

Our Lodges in Action

Lodge news should be sent to Asbjorn Fisker, 5119 S.W. Multnomah Boulevard, Portland, OR 97219 by the 10th of the month.

Pacific

Northwest

Lodge No. 29, Seattle, WA—Gert Wolff called the costume clad membership meeting to order with 20 members present. We were informed of the opportunity to become life members in the Sons of Norway. A committee was formed to invest lodge funds. The committee includes Edith Andersen, Paul Hansen and Jeff Jensen. Frank Poulsen reported on the great time had at the Miller River campground. Next year's event will be held the last weekend in July. The District Convention Committee is asking for knickknacks for the fishpond. Kris Jorgensen and Otto Brask were selected for the nominating committee. Sixteen dollars was donated to our favorite charity.

Jeff Jensen, Sec.

Lodge No. 167, Portland, OR—The October meeting was called to order following the potluck dinner. We received approval from the National Bylaw Committee for the changes to our local bylaws. Kris Roley reported that folk dancing practice has begun. Chris Hansen agreed to chair the scholarship committee. Phil Baker, Larry West and Frank Dally were appointed to the nominating committee. Peter Larsen asked for support

of the soccer club. After discussion, members voted to donate \$150.00 to the club.

Ruth Dally, Sec.

Lodge No. 348, Eugene, OR—The October meeting was called to order with about 65 members in attendance. Sara Staats was initiated into our lodge. Glen Matson reported profit of \$1,543 from Høstfest. More baked goods will be needed for next year's event. It was reported that Scott Stefansen was working on two Danish classes for the coming year; a beginning Danish class and a conversational Danish group. National Director Asbjorn Fisker reported on the merger. He presented Martin Tækker with a Certificate of Accomplishment for his outstanding volunteerism. Martin Tækker was the 1994 recipient of the "Howard E. Christensen" Award.

New business discussed included: the Danish Christmas service at Bethesda Lutheran Church will be held on December 22, the Bylaw Committee still needs to meet, President Mary Stefansen would like to see a Christmas workshop at the December meeting and Inge Lamberg, Fred Thomsen, Svend Toftemark, Hanne Tækker and Susie Staats were selected for the nominating committee.

Susie Staats, Sec.

California

Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, CA—Tony Scott's membership application was approved. The first Convention meeting was held at the Queen Mary in September when committees were appointed. It was reported that the bus trip to Solvang was a success.

**Kate Krake Nielsen, Editor
Inger Achton Dix, Cor.**

Lodge No. 306, San Diego, CA—The potluck dinner and meeting at Lil Suda's residence on September 14 was well attended. We discussed our Christmas party which will be held on December 4 from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm at the Lemon Grove Masonic Lodge. The International Friendship Festival held September 17-18 in El Cajon was successful.

Nebraska

Lodge No. 206, Blair, NE—Annette Andersen demonstrated the making of Danish open-faced sandwiches, and then invited us to make our own. There were some interesting creations made.

Helen McNichols, Sec.

Heartland

Lodge No. 15, Des Moines, IA—On October 8, several members enjoyed a Torsk Dinner sponsored by the Des Moines Sons of Norway lodge. On October 10, the Nomination Committee reported a slate of 1995 officers and it was announced the installation of officers is planned for the January meeting. After the meeting, everyone enjoyed Bingo with white elephant prizes.

The Annual Christmas Party will be at 2:30 pm on December 11. Plans are under way for an Operation: H.O.P.E. project again this year. There will not be a regular meeting in December.

Harvey Andersen, Cor.

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
John A. Rakow	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	Todd Bernhardt
James E. Kreuser	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	Todd Bernhardt
Gerald J. Demske	14	Kenosha, Wisconsin	Walter Zueschner
Dorothy M. Hanson	345	Orange County, California	Ken Olsen
Mantor O. Hanson	345	Orange County, California	Ken Olsen
Sara Staats	348	Eugene, Oregon	Kris Sand
Leon E. Christiansen	600	Omaha, Nebraska	Home Office
Sandra D. Jeppesen	600	Omaha, Nebraska	Home Office
Ruth Møller Sørensen ...	600	Omaha, Nebraska	Ruth Frederiksen
Gerald E. Swendsen	600	Omaha, Nebraska	Home Office

Lodge No. 217, Humbolt, IA—We met on October 24 at the home of Carl and Marilyn Hansen. We discussed whether to continue as a lodge or disband. After lengthy discussion it was unanimously decided to disband on December 31, 1994.

We voted to take a trip to the Danish Immigrant Museum before donating money. We plan to make several donations to places of interest to our members. Members are to come up with a list when we meet for the trip.

We also voted to have a Christmas party at the Hilltop or Tims' Place. Harold will make the arrangements. Members will donate items to the local food pantry instead of personal gifts.

Carl and Marilyn Hansen, Cor.

presenter. He said field staff personnel could assist our lodge in a membership drive. President Dick Perschnick appointed the following nominating committee: Ray Holzhauser, Virgil Holzhauser, Ken Jensen, Rick Sullivan, and Harry Johnson.

Mary Lauritsen, Cor.

Lodge No. 35, Chicago, IL—It was reported that 15 members of Lodge No. 92, St. Charles, IL may be transferring to our lodge, due to the closing of Lodge No. 92. Charles Pedersen reported on the District Convention. He announced the new Midwest District officers. Ray Nielsen explained why the merger with Sons of Norway is on hold. Michelle and Maren Sloth called attention to the

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS which cost \$35.00. The lodge earns \$7.00 on each book sold. Paul Sloth presented the slate of officers prepared by the Nominating Committee. Members of the 1995 Nominating Committee are: Al Iversen, Ray Nielsen, Charles Pedersen, John Jorgensen and Dick Sabey. Christmas party preparations are underway. After the meeting, MAKE IT, BAKE IT, SHOW IT OR GROW IT items were auctioned off by Ray Nielsen and \$150.00 was raised for the Danish Home.

Jodie Sloth, Cor.

Payment to Board Members

Woodrow T. Petersen, allowance, \$99.65.

Midwest

Lodge No. 34, Dwight, IL—Rodney and Dorothy Patterson were initiated. We sent \$100.00 to the "Woody and Elsa Petersen" Scholarship Fund. Dorothy Dawsen reported we received second place on our Harvest Day Parade float. Shirley Holzhauser reported on the 43rd Annual Midwest District Convention, held at the Rolling Meadows Holiday Inn. Ron Chrisman, Marketing Director for Sons of Norway, was the



Gunild Ostergaard

Grandma's Kitchen

Bacon with Currant Jelly

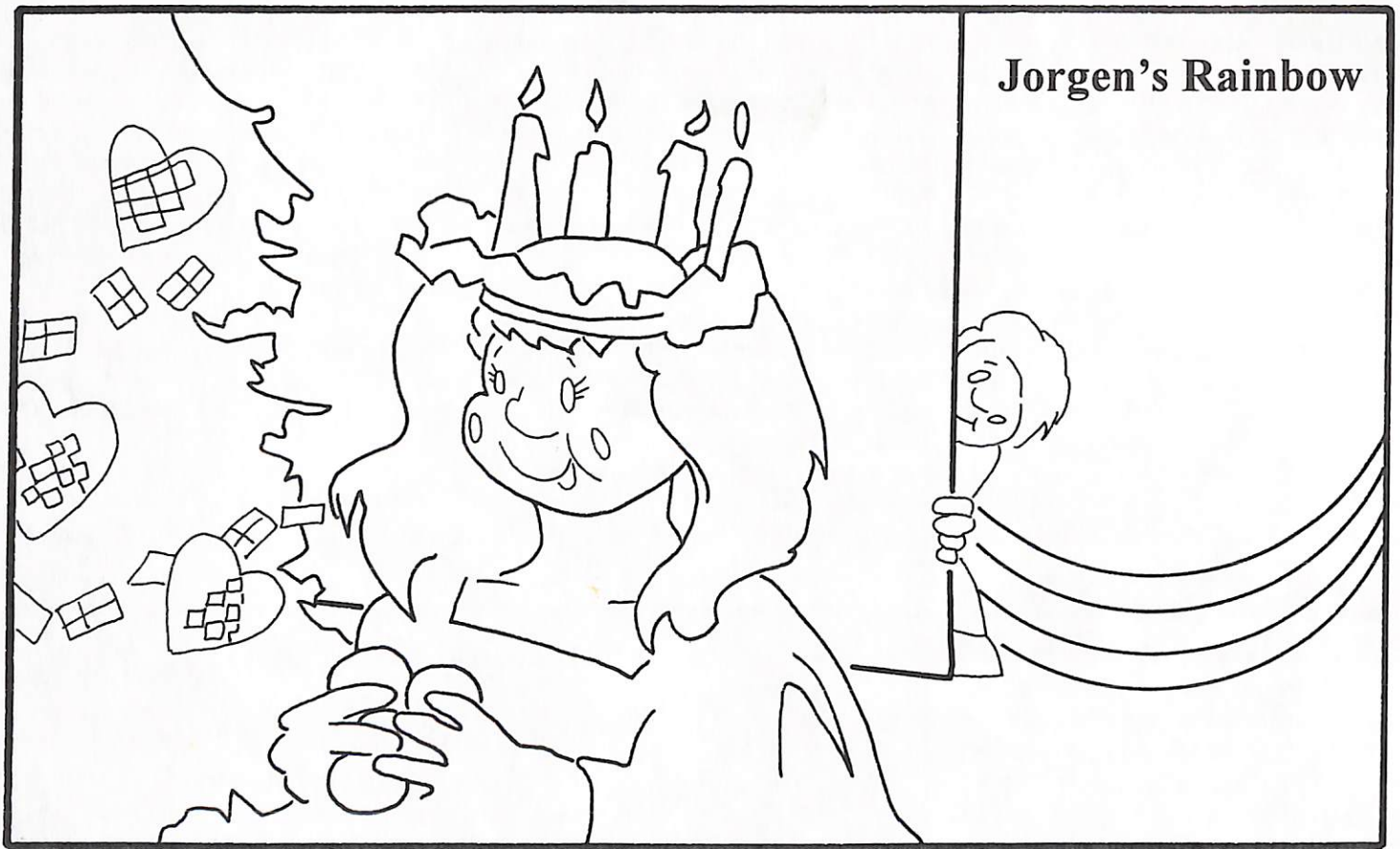
(Hamburgryg med Ribsegelé)

Slice 1 lb. Canadian style bacon ¼ inch thick and saute in 1 tbsp. butter, until brown. Remove from pan and drain, keep hot. To the fat in the pan add 2 tbsp. minced onion and cook until soft; stir in ¼ cup currant jelly, 1 tsp. prepared mustard and 1 tbsp. sherry. Cook stirring for 3 minutes, pour over bacon and serve with mashed potatoes.

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	Birthplace	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined
10-9-94	Carl Hansen	90	Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1927
10-4-94	Richard Jorgensen	71	Omaha, Nebraska	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1988
10-13-94	Arthur Haberbush	79	Newark, New Jersey	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1944
1-29-94	Holger P. Thompson	100	Unknown	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1922
10-14-94	Svend J. Andersen	89	Haderslev, Denmark	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1945
9-27-94	Andrew G. Hood, Jr.	73	Superior, Wyoming	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1969
10-5-94	Harold Harrison	83	Wisner, Nebraska	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1950
9-11-94	Edgar C. Peterson	82	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1974
9-20-94	Louise A. Nelson	39	Kenosha, Wisconsin	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1992
10-12-94	Arthur Lunde	83	Barre, Vermont	294	Barre, Vermont	1929
10-7-94	Holger I. Spohr	87	San Mateo, California	49	San Francisco, California	1946
10-18-94	Irvin L. Nelson	90	Minden, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1961
10-1-94	Dalton C. H. Tait	66	Unknown	342	Bucks County, Pennsylvania	1976
10-31-94	Cleo G. Williamson	88	Buffalo Center, Iowa	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1991
10-31-94	Andrew E. Madsen	86	Kearney, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1946
10-13-94	Arlene Emmons	62	Mason City, Iowa	126	Los Angeles, California	1978
10-8-94	Ben Damsgard	65	Aarhus, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1975



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Not too long ago, Danes began to more regularly participate in a Scandinavian Christmas tradition most associated with Sweden: the day of Saint Lucia. Legends say Lucia was a young Christian girl who was hurt and killed in ancient Rome for her beliefs. Now, every December 13, a household's youngest daughter will rise in the morning to dress in white and wear a crown of five burning candles. She sings traditional songs and offers coffee and special buns called "Lucia Cats" to her family. Jorgen and Bifrost wish each of you a Merry Christmas.

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