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Cover Photo: Red Lion Jantzen Beach welcomed the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood to Portland, Oregon.

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33rd National Convention Report

Portland, Oregon, October 3, 4 and 5, 1991



Lodge No. 167 President, Lisa Mortensen, welcomes delegates to Portland.

Eight members of the National Board of Directors, including the immediate Past National President, Robert Ibsen, and 76 accredited delegates answered the roll call of this, the 33rd National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood in America. Also present were National Fraternal Director, Jennifer Denning; National Sales Director, Andy Andersen; Consultant, Leonard Thompson; and National Secretary-Treasurer, Jerome L. Christensen. The convention was honored to have the following Past National Presidents in attendance:

George Jacobsen, Lodge No. 325, Nassau Co., New York

Kristen Jorgensen, Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Washington

Einar Danielsen, Lodge No. 92, St. Charles, Illinois

A first in the history of the National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood in America, National President, Clyde Langsted, invited the Past National Presidents to join the dias at the head table presiding over the convention.

The delegation began by joining in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Poul B. Christensen, of Vancouver, B.C., Canada Lodge No. 328, was introduced and served the convention as its Parliamentarian.



National Secretary-Treasurer, Jerome Christensen, sings "Wind Beneath My Wings" in memory of the members who have died since the last convention.

Committee Appointments

President Langsted appointed the following committees:

Audit Committee —

Chair, Darwin Noah, Greenville Lodge No. 70; Randy Tommerup, Dillon Lodge No. 273; Asbjorn Fisker, Pacific-Northwest District; Ed Madsen, Solvang Lodge No. 299; Raymond Nielsen, Chicago Lodge No. 35.

Resolution Committee —

Chair, Karen Bruun, Bellingham Lodge No. 55; Ronald Jensen, Kenosha Lodge No. 14; Carl Sorensen, Hartford Lodge No. 314; H. Owen Miller, Los Angeles Lodge No. 126; Francis Pedersen, Weeping Water Lodge No. 125.

Tally Committee —

Chair, Marlowe Seyller, Jr., St Charles Lodge No. 92; Cecil Hedrick, San Leandro Lodge No. 39; Art Wall, Cedar Rapids Lodge No. 347; Kenneth Johnson, Ludington Lodge No. 51; Berit Mann, New Haven Lodge No. 32.

Reports from the Board of Directors

President Langsted reported to the delegation on his term as President of the Danish Brotherhood in America. This report was followed by various National Board committee reports including:

Fraternal Donations Committee by Woodrow Petersen, First Vice President, Chair;

Investment Committee by Jerome L. Christensen, Secretary-Treasurer, Chair;

Audit & Securities Committee by Paul Carlsen, Director, Chair;

Scholarship/Camp Grant Committee by Erling Braumann, Second Vice President, Chair;

Bylaws Committee by Ebba Norby, Director, Chair;

Building Committee by Jerome Sonsalla, Director, Chair;

Retirement Committee by Barry Edmonds, Director, Chair;

Executive & National President's Awards Committees by Clyde Langsted, President, Chair.

Leonard Thompson, Consultant, was then introduced and addressed the Convention as the featured speaker. Also reporting to the delegation was Jerome L. Christensen, Secretary-Treasurer; Andy Andersen, Sales Director; and Jennifer Denning, Fraternal Director.

Changes Made to National Bylaws

Reported below are the changes made to the Society's bylaws as a result of legislation enacted by the Thirty-Third National Convention held in Portland, Oregon, October 3-5, 1991. All matters acted upon came before the governing body lawfully and in a manner approved by the Convention.

Words and text in parentheses () identify deletions, while **bold face type** identify additions.

Articles of Incorporation

There were no changes made to the Society's Articles of Incorporation, including the name under which the Society is to be known: **Danish Brotherhood in America.**

Bylaws

Article I

Section 1: No change in paragraph 1 with current paragraph 2 becoming paragraph 3. New paragraph 2: **Any delegate, considering himself/herself a potential candidate for the office of National Director, should submit to the secretary-treasurer of the Danish Brotherhood in America, a complete resume, listing his/her qualifications. The resume, along with a photograph, shall be submitted in time for publication in the American Dane magazine no later than three (3) months prior to a national convention.**

Section 3: In an area where there is . . . entitled to receive (\$5.00) **\$25.00** for each insured. . .

Article II

Section 5, Paragraph 4: He/**She** shall. . . As compensation for his/**her** work, he/**she** shall receive an annual (salary) **allowance** of 30¢ per member. . .

Section 8, Paragraph 1: It shall be the duty of the secretary-treasurer (collecting assessments to render the lodge a monthly bill for the amount of the assessment. He shall also) **to** require that every lodge at the termination of each year furnish him/**her** with a correct report of its members in good standing, their (total assessment) names and lodge number (.) **and** number of members (dead) **deceased**, suspended or transferred.

Section 8: Paragraph 3: In the case of the **local** lodge secretary. . . communicate with the president of the **local** lodge, who shall read the communication to the **local** lodge. Upon receipt. . . the **local** lodge. . .

Section 12, Paragraph 2: It is further the duty of the secretary-treasurer to publish a (complete) record of the national convention...

Section 14, Paragraph 1: ...For such meetings they shall...allowance of (\$50.00) **\$75.00** for one day of travel to and one...A(n) (\$80.00) **\$100.00** per day per diem allowance...

Section 15, Paragraph 5: Delete paragraph in its entirety.

Section 15, Paragraph 8: ...per diem allowance of (\$50.00) **\$75.00** for days of travel...A(n) (\$80.00) **\$100.00** per day per diem...

Article III

Section 22: Paragraph 1. **Any local lodge or district may host a national convention.**

Paragraph 2. The Danish Brotherhood in America shall hold its national convention...the foregoing convention (by written ballot. A convention...Should the local lodge or district where the convention...

Section 23, Paragraph 2: While functioning as the convention law committee,... receive a(n) (\$80.00) **\$100.00** per day per diem...allowance of (\$50.00) **\$75.00** for each travel day...

Section 23, Paragraph 3: Proposals may be made from the floor of the convention for **immediate discussion but may not be voted on until the following day or later.** Proposals originating...

Section 24, Paragraph 3: Delete paragraph in its entirety.

Section 26, Paragraph 1: A lodge with at least (fifteen (15)) **eleven (11)** insured members...



Members of the National Law Committee discuss business during a break.

Section 28, Paragraph 1: Delegates, **Parliamentarian**, as well as the Board of Directors and all National Past Presidents, shall receive a per diem allowance of (\$80.00) **\$100.00** per day of the convention and a (\$50.00) **\$75.00** per diem allowance for one day of travel...

Section 34: A member who is not insured in the Society, **unless such delegate qualifies under the provisions of Section 112, Paragraphs 1 & 2,** or a mem-

ber who has not performed his/her duties to the lodge and the Society, cannot be selected as a delegate to the convention. (NOTE: Section number here to change as a result of deleting and adding Sections to the Bylaws.)



Delegates Deloris Hansen, Lodge No. 1, and John Mollerskov, Lodge No. 4, review bylaws and bylaw proposals during a break.

Section 36, Paragraph 2: A **local lodge or district** engaged in the organization of a national convention...The host **local lodge or district** shall keep...

Article IV

Section 40, Paragraph 1: An applicant for membership must enter the mutual insurance and other benefit funds of the Society by paying the prescribed rates in advance and must take out (at least \$1,000 of insurance) **an insurance certificate, the minimum amount to be established by the Board, or a (the) \$500.00** minimum (premium) amount of an annuity, **as well as pay an annual national membership dues of \$10.00 or an annual Lodge No. 600 membership dues of \$10.00.** The Board shall be empowered to make adjustments in these amounts from time to time after the calendar year of 1992 has ended. (NOTE: Paragraph 2 becomes Paragraph 3 with no change.)

Section 40, New Paragraph 2: Paragraph 2. **Fifty (50) year members and over, and members up to age 23 who are full-time students, shall be exempt from paying the annual membership dues.**

Section 48, Paragraph 1. Upon the death of a member with insurance, the lodge shall, **when practical**, immediately send (written report thereof) a **Lodge Death Report form** to the home office (containing full name, lodge number, when admitted to the lodge, and) **along with** a certified copy of the certificate of death of the deceased. (, and how payment should be directed to the beneficiaries if known.) At the same time, the lodge shall, **when known**, notify the home office of any predeceased beneficiaries and put the surviving heirs in contact with the home office.

Section 51, Paragraph 1: The secretary-

treasurer shall (levy twelve (12) monthly assessments each year, and may make quarterly billing to the lodges. The secretary-treasurer may) make billings to the members for insurance (assessments) **premiums** directly to such members (at their request). The secretary-treasurer may include...

Section 55, Paragraph 1: In case a member...deduction for any (assessments) **premiums**, dues and taxes that may have been owed (to the lodge by the member) **to the Society** at the time of suspension (; the so deducted amount to be paid to the lodge).

Article V

Section 56: Current section deleted and replaced with the following:

There is hereby established a separate fund to be known as the "Fraternal Fund." The purpose of the Fraternal Fund shall be to accept contributions, gifts, bequests, legacies, devises or transfers from individuals and from estates of decedents. Any such amounts so received shall be kept as a reserve fund. The income and principal of the Fraternal Fund shall only be used exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, including but not limited to general aid, special aid, scholarship payments as set forth in Section 58. Expenditures from the Fraternal Fund shall be made by special appropriation of the Board of Directors; provided that no part of the Fraternal Fund shall be expended for the purpose of carrying on propaganda or in otherwise attempting to influence legislation or participating in or intervening in (including the publishing and distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office; and provided further that the Fraternal Fund shall not be used in any manner that will invalidate or disqualify qualifying contributions thereto as deductible pursuant to either §170(c) (4) or §2055 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Should the Fraternal Fund be terminated for any reason, or should the Danish Brotherhood in America be dissolved, all assets of the Fraternal Fund shall be distributed exclusively for the purpose of the Fraternal Fund in such manner, or to such selected organization or organizations that are then organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes so as to qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Section 58, Paragraph 3: Special aid. The term "special aid" shall include all cases where general aid is deemed inadequate. **Under no circumstances will general aid and special aid be granted simultaneously.**

Section 58, Paragraph 4: In cases where a financial...he/she may again in the following calendar year make application for aid in accordance with the following schedule: up to \$800.00 granted for the second year; up to \$600.00 granted for the third year; with no further aid granted thereafter. In exceptional cases, where a true emergency exists, this renewal application schedule may be subject to change by the Board of Directors at their discretion. At least one (1) year must elapse between applications.

Section 58, Paragraph 5 (b): Up to sixteen (16) cash scholarships (, four (4) of which may be awarded to applicants planning to attend a vocational or trade school,) may be granted each year, **and shall be awarded between applicants for vocational or trade schools; colleges and universities.** Each scholarship may be in an amount. . .

Section 58, Paragraph 5 (d): (Scholarships may be awarded only for attendance at colleges and universities accredited by one of the six (6) United States regional accrediting associations or accredited

technical and vocational schools.) Scholarships may apply to attendance at schools and universities located in Denmark upon approval by the Board of Directors.

Section 60, Paragraph 2: Social members shall pay to the funds of the Society, through the local lodge:

- (a) An initiation fee of (\$1.00) **\$5.00** to the general fund.
- (b) An annual **national** membership dues of (\$5.00) **\$15.00** due on July 1 of each year.
- (c) Social members who join Lodge No. 600 shall pay annual membership dues of (\$10.00) **\$25.00**.

The National Board of Directors shall be empowered to make adjustments to these amounts from time to time after the calendar year of 1992 has ended.

Article VI

Section 62, Paragraph 1: The Society shall have the right to admit lodges according to its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws anywhere in the United States of America, where eleven (11) persons who are eligible for membership wish to organize such lodge(;). (provided, however, that) (e) Eleven (11) persons who are eligible for membership can establish a lodge outside the borders of the U.S.A. under the . . .

New Section 67 and renumbering sub-

sequent Sections from Section 67 forward: **It shall be mandatory for all districts and local lodges to secure general liability insurance, as provided by the national headquarters, in an amount of at least \$1,000,000 per lodge/district. The liability insurance coverage shall protect the lodge/district and the individual members of same from personal liability and expenses resulting from claims arising out of the lodge/district or lodge/district-sponsored activities. This insurance will not cover real estate or buildings. The premium for this insurance shall be paid annually by the national headquarters with an assessment for the cost being pro-rated by the membership of each lodge and billed to each lodge annually by the national headquarters.**

Section 75, Paragraph 1: The slate of officers in a lodge (shall preferably be) **may be** as follows:

- One past president
- One president
- One vice president
- One secretary
- One treasurer
- Three trustees
- One conductor

and any other officers as may be desired by the local lodge.

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Section 75, Paragraph 2: Delete paragraph in its entirety.

Section 75, Paragraph 3: Lodge officers will serve for one (1) year...no member can be elected president who has not previously been (a member of the board of directors) **an officer** in one of the subordinate lodges...

Section 83, Paragraph 4: In order to qualify as a lawful district, it is...specified in the bylaws of the district. **No member can be elected a delegate who has not been a member of a local lodge for at least six (6) months, except for members of newly constituted lodges.**

Section 83, Paragraphs 8 & 9: Delete these paragraphs in their entirety.

Article VII

Section 88: When a lodge elects a financial secretary...and enter the same in the lodge journal (and send to all members a written notice in accordance with Section 52, Paragraph 1, Article IV.), **if applicable.**

Section 89: Delete section in its entirety.

Section () 90: The treasurer shall have care...report the receipts by funds (dues, (assessments,) etc.), since the previous meeting...

Article VIII

Section 102, Paragraph 1: Any member who in every way has complied with the requirements of the lodge and wishes to be transferred to another lodge, can receive a transfer (on) **by notifying the secretary of his/her home lodge and using** forms furnished by the home office (,). (which) **This** gives him/her the right to seek membership in any other lodge, and shall be governed by the rules as described in Section 72.

Section 105: Delete section in its entirety.

Resolutions Adopted

A resolution requiring that \$1.00 of the national dues adopted by the convention be deposited to the newly established Fraternal Fund, for a period of four (4) years, was adopted by the convention.

Report of the Audit Committee

Darwin Noah, of Greenville, Michigan Lodge No. 70, and Chair of the Audit Committee, was called upon to present their report. Noah reported the following:

"The Audit Committee has reviewed the financial statements as of December 31, 1990, together with the auditor's report as presented by the public accounting firm of Arthur Andersen & Company.

It has also reviewed the Association Financial Condition Report of Examination conducted by the State of Nebraska.

To the best of our knowledge, the Society has complied with the requirements of the various states and the bylaws in completing and filing these various statements."

Report of the Resolutions Committee

Karen Bruun, of the Bellingham, Washington Lodge No. 155, and Chair of the Resolutions Committee was called upon to present their report. Bruun reported the following:

"WHEREAS, Portland, the beautiful city of roses by the Columbia and Willamette Rivers, has provided the perfect setting for the Joint National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood in America and the Danish Sisterhood of America, and

WHEREAS, the joint opening session was enthusiastically welcomed by Norma Paulus, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Oregon, by Mike Lindberg, Portland City Commissioner, and by Honorary Danish Consul of Oregon, Ingolf Noto, who also brought greetings from the Danish Ambassador, Peter Dyvig, and

WHEREAS, a special welcome was extended to all by the Brotherhood's Portland lodge president, Lisa Mortensen, and the Sisterhood's Portland lodge president, Grete Kasch, and

WHEREAS, Ingeborg McHaffie of Lodge No. 81 and National Past President George Jacobsen led us in the inspired memorial service supported by Jerome Christensen's moving lyrics and music, and,

WHEREAS, we want to commend the National Directors for their excellent leadership and dedicated services during the past four years, and

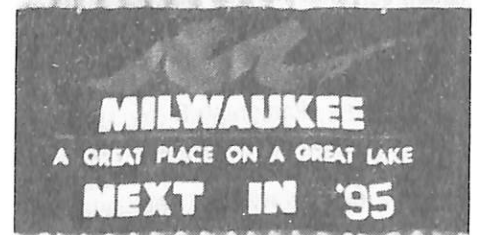
WHEREAS, we want to acknowledge the home office staff for their work and for their excellent communication with the lodges,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the 33rd National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood in America extends to the Portland Brotherhood Lodge No. 167 and the Portland Sisterhood Lodge No. 81 the most heartfelt "thank you" for a superb convention, and to each and every committee member for a job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we acknowledge and thank National President, Clyde Langsted, for presiding over and conducting the business sessions of the National Convention in a most efficient and professional manner."

Thirty-Fourth National Convention Invitation

The Midwest District's invitation to host the 199^F National Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was the only invitation extended to the delegation at this the 33rd National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood. This invitation was extended to both the Danish Brotherhood and Danish Sisterhood at the Joint Grand Opening of the 1991 convention on Thursday, October 3, 1991. By majority vote, the delegates accepted the Midwest District's gracious invitation.



Election of the National Board of Directors

The following candidates were elected by the delegates to serve on the National Board of Directors of the Danish Brotherhood in America:

1. Woody Petersen, Lodge No. 35, Chicago, Illinois
2. Erling Braumann, Lodge No. 102, Providence, Rhode Island
3. Ebba Norby, Lodge No. 332, Ripon, California
4. Barry Edmonds, Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Connecticut
5. Ed Madsen, Lodge No. 299, Solvang, California
6. Paul Carlsen, Lodge No. 227, Detroit, Michigan
7. Asbjorn Fisker, Lodge No. 167, Portland, Oregon

As provided in the bylaws of the DBIA, Clyde Langsted of Seattle, Washington Lodge No. 29 will serve as immediate Past National President.

The following candidates were then elected by the delegates to serve as alternates to the National Board of Directors:

Dave Neelson, Lodge No. 326, West Branch, Iowa

Jerome Sonsalla, Lodge No. 219, Clear Lake, Iowa

Bill Jorgensen, Lodge No. 16, Minden, Nebraska

At an organizational meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors immediately following the close of the Thirty-Third National Convention, the following officers

of the Danish Brotherhood in America were elected:

Woodrow Petersen, President
 Erling Braumann, First Vice President
 Paul Carlsen, Second Vice President
 Jerome Christensen, Secretary-Treasurer

Thirty-Third National Convention Expenses

At the close of the Thirty-Third National Convention, the total cost attributable to said convention was \$81,369.65.

Statement of Expenses

Travel	\$28,367.31
Per Diem	43,460.00
Miscellaneous	9,542.34
TOTAL	\$81,369.65

Travel and per diem costs include expenses incurred for the National Law Committee meeting in April of this year. The miscellaneous expense includes the printing of the convention proposal booklet and delegate credentials.

Respectfully submitted,
 Jerome L. Christensen
 Chief Executive Officer
 and Secretary-Treasurer

Payment to Board Members

NOVEMBER
 Woodrow T. Petersen, allowance, \$238.05.

33rd National Convention



Harvey Andersen and June Sampson of the Iowa-Minnesota District raise their glasses to "Skool" with those at their table.



Delegates and guests to the National Convention in Portland were entertained by a folkdance group.



DBIA members from Dillon, Montana, met members from the East Coast.



Newly elected National Director, Ed Madsen, and his wife Betty Jane.

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Glaedelig Jul og Godt Nytaar

by Edith Moller

An Arctic blizzard might be raging over the prairies of Nebraska, but the Christmas season arrived on December first, come snow or shine. It sort of tiptoed in and then ran faster and faster until it exploded with joy on Christmas Eve. It remained lively until its demise on New Year's Day. After that there was just winter.

What a bustle arose in the kitchen in December! From the oven of the cookstove, fired hot with corn cobs and wood, came kringler, spicy cookies, and cardamom-flavored Yule cake. The children cut and baked tiny pepper nuts from long snakes of dough. They were sure to be present to scrape the kettles in which fudge or divinity candy had been cooked.

Of course a thorough house cleaning had to be done before Christmas. Floors and woodwork were scrubbed and windows washed clear of tobacco smoke. Furniture became glossy from polish. Finally the home stood fresh with welcome for the Christ Child.

Before the family attempted to drive the thirty miles to Grand Island for Christmas shopping, they had to outguess the weather mood of Nebraska. A capricious lady, she may one week rant and rave, flinging snow and sleet. The next she may smile and coo with balmy breath. On a favorable day the Nash scooted easily through the sandhills. In the city stores your heart squirmed with desire for the elegant dolls or miniature houses. Then you could agonize all the way home, wondering if your chosen gift were hidden somewhere in the car.

The rural mail carrier often stacked parcels on top of the mailboxes. You rushed out without a coat to fetch them. They were placed on top of a high bookcase. Standing on tiptoe on a chair, you could manage to shake the packages and try to guess what treasures grandparents or relatives had sent.

Just before Christmas the tree was set up in the middle of the living room. It might be a native cedar, but a fir tree from Colorado was considered to be prettier.

The celebration of Christmas began on Little Christmas Eve on December twenty-third. The family shared letters or cards from afar and sang hymns in Danish, still the language of the heart. The peace of God filled the home.

The next day you awoke joyfully and went about your tasks without grumbling. Late in the afternoon you dressed in your red velvet dress, adding a locket and small gold rings as well as a dab of Mother's perfume.

In the evening the lion's claw oak table stood decked with linen tablecloth and Bavarian china. The family sat down reverently to sing **A Child Is Born in Bethlehem** as table grace. One lucky person found an almond in his serving of rice porridge and received a special "almond gift." Then came the brown and succulent roast goose, stuffed with apples and prunes, and accompanied by potatoes mashed with country cream, fruit-flavored gravy, sweet-sour cabbage, and spicy condiments. You ended the feast with Danish apple cake hidden by whipped cream. On this night of joy all God's creatures must be replete, even the cat and the wild birds.

After dinner Dad lit the small, colored candles on the tree. Tinsel, glass ornaments, and white paper angels loaded the branches. Underneath were piled the gift packages. What sight was ever lovelier to a child's eyes than a lighted Christmas tree?

All persons present joined hands in a circle around the tree and sang **Christmas Is Here Again**, followed by beloved Danish hymns. Dad read Luke's account of the birth of Jesus and thereafter a children's Christmas story.

When you could sing no more, the packages were opened, one by one. What games and books and toys came forth! Last of all you opened your parents' gift, perhaps a new doll with human hair and movable eyes. But the supreme present ever was a big racer sled, hidden on the snowy front porch.

On Christmas morning you dressed again in your best clothes and trudged off to church, lugging a new doll. Every parking space was filled with the farmers' Fords and Chevies and even a buggy or two, handy to use on a cold morning, when the car refused to start. Inside the brick church the candles were lit in front of the picture of Christ on the hand-carved altar. Before the altar rail stood a tree covered with white paper angels and lighted candles.

After the stately Lutheran service there was a rush of hand-shaking and wishing, "Glaedelig Jul." Then everyone went home to finish the goose, enjoy presents, and digest dinner with family or close friends.

After communion service on Second Christmas Day, a round of home parties kept people busy day and night. The Fords and Chevies chugged from farm to farm, hopefully not getting stuck in the snowdrifts. Cows had to be milked and hogs slopped, but farmers kept work to a minimum during Christmas Week. Inside a host home every chair was occupied. The men discussed politics and farm matters in the living room, leaving the dining room to the women. The nearest bed was filled with coats and babies. The children were expected to play decorously in a spare bedroom. The pastor was a popular guest, for he could lead group singing, a favorite form of recreation, while some lady played the piano or parlor organ. After that, countless pounds of cookies, cakes, and candy were washed down with gallons of coffee. Some hostesses might offer a glass of homemade cherry wine. On the pretext of admiring the Holsteins and Percherons, the men might have a slug of whiskey in the barn. But intoxication was virtually unknown in the community.

The Children's Christmas Tree was a social highlight. The children joined hands around a big tree in the community hall, sang carols, and listened to stories. Each child received a bag containing candy, nuts, and a Sunkist orange. After coffee and goodies, the adults might twirl to the music of violin and piano in a folk dance, waltz, or polka.

After family duck dinners on New Year's Eve, the young men provided excitement by roving about the countryside in groups and playing pranks in the community. On New Year's morning, many a householder had to search for a missing gate or farm implement, often finding it on the barn roof. The youths liked especially to prove their manhood by hoisting a wagon or manure spreader to the top of the community store. One year worshippers came merrily to New Year's Day services, after they had enjoyed the sight of a Model T Ford silhouetted high against the winter sky. Some young fellows were the heroes of the day!

When the sun sank beneath the prairie horizon on New Year's Day, the Christmas season sank into oblivion with it. After that there was just winter.



Our Lodges in Action

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PACIFIC-NORTHWEST

Lodge #29, Seattle, WA — Our last meeting was called to order by President Frank Poulsen at 7:35 p.m. All officers were present except Ken Kromann and Jesper Mortensen.

The lodge accepted a membership application from Kurt Rasmussen who was recommended by Michael Nielsen.

We had the pleasure of initiating two new members, Jeffrey Jensen and Peter B. Nielsen. Welcome and hope to see you often.

Thirty-eight people attended the Day at the Races and had a very exciting time, but not everyone went home with pockets full of money. The ninth race was called the Danish Brotherhood race and one jockey was dressed in red and white. The trainer's name was Hansen and, of course, he won the race.

Our nominating committee for 1992 officers consists of Paul Hansen, Kris Jorgensen and Robert Riley. They will be meeting before the next lodge meeting. If they call you, please consider serving as an officer for 1992.

Effective December 31, 1991, Frank Poulsen will resign as newsletter editor for our lodge due to lack of time. Please contact him or the lodge if you are interested in becoming editor.

Please continue to bring food and cash donations to the meetings. Suggestions include canned soups, meats, fruits and vegetables, packaged cereals, baby food, tuna fish, juices, etc. **Frank Poulsen, Cor.**

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST ANNUAL ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Lodge #167, Portland, OR — Our National Convention is history now. Our own member, Asbjorn Fisker, was elected to the National Board of Directors at our recent National Convention. It is the first time ever that Portland has been represented on the Board. Asbjorn has been treasurer, vice president and president of our lodge plus secretary-treasurer, vice president and president of the district. And now he has reached a level higher than

The best idea for December goes to Lodge No. 14, Kenosha, WI. See page 15.

most of us can ever think of. We wish you good luck in all your work, Asbjorn. We are all behind you and we are all very proud of you. **Lisa Mortensen, Pres.**

Lodge #328, Vancouver, B.C. — There was no meeting in October due to the absence of many of the Board of Directors. Instead, the Brothers got together and had a nice evening with sandwiches, beer and snaps.

A special thank you goes to Brother Henning Hald for storing our podiums, etc., for the past few years. We would also like to thank Brother Niels Jensen who is now storing our things. **Peter Praegel, Cor.**

Lodge #348, Eugene, OR — We met for our monthly meeting on October 10. Several members from Portland were visiting, representing the Northwest Danish Foundation Outreach Program — Ed and Helene Hirsch, Diane Fisker and June Gaps. Also introduced were Svend Sorensen from Illinois, Marge and Alton Neve from Albert Lea, Minnesota Lodge No. 75, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schultz from Ruskin, Nebraska Lodge No. 161.

Kris Sand, our delegate to the National Convention, gave a short report of the event. It was a very successful convention. Everything was well planned including the meetings, tours, decorations, food and entertainment. Portland's Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges did a wonderful job. We had 26 members representing our lodge.

We continue to have planned activities for the Young Vikings during the business meetings. We also bring canned food for Operation Care and Share. June Gaps from Portland presented a slide show of Denmark.

Thank you to the committee for the evening who served refreshments.

Birgit Sand, Cor.

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Lodge #39, San Leandro, CA — The traditional yearly Italian Ravioli Dinner took place on November 1 and was attended by 40 members and guests. It was a very successful evening.

At the meeting which followed dinner, a new slate of officers for the coming year was elected and will be installed at a joint installation with Hayward Lodge No. 184 and Sisterhood Lodge No. 17 on January 3, 1992, at our meeting place, 16490 Kent Street, San Lorenzo. It will begin at 7:00 p.m. The district Brotherhood and Sisterhood officers will be present to install the elected lodge officers. Refreshments will be served after the installation, so come and join in.

Glaedelig Jul to all Brothers!

Age Lundquist, Sec.

Lodge #126, Los Angeles, CA — The National Convention in Portland, Oregon, is now over and we welcomed our delegate, Owen Miller, at the October meeting. Many of our officers and members attended this convention. All were very impressed with what they saw and what they participated in. We say thank you, Portland, for an exceptional and exciting convention.

President Doris Christensen brought the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed. Roll call indicated that all officers were present except Harold Mathiasen.

Chairperson of the Entertainment Committee, Neco Hansen, reported on the social in September. The open-face sandwiches were delicious and plenty of different kinds to choose from. For those members that did not attend that evening, you surely missed the big surprise in connection with the travelogue shown. We will be having another one soon so watch for the announcement.

The collection of canned foods for the needy is progressing very nicely. It was suggested that we bring a child's gift to the December meeting to be delivered to the Salvation Army in time for Christmas.

President Doris appointed a nominating committee, consisting of Karl Duus, Lars Westerskov and Peter Breum, to come up with a slate of prospective officers for 1992 for the next meeting. If you are contacted by the nominating committee, please make it an affirmative answer. We have many hard workers in our lodge and we need you as an officer.

Our annual Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 8. Plan to attend with your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. **Anne Kofod, Cor.**

Lodge #143, Petaluma, CA — We hope everyone attending the California-Nevada District Convention in August enjoyed the results of a year's planning by the committee. We will not attempt to name individuals because this was truly a joint effort, however, we do say "tusind tak" to Chairpersons Dr. Jim A. Larsen and his mother, Donna Larsen, who also happen to be Presidents of our local lodges. After the business meetings, we relaxed each evening with a variety of entertainment: Thursday night's talent show, Friday's Western Night supper and dance and Saturday night's banquet and grand ball. The installation took place on Saturday afternoon and our escort team of young ladies added much to the ceremony. Our local drill team gave an outstanding performance and made special presentations to our own Jim P. Larsen and Santa Barbara's Joan Petersen, the new Presidents. Of course, we wish our own "Big Jim" Larsen the best of luck in his term as President. On Sunday morning, a farewell breakfast was held at the home of Jim and Donna Larsen whose house was bursting at the seams with guests enjoying the good food and hospitality. We are looking forward to next year's convention in Solvang.

Our delegate to the National Convention in Portland, Oregon, was Jim P. Larsen, who attended with his wife Donna. Others who attended from Petaluma were Dorothy Petersen, who was Vice President of the National Sisterhood at that time, Walt and Lillie Miller, Harvey and Alice Rasmussen and Jack and Nancy Cameron. California lodges had their own hospitality room where we all spent many pleasant hours. We thoroughly enjoyed Portland's hospitality and their gorgeous natural scenery and we all came home with happy memories of good times shared with special friends.

Our annual Christmas party will be held on December 20, after which the district lodge installations will take place. We hope a large number of our members will support our Jim P. Larsen as he performs his Presidential duties

We wish all of you Happy Holidays with your families and friends.

Alice Rasmussen, Cor.

Lodge #299, Solvang, CA — On October 9, a wonderful tri-tip barbecue dinner was served by Howard Petersen and crew. The meeting was called to order by President Brian Olesen.

A convention report was given by delegate Ed Madsen. He expressed admiration for the quality of accommodations and activities arranged by the Portland Brotherhood and Sisterhood lodges, and then related the report given by Consultant Leonard Thompson regarding the financial straits of the Brotherhood.

He encouraged the lodge to deposit those savings that can be withdrawn without penalty in the new Fraternal Fund and the lodge members with insurance policies of less than \$10,000 to either increase the amount or cash them in and purchase an annuity, in order to make the DBIA insurance program more profitable.

He then reported on the elections and announced the officers elected by the Board. Congratulations to President Woodrow Petersen, First Vice President Erling Braumann and Second Vice President Paul Carlsen.

The meeting was followed by a long discussion between many members regarding the possible solutions to DBIA's Fraternal Fund needs, and next year's California-Nevada District Convention, which will be held in Solvang on July 30-August 1, 1992. We were most grateful that Johannes Jaeger, the 1991 recipient of the Howard E. Christensen Award, was recovering quickly and was able to attend the meeting. **Ed Madsen, Cor.**

Lodge #306, San Diego, CA — Our Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 8. The social will be from 2:00-3:00 p.m. with fun for the children from 2:00-3:30 p.m. Open faced sandwiches and dessert will be served at 3:30 p.m. followed by singing around the Christmas tree and then a visit from Old Saint Nick. The price is \$5.00 per person, 13 and up; free for 12 and under.

We are planning our installation of new officers for January 10. This year we will be enjoying a new location — the 32nd Street CPO Club, thanks to Bessie and Phil Jacobsen. A mixer/social will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. with dinner being served at 7:30-8:30 p.m. Installation will follow from 8:30-9:30 p.m. The price for the prime rib dinner is \$20.00. Paid reservations must be made with Alma Jensen or Petra Ferullo

Lodge #323, Alhambra, CA — Several of our members attended the National Convention in Portland, Oregon, on October 3-5, with Karen Rowse as our delegate. They returned with the feeling of accomplishment and having received useful information that will benefit the future development of our organization.

We extend our thank yous to the combined Portland lodges for hosting the Joint National Convention of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood. It was a wonderful convention. It showed much work and planning by the host lodges. The convention committee did an outstanding job. Your warmth and hospitality shall never be forgotten. Congratulations to our 1992 National Officers!

Kate Krake Nielsen, Cor.

Lodge #345, Orange County, CA — Our October 12 meeting was a fun "fall festival" party. We began the evening with hot dogs and nachos. After we all had our fill, the business meeting began.

Ken Olsen, our National Convention delegate, spoke to the membership about the convention which was highly successful and productive.

Acting as District Fraternal Coordinators, Ken and Gerry Olsen once again explained the newly established Operation: H.O.P.E. (Helping Others and Protecting Our Environment). The membership was asked to decide if we wished to change our Operation Care and Share to Operation: H.O.P.E. or establish two separate programs. We voted for changing Operation Care and Share into Operation: H.O.P.E. Upon this change, it was decided that Vivian Schuette would remain as head chairperson as she has done such an outstanding job in the past. In addition to our helping the Christian Temporary Housing Facility, we will be incorporating our eyeglass recycling and aluminum tab recycling projects, headed by Helga Bjorn, into one project which will now be Operation: H.O.P.E. This will satisfy the criteria of helping others, which we are doing by supporting the housing facility, and protecting our environment, which we are doing through our recycling efforts. Additional environmental issues will be added as our program progresses. Vivian was very pleased to have Gertrude Nielsen and Marian Aymar volunteer to help her with Operation: H.O.P.E.

President Jim Wiegandt gave out information about the upcoming joint installation of officers on January 11, 1992, at the Jolly Roger Inn in Anaheim. A decision about the entertainment was voted upon and the lodge agreed to pay half of

the cost to the disc jockey in order to keep the price of the evening as reasonable as possible.

Vivian Schuette reported that with her monetary allotment for the Christian Temporary Housing Facility, she purchased six dozen teaspoons, six dozen forks, and two dozen tablespoons and delivered them to the facility. This flatware was something they really needed and they were very pleased to receive it.

Many thanks to Ozzie Schuette who presented the lodge with a hand crafted wooden display case which was customly designed to hold our lodge's symbols. The wooden display case has a glass lid and is lined with fed felt and Ozzie did a wonderful job of constructing it.

Following the business meeting, we got down to the task of carving our pumpkins. About 45 minutes later, the judges made the following decisions: scariest pumpkin, Gary Gossett; most unique, Bryce and Jamey Gossett; best nose, Pat Christensen; and best children's design, Kaleena Chappell. We all had donuts and apple cider to finish this fun evening. Many thanks to Jim and Ardythe Wiegandt and their committee for sponsoring this event!

Our annual Christmas dinner will be held at the Compton Hunting and Fishing Club on Saturday, December 14, at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under age 12. Santa will be passing out Christmas bags to the children. A table will be provided for anyone interested in the Christmas Boutique. We will have Christmas music and dancing around the tree.

The joint installation of officers of Holger Danske No. 345 and Kodan No. 346 has been planned for Saturday, January 11 at the Jolly Roger Inn Marine Room. Cocktails will begin at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:15 p.m. followed by the installation of officers and dancing. The cost is \$23.00 per person. Please make your reservations with Jim or Ardythe Wiegandt as soon as possible.

Toni Olsen Gossett, Cor.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD BEST NEWSLETTER

Lodge #346, Riverside, CA — Eighteen members attended our potluck dinner meeting at Bill and Lynda Jones' home on September 12. Thank you to all the good cooks.

Carolyn Lindberg and Norma Loveday, our delegates to the District Convention, gave us a report from Petaluma. A letter was read from Ebba Norby requesting a donation from our lodge and something like brochures from our area to be brought and

placed in our hospitality room. A motion was made and passed to send a donation to the hospitality room and those of us going to the National Convention to bring brochures and snacks from this area.

A letter from the Home Office was also read regarding liability insurance covering all the lodges at a very reasonable rate. It was discussed and very well received by the members. President Jim Patterson made a suggestion that we should try and hold our Board meetings an hour before our regular meeting at the Community Center in Grand Terrace starting with the November meeting. It was agreed that we would try this change to see if it would accommodate people more by the location being more centralized, the meeting not being on a week day and no one needing to host the meeting. Our delegate to the National Convention, Pete Petersen, was advised by the membership to vote against the name change proposal.

On September 28 we had our yard sale and it was a hot day. We really didn't make very much for the lodge but we did pretty good considering we hadn't planned this yard sale as carefully as we usually do and we didn't have a very good turnout of support. Thanks to those of you who did!

A nominating committee appointed at our last meeting includes Darlene Petersen, Chairman, and Lynda Jones and Sue Patterson. If you have any interest in being an officer, please give one of them a call. If you receive a call from the committee, please receive with a positive attitude.

Sue Patterson, Cor.

COLORADO

Lodge #43, Denver, CO — Celebrating the 100th anniversary of our lodge's charter became an ongoing search to trace the beginnings and growth of an honored heritage. Focusing on the celebration April 13, we had a festive dinner at the Continental Denver Hotel with guests from all over Denver, Colorado, and even Denmark. One hundred adults and several children joined in the celebration. There were representatives from all the Danish ethnic groups in the area.

Norm Wittrup, President of the lodge, presided, and introduced Fred Nielsen and his wife, Christine, and Miller Jacobsen and his wife, Hilma, to whom the evening was dedicated. Fred and Miller both have been members of our lodge for 60 years. There were other 60-year members in the lodge, but only Adolph Hansen and his wife from across the state in Mesa, Colorado, were able to attend.

The speaker for the celebration was Jerome Christensen, National Secretary-Treasurer of the Danish Brotherhood. The Scandinavian Dancers from Boulder, Colorado, entertained us with rousing and colorful dances. Pam Voss then provided the organ music for dancing.

Historic artifacts were on display. Decorations were provided by Marie Nielsen.

All the lodge members were invited to contribute a brief biography and a picture for a Heritage Book. The Heritage Book includes maps of Denmark and the United States so that immigration routes can be traced, as well as several pages on Danish history. The story of Columbine Lodge No. 43 will be added as research verifies it.

We have called on Fred Nielsen to help document the early meeting places by working with photographer George Nagsta. We look forward to recognition of the place Columbine Lodge No. 43 holds in the history of Danes in America.

Elinor George, Cor.

NEBRASKA

Lodge #16, Minden, NE — We met October 17 at 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center for our Halloween program and mask party with 36 in attendance. People were dressed in costumes and the time was spent playing Halloween games.

Roll call was taken with six officers present. The secretary and treasurer's reports were read and accepted as read. The Nebraska District Convention was discussed. The date is set for the weekend of August 22, 1992, here in Minden.

The program committee included Bruce and Valerie Shepherd, Wisthi and Charmaine Thomsen, and Thurza Nelson.

Lillie Hansen, Cor.

Lodge #84, Lincoln, NE — Our November meeting was held on Saturday, November 9, at the I.O.O.F. Hall with Greg Hansen, President, presiding. Don Carnes gave the treasurer's report and Erik Hansen gave the secretary's report. Erik also summarized the National Convention held in Portland Oregon, in October.

Poems and songs of Thanksgiving, bingo with prizes, and "Know Your Brother and Sister" game provided the evening's entertainment, with Gladys Sorensen as the leader.

Refreshments were served by those present. Compliments to our social hour chairmen, Don and Helen Carnes and their committee of Viola and Orville, Veona Harvey and Naomi Wilson. **Don Lehn, Cor.**

**NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD
BEST DISTRICT**

IOWA-MINNESOTA

**NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD
BEST SINGLE SOCIAL ACTIVITY**

Lodge #15, Des Moines, IA — We had a good turnout on October 11 where members and guests enjoyed history scholar Dean Knudsen present fascinating slides and insights about General George Custer. We all learned a great deal about the man, his background and family, his distinguished military career and the myths and truths of the Battle of Little Big Horn. We

are especially grateful to Dean for traveling to Des Moines from Lincoln, Nebraska, and for his superb and entertaining program.

We welcome the Lars Peder Boerre family as members. Lars, Eva and sons, Lasse and Dennis, moved to the Des Moines area from Denmark this past August.

We are looking forward to the annual Christmas party scheduled for Sunday, December 8, at 2:30 p.m. Guests are encouraged. Members are asked to bring cookies.

The next regular meeting is December 9 at which members are asked to share their hobbies and special interests for "Show and Tell."
Harvey Andersen, Cor.

Lodge #75, Albert Lea, MN — We gathered at the Senior Citizens Center for our October meeting with Vice President LaVern Clausen presiding in the absence of President Alton Neve, who was attending the National Convention in Portland, Oregon, as our lodge delegate.

John Paulsen, who served as a delegate to the Iowa-Minnesota District Convention in Askov, Minnesota, in September, gave a report on the happenings at the convention and said they showed no interest in changing our society's name. Mr. Paulsen displayed the DBIA rug emblem of the district, which was won by our lodge for the 1991-92 year. This award is granted each year to the lodge attaining the most points earned for activities, newspaper write-ups, **American Dane** articles, membership and participation in charitable acts.

The nominating committee for the upcoming year was appointed. Serving will be Earl Levisen, Alton Neve, Jack Paulsen, Vernetta Paulsen and Cliff Petersen.

A very interesting slide presentation by Judge William R. Sturtz gave us an insight into the modern city of Brazilia, South America, and a trip up the Amazon River by boat.

Hosts and hostesses for the evening were Mildred and Mabel Larsen, Maurine and Earl Levisen and Grace and Jim Tomson.
Grace Tomson, Sec.

Lodge #144, Dike, IA — The Dike lodges enjoyed a Hard-Times Party with a potluck supper for their October get-together. After eating heartily, those present in costume paraded before the judges and the follow-

VELKOMMEN!

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

Member	Lodge No.	Location	Sponsor
Viola W. Cook	1	Omaha, NE	Ruth H. Nielsen
Kenneth M. Davis	14	Kenosha, WI	Daniel Greenwald
Bruce F. Bitzan	14	Kenosha, WI	Robert K. DeHaan
Cleo G. Williamson	15	Des Moines, IA	Wilber J. Williamson
Matthew W. McCollom	15	Des Moines, IA	Ruth F. Faaborg
Lasse Boerre	15	Des Moines, IA	Svend A. Christensen
Dennis Boerre	15	Des Moines, IA	Svend A. Christensen
Adam J. Stary	17	Chicago, IL	Albertice Nylen
Eric L. Jensen	29	Seattle, WA	Chris C. Jensen
Kurt Rasmussen	29	Seattle, WA	Michael O. Nielsen
Fred E. Hasler	35	Chicago, IL	Henry Jepsen
Einer Sorensen	46	Perth Amboy, NJ	Leif Nissen
Elmer A. Beck	46	Perth Amboy, NJ	Kenneth L. Nielsen
Tau J. Jensen	46	Perth Amboy, NJ	Kenneth L. Nielsen
Janice M. Christensen	95	Ferndale, CA	James S. Thomsen
Frank W. Krone	167	Portland, OR	Jens N. Jensen
Ryan D. Muhler	167	Portland, OR	Annette Muhler
Dorothy B. Gross	186	Luck, WI	Lauritz P. Jensen
James F. Geronimo	242	Erie, PA	Henry Jensen
John A. Valenzuela	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Walter R. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Jane A. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Eric A. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Rebecca L. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Peter L. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Patricia D. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Christopher D. Hansen	268	Junction City, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Cora A. Benson	273	Dillon, MT	Neil W. Benson
Barbara H. Benson	273	Dillon, MT	Neil W. Benson
Rodney A. Nielsen	299	Solvang, CA	Steen Weber
John Storgard Jensen	328	Vancouver, BC	Harold E. Andersen
Renwick E. Baker	328	Vancouver, BC	Jens P. Vestergaard
Josva Bondergaard	348	Eugene, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Gloria F. Bondergaard	348	Eugene, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Robert W. Wilson	348	Eugene, OR	Mogens Pedersen
Lewis A. Petersen	600	Omaha, NE	Mogens Pedersen
Clifford I. Compton	600	Omaha, NE	Mogens Pedersen
Ellen K. Compton	600	Omaha, NE	Mogens Pedersen
Christopher E. Compton	600	Omaha, NE	Mogens Pedersen
Roderick H. Compton	600	Omaha, NE	Mogens Pedersen
Patricia T. Compton	600	Omaha, NE	Mogens Pedersen
Katherine C. Langhorne	600	Omaha, NE	Edward Madsen
LeAnn M. Jacobsen	600	Omaha, NE	Jason V. Jacobsen
Jason V. Jacobsen	600	Omaha, NE	LeAnn M. Jacobsen



Members portrayed hard times in their costumes.

ing persons were winners: boys first place, Kyle Hansen; girls first place, Karina Hansen; ladies first place, Janeen Danielsen; and men's first place, Harold Madsen. The rest of the evening was spent in playing bingo with prizes for everyone.

Lyle Refshauge, Sec.

Lodge #147, Newell, IA — Secretary Elmer Jensen presented Albert Buch with his 25-year membership pin. Albert's father, Niels, was a charter member of our lodge, having joined in 1901. **Elmer Jensen, Sec.**



Albert Buch, right, receives pin from Secretary Elmer Jensen.

Lodge #219, Clear Lake, IA — Two new members were initiated at the September meeting. We welcome Marvin and Jean Peterson. In October, we initiated Charlotte Nordman and welcome her as a new member. This makes a total of five new members. In 1991, we have met our goal for this year on our Five-Year Plan. Steve Sorensen was acting secretary for both meetings in the absence of Kathy Sonsalla. Thorvald Sorensen, delegate to the National Convention in Portland, Oregon, reported on the action taken at the convention. Beverly Sorensen, Edith Skene, and Helen Bergman reported on the tours taken by those who did not attend the meetings. They also reported on the great evening of entertainment provided by the host lodges.

Our December meeting will be held on Saturday, December 14. Come at 6:30 p.m. to help decorate the Christmas tree. We will have our traditional type of Christmas program and games. We will have the election of officers for the coming year. A Christmas lunch will follow. Bring Christmas cookies, etc.

A motion was made, seconded and carried that we have a float in the July 4 parade next year. Alvin Miller was appointed to contact the Clear Lake Chamber of Commerce to get the necessary information and papers to participate.

Kathy Sonsalla, Sec.

Lodge #341, Kimballton-Elk Horn, IA — We met Monday, October 28, at the Kimballton Town Hall for our annual aebleskiver supper which was attended by about 60 persons and three guests. The tables were decorated with fall decorations. Entertainment was provided by Howard Sorensen who read an amusing piece about telephones "then and now." Harrison Hansen showed beautiful slides from their travels across the USA as his wife June narrated.

Following our program, President Gary Christensen opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The secretary gave her reports. Thank you notes were read from some of the scholarship winners and also from the Elmer Christensen and Elna Steen families for the memorials made to the Danish Immigrant Museum in their memory.

Melvin Boose gave a report from the District Convention in Askov, Minnesota, and June Sampson reported on her attendance at the National Convention in Portland, Oregon.

Election of officers for the coming year was conducted. Elmer Jensen was elected President, while Alice Simonsen and Mabel Madsen were re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. Our new Trustee is Forest Petersen. No Vice President was elected at this time. It was tabled to be filled at the next meeting.

Our next meeting will be our Christmas party. It will be a potluck supper at the Elk Horn Town Hall. **JoAnn Sorensen, Cor.**

Lodge #347, Cedar Rapids, IA — On October 17, we met for our usual monthly gathering at the Community Center in Marion. After the American and Danish national anthems were sung, Ulla Wall reported the minutes from last month.

Since the theme was family heritage, Emma Safely had prepared a delightful speech, a personal insight of her family tree. It was not only educational, but also quite inspirational. Thanks for sharing this with us. We could all write a best seller just by reporting our own life story.

Art Wall gave a report regarding the National Convention which he and his wife

Ulla had attended in early October. Sounds like a lot of business was taken care of in Portland, Oregon.

We are losing two wonderful people from our lodge. Howard and Donna Christensen will be moving to Manning, Iowa. On behalf of all our membership, we wish to thank them for all their hard work and dedication to our lodge. They were always willing to help and with a big smile. They will both be sorely missed.

Thanks to the refreshment committee, Blair and Lee Thornbloom and Harold and Erma Jorgensen. **Alice Gorsch, Cor.**

MIDWEST

Lodge #4, Racine, WI — Our Christmas party will be held on December 11, 1991, at D.D.R.'s Pub. Cocktails will begin at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following at 7:00 p.m. It will be a family style roast pork and roast beef dinner with all the trimmings, including Danish blue cheese. For reservations, call either John Mollerskov or Jeff Christiansen.

Congratulations to James Hansen for completing 50 consecutive years as a member of our lodge.

Jeff Christiansen, Pres.

Lodge #14, Kenosha, WI — We sincerely thank the Matt Fosbinder family for the \$200 memorial to Lodge No. 14. Matt was a dedicated member and we appreciate being remembered. Our target shoot trophy which has been won several years in a row has been dedicated in memory of Matt who helped win it many times.

Another successful Stink Club was held in September with 50 present. The ribs were very good as was the Limburger cheese and all the trimmings. Thanks to Dean Hansen, John Sullivan, Bob Ibsen, and the cook who is now a member, Dick Kushman.

The National Convention in Portland, Oregon, is now history. Attending from our lodge were Bob and Elaine Ibsen, Ron and Eleanor Jensen and Rick and Chris Wade. The Portland lodges put on a great time and are to be congratulated. It will be the

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
10-4-91	Helen R. McPherson	59	Bradgate, Iowa	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1977
10-7-91	Edward W. Woods, Jr.	66	Detroit, Michigan	227	Detroit, Michigan	1970
10-17-91	Svend Nielsen	87	Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1944
10-11-91	Erik V. Wedseltoft	87	Rønne, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1944
10-17-91	Harold K. Lassen	79	Kenosha, Wisconsin	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	1980

Midwest District's turn next in 1995 in Milwaukee. We will have a tough act to follow but know we can do a good job too. The name change was defeated so we will continue to be known as the Danish Brotherhood in America. Congratulations to Woody Petersen, who is now National President.

We did pretty well on the office supply sale held at Otto Nelson's warehouse. We had 25 members total who assisted in moving the merchandise to the selling point, taking shifts selling and then packing it up again. A special thanks to Bob O'Neal and Bob and Elaine Ibsen who went to Seven Mile Fair where we also sold a lot, and then to the Packer-Backers who took time out to unload the truck at the hall.

Election of officers for 1992 will be held December 3. Pay your 1992 dues early and avoid the rush!

Our goal for the 1991 membership drive is 50 new members by December 31, 1991. As of October 20, 1991, we were at 32 so we need 18 more. Did you get your members yet?

Welcome to the following new members: Gary Johnson, Kurt Christiansen, C. Richard Nelson, Paul Trombino, Robert Medow, Eugene Putman, and Eric Olson.

The adult Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 14. Cocktails will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. and dancing at 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Members, wives, dates and widows are invited. Sorry, no outside guests. Admission is by ticket only, picked up at the lodge. Tickets will be reserved when you pick up your tickets. **Each person is requested to bring one non-perishable item of food or warm article of clothing for needy families. "It is better to give than to receive."** This is in support of "Operation: H.O.P.E."

Our children's Christmas party is planned for Sunday, December 22 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. It is limited to children and grandchildren (10 years and under) of members only.

Mark your calendars for our New Year's Eve party. Dinner begins at 7:30 p.m. with dancing following from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Call early for tickets, it's always a sellout!

Robert Ibsen, Cor.

DECEMBER ASSESSMENT 1110
is Due and Payable to the Lodge Treasurer
December 1, 1991
and Must Be Paid Before
January 1, 1992
Members failing to pay their local
lodge treasurers as per above will be
considered in arrears

Lodge #34, Dwight, IL — On Sunday, October 13, 31 people enjoyed a delicious noon brunch and a really entertaining, funny play at the Conklin Theatre. It was a beautiful bus trip as the trees were in full color. Thanks to Keith Telford for lining up this trip again this year. Brother Bill Corrie gave everyone a ticket and numbers were drawn for "bus prizes." Thanks, Bill!

We raised \$436.00 on the Harvest Day buttons. The committee has stated that we really need to think twice before agreeing to sell buttons next year as there was very little help this year and a few people can't be expected to do it all. Thanks to Dick Sparrow for all his efforts!

The nominating committee as appointed by President Shirley Holzhauser includes Keith Telford, Dick Perschnick, Rick Sullivan, Gregg Jensen and Sandy Lauritsen. They will present their slate of officers for 1992 to be voted on at our December meeting. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at that time.

Our Christmas party will be held on Monday, December 9. Clowns "Mo" and "Pablo" will be entertaining us along with Santa Claus. The menu will include chili and oyster soup. Come and join us.

Margaret Goodwin, Sec.

Lodge #36, Milwaukee, WI — We welcome Duane S. Dixen who was initiated into the lodge at our October 28 business meeting. Thanks to Ernie and Jeanette Norquist for showing the film about their trip to Denmark. Thanks to Al and Carol Larsen for refreshments served and for providing a Halloween word game. The winner, Barbara H. Larsen, received a jar of apple jelly for her efforts. All attendees received a Wisconsin apple.

Our Christmas dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. at Country Gables Restaurant, 911 West Layton Avenue on Monday, December 9. The cost is \$11.95 per person. The tax and gratuity will be paid by the lodge. Please bring some non-perishable food items to be given to the Food Pantry of the Grace Lutheran Church in Grafton, Wisconsin. After the dinner, there will be a short business meeting.

The election of 1992 officers will take place during the December 9 business meeting. Offer your services to our lodge. Make your willingness to serve known to a nominating committee member.

We extend a hearty thanks and congratulations to the Portland lodges for their hard work in planning and executing the 33rd Joint National Convention. National President, Clyde Langsted, conducted the business sessions in an outstanding and professional manner. Many items of business were discussed with the delegates voting to retain our name.

Albert Larsen, Cor.

Lodge #343, Waupaca, WI — Our September 26 meeting was attended by 25 members. We accepted the resignation of Ruth Dannehl with regret. A nominating committee consisting of Harold Rasmusen, Chairman, Helen Petersen and Everett Hansen was appointed to report at the October meeting.

Henry and Melda Mortensen reported that they had attended the 100th anniversary dinner of the Dronning Margrethe Lodge No. 15 in Milwaukee on September 21.

After the business meeting, everyone enjoyed the Victor Borge video which was followed by lunch served by Ken and Eva

President Urges Fraternal Benefit Societies to Continue Volunteer Leadership

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President George Bush urged fraternal benefit societies to continue to expand their volunteer leadership role. President Bush addressed the National Fraternal Congress of America (NFCA) at the 105th Annual Meeting here October 3-5.

In addressing the opening session of the meeting, Bush said, "Today we look to voluntary fraternalism to lead us back to our roots and away from a debilitating social experiment."

Bush said mandated government programs and benefits created by subcommittees on Capitol Hill cannot fully meet the needs of the American People. He called on the NFCA the world's largest volunteer network, to get the message out to local,



President George Bush speaks at the 105th Annual Meeting of the NFCA.

state and federal officials to offer not just aid, but also choice, to those whom they serve.

Townsend, Dorothy Johnson and Helen Petersen.

Our October 24 meeting was attended by 27 members. Our nominating committee presented the slate for 1992 officers. For consideration are President, Harold Rasmussen; Vice President, Fred Rasmussen; Secretary, Vivian Jensen; Treasurer, Sarah Rasmussen; Trustee, Marjorie Darrow; Inner Guard, Inga Polly; Outer Guard, Everett Hansen; and Conductor, August Christensen.

We welcomed three guests to our October meeting. Phil Petersen brought Margaret Kline of Wild Rose, while Inga Polly brought her sisters, Dorothy from Iowa and Virginia from California. After the meeting, we enjoyed a video on Mt. Rushmore followed by a game of card bingo. Lunch was served by Everett and Marge Hansen and Randy and Dorothy Hansen.

Our Christmas party will be held on December 19 at 6:00 p.m. with a potluck dinner.

Vera Yorkson, Cor.

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Lodge #172, Philadelphia, PA — Some 45 people attended the October meeting to celebrate October Fest and several prospective members were in attendance. Thank you to Lodge No. 342 President Rick Trust and Loretta for personally inviting the membership to the joint Christmas party on December 20.

Joe Leis and Joe Jeantet originated an idea of organizing a committee for all lodges involved in the Home for the Aged in Edison, New Jersey, with the purpose of spending a Saturday or a weekend in the spring cleaning up and sprucing up the interior and exterior of the Home. Talks have already begun with other lodges and we hope a lot of people will get involved.

Niels Malmquist, Cor.

Lodge #325, Nassau County, NY — At our monthly meeting held on October 11, President Niels B. Hansen initiated two new members, namely Mae L. Munck and Hans B. Skodt-Nielsen, and welcomed them into our lodge.

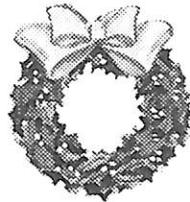
The nominating committee for the election of officers for 1992 was elected as follows: John Hjulmand, Evelyn Jensen, Stanley Kofod, Inger Mortensen, and Tony Witt.

To end the evening, we enjoyed the viewing of a videotape made last year in honor of Queen Margrethe's 50th birthday. We thank Stanley Kofod for making the necessary arrangements for the showing of the tape.

Karen Witt, Sec.

Lodge #342, Bucks County, PA — At our October meeting, Tage Kvist, in his capacity of vice president, stood in for Rick Trust and he is to be commended for an excellent job. The meeting was followed by games.

Niels Malmquist, Cor.



From Whence Strength Comes . . .

- . . . laughing when you really want to cry
 - . . . disagreeing without being disagreeable
 - . . . listening instead of talking
 - . . . giving without expecting to receive
 - . . . doing the most when you expect the least
 - . . . telling the truth, even when it hurts
 - . . . making a sacrifice to help someone
 - . . . practicing what you teach
 - . . . thinking of others instead of yourself.
- by Joyce Ann Johnson**

Attention Danish Immigrants and Descendants

A group of students in Denmark needs assistance. They are preparing a report and are having difficulty finding the necessary information. They need **detailed** answers to the following questions:

1) How do Danish immigrants cope in the USA?

a) Socially:

- *Do they mix with Americans descending from countries other than Denmark or do they prefer to associate with people of Danish origin?
- *Social status, compared with other Americans. Is it easy for them to hold their own in connection with finding jobs or filling posts when competing with people of, for example, British, German or Hispanic origin?
- *Education. Are they highly educated in comparison with other Americans?

b) Economically:

2) How do Scandinavian/Danish immigrants and/or their descendants perceive Denmark today?

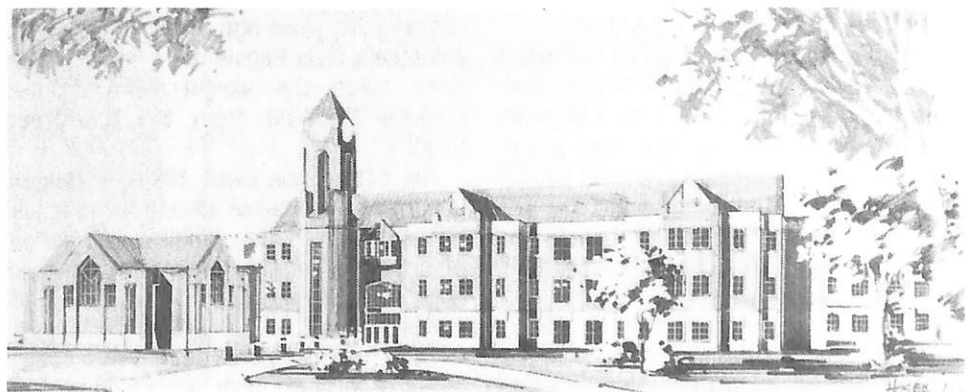
a) The way it used to be:

- *When and why did they or their ancestors leave Denmark?
- *What do they know about Danish history?
(Nothing/a little/a lot)

b) The way it actually is:

- *Have they ever lived in, or visited Denmark?
- *Do they keep in touch with their relatives in Denmark?
- *What do they know about contemporary Danish history?
(Nothing/a little/a lot)

If you are able to provide answers to these questions, please send a **prompt** reply: to **Anette Thomsen, Broderup Byvej 7, DK-6360 Tinglev.**



Ground Breaking at Dana

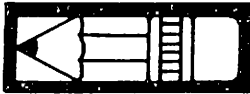
Architect's sketch for a new chapel-classroom-faculty office complex at Dana College. Ground breaking ceremonies were held on Wednesday, November 6, 1991. The new building will replace Old Main, which was destroyed by fire in August, 1988.

Scholarship Applications Available

The Scholarship Committee of the Board of Directors of the Danish Brotherhood in America is pleased to announce that scholarship applications for the 1992-1993 school year are available. Eligible members wishing to apply should write or call: The Danish Brotherhood in America, Scholarship Committee, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, NE 68131-3844, 1-800-553-1937. The deadline for applications is February 15, 1992. **Late applications will not be considered.**

Scholarships will be awarded in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Danish Brotherhood in America, Article V, Section 58, Paragraph 5.

Sixteen \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in 1992. Scholarships are available to Danish Brotherhood in America members only. Scholarships are awarded only for attendance at United States accredited colleges, universities, technical or vocational schools. Scholarships are not granted for graduate study. The Board will consider scholarship applications for attendance at schools and universities located in Denmark.



The Danish Immigrant Museum's Third Annual Christmas Card

In the third annual Christmas card of The Danish Immigrant Museum, Linda Hansen of Audubon, Iowa, has created a still life called "Treasurers of Memories" which captures the special feeling and atmosphere of an old fashioned Danish American Christmas. Perhaps it is the glow of the candles and the antique kerosene lamp or maybe it is the Christmas cards from Denmark that give us this feeling. Our imaginations can also fill in such details as the aroma of the coffee steaming in the fine Royal Copenhagen porcelain cup and the taste of the brunekager to go with it.

Mrs. Hansen gathered family heirlooms and borrowed crafts and artifacts from friends and The Danish Immigrant Museum for the still life setting that was photographed for the Museum's annual Christmas card and limited edition print. The sale of the cards and prints will benefit the Museum, an international cultural center in Elk Horn, Iowa.

While the whole setting on the card looks as if bedstemor (grandmother) has just taken a break from reading her Christmas mail, each object has its own story. The postcards from Denmark with their "Glaedelig Jul!" greetings are scattered on the table. The cards were sent by family members to Karen Hansen in Audubon and Winifred Larsen in Kenosha early in this

century. Ejner Andersen's Bible lays open to the Christmas story while a bit of counted cross stitch reading "Jesus elsker dig" (Jesus loves you) marks the place. Ejner Andersen was a blacksmith in Audubon and the artist's grandfather; and the bookmark was given to the Museum by Erwin Langgard of Guthrie Center who had found it in his mother, Anna Petra Knudsen Norgaard's, Bible.

Some of the decorations are more modern. Blanche Jacobsen of Audubon made the red and white hardanger table runner a few years ago. Ardis Petersen and volunteers from Bedstemor's House in Elk Horn made the woven heart shaped baskets hanging from the evergreen boughs.

The date of the card, 1991, is cleverly included on the tag of a small foil wrapped package near the cookies. A simple bilingual greeting (Merry Christmas/Glaedelig Jul) appears in beautiful script inside the card.

The Christmas cards (suggested contribution of 50 cents each plus \$1.00 postage for 10 cards) and limited edition prints (\$50.00 each with \$2.00 postage) may be ordered from The Danish Immigrant Museum, Box 178, Elk Horn, Iowa 51531 or use your credit card and call 1-800-759-9192.

Museum Board Meets

New members of the Board of Directors of The Danish Immigrant Museum were introduced at the Museum's seventh annual meeting held in Atlantic and Elk Horn, Iowa, on October 12-13, 1991. Nick Ericksen of Omaha, Nebraska; Ernst Harboe of Northfield, Illinois; Joseph Krentzel of Fairlawn, New Jersey; and Clayton Nielsen of Racine, Wisconsin, all began three year terms. Neel Halpern of Plandome Manor, New York, who was also elected, was unable to attend. Signe Nielsen Betsinger of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Jack Christensen of New Providence, New Jersey, were re-elected to the Board.

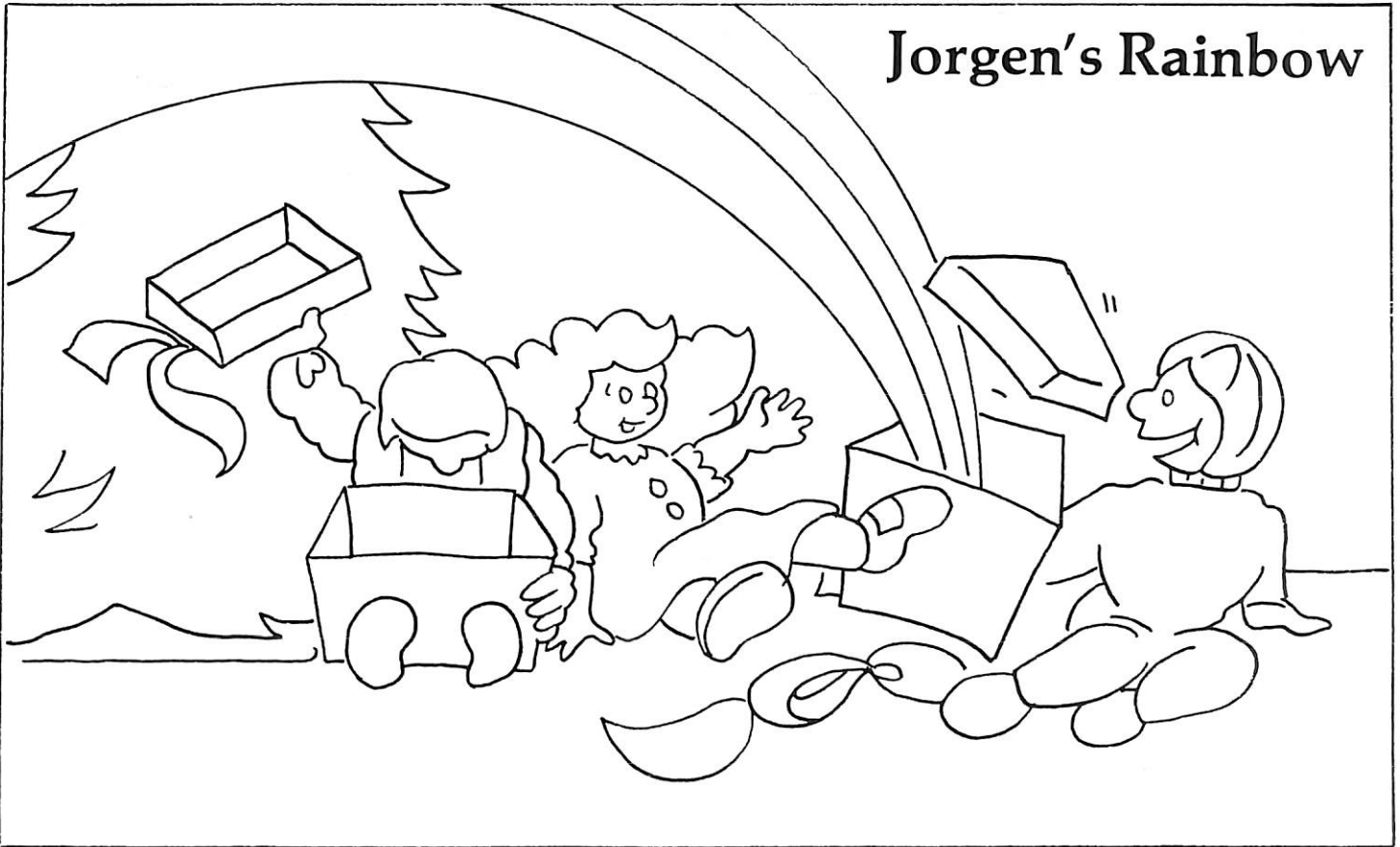
These new members join 18 others.

The progress of construction was reviewed and plans were made for the resumption of construction in the spring. Other business discussed included a toll-free telephone number, short-term storage space and continued fundraising.

Charles Frederiksen of Ames, Iowa, was elected President; Dennis Larsen of Decorah, Iowa, as Vice President; Peter L. Petersen of Canyon, Texas, as Secretary; and Howard Sorensen of Elk Horn, Iowa, as Treasurer.

The next meeting will be held February 8-9, 1992, in Los Angeles, California.

Jorgen's Rainbow



Truly an important month in Denmark is December (spelled "December" in Danish as well but pronounced "deh-SAYM-berr"). The first of the month marks the beginning of the Christmas holiday. On this day children like Jorgen, Stephen and Sigrid get to open the first of their gifts. Every day after this they'll open another small gift until the final present on Christmas Eve night.

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.

November winners are: Dale O. Elliott, Jordan P. Homan, Danielle Nielsen, Allison L. Eitzmann.

The following poem was sent in by Ray F. Madsen. It is one he saved over 50 years ago. It was written by Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen Rhode, former Ambassador to Denmark.

Christmas Time in Denmark

When it's Christmas time in Denmark,
The gleaming stars hang low
And silver on the roof-tops,
And twinkle on the snow!

There's an almond in the porridge
Which with wooden spoon you share,
And oh! the special present
For the one who finds it there!

And in the twilight harbor,
Where ice is forming fast,
A ship comes steaming into port
With Gran-tree at its mast!

There's roasted goose in plenty,
And the hearth-fire in aglow-
The candles on the window-sill
Shine out upon the snow!

And over narrow STROGET
The evergreens hang high-
There's a Christmas tree at RAADHUS
That reaches to the sky!

And in the barren winter trees
The sheaves of oats are hung,
So grateful birds can join the song
When Christmas hymns are sung.

And thousand bearded elfinmen
With pointed caps in red
Will come with Christmas presents
When the children are in bed!

And lights will gleam and sparkle,
As the bells of Christmas ring-
In the cottage of the peasant
As in the palace of the king!

Grandma's Kitchen

Fettebrod (Danish Cookies)

2 cups flour, 1 cup sugar, ½ lb. oleo
½ lb. shredded coconut flakes, 1 egg

Mix together well; spread thin on either a 9x13 pan or a jelly roll pan and bake at 350° for 12 minutes until light brown. Take out of oven and cut into squares and cool. Frost with a confectionary frosting.



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