there and would be staying at an inn.

Within minutes, they spotted him. He was still eating.

As soon as he noticed the three girls, he asked them to join him at his table. The girls accepted his invitation and introduced themselves.

"My name is Bringmetea," said the eldest girl.

"My name is Hadenuff," said the middle girl.

"And mine is Irunaweigh," said the youngest.

They all sat down and chatted with him, partaking in some food and milk.

By this time, the young man became so groggy with all that he ate, he didn't know his mouth from his ear.

The girls were waiting for just this moment and brought the young man up to his room and put him to bed.

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Then they went searching for the kettle of gold and found it where the young man hid it. As they were about to leave they told the groggy young man, "If you need anything just call us. We'll be in the next room."

"I'll do just that," said the young man as he promptly fell asleep while the girls giggled and went on their way with the kettle of gold.

After an hour or so, the young man awoke and remembering what the girls had said, shouted, "BRINGMETEA!"

The innkeeper heard the yelling and called back, "BRING ME TEA? All right. I'll fetch it for you!"

The young man thought that the eldest girl didn't hear his call, so he shouted to the middle girl, "HADENUFF! HADENUFF!"

He was still calling her name as the innkeeper reached his door with some tea.

"Well," he said through the door "I certainly agree that you've HAD ENOUGH!" And he went downstairs.

Meanwhile, the young man was getting impatient because neither of the girls seemed to have heard him. So he called even louder for the youngest girl, "IRUNAWEIGH! IRUNAWEIGH!"

Hearing this, the innkeeper turned and ran back to the young man's room.

"If you think by shouting, "I RUN AWAY" you can run away without paying, then you are badly mistaken!"

The young man jumped out of bed and called to the innkeeper. "Don't you shout at me!" he said. "If you continue to do so I'll buy this whole stupid inn from you!"

He bent down to reach for the kettle of gold, but found nothing. He reached further back, but only dust was under his bed.

Suddenly, the young man stood up. "Those girls tricked me!" he gasped. "I've lost it all!"

The innkeeper just stared at the young man. "I do not know what you are talking about," he said, "but I insist that you pay your bill at once and be on your way. I do not like the likes of you!"

Meanwhile the three girls went back to their father and gave him the kettle of gold and reminded him not to be too trusting of strangers.

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## 1991 DISTRICT CONVENTION SCHEDULE

District	Host Lodge	Date
Pacific-Northwest	Lodge No. 155, Bellingham, WA	May 10-12
California-Nevada	Lodge No. 143, Petaluma, CA	August 15-17
Iowa-Minnesota	Lodge No. 263, Askov, MN	September 6-8
Midwest	Lodge No. 36, Milwaukee, WI	July 19-21
Nebraska	Lodge No. 161, Ruskin, NE	August 23-25
Michigan-Ohio	Lodge No. 70, Greenville, MI	May 18
G.C.E.L.	Lodge No. 294, Barre, VT	Aug. 31-Sept. 2

# Our Lodges in Action

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## PACIFIC-NORTHWEST

**Lodge #29, Seattle, WA** — All Board members were present at our February meeting except Carl Remming, Guard. The lodge accepted a membership application from Svend Jespersen.

The Pacific Northwest District Convention will be held in Bellingham on May 10-12. Delegates from our lodge include Frank Poulsen, Ken Kromann, Jesper Mortensen and Ted Kofoed. Alternates include Kris Jorgensen, Borge Schlegel, Henry Nielsen and Niels Jensen.

Midway through the winter season, our Lodge No. 29 team has won their last two games after losing the first four games. The Scan Travel team has enjoyed five wins and one loss. The Molbak team struggling with injuries, has one tie and four losses. The SAS team has one win, one tie and three losses. Saturday, June 1, is the date for the Seattle Danes to play the Danes from the Vancouver Lodge No. 328 at 60 Acres Soccer Fields in Redmond. The banquet in the evening will again be held at Sea-Tac Airport. **Frank Poulsen, Cor.**

**Lodge #42, Spokane, WA** — Members of our lodge will meet on Thursday, April 4 at their usual location. The Pacific-Northwest District Convention will be held in Bellingham, Washington, the weekend of May 10-12, 1991. Emil Larsen and Rudy Vida will be the delegates and Merle Kinder and Larry Charneski will serve as alternates.

**The best idea for April goes to Lodge No. 345, Orange Co., CA. See page 12.**

### NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST ANNUAL ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

**Lodge #167, Portland, OR** — The February meeting came to order at 8:10 p.m. with 57 members and guests present. Dan Bogh was protem for Steve Sorensen, trustee; past president Larry West explained the symbols. The meeting opened with a few words of appreciation and encouragement from our new president, Lisa Mortensen. We had several new members that wished to be initiated: Teena Ainslie, Anita Boye, Sys Madsen, Elizabeth Walther, Kirsten Walther, Flemming Walther, David Stewart, Karsten Walther, and Sandee Stewart. Welcome to Lodge No. 167!

Minutes were approved as written in the last newsletter. Correspondence was read and the bills were read and approved to be paid. Scott McAdams, treasurer, read the financial report for January and it was approved as read. Ed Hirsch gave a report on those in our membership who are ill. Lisa Mortensen reminded the lodge that the 1991 National Convention committee will meet on April 8 at Bethany Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m. All committees need to have at least one member present. Lisa will take the minutes and send a copy to each committee chairperson.

The following persons will be representatives of various organizations and events: Asbjorn Fisker will represent Scanfair and Larry West will be on Nordic Council. Larry reported that the Gresham Public Library has two display cases with Danish themes, one is on our Portland lodge, and the other is on the Northwest Danish Foundation. He is getting good feedback. Jan Hansen, chairperson for the Scholarship Fund Committee, reported that there is \$2,900 in the fund, donations are accepted from both private individuals and/or organizations. Asbjorn Fisker reported that Scanfair will be December 7 this year.

Delegates and alternates to attend the Pacific Northwest District Convention in May were opened for nominations from the floor. The following persons were nominated as delegates: Lisa Mortensen, Don Bogh, Elvin Kasch, and Norman Powell. The following were nominated as alternates to the convention: Marion Buchholz, Larry West, Dianne Fisker, and Emma Powell. This information will be sent to the lodge in Bellingham, Washington.

The Northwest Bowling Tournament needs a chairperson from our lodge. Larry West has volunteered to be chairperson but will not be attending. See Larry if you are interested in being on a team. Due to the convention this year, the lodge will have only one social event — St. Hans Fest on June 22. The location is unclear at this time. John and Bodil Hansen will chair this event.

Our July meeting will be canceled, we

will have an August meeting instead. October's meeting will be held on the 16th.

Discussion was held as to the continuation of the Portland Dane to those who are not members. Due to expenses, we are investigating an annual subscription to non-members of \$6.00 and help from the Sisterhood of 20% toward cost of mailing and printing. The above discussion was moved and seconded. The exception to this is that Omaha and advertisers will continue to receive the newsletter. It was announced by the Sisterhood that sandwiches, that are served before the meetings, will cost \$3.00. They also asked that the Brotherhood help with the cost of their room. This was moved and seconded by the Brotherhood.

Following the good of the order, drawing of wine tickets, and the door prize, the meeting closed in its usual manner.

**Sylvia Hurst, Sec.**



1990 President Larry West hands the gavel to 1991 President Lisa Mortensen.



Dawson West, takes a swing at the barrel during the Fastelavnsfest party.

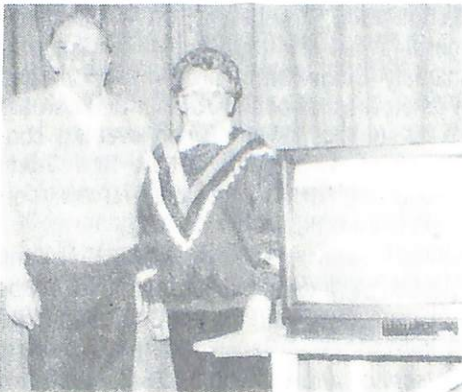
**Lodge #194, McMinnville, OR** — We celebrated Mary Christensen's 96th birthday at our regular February meeting. She was presented a certificate of recognition from the National Headquarters by President Walter Hansen. She was also presented a bouquet of silk roses and a cake. Mary joined our lodge in 1961 joining her husband Henry, a member since 1913 and sons, Marvin and Elmer, members since 1954. We also had a potluck dinner and bingo party. **Dorothy Rasmussen, Treas.**



Mary Christensen with her sons, Marvin and Elmer.

**Lodge #283, Dagmar, MT** — It was a winter evening the night of our January meeting but Niels and Lorraine Miller warmed us by showing a delightful video taken last September on their trip to Denmark and Germany together with their daughter, Debra.

While in Denmark, they visited relatives of the Miller family. The final part of their video was taken in Ober Ammergav, Germany, where Niels was stationed during the final part of his tour of duty in the army following World War II. That was very interesting to see and hear about.



Niels and Lorraine Miller shared their vacation video with us.

**Lodge #328, Vancouver, B.C.** — At our last meeting, there were 59 Brothers present. The Fest Committee reported that the Smoker has been quite expensive but that not all the figures were in. The new Fest Committee for 1991 has been selected as follows: Villy Andersen, Poul Sorensen, Bent Jensen and John Mikkelsen.

The Scandinavian Cultural Society will have a General Meeting and Jens Peder Vestergaard will be attending this meeting on behalf of the Brotherhood.

The Sports Committee reported that the Fifth International Soccer Tournament will take place on the weekend of August 31, 1991, in Chicago.

The committee in charge of our 60th birthday reported that the party will take place on May 4 at the Royal Towers in New Westminster.

We then elected delegates to the Pacific Northwest District Convention. They are Jens Peder Vestergaard, Peter Jensen, and Leo Pedersen, and the alternates are Karl Kristensen and Villy Andersen.

It was mentioned during the evening that Axel Johannesen had been given his 25-year pin during the smoker.

At our December meeting, the resolution for bylaw changes were tabled to be looked at during our February meeting. Al Paquette presented the changes to the bylaw that deals with membership fees, sick benefits, and changes to the age limit for social members.

A lengthy discussion took place. Finally, a motion was made to accept the changes. Motion carried.

After the meeting, we all enjoyed open faced sandwiches, beer and snaps.

**Peter Praegel, Cor.**

**Lodge #348, Eugene, OR** — There were 46 persons in attendance and two new members, Aage Toftemark and Margrethe Pedersen, were installed at our February 14 meeting. Margrethe, our youngest member was born January 10, 1991, and joins her parents Mogens and Diana and two brothers as members.

After the meeting, there was coffee, fastelavnsboller, hard rolls and cheese, and chocolate kisses since it was Valentine's Day.

Our chairperson for the evening, Marianne Hinman, told about Fastelavns and how in Denmark they used to wake people up with a 'ris' and sing. After that, we 'slaa katten af tonden' (knocked the cat out of the barrel). The kids stood in line to have a try at knocking a barrel filled with goodies. After several tries, lots of goodies flew out to the delight of the children.

**Knud Toftemark, Cor.**

## CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

**Lodge #126, Los Angeles, CA** — Our potluck social in January was a success with 43 members in attendance. After our dinner, we played cards, games and socialized.

The meeting was opened with all formalities at 8:05 p.m. by President Karl Duus. Twenty members and three guests were present. One guest, Marion Roug, filled out an application to become a member. The investigative committee did a fine job. The members voted and unanimously accepted Marion to be a member of our lodge. As soon as her application is approved by the Home Office, she will be initiated into Lodge No. 126. Marion's husband, Erik, was a member of this lodge for more than 35 years. The other guests were Lisa Hansen and Ken Luke. Lisa is looking into the insurance that the Brotherhood has to offer and is planning to join as an active member.

**Anne Kofod, Cor.**

**Lodge #230, Arcata, CA** — Installation of officers was held jointly with Lodge No. 95 and Sisterhood Lodge No. 131 both of Ferndale, California. Jim Larsen, Vice President of the California-Nevada District and Johannes Jaeger, District Conductor, performed the ceremony for the Brothers.

The following were installed for our lodge: Past President, Judy Denney; President, Emma Dudal; Vice President, Jeff Walton; Secretary, Laura Schuler; Treasurer, Earl Kjer; Trustee, Hans Bruhn; and Inner Guard, Hans Dudal.

The highlights of the evening were the many visitors from out-of-town and district officers including past officers, Walt and Lilly Miller, Harvey Rasmussen and his wife, Alice, Dorothy Petersen and her husband, Kenney, all from Petaluma; Johannes Jaeger and his wife, Marie, of Solvang; and Irma Knudsen and her husband from Daly City.

Membership pins were also presented to the faithful members.

Following the installation, a happy hour was observed. Then at 7:30 p.m., dinner was served to approximately 50 people.

**Laura Schuler, Sec.**

**Lodge #319, Bakersfield, CA** — New officers were installed in a joint installation dinner-dance held with the Sisterhood on February 7 at the Labor Hall.

A champagne social preceded the buffet catered by Susie Hansen. Decorations by Oline Nelson, assisted by Ingrid Michel-

sen, added so much to the festivities.

Honored to have State President Sue Patterson install them were: Past President, Verner Stenderup; President, Vernid (Pete) Peterson; Vice President and Secretary, William McDonald; Treasurer, Erik W. Michelsen; Conductor, Owen Nelson; Trustees, Louis Jacobsen, Elton Nelson and Viggo Stenderup.

Guests attending were Sisterhood General Committee President, Irma Knudsen and her husband, Ove, Johannes and Marie Jaeger, Carolyn Lindberg, Chris and Kirsten Bellur, Herb Allison and Miles and Joanne Thomas.

Dancing followed the installation.

**Dorothy Peterson, Cor.**

**Lodge #323, Alhambra, CA** — The joint installation held Saturday, February 23, in the "Alamo" in conjunction with Lodge No. 126 and the Sisterhood Lodge No. 68 was a great success. After opening remarks by Clarice Christensen, President of our lodge, the host lodge, the installation began.

The installation ceremony for the Brotherhood was officiated by the California-Nevada District President, Sue Patterson. The conductor was Johannes Jaeger Nielsen. We thank the installing officers for their excellent ability in performing their duties.

Also attending the installation from Holger Danske Lodge No. 345 were Ken and Gerry Olsen, District Fraternal Coordinators, Jim Wiegandt, Lodge No. 345 President, and his wife. From Kodan Lodge No. 346 came President Jim Patterson and his wife, Sue, Vicky Garrison and Annelise Andersen. Thanks for coming!

Jens Andersen received his 50-year membership pin following the installation. Jens has been a devout member of the Brotherhood and has served as president and delegate to a national convention, besides holding several other posts.

**Kate Krake Nielsen, Cor.**

**Lodge #345, Orange Co., CA** — Our membership has met together for two socials, namely Bingo Night on January 26 and Fastelavns and potluck dinner on February 9. Highlights of our Bingo evening consisted of introducing visitor, Bud Stine, and giving out an application for membership to Elsie Bastrup.

Jim Dwyer gave an explanation and passed out a detailed report on the work he did as Santa Claus in 1990. He made 12 appearances as Santa putting in 46 hours of service and visiting 2,265 children and adults. Many thanks to Jim who donates his time in delighting so many during

the Christmas season.

Secretary Gerry Olsen, speaking as a District Fraternal Coordinator, spoke to the membership on the proposed name change. This name change will be discussed at the National Convention in Portland in October.

At our February 9 meeting, we introduced visitor Lillian Peterson from St. Paul, Minnesota. President Jim Wiegandt initiated new member Aaron Dye and the membership greeted him. Aaron is 16 years old.

We were reminded that May 18 is the deadline for District Honorary Life membership submissions; June 1 is the deadline for Hans A. Andersen Award nominations, and all district bylaw changes must be submitted by July 10.

**Rosemary Allison reported that a P.A. system was bought and presented to the mobile home park in December. Our lodge gave them this gift as a token of our appreciation for letting us use their facilities.**

The membership reviewed our updated bylaws and voted to accept them. They will now be sent to the National Headquarters for approval. Once approved, each member will be given a copy for their use. Helga Bjorn reported that she would be making a trip to the Ronald McDonald House in Anaheim to give them the tabs from aluminum cans we have been collecting.

Our Fastelavns activities included knocking the cat out of the barrel. Youth member, Andy Olsen, with his baseball batting expertise, was able to hit the cat to freedom and was crowned Cat King. He chose Andrea Rossi as his Cat Queen and they both received mini cassette players. All the other children (and some adults) gathered up the candy and gum as it fell from the barrel.

Our balloon popping event was a "bang-ing" success with many lucky winners.

On April 13, we will be having a lodge social called Chinese Auction. We will be asking everyone to donate some new items for this event. Start looking now for that special something to bring. No white elephants. Hand crafted items would be nice too!

**Toni Olsen Gossett, Cor.**

### NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST NEWSLETTER

**Lodge #346, Riverside, CA** — Our first regular meeting of the year was February 2 and was attended by 20 members and seven adult guests and 16 children. After our regular meeting which included getting caught up on much correspondence after several months of no regular meetings, we had our chili potluck.

Thank you Bill Johansen for setting up



Our Cat in the Barrel wore a yellow ribbon in support of our troops.

the frame for our Cat in the Barrel which Vikki Garrison once again put together for the lodge. Our Cat King turned out to be 9 year old Ty Lindberg who is a Little League star batter. Our best costume prizes went to a little yachtsman and his sister, the mermaid, who are both friends of the Piehl family. After the festivities, we enjoyed the nice desserts brought by the members.

Our Board meeting on February 6 at President Jim Patterson's was attended by 12 officers and members including Hans and Chris Terkelsen. It was announced that Carolyn Lindberg has volunteered from now on to collect the cans from lodge functions for our treasury.

President Jim is going down to Dana Point and set up a date for a deep sea fishing trip in July. More information later.

We received and voted on four new applications for insured members. They are Laurie Adkins, her children, Brandy and Shane, and our very own "Santa," John McCarver. **Sue Patterson, Cor.**

## NEBRASKA

**Lodge #16, Minden, NE** — We met Thursday, February 21, at the Community Center at 7:30 p.m. with 46 in attendance. President Herbert Nielsen called the meeting to order and roll call of officers was taken. The secretary's minutes were read by Marie Nelson and Edith Thomsen gave the treasurer's report and both were accepted as read.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that we give \$25.00 to the Special Olympics education programs and events. We signed a birthday card for the Queen of Denmark who happened to be in America at that time. Visitors were Charlotte Thorpe and Kirsten and Lucas Nelson.

The meeting was turned over to the committee. Bill Jorgensen, Jr. welcomed everyone to the Fastelavns celebration, a traditional Danish celebration which was usually celebrated the Monday before Ash Wednesday. Bill also read a poem about the Fastelavns cross buns.

**Lillie Hansen, Cor.**

**Lodge #161, Ruskin, NE** — We met Saturday, March 9 at the Community Hall. President Schultz presided at the meeting. Plans were discussed for the convention. Cards and refreshments followed the meeting.

Our spring dance will be held on April 5 and everyone is welcome.

**Glennis McCutcheon, Sec.**

**Lodge #206, Blair, NE** — Our January meeting was opened with President Stokes leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Minutes of the previous meeting were read, all reports were presented and bills were read and approved for payment. Past President Myrtle Lammers installed all 1991 officers.

District Fraternal Coordinators Duane and Deloris Hansen of Omaha spoke regarding programs that could be used for the coming year.

Laurids Pedersen was nominated to represent our lodge as a nominee for the Howard E. Christensen Award.

Lunch was served following the close of the meeting. **Harriet Palle, Cor.**

## NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST DISTRICT

## IOWA-MINNESOTA

## NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST SINGLE SOCIAL ACTIVITY

**Lodge #15, Des Moines, IA** — On February 11, member Mary Riber told about her exciting visit with her children and grandchildren in Bangkok, Thailand at Christmas time where one of her children resides. The other families journeyed from Pakistan, Australia, and Zimbabwe to meet with her. Mary and her children traveled to India for a memory-filled side trip where they had lived many years earlier.

We celebrated Fastelavns on Sunday, February 17. All 21 children and 52 adults,

including several guests, enjoyed the festivities. The adults enjoyed watching the children in the clever costumes taking turns hitting the barrel to knock the cat out and then scrambling for the candy. Best Girl Costume went to Jennifer Wahl who was dressed as an angel. The judges selected Jason Andersen for Best Boy Costume with his Tin Man outfit. Nicholas Andersen, dressed as Popeye, made the first break in the barrel and Ann Paulsen, as Little Red Riding Hood, broke the barrel open. Ann was crowned Queen of Festelavns. Mange tak to all who helped in any way.

Our Care and Share Committee has formed "Operation Home Front" and we have pictured and provided the address in our lodge newsletter of known military personnel related to members who are serving in the Persian Gulf. We urge members to write them and to support them and their families in every way possible.

Velkommen to our newest member, Cathy Jensen.

We will meet on April 8 at 7:30 p.m. Come and learn more about the caring and comforting provided by Hospice. Mr. Charles Ness, a volunteer for Hospice, will speak to us and answer questions. Please be on time as we are now holding the program before the business meeting.

**Harvey Andersen, Cor.**



The children scramble to retrieve goodies which have fallen from the barrel.

**Lodge #144, Dike, IA** — We had a social evening for our February meeting. As part of the Fastelavns celebration, the children present took turns beating the barrel with a stick, and it was a well constructed barrel. Finally, Peter Mommer succeeded in getting the cat out. The crown was placed on Mary Mommer, Peter's mother.

In a quick business session, the Brotherhood voted to contribute \$100 toward a Skovsøen scholarship for Conni Sloth, daughter of Dennis and Debbie Sloth, who will be attending again this summer. **Lyle Refshauge, Sec.**



Casey Mommer making a hefty swing.

**Lodge #217, Humboldt, IA** — Niels Schultz, age 100, a member of our lodge, received his 25-year membership pin in early February. Niels resides in the Humboldt Care Center South. Niels will celebrate his 101st birthday in July.

Carl Hansen, Pres.



Congratulations to 25-year member, Niels Schultz.

**Lodge #219, Clear Lake, IA** — Members of our lodge will meet on April 13 at 7:00 p.m. to plan for an Ethnic Fair which is scheduled for May 11. The Ethnic Fair will be held at the fairgrounds in Mason City, Iowa. The Danish Brotherhood in America is only one of many ethnic groups that will be on hand all day to share information about their heritage. Plan to attend.

**Lodge #341, Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA** — We met at the Kimballton Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. on February 25 with approximately 60 members and guests attending. The meeting was called to order by our new President, Gary Christensen. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a few minutes of silence in honor of our troops in Saudi Arabia.

Gary initiated Mabel Madsen as Treasurer and Karolyn Ortgies as Vice President. A report was given by June Sampson, who had the honor of having lunch with Queen Margrethe of Denmark in Washington, D.C. recently.

Tivoli Fest, which is May 25-26 in Elk Horn, was discussed briefly. A vote was taken on whether the Danish Brotherhood should change its name.

Guests were Tammy Madison of Harlan and Mike Hansen from Denmark. Mike is an exchange student at Elk Horn-Kimballton High School.

The meeting was adjourned and Fastelavns was celebrated. Mike gave a short talk about Fastelavns and helped with the event and Grand March. Jordan Nelson, Queen, and Egon Simonsen, King, led the Grand March. Boller and coffee were served by the committee.

Our next meeting will be April 22 at the Elk Horn Town Hall and it will be a potluck supper.

JoAnn Sorensen, Cor.



Jordan Nelson was named Queen and Egon Simonsen was named King.

**Lodge #349, Atlantic, IA** — The January 14 meeting was held at the Whitney Bank. The meeting was called to order by President Paul Williamson. The minutes of the last meeting and annual Christmas party were read, corrected and approved.

The name change of our Danish Brotherhood in America was discussed. Our suggestions were forwarded to the Home Office.

Doris Bell read the treasurer's report in the absence of Harvey Hansen. Fern Nelson corrected the report to read "A \$500 check to the Danish Immigrant Museum was paid." Chet Holland made a motion to approve the report which was accepted by the members.

Iona Maier has joined the lodge so we now have 64 members.

President Paul discussed the insurance from the American Dane.

Marjorie Holland was nominated for the 1991 Howard E. Christensen Award.

Calvin Hoegh and Chet Holland were nominated for the office of Vice President. Calvin rescinded via Phyllis Hoegh. A vote by ballot was taken with Chet Holland elected as Vice President.

Mary Lou Hoegh presented Marie Christensen with her membership pin. Past President's pins were received by Bob Nelson, Dick Becker, Richard Knudsen, and Gail Nelson.

The official installation of new officers was conducted by Bob Nelson as follows: President, Kenneth Hoegh; Vice President, Chet Holland; Treasurer, Harvey Hansen; and Secretary, Doris Bell.

Marlene Feilmeyer gave a slide presentation and highlights of her trip to the Holy Land. It was enjoyed by all.

## MIDWEST

**District Scholarship Available.** Midwest District scholarship applications for the 1991/92 school year will be considered May 1, 1991. Eligible members wishing to apply should write the district secretary, Albertice C. Nylén, 97 Carriage Road, Barrington, IL 60010 for an application. Applications received after the deadline of May 1, 1991, will not be considered by the committee for an award.

**Lodge #4, Racine, WI** — We will be holding a Flaesk Pandekager Breakfast on April 28. See you then.

At our last meeting we enjoyed a delicious lunch, provided by Ruth and Ken Janssen, Marilyn and Jeff. Along with our lunch, Edna Raahauge donated a bottle of akvavit for her birthday. Thanks to all.

**Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI** — A crowd estimated at 500 came to our annual aebleskiver breakfast on January 20. Many members and their wives served on this committee. For fear of missing someone, we will just say that we sincerely thank you all for working and making it a very successful day for our lodge.

Although our lodge is in good shape, it is our obligation to continue to grow and be involved in the Growth By Sharing campaign.

Our 99th anniversary banquet is scheduled for April 27. Festivities begin with cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., followed by dancing at 9 p.m. Members

and widows free. The cost for wives is \$12.00. Sorry, no guests. We have a change in our anniversary party procedure. You must get your free ticket at lodge and pay for your wife at that time. You can also select your table at that time. This is always a sellout so do not delay. Tickets are now available. **Robert Ibsen, Cor.**

**Lodge #34, Dwight, IL** — An aebleskiver breakfast and kringle sale will be held on Sunday, April 14. Jackie Gernentz has volunteered to take over this project and needs lots of help from you. Supplies needed include eggs, applesauce, oleo, coffee, flour, milk, large baking powder. Help is needed to set up, take down, volunteers for all sorts of duties. Genny Andreasen and Marge Lauritsen will be taking orders for kringle. There will be a raffle. Tickets will be \$4.00 for adults; \$2.00 for age 12 and under; pre-school age is free. The pay isn't the greatest but the company and fraternalism is!

Our link is starting to grow with the initiation of new members Marjorie and Ginger Flynn; Jennifer Janicki and Mike Lauritsen. Also new Young Vikings Kirstin Holzhauser, Stephen Burg, Amie Hogan, and Carly Perschnick. Welcome to all!

Ray and Shirley Holzhauser, Jim and Genny Andreasen, Chuck Johnson and Margaret Goodwin journeyed to Pontiac on Saturday, February 23, to help Marius Beier celebrate his 96th birthday. A certificate of merit was presented to him from the National Headquarters and the lodge gave him a red sweater. Morrie is very proud of his Danish heritage as he has been a member of our lodge for 75 years. We wish him the best and many more years.

It was decided to table a donation for the school track to a later date. We are happy to report that Carla Earing's application for special aid has been approved and Carla will be getting aid each month for a year. That's what it is all about — togetherness.

**Margaret Goodwin, Sec.**

**Lodge #35, Chicago, IL** — About 70 members were present at our February 16 meeting. President Jorgensen opened the meeting with the announcement that the regular order of business would be dispensed with so that the Fastelavn festivities could begin.

Al Iversen read bylaw changes. Woody Petersen announced that he would turn the bowling event over to Minnie Richard. Jennie Jensen told us about a cookbook being sold by the Danish Home at a cost of \$7.00. Jennie will take your order if you would like one.

Out-of-town member Marty Christensen

was made welcome as was Pauline Jensen from the Danish Home. Ray Nielsen received an official award for being selected by our lodge as our Howard E. Christensen Award nominee. He was given a round of applause.

Children's prize winners were Kristopher Jensen who was a dinosaur, Billy Iversen who was a hockey player, Lisa Connery, a hula dancer, and Ricky Jensen, a football player. Adult prizes went to Elsa and Woody Petersen. Woody was the ugliest woman you ever saw and Elsa was the ugliest bum. Second prize went to policeman John Trankar while Ellen Haukedahl won third prize as a beautiful Spanish seniorita.

Then Lisa Connery managed to knock the cat out of the barrel for the children's division and picked Chris Jensen as her Cat King. Jens Henriksen was the adult who knocked the cat out of the barrel and picked Beth Nielsen as his Cat Queen.

The evening ended with everyone enjoying the usual sandwiches and we had Fastelavnsboller. The kids had ice cream and cookies plus all the candy from the barrels.

**Elsa Petersen, Cor.**

**Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI** — We welcome Debra Topolovec, Paul and Sandra Sorensen and daughter, Amanda, who were initiated into the lodge during our February 6 business meeting.

All members of our lodge are invited to all Midwest District events. Meet other lodge members and join in the fun!

**Albert Larsen, Cor.**

**Lodge #343, Waupaca, WI** — Our monthly meeting was held February 28 with President Melda Mortensen calling the meeting to order.

After a short business meeting, we all enjoyed Torbjoin Haugen's slides and presentation on his homeland in Norway. Torbjoin is an exchange student attending Waupaca High School. Melda brought along scrapbooks containing pictures and clippings of activities of our organization. Everyone enjoyed looking at them and doing a little reminiscing.

**Vera Yorkson, Cor.**

## MICHIGAN-OHIO

**Lodge #51, Ludington, MI** — Tragically one local family has paid the supreme sacrifice during Operation Desert Storm. A memorial trust fund has been established for the family of Steven and Sheryl (Samuels) Hansen. This fund will be used for Stephanie (7) and Kyle's (3) future

education and welfare. S/Sgt. Steven Hansen is the son of Roger Hansen, brother of Randy Hansen, President of Lodge No. 51, and son-in-law of Richard Samuels, all members of Lodge No. 51.

Individual and group contributions may be sent to: S/Sgt. Steven Hansen, Memorial Fund, Trust Dept., Old Kent Bank of Ludington, P. O. Box 430, 1245 James Street, Ludington, Michigan 49431.

**Lodge #70, Greenville, MI** — Greetings from the Danish Festival City. Our annual Danish Festival is usually the second weekend in August.

We are hosting the Michigan-Ohio District Bowling Tournament again this year. The date is Saturday, April 13. Your lodge secretary has all the information. Also, this year's Michigan-Ohio District Convention will be held in Greenville on Saturday, May 18. Plan to attend.

We want to welcome our newest members, Gerald Hauter and his new grandson, to our lodge.

## GCEL

**Lodge #32, New Haven, CT** — At our February meeting we had a National Bylaw Committee meeting. We reviewed the National Bylaws as well as our own to see where we could propose changes. The trustees also got together to review the treasurer's financial report for 1990 and everything checked out.

1991 officers were installed at our March 8 meeting as follows: Past President, Paul Christensen; President, Barbara Larsen; Vice President, Vera Holmes; Secretary, Bernadette Gaudino; Treasurer, Barry Edmonds; and Trustees, Kris Larsen, Don Geissler and John Holmes.

Our April 12 meeting will be a bingo. We have several prizes left from our convention that will be added to white elephant donations brought by our members that evening. We will play until we have no more prizes or we get kicked out of the hall!

We will have a regular business meeting on May 10. Thor Lodge No. 46 in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on May 11. Let's support their lodge the way they supported us for our anniversary.

**Winnie Edmonds, Cor.**

**Lodge #46, Perth Amboy, NJ** — Our second annual Fastelavn's Fest held on February 9 was a huge success. Participation in the day's celebration by members of Brooklyn Lodge No. 164, Long Island

Lodge No. 325, New Haven Lodge No. 32, Bucks County Lodge No. 342, Newark Sisterhood Lodge No. 84 and our own Freja Lodge No. 46 helped to make the day much more festive with an attendance of more than 100.

We were able to hang "The Cat in the Barrel" outdoors where the ceiling is high and after some desperate attempts to destruct it, the coup-de-grace was delivered by George Jacobsen. The children also did very well. Congratulations to the committee!

On February 23, a group of ten from our lodge attended and enjoyed the codfish dinner at Lodge No. 164. All had a very fine evening.

Under the guidance of Ken Nielsen, plans for our gala 100th anniversary on May 11 are proceeding well and we are hoping for an eventful occasion.

**Jens C. Jessen, Cor.**



National Past President George Jacobsen frees the cat from the barrel.

**Lodge #172, Philadelphia, PA** — A well attended gathering celebrated "Shrove-tide" after our meeting on February 15. Joe Leis was "Play Uncle" and directed the activities for the children and young people. Everybody had an enjoyable evening.

The membership enthusiastically nominated Knud Koefoed for the Howard E. Christensen Award at the January meeting. The promoter, who always carries a membership application in his pocket, has worked untiring for 35 years for the betterment of our lodge. Knud was also selected by the National Board of Directors to sit on the National Law Committee which meets in the Home Office on April 4-6, 1991. They

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will study and consolidate the proposed amendments to our articles and bylaws.

**Niels Malmquist, Cor.**

**Lodge #325, Nassau Co., NY** — At our February 9 meeting, two guests from Lodge No. 46, namely Eric Brown and Kenneth Nielsen, installed our officers for 1991 as follows: Past President, Elizabeth Pedersen; President, Niels Hansen; Vice President, Helen Kofod; Secretary, Karen Witt; Treasurer, George Jacobsen; Finance Secretary, Ib Andersen; and Trustees, John Rasmussen, Leo Jensen and Bill Herbst.

Lars Hansen was initiated and welcomed into our lodge.

President Elizabeth Pedersen presented Ib Andersen with flowers and a certificate of merit for more than 20 years of service as finance secretary for our lodge.

Carol Adelson, who is a volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House in New Hyde Park, was our guest speaker. She presented a very informative program about the house with a slide program called "The House That Love Built." **Karen Witt, Sec.**

## FLORIDA

**Lodge #257, St. Petersburg, FL** — Our Christmas party in December was well attended. Everyone had a wonderful time singing Christmas carols.

**Bill Steffensen, Sec.**



Bob Jorgensen, Vice President; Howard Hansen, President; Evelyn Hansen, Past Secretary; Bill Steffensen, Secretary; and Gil Behling, Treasurer, were among the many attending the Christmas party.

## DENMARK

**Lodge #318, Copenhagen, DK** — The first meeting of 1991 was held the second Wednesday of January at the home of the President. The February meeting was set for the second Wednesday of the month. Members were to meet at the Secretary's home.

## 1991 National DBIA Bowling Tournament

All lodge secretaries have been forwarded rules and entry forms regarding the 1991 National DBIA Handicap Bowling Tournament. The dates for bowling are between March 1, 1991 and June 1, 1991.

Prize money will be awarded for the 20 highest teams, high men's individual game, high men's individual series, high women's team, high women's individual game, and high women's individual series.

The winning Young Viking team will be awarded a certificate to avoid conflict with eligibility requirements for school athletics.

All teams may be mixed, but all participants must be members of the Danish Brotherhood. A lodge may enter one or more teams. No entry fee or expense is connected with this tournament other than the fee charged by the bowling establishment.

## Museum Seeks Christmas Card Design

Christmas is many months away, but The Danish Immigrant Museum of Elk Horn, Iowa, would like Danish American artists to start thinking about the special way they celebrate Christmas. The Museum is seeking a design for its annual Christmas card and is asking artists to submit their ideas based on memories of their Danish traditions by April 29, 1991.

The design selected by an independent committee of artists and art educators will be used for the national Museum's third annual card and limited edition print. The final art work is due by June 21.

Artists are asked to "bid" or estimate the size of the prize they would like to have if they "won" this competition for the Christmas card design.

For further details write to The Danish Immigrant Museum, Box 178, Elk Horn, Iowa 51531.

## It's Time For Camp

Every year The Danish Brotherhood awards camp grants to youngsters to help them attend a camp of their own choosing. Your application for a grant must be received by April 15. Request the form from: The Danish Brotherhood in America, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131-3844.

The camp grant program provides you with a cash award to be used to help reduce the cost of the camp you will attend.

The camp grant program is not related to the Skovsøen grant program being sponsored by local lodges of The Danish Brotherhood.

## Introducing . . .



**Rachael Schnitzer**, one of our new Young Vikings, who joined Lodge No. 600 in Omaha, Nebraska, and has this to say:

"Hi, I am Rachael. I am 2½ years old. I live in California. I have a big brother named Jason and a dog named Cricket.

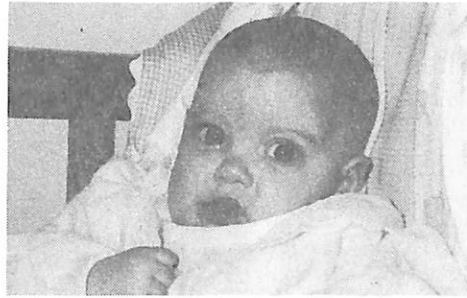
Mostly I like playing with my brother or my friend, Megan. We play with our baby dolls, our bikes or our colors and stickers. My favorite movie is the Little Mermaid.

I like to sing lots of songs. I get to go to a music class once a week where I sing and dance and play with different instruments. I like playing the auto-harp best. My teacher does the chords and I strum the strings.

I also like helping my mommy in the kitchen. Making scrambled eggs is the best.

My grandma and grandpa live in Wisconsin and they signed me up in the Danish Brotherhood."

and



**Kirstin Nicole Holzhauer**, another one of our newest Young Vikings, who joined Lodge No. 34 in Dwight, Illinois, and has this to say:

"My name is Kirstin Nicole Holzhauer. I was born on August 23, 1990, and I just became a Young Viking of Dwight Lodge No. 34.

My parents are Virgil and Lori Holzhauer. I have a big brother, Raymond James, who will be four years old in May.

My daddy is Vice President of the Midwest District and also Vice President of our lodge. My "Nana," Shirley Holzhauer, is President of our lodge.

We are another one of the 100% DBIA families."

### Welcome Rachael and Kirsten!

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 with why you joined the Danish Brotherhood and mail to DBIA, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131-3844.

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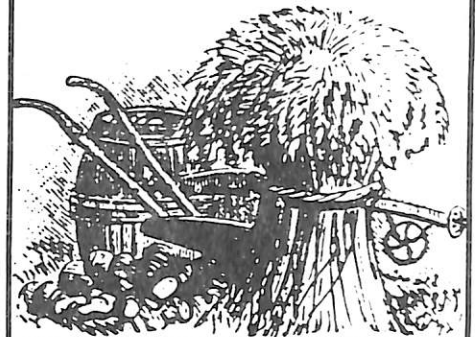
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# Danish Immigrant Museum Construction Progresses

Construction is progressing on schedule with the new national facility in Elk Horn, Iowa, according to Dr. James Iversen, President of The Danish Immigrant Museum, An International Cultural Center.

Construction workers from Story Construction, Ames, Iowa, have been working on Phase 1a of the three phase project, since late fall and have continued working through the winter. They are nearing completion of the poured concrete walls of the basement and the 21-column supports.

The basement will house many of the 8,500 Danish immigrant artifacts in a humidity and temperature controlled environment. Completion of the basement and main floor will be completed by April 1.

The wood beamed super structure will be erected in early spring and completion of the core building will take about a year.

Over \$1.7 million has been donated and an additional \$1 million is needed to complete the structure.

Funding for the Museum project is being sought nation-wide from persons of Danish heritage, as well as businesses, corporations and foundations. Construction is being accelerated by the many Danish family members who are honoring their immigrant relatives by registering them on the Danish Immigrant Wall of Honor.

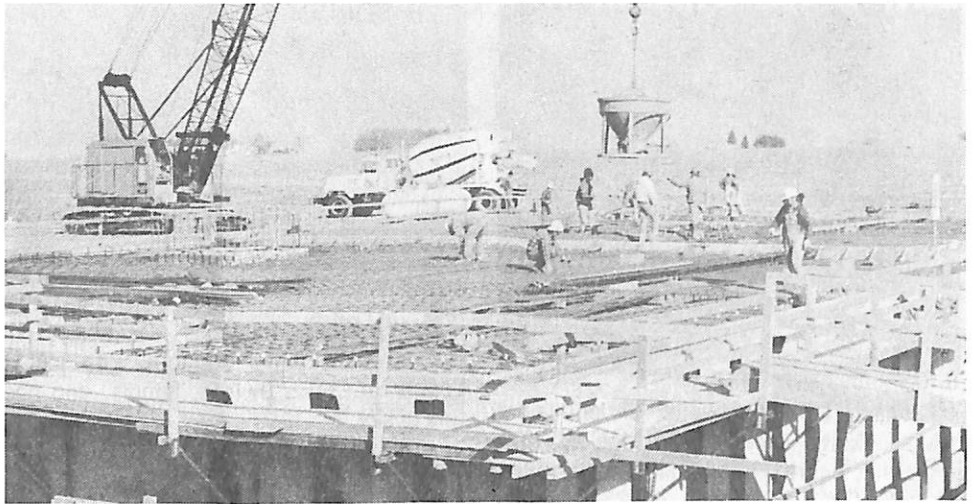
This will be the only centrally located registry where names of the visionary Danish immigrants will be displayed.

American and Danish flags will soon be hoisted to greet the many visitors to the construction site. The authentic Danish flag poles will arrive from Denmark. They were donated by Ernst Harboe and three Danish clubs in the Chicago area.

The museum is located in the Danish settlements of Elk Horn and Kimballton, Iowa. Historically, this Southwest town - Omaha, Nebraska area, is reminiscent of the rolling hills of Jutland, Denmark, and was a favored destination for many of the arriving Danish immigrants.

The national facility is located between the Danish Immigrant Archives at Dana College in Blair, Nebraska, and Grand View College, Des Moines, Iowa.

For more information about the Museum project or how to register a Danish immigrant, you may call (712) 764-7225.



Construction continues on the Danish Immigrant Museum in Elk Horn, Iowa.

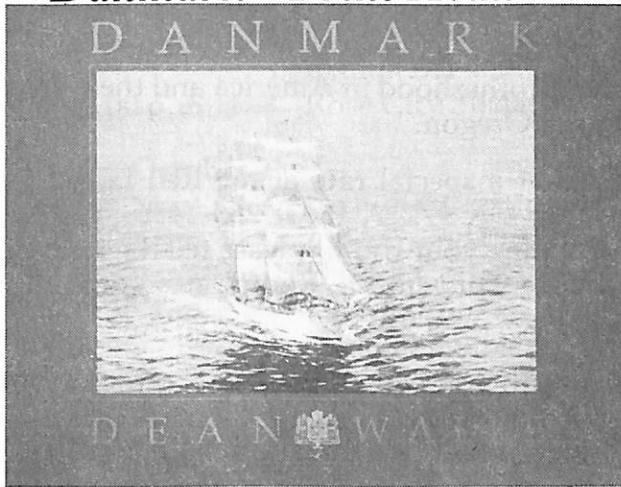
## VELKOMMEN!

In recognition of DBIA members who are participating in the growth of the Danish Brotherhood in America by recommending their family and friends.

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Kirsten E. Williams	33	Tacoma, WA	Signe Wenness
Kirsten N. Holzhauser	34	Dwight, IL	Raymond V. Holzhauser
Jennifer L. Janicki	34	Dwight, IL	Sandra L. Lauritsen
Marjorie A. Flynn	34	Dwight, IL	Charles E. Johnson
Ginger M. Flynn	34	Dwight, IL	Charles E. Johnson
Nathan J. Hoegger	34	Dwight, IL	Roy A. Hoegger
Timothy D. Topolovec	36	Milwaukee, WI	Elsa Berlin
Mary D. Sorensen	43	Denver, CO	Norman R. Wittrup
Joseph A. Schneider	46	Perth Amboy, NJ	Eric Brown
Clarence L. Christiansen	51	Ludington, MI	Jack R. Tremi
Virginia M. Roug	126	Los Angeles, CA	Karl Duus
Hans S. Raven	143	Petaluma, CA	Jim P. Larsen
Amber L. Combs	161	Ruskin, NE	David L. Autrey
Judy M. Kjargaard	167	Portland, OR	Jens N. Jensen
David M. Kjargaard	167	Portland, OR	Jens N. Jensen
Cherise L. Kjargaard	167	Portland, OR	Judy M. Kjargaard
Rachell Kjargaard	167	Portland, OR	Judy M. Kjargaard
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Velma L. Stern	211	Grand Island, NE	Pearl E. Jensen
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Barbara L. Stewart	257	St. Petersburg, FL	Nels H. Kaermark
Ethel B. Thygesen	294	Barre, VT	Harry Mikkelsen
Christopher E. Madsen	342	Bucks Co., PA	Melanie H. Madsen
Elsie M. Bastrup	345	Orange Co., CA	Geraldine Olsen
Hartman J. Bjornsen	347	Cedar Rapids, IA	Arthur F. Wall
Harold C. A. Skow	600	Omaha, NE	Eigil M. Andersen
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Johnny P. Hansen	600	Omaha, NE	Eigil M. Andersen
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## "Danmark" Print Available



Perfect for the home or office, a 24 by 30 inch colored print of the Danish Training Ship "Danmark" by Noted Marine Artist, Dean P. Waite is now available. Dean Waite was born in Manhattan, and was inspired to draw ships at the age of five, after a visit to the Brooklyn Navy Yard. He was educated in Newton, Mass., where he was a charter member of the Newton High School art club and is an honor graduate from Vesper George School of Art, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dean has designed covers for: "The Open Roads for Boys," "Yachting," and "Motor Boating." His paintings have been shown throughout the United States in several museums and galleries. Mr. Waite specializes in a traditional art approach for marine painting, aviation art, mini-vue paintings, portraits and landscapes.

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**G.C.E.L.** — Helen Kofod, 957 Wenwood Drive, N. Bellmore, NY 11740

Correction: Goldie Sorensen is the Secretary of Des Moines Lodge No. 15 NOT the Iowa-Minnesota District as was printed in the March AMERICAN DANE. Deloris Ross of West Branch Lodge No. 326 is the Iowa-Minnesota District Secretary. Deloris' address is Box 275, Cherokee Village, Arkansas 72525. Also, Darwin Noah was incorrectly listed as the Michigan-Ohio District Secretary in the March issue of the AMERICAN DANE. Bob Sorensen, 44800 Gregory Lane, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 is the Michigan-Ohio District Secretary. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. See above.

### Payment to Board Members

MARCH 1991

Clyde R. Langsted, salary, \$238.35.

### APRIL ASSESSMENT NUMBER 1102

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# Lest We Forget

In Grateful Remembrance Of Their Service and Fellowship, We Honor Those Members Who Have Passed Away Since The Last Report.

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth Place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
5-18-90	Hans M. Andersen	84	Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1981
12-29-90	Johannes Sorensen	77	Dronninglund, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1965
1-31-91	Alfred Tychsen	84	Denmark	32	New Haven, Connecticut	1969
2-9-91	Violet M. Matzen	83	Graymont, Illinois	34	Dwight, Illinois	1985
2-8-91	Bernard G. Pietruski	70	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1981
2-4-91	Olaf Thorsen	73	Denmark	328	Vancouver, British Columbia	1959
2-10-91	Allan Birlie	68	Denmark	328	Vancouver, British Columbia	1980
1-25-91	H. W. McCaulley	90	Kidley, Illinois	245	South Bend, Indiana	1946
2-3-91	Holger W. Hansen	88	Copenhagen, Denmark	39	San Leandro, California	1921
2-14-91	Henry W. Josty	85	Copenhagen, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1940
1-28-91	Viggo Wheaton	86	Menominee, Michigan	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1926
2-19-91	Ralph Christensen	89	Montcalm County, Michigan	70	Greenville, Michigan	1948
2-22-91	Arthur L. Sherman	65	Ludington, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1963
2-24-91	Mincus C. Good	88	Hemmark, Denmark	125	Weeping Water, Nebraska	1922
1-28-91	George J. Hoffmann	81	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1960

# 1991 Joint National Convention

The 1991 Joint National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood in America and the Danish Sisterhood of America will be held October 3-5 in Portland, Oregon.

**Hotel Reservations:** A block of rooms has been reserved at a special rate at the Red Lion Inn/Janzen Beach, 909 North Hayden Island Drive, Portland, OR 97717, (503) 283-4466. You are responsible for making your own arrangements. When booking your rooms please tell the reservationist that you are with the Danish Brotherhood in America Convention. Room rates are \$80 for single and \$90 for double. RV park rates are not yet available.

**Registration:** Convention hosts will be on hand at the hotel to greet you and answer questions on Wednesday, October 2nd from 1:00-5:30 p.m., and again Thursday morning, October 3rd from 7:30-8:30 a.m.

**Special Events:** A series of special events have been planned to help you mix business with pleasure. Come join us and meet others who share the Danish Heritage!

- **Rose City Social** — Wednesday, October 2 from 6-9 p.m. This new convention event is a casual no-host gathering for old friends to get re-acquainted.

- **President's Reception** — Thursday, October 3 from 8-10 p.m. A traditional time to honor our past and present presidents who have worked so hard to keep the Danish community together.

- **Harvest Moon on the Columbia** — An evening of dinner, dancing and entertainment is planned with a social hour, October 4 from 6:30-7:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. and entertainment from 9 p.m. until midnight in the **Main Ballroom**. A fun filled evening with Sam Borreson and his group. Suggested attire is casual.

- **An Evening in Tivoli** — Saturday, October 5th, 6:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Upon entering the lavishly decorated room, you'll feel as though you are actually in Tivoli Garden. An evening with Dr. T and his band will be the perfect finale for a wonderful week. Suggested attire: sport coat and tie for the gents, after five dresses for the ladies!

**Meals** • **Breakfast** — There will be a continental style breakfast available with the purchase of tickets, the hotel also has a nice coffee shop; there are also restaurants in the immediate area.

- **Lunch** — You may pick a place of your choice.

- **Dinner** — Thursday evening is a free evening, you will want to enjoy one of Portland's wonderful restaurants. Friday and Saturday evenings will be at the Red Lion with dinner and dancing.

## Other Items of Interest:

- **Souvenirs** — Special items have been selected by both Portland lodges to make this trip to the Pacific Northwest memorable for you. There will be cups, hats, sweatshirts, aprons, jackets, and much more, the selection is yours.

- **Tours** — There will be tours available to you with convenient time slots. There is so much to do in Portland. Portland is a city nestled between the Coastal Range and the Cascade Mountains. You may like to take a drive up the Columbia Gorge, with a view of Washington State across the Columbia, or visit Mt. Hood, visit the many wineries, or head through the Coastal Range to the Oregon Coast. You may just want to wander through Portland's Pioneer Square, the Saturday Market, or Old Town. Tour prices are not yet available.

- **Exhibits** — Exhibits of the history of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood of America will be available on display throughout the convention.

- **Disabled Persons** — Any person with a disability attending the convention will be accommodated so there will be easy access to all functions.

- **Child Care** — CHILDREN WELCOME! Information available upon request.

- **Orientation/Group Photos** — Orientation will be an important event to attend, please arrive sharply Thursday, October 3rd at 10:30 a.m. One photo will be taken of all conventioners, available for purchase. A group picture of your lodge will be available at an extra charge.

## National Convention Agenda

### Wednesday, October 2

1:00- 5:30 p.m. Registration/Check-In  
 Exhibit Set-Up  
 6:00- 9:00 p.m. Rose City Social

### Thursday, October 3

7:30- 8:30 a.m. Early Registration  
 8:30-10:00 a.m. Joint Grand Opening  
 10:00-10:30 a.m. Danish Coffee Break  
 10:30-11:30 a.m. Orientation  
 11:30-Noon Group Pictures  
 Noon- 1:30 p.m. Luncheon  
 1:30- 3:00 p.m. Meetings  
 3:00- 3:30 p.m. Danish Coffee Break  
 3:30- 5:30 p.m. Meetings  
 8:00-10:00 p.m. Free Evening (choice of activities)  
 President's Reception

### Friday, October 4

8:30-10:00 a.m.  
 10:00-10:30 a.m.  
 10:30-Noon  
 Noon- 1:30 p.m.  
 1:30- 3:00 p.m.  
 3:00- 3:30 p.m.  
 3:30- 5:30 p.m.  
 6:30-12:00 p.m.

### Saturday, October 5

8:30-10:00 a.m.  
 10:00-10:30 a.m.  
 10:30-Noon  
 Noon  
 1:30- 3:30 p.m.  
 6:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m.

### Sunday, October 6

Meetings  
 Danish Coffee Break  
 Meetings  
 Luncheon  
 Meetings  
 Danish Coffee Break  
 Meetings  
 Dinner and Dancing  
 Meetings  
 Danish Coffee Break  
 Meetings  
 Lunch Break  
 Free Afternoon  
 Banquet and Dance;  
 Check Out

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Children (Number/Ages) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a Delegate? \_\_\_\_\_ An Alternate? \_\_\_\_\_

**Lodging:**

Will you stay at the Red Lion Motor Inn at Jantzen Beach? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you stay at the Heyden Island RV Park? \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Events:**

**Number of People:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Will be attending Rose City Social

\_\_\_\_\_ Will be attending Thursday Night's President's Reception

\_\_\_\_\_ Will be attending Friday Night's Harvest Moon on the Columbia

\_\_\_\_\_ Will be attending Saturday Night's An Evening in Tivoli

**Please inform us if special food arrangements need to be made:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
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### Convention Fee \$87.50 Per Person

Includes all registration fees and the above special events — Additional dinner tickets available at \$45.00 each

Please fill out this form and return by **August 1st** to:

**Elaine Jensen**  
 5225 N.E. Irving  
 Portland, OR 97213  
 (503) 284-0877

Make checks payable to: DBIA/DSS 1991 Convention

For more information call: **Sylvia Hurst, Lodge No. 167 secretary** - (503) 684-2277 (work) or (503) 246-6124 (home)

# Jorgen's Rainbow



The people of Denmark love to read and Jorgen is no exception. Folk tales and fantasies especially appeal to him and he finds that he enjoys the work of Svend Grundtvig, E. T. Kristensen and Ingvor Bondesen. These lesser-known storytellers are just as enjoyable as their more famous counterparts.

Looks like you've got company, Jorgen!

Please color this picture and send it to the Danish Brotherhood

in America, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68131-3844. Be sure to include your name, address and date of birth. You do not have to be a member of the DBIA to win. Four prizes are awarded every month, one for the following age groups: 2-4, 5-7, 8-9, and 10-12.

**March winners are: Alex Jensen, Peter Andersen and Julia Andersen.**

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

**NORDIC CASSETTES UNLIMITED.** FREE information on audio cassettes, video cassettes and books. "Discovering Denmark" video \$32.90 postpaid. Write to: **Nordic Enterprise, Box 130-AD, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10101-0130.**

## Grandma's Kitchen

### Meatballs for Soup



by Guild Ostergaard

2 lb. of ground pork (80% lean, 20% fat), ground 4 times.

- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 Tbsp. pepper
- 3 Tbsp. bread crumbs
- 1 Tbsp. flour

Mix well; heat water with a dash of salt (do not boil); add meatballs and cook. When done, rinse with cold water, strain and cover until ready to put in soup.

**\*\*Note:** When rolling meatballs prior to cooking, dip fingers in cold water before rolling. this prevents meat sticking to your hands.

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# Viking Adventures

Coming Together — A Beginning      Keeping Together — Progress  
Working Together — Success

## Growth By Sharing

Now you can earn even more points. Beginning April 1, 1991, through July 15, 1991, participants\* in the Growth By Sharing campaign will receive bonus points and double points. Read on to find out how it works.

Share your heritage by recommending DBIA membership to family and friends and submit their names to your local lodge or the Home Office. Upon approval of membership, points will be awarded according to the following schedule:

- 2 points for every social member recommended
- 2 points for every child insured under the Children's Term Rider only
- 4 points for every insured member recommended

### BONUS POINTS

- 5 points for every 100% Insured Family
- 2 points for every purchased or reserved New Young Viking Life - *not applicable in New York*
- 2 points for ADDITIONAL insurance or annuity

*All certificates must be issued prior to July 31, 1991.*

Here are the rewards you will receive once you have accumulated enough points:

- 1 point - The name of all recommenders and respective new member will be engraved on a "leaf" and placed upon a five foot, walnut "Growth By Sharing" recognition tree on perma-

nent display at the National Headquarters.

5 points - The recommender will receive an "I'm Doing My Share" coffee mug.

25 points - The recommender will receive an "I Did My Share" walnut clock.

50 points - The recommender will receive an "I Did More Than My Share" overnight bag.

The recommender with the highest number of points and obtaining at least 100 points will be the grand prize winner. The Grand Prize — TWO ROUND TRIP AIRLINE TICKETS TO DENMARK COURTESY OF SAS. The grand prize winner will be announced at the 1991 National Convention in the City of Roses, Portland, Oregon.

So, start recommending your family and friends now, and reap the rewards of "GROWTH BY SHARING!"

*\*All DBIA members, with the exception of insurance representatives, Home Office staff and Board of Directors, are eligible to participate.*

### Who's In The Lead †

Name	Points
Arnie Sorensen	31
Bill Jorgensen	29
Henry Jepsen	11
Jim Larsen	11
Marion Eriksen	9
Roland Jensen	9
Mary Riber	9

† Accumulated points as of February 28, 1991.

# Show Your Colors

These 60" windsocks are of striking red and white and unmistakably Danish! They're the perfect way to display Danish pride.

Available to DBIA members for only \$21.45 each, non-member price is \$24.20. Shipping and handling has already been included.

### Order Today

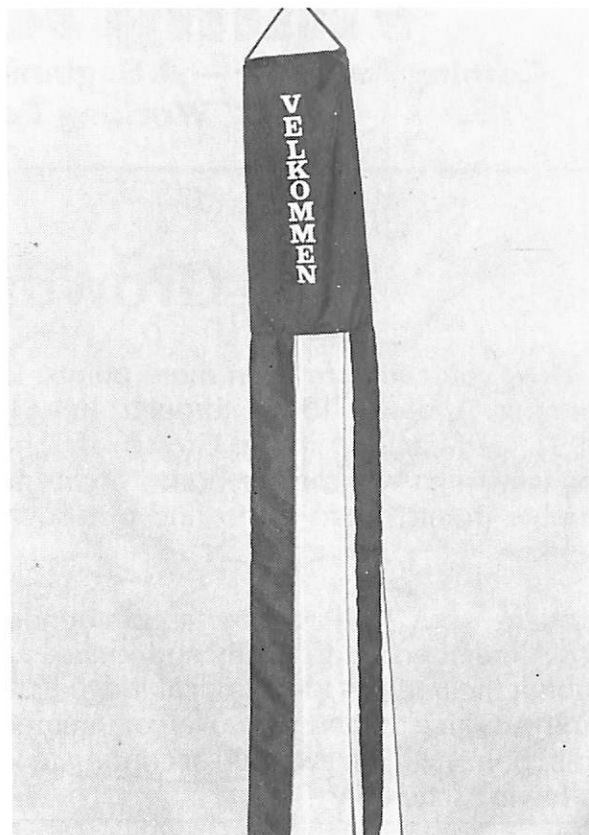
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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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3717 Harney Street  
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*The Danish Brotherhood in America  
3717 Harney Street  
Omaha, NE 68131-3844*

Member: Send your address change, before moving for continued service.

**NOTICE!!! List all family members affected by this change.**

I belong \_\_\_\_\_ My number \_\_\_\_\_  
to Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the lodge is \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

New Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

## Proud To Be A Dane?

We're proud of our Danish heritage and would like more information about The Danish Brotherhood. We understand we can become members even though we may not be near a local lodge. We will receive *The American Dane* each month as members and be eligible to apply for other membership benefits. Please send information to:

Name _____		Age _____		Other Family Members:	
Street Address _____		Name _____		Age _____	
City, State, Zip _____		Name _____		Age _____	
Mail To: <b>The Danish Brotherhood in America 3717 Harney Street Omaha, NE 68131-3844</b>		Name _____		Age _____	

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