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Start Planning NOW for the 1963 NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 26th National Convention of our Brotherhood will be held in Erie Pennsylvania, September 1963, with "Lyngblomsten" Lodge No. 242 as the host Lodge. The general convention committee, and many of the sub-committees are already now in full activity preparing for a large attendance. Please follow the columns of our magazine's future issues for additional information from time to time. The convention is scheduled to convene on Monday morning, September 16, 1963.

The following is a copy of a memorandum dealing with the election of delegate only, sent by letter to the lodge secretaries, recently.

".....It is called to your attention that Section 39 in our by-laws provides that a lodge with at least 11 insured members in good standing is entitled to send one (1) delegate to the Convention, but it is not compulsory to do so.

Section 43 in the by-laws prescribes how the delegates and his alternate shall be elected. It is necessary:

1. To elect a Law Committee of five (5) or more, insured members in good standing, at least nine (9) months before the National Convention convenes. The time limit for the election of this committee thus expires on December 15, 1962; this year. All Committee members must have belonged to the lodge at least one year at the time of the election.
2. A FORMER MEMBER MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE LAW COMMITTEE.
3. The Lodge must notify its members in writing of the date, time and place the election of the Law Committee will take place.
4. The Lodge must elect the Delegate and his Alternate from among the members of the Law Committee only. This same rule will apply if the election of a substitute becomes necessary under Section 43.3.
5. The Delegate and Alternate must be elected not later than March 15, 1963. A written notice of this election must also be sent to the members. The weather can be very inclement during the winter months in many areas of our local lodges. For this reason, it is strongly recommended that the elections be scheduled as early as possible. This will insure a better attendance at these meetings and may allow time for a postponement, if this becomes necessary, without the risk of exceeding the time limit for the elections. Last day for a lawful election is March 15, 1963.
6. IMPORTANT — A Lodge can not legally elect a Delegate and an Alternate unless the members have first elected a Law Committee. The Delegate and the Alternate must both be elected from among the membership of the Law Committee on or before March 15, 1963, with written notice of the elections having been sent to the members."

Fraternally yours,
AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.



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New Members in Lodge No. 600



From left to right: Mary Danielsen, Ione Mikkelsen, Joan Madsen, Carol Danielsen.

On October 10th, during the week of Supreme Board meeting in Omaha, a meeting of Lodge No. 600 was called to order by Supreme President Hans M. Andersen, for the purpose of initiating four new members. Ione Mikkelsen, wife of Supreme First Vice President, Viggo Mikkelsen; Mary Danielsen and Carol Danielsen, wife and daughter of Supreme Second Vice President, Einar Danielsen; and Joan Madsen, wife of Supreme Trustee, Chris Madsen. The initiation ceremony was very impressively performed by the Supreme Officers.

Also attending this meeting were Clara Andersen, a member of Lodge No. 255, Selma, Calif.; Rose Skelbeck and Sena Jensen, members of Lodge No. 600. The candidates were duly welcomed as members of the Danish Brotherhood, with the hope that more lodges will make it possible for the ladies to join them as full-fledged members.

Hilsen og Tak fra Loge 318

Den 20 August forlod de sidste af vore mange besøgende Brødre og Venner deres gamle Land for atter at fort sætte Livet og arbejdet derovre i det stor Amerika. Dansk Brodersamfunds 80 aars Jubilæumsrejse er, for os her hjemme, definitivt afsluttet. Tilbage bliver Mindet om en "Reunion" der søger sin lige i festlig Samvær med herboende Brødre og vel nok endnu mere med Slægt og Venner! For det var jo Slægt og Venner der mere end noget andet har været årsagen til at I kom hjem til gamle Danmark endnu engang.

Dog, maaske var der ogsaa andet der kaldte. Maaske var der Minder fra Barne aarene derhjemme i den lille Landsby. Var det Sprøjtehuset? Eller den gamle Landsbykirke der i Solfaldstimen spejler sig i den lille Sø medens den sprøde Kirkeklokke ringer Solen ned? Der kan jo vær saa meget, helt tilbage i ens Erindring. Der var jo ogsaa den Tid hvor man kun anede den Landskabelige Skønhed ens egen Hjemstavn var i Bessiddelse af, men som i Amerika begyndte at antage et stadig vidunderligere Præg og som tilsidst virkede saa dragende at man maatte hjem for at gense det. Ja, der var netop saa meget man ikke fik set medens man var ung.

Men nu er her blevet stille herhjemme i de smaa Stuer nu I er rejst. De gamle Familiebilleder med Evighedsblomsterne hænger atter stille som før I kom — men det er som en anden Aand er kommen herind, I er os ligesom nærmere end før. Ved det store Fællesmøde i "Karnappen" hvor Loge 318 var Vært, fik man en Følelse af at vi netop gennem Logen her i København er kommen nærmere ind paa Livet af jeres gøren og laden derovre. Loge 318 er som et Vindu hvorfra vi kan følge jer o jeres arbejdet baade i og underfor jeres Loger derovre og I kan bruge det samme Vindu til ogsaa at følge os i vort arbejde og vi har meget at lære af hinanden. Dansk Brodersamfund er et Bindeled ikke alene mellem Logerne i Amerika inbyrdes men ogsaa mellem Landsmænd og Brødre paa begge side Atlanten.

Vi takker jer alle fordi I kom og besøgte os her i Sommer, vi har lært mange gode Brødre at kende og for jer alle ønsker vi Held og Lykke og — PAA GENSYN!

Paa Loge 318 Vegne,

PETER NORTOFT, Sekretær.

The hand that rocks the cradle
Is a gentle one, by far;
But very often it's the one
That wrecks the family car!
—Charley Welde.

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AXEL SKELBECK,
Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

Date Line Detroit

The 36th annual convention of the Michigan-Ohio District of the Danish Brotherhood met in the beautiful Wayne room of the Pick Fort Shelby Hotel in Detroit, September 29 and 30.

Nineteen delegates and 12 visitors answered roll call at 1 p. m., Saturday. All the district lodges reported that they were far behind last year in taking in new members, but after very inspiring talks by Supreme Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen and Promotional Director Paul Strand, all were ready to go home, put their shoulders to the wheel and at least equal last year when we earned \$250 in membership prize money.

We were able to lay preliminary plans for dealing with the important items which will come up at the national convention in Erie in September, 1963, because of the very fine reports of what had been done at other conventions by those who had attended them. Louis Kasa reported on the Midwest convention in Kenosha, Armand Larsen on the Eastern Lodges convention in Philadelphia, and Paul Strand on the Minnesota and Iowa conventions. A letter was received from the Minnesota Lodges asking us to send delegates to the Central States Coordinating Committee meeting which will be held in Albert Lea, Minnesota, March 30. This idea of having all the lodges from the mid-continental states meet and discuss mutual problems had been proposed at the Minnesota convention, and both Iowa and Midwest conventions had voted to send delegates. We also voted to have representation.

The banquet Saturday evening, celebrating the 57th anniversary of Lodge 227 was a glittering affair. Ambassador Count Knuth-Winterfeldt gave the address of the evening, telling us just what goes on in an embassy. It takes some 50 people to handle the political, cultural, economic and social affairs in which the embassy must take an interest.

Wayne County Prosecutor, Samuel Olsen spoke of the difficulties confronting the conscientious prosecutor of the second largest county in the country. He praised the Detroit police department, which is the finest in the country and always has his fullest cooperation.

Toastmaster John Emanuelson also called on the following for a few words: Supreme Vice President Mikkelsen and Thea Madsen, District Presidents Holgar Thuesen and Marion Wolf, Pastor Emeritus Svend Jorgensen, Lodge 227 President John Larsen, Sculptor Marshall Fredericks, and Danish Consul George Everson. John had promised to hold all speakers except the ambassador and the prosecutor to three minutes. The above were his victories. Then he called on Paul Strand. Oh, well, even Napoleon had his Waterloo! The man doesn't live who can hold Paul to three minutes.

Webeek and his Music Masters played for the dance. The delegates from Cleveland wanted to hire him on the spot for some of their dances. We are fortunate to have such a fine orchestra in Detroit, able to play both

modern music which the young people love and the old Danish dance music which their parents prefer.

The Sunday meeting was held at the Danish Old People's Home. We had a very full schedule in these beautiful surroundings. At the convention meeting in the morning, Greenville was selected as the 1963 convention site. The following were elected to district office for 1962-63: President Eric Dane, Vice President William Bentz, Secretary Armand Larsen and Treasurer Earl Jensen.

Following a fine Danish lunch, these officers were installed by Viggo Mikkelsen and the Sisterhood officers by Thea Madsen at a public installation witnessed by about 200 people. Viggo also presented 50-year pins to Sam Rasmussen and Axel Nielsen.

At 3 p. m., Ambassador Count Knuth-Winterfeldt dedicated the Danish Memorial Garden and Fountain.

Lodge 227 now has a liquor license from the state of Michigan. We have completed the purchase of the lots on the northwest corner of Grand River and Beaverland and expect to break ground for our new home in the spring. It behooves all of us to attend lodge meetings and give our support to Axel Lohman and his committee.

Many Brothers are losing out on some money when their name is drawn in the jack-pot when they are not at the meeting. Carl Fetter, A. Hemmingsen, Anker Andersen, Walter Ericson, Kaj Paulsen and George Holst all would have been richer had they been present at recent meetings.

Of the great men who founded Lodge No. 227, only two are still with us, Carl P. Nielsen and Hans Hansen. It is a great inspiration to all of us to read over the old minutes, and realize how long these men remained in harness. The last to leave us was Brother August Jorgensen. When I joined the lodge in 1945, August Jorgensen was financial secretary and he remained in that position until 1948, a total of 48 years in active lodge work. For several years after that he remained a regular attendant at meetings. I have met many Brothers who told me of having been given their first job by August. Whenever anything of importance came up in the lodge, August always gave his opinion, and was never too tired to do his bit. Such a man can never be replaced. All we can do is try to emulate his example, support our lodge in all its doings and never say no when asked to serve the lodge as an officer or a committee member.

ARMAND E. LARSEN.

Law professor: If you have the facts on your side, hammer them into the jury. If you have the law on your side, hammer it into the judge.

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

By NORBERT E. GROVE, Box 350, Puyallup, Washington

The Northwest Danish Home for Oregon and Washington at 10010 Des Moines Way, South, Seattle continues to be "the ideal headquarters for older persons who enjoy the fellowship of their own age and the pleasant surroundings of the Puget Sound country." Brother Ejnar A. Hansen, caretaker, invites you to stop when in the area. If you know of any elderly Danes who would like to spend their declining years in a place where they will be among people with mutual understanding and where good Danish food is served, they will thank you later if you recommend our Home to them. For further information and an application, write to Secretary Chris Hansen. Room and Board ranges from \$88 to \$100 per month.

We always enjoy the beautiful performances of our ladies' drill teams from Portland and Seattle as well as the folk dancers from Vancouver, B. C. For more than 25 years, the top-notch Danish Sisterhood drill team in the Queen City has been organized and has religiously practiced and performed. The Pacific Northwest district has been proud of them but now they are in trouble. Interest seems to be diminishing and there are too many conflicting activities confronting the time involved. The team needs new members and we invite you to call their president, Sister Marie Mauritsen, at UL 2-3470 or Captain Ready at SU 4-4013. It is a fine sociable group but for no other reason, the healthy exercise afforded by the marching of the team should be considered. Doctors will tell you that walking is an easy way to exercise. All sisters who want to stay young and find bowling balls too heavy, march to better health by joining your local drill team.

Discover Vancouver, B. C., Canada's most beautiful city, May 3, 4 and 5. Details are already in the making for our annual Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood convention. This British Columbian metropolis across the border is a rare blend of the great outdoors and big city fun and if you haven't attended the two previous conclaves when DB 328 played host, you have a treat in store for 1963. Canada's third largest city, with a temperate year around climate, has a Chinatown, a beautiful university campus, an international airport, a white crescent beach, high outdoor restaurants, a gigantic chairlift and above all, warm, friendly hospitality. Come by car, plane, train, ferry or bus. No passport needed for United States citizens. "Programmet for 1963 Konvention vil blive trykt paa godt papir" so says the convention committee. Send your advertisements to Brother Aage Lundquist, 5692 Clinton Street, Burnaby 1, British Columbia.

Only in America could this happen. In 1928, District President John M. Bech sent boat passage to his nephew, Raymond R. Bech in Denmark. Today, Ray is a successful business man who this month shares his "know-how" with 1,500 associates in the service station industry at Los Angeles. Speaking to a group of General Petroleum corporation retail marketers, Bech will relate how he made the transition from a Danish immigrant to a prosperous U. S. community leader. Born in Denmark 52 years ago, he arrived in New York City with \$25 and no knowledge of the English language. Following night attendance at a Spokane high school and later at a business college, Ray Bech opened his own service station in 1932 with an investment of \$250. A Past Master of his Masonic lodge, a member of the Kiwanis, a Shriner and an active Baptist, Bech and his wife, June, have four sons.

For the purpose of introducing prospective members

to the present membership, Seattle Danes staged a "smoker" October 20. The evening was free to all and reported very successful. Danish sandwiches by Sister Ingeborg Kisbye were served with cold beer. Entertainment followed and a good time was had by all. We hope that older members appreciated the evening and that Secretary Paul C. Hansen, of 5626 Forty-eighth southwest, will be kept busy sending in new applications to Omaha. Aside from the good fellowship gained as a Brother, more insurance for less money can be had from the Danish Brotherhood.

Bellingham's DB 155 is growing by leaps and bounds. On September 15, five Brothers from Seattle and one member from Spokane went to Bellingham in order to participate in the initiation of eight new Brothers and Sisters into the Danish Brotherhood. Congratulations for the new life inaugurated.

Seattle's Brother Anders Bank celebrated his golden wedding anniversary last month; Conductor Hugo Dall is currently organizing a barber-shop quartet; Supreme Trustee Kristen Jorgensen attended the Midwest District convention; Brother Walter Jorgensen is recovering from a recent heart attack; Past President Charles Parker has just returned from an extended trip to the Orient; Brother Otto Brask recently married Minna Rasmussen, an exchange nurse from Denmark; belated birthday greetings to Brother Pete Alstead now reaching his 86th anniversary; Birte, 14-year-old daughter of Brother Charles Portier, is attending school this year in Roskilde, Denmark; and Brother Viggo and Mrs. Bottker have been married 50 years this month.

Enumclaw's Danish hall was dark last week, not because of one of the many elderly Brothers passing away, but rather because there were no lights due to a severe tornado on the Pacific Coast; Brother Niels and Karen Rasmussen celebrated their golden wedding Sunday, October 14; Secretary Ingvald Nelsen and wife, Carlotta, attended the Seattle Sisterhood 65th anniversary September 15; and Brother Chris Sand is good as new again after a couple of visits to the Memorial hospital.

Spokane's third generation Brothers John and Kris Wales are active extra-curricular participants in their respective schools, John in high school football and Kris who is studying forestry at the University of Idaho, is a member of the ROTC drill team; Brother Benni Andersen, executive chef of the fantastic Beaverton Town and Country show place in Oregon, has been seen in Tacoma here of late; long-time Secretary Lauritz Mortensen has resigned and with wife, Ella, is moving to Portland; and new Secretary Lawrence Charneski recently visited the Seattle Lodge.

Tacoma's Past President Niels Christensen has been in and out of the hospital all summer; and Portland's Brother Sherman Harkson was toastmaster at their last joint ceremonies with the ladies at which event over 125 were present.

On November 25, the Danish Hall in Enumclaw, Wash., will be decorated to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of my parents, Carl Peter Marinus Nielsen Grove and Myrtine Peterson Grove. Daughters, Mrs. John L. Rieck and Mrs. Gerald C. Macfarlane, are in charge of arrangements. The Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges of this little Danish city will be out in full force and "open house" invitations are herewith extended to all friends of dad and mother.



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Mid-West District Convention

The Midwest District of the Danish Brotherhood in America met in convention on September 8 and 9, 1962, in Kenosha, Wis., with Lodge No. 14 as host.

The adoption of a new set of by-laws for the Midwest District took a great deal of time, however, a good share of other business was transacted, among which was the adoption of a resolution to remove the simple majority ruling as adopted by the 1959 convention in Omaha and change it back to read two-thirds majority.

There was also discussed a new method of premium collections which should help many lodges throughout the Brotherhood and this too was adopted as a new proposal for the Erie convention.

New officers elected to lead the Midwest district for the next year are President, Clarence Rudd, No. 92, St. Charles, Ill.; Ex-president, Lavard Pedersen, No. 64 Rockford, Ill.; 1st vice president, Kenneth Janssen, No. 4, Racine, Wis.; 2nd vice president, Charles Eastlund, No. 75, Albert Lea, Minn.; secretary-treasurer, Louis Kasa, No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; trustees, Carl Meyer, No. 35, Chicago, Ill.; Art Cordtz, No. 245, South Bend, Ind.; Curtis Petersen, No. 182, Waukegan, Ill.

Seventeen lodges were represented by 27 delegates giving us a fair cross-section of views throughout the Midwest.

Supreme 2nd vice president Einar Danielsen and Supreme trustee Kristen Jorgensen were also present and their remarks and futures of the Danish Brotherhood proves that our supreme officers are qualified and able representatives of all our members. Thanks to both of you for your attendance.

Promotional Director Paul Strand gave us his views

on a method of increasing interest and attendance at local lodge activities by dividing our District into zones for better inter-lodge visitation. The lodges will get a clearer picture of the problems of each other so that they may all work for a solution to them.

We firmly believe that this convention, as well as all those in the past, links the Danish Brotherhood more firmly together as a free thinking unit, thus preserving the ideals of the Danish Brotherhood in America.

The banquet program was as follows:

Welcome by chairman of committee, invocation by the Rev. Mr. Siersbeck, introduction of Toastmaster Martin Jensen.

Greetings from welcoming committee, Chairman H. A. Petersen; group song, "God Bless America"; President DB Lodge No. 14, Everett Henriksen; President DSS Lodge No. 20, Peggy Petersen; Mayor, city of Kenosha, Eugene Hammond; District President of Sisterhood, Wilma Petersen, District President of Brotherhood, Lavard Pedersen; Supreme Secretary DSS, Thora Collins; Supreme Trustee DSS, Olga Christensen; Second Supreme Vice President DB, Einar Danielsen; Supreme Trustee, Kristen Jorgensen; Promotional Director, Paul Strand; Group song, "Der er et yndigt land." Other entertainment following the banquet was a dance.

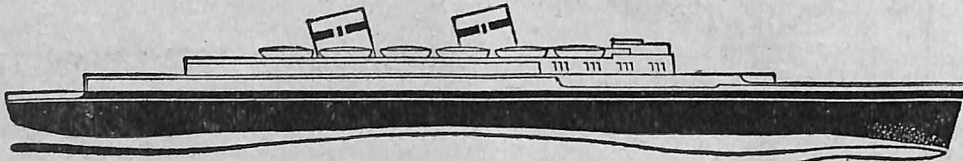
The convention committee members were Hans A. Petersen, John Petersen, Martin Jensen, Carl Olsen, Dale Rohling, and Everett Henriksen.

LOUIS KASA, Secreary-Treasurer Midwest Dist.

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WELCOME TO MEMBERSHIP !

New Adult Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
4	Racine	Jens Jensen	Jens M. Jensen
16	Minden	Bart Aabel	Gerald W. Grainger
17	Chicago	Carl C. Larsen	Ralph D. Larsen
17	Chicago	Carl C. Larsen	James Jepsen
17	Chicago	O. L. Kure	Paul Andersen
67	Fresno	Fred. Andersen	Castor Nielsen
84	Lincoln	Erik Hansen	Ingrid M. Hansen
84	Lincoln	Paul E. Hansen	Arla M. Hansen
92	St. Charles	Jorgen Sindhoj	Erik B. Sindhoj
95	Ferndale	Paul Chance	Eddie G. Nielsen
126	Los Angeles	C. O. Erickson	Erik G. Nielsen
126	Los Angeles	C. O. Erickson	Thomas R. Berg
126	Los Angeles	Carl Petersen	Birger Christensen
126	Los Angeles	C. O. Erickson	Holger Christensen
126	Los Angeles	Iver M. Lauritsen	Erik M. Kofod
126	Los Angeles	Hans Brodersen	Jens E. Nielsen
126	Los Angeles	Kai Due	Kai G. Olsen
126	Los Angeles	Iver M. Lauritsen	Eli Rasmussen
126	Los Angeles	Peter Pedersen	Jorgen Roug
126	Los Angeles	C. O. Erickson	Fulton Archibald
126	Los Angeles	O. Sandau	Wilhelm A. O. Bentzen
155	Bellingham	C. D. Colpitts	Carol M. Colpitts
155	Bellingham	C. D. Colpitts	Dorothy M. Colpitts
155	Bellingham	Hans C. D. Bruun	Vivi Fillback
155	Bellingham	Hans Bruun	Bernard G. Fillback
155	Bellingham	Arnold Grimlund	Jane Jacobsen
155	Bellingham	C. D. Colpitts	Anna L. Brunk
155	Bellingham	Arnold Grimlund	Gerda Grimlund
155	Bellingham	Hans Bruun	Karen E. Bruun
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Martha Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Erik H. Torring
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Keith T. Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Wayne O. Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Eugene W. Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Clara N. Torring
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Helen A. Nelson
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Heral R. Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Alice V. Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Geraldine E. Schultz
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Kenneth C. Pedersen
161	Ruskin	Ova Schultz	Loetta M. Pedersen
161	Ruskin	Thor. Mogensen	Eldon Sorensen
161	Ruskin	George Anderson	Mary Anderson
161	Ruskin	Geo. Anderson	Gertie C. Molgard
161	Ruskin	Jens P. Jensen	Cora L. Jensen
161	Ruskin	Andrew Sommer	Nels Sorensen

161	Ruskin	Andrew Sommer	Marie Sorensen
161	Ruskin	Andrew Sommer	Hansa Sommer
167	Portland	Poul Persson	Erick W. Anderson
167	Portland	Henry Harkson	Carl Streed
167	Portland	Poul Persson	Kurt Persson
177	Cordova	H. Jorgensen	Richard Thomsen
186	Luck	Chris J. Bach	Lyle C. Bach
205	Brooklyn	Wm. Svendsen	Bessie Svendsen
205	Brooklyn	Wm. Svendsen	Marie Højmark
245	South Bend	Louis Kasa	LaVerne O. Chapman
268	Junction City	Sigurd Nielsen	Hans M. Skov
278	Salt Lake City	Svend Emmer	Oral V. Pedersen
288	Cotesfield	Chris Boilesen	Allen Rasmussen
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600	Omaha	Fred. Andersen	Helen Andersen
600	Omaha	Fred Jensen	Betty Krause
600	Omaha	Fred Jensen	Edward Krause
600	Omaha	Fred Jensen	Viola K. Swanson
600	Omaha	Fred Jensen	Anna M. Nielsen
600	Omaha	Fred Jensen	Christine E. Alsen
600	Omaha	Fred Jensen	Signe Nielsen
600	Omaha	Viggo Mikkelsen	Ione Mikkelsen
600	Omaha	Chris Sorensen	Dorothy Peterson
600	Omaha	Earl Mikkelsen	Helga Mikkelsen
600	Omaha	Chris Sorensen	Evelyn Rasmussen
600	Omaha	Chris Madsen	Joan Madsen
600	Omaha	Einar Danielsen	Carol Danielsen
600	Omaha	Einar Danielsen	Mary Danielsen

New Juvenile Members Admitted Last Month

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Member
46	Perth	Amboy—Arne Kjems	Arne Kjems, Jr.
92	St. Charles	Einar Danielsen	Eric Danielsen
144	Dike	E. Andersen	Kenneth Andersen
144	Dike	E. Andersen	Diane C. Andersen
172	Philadelphia	Mogens Hempel	Henrik Poulsen
172	Philadelphia	Mogens Hempel	Soren Poulsen

242	.....	Erie—Edward Jonassen..Andrea Jonassen
263	.....	Askov—Edwin Sorensen...Terrance Hagen
263	.....	Askov—Edwin Sorensen....Jon M. Hagen
263	.....	Askov—Edwin Sorensen..Kevin M. Hagen
263	.....	Askov—Edwin Sorensen....Bradley Hagen
323	.....	Alhambra—F. E. Jepsen....Agnes P. Hansen
332	.....	Ripon—N. Davis, Jr.....Jon C. Mathisen

299	Solvang, Calif.	1,325	72	19	26.35
288	Cotesfield, Nebr.	81	8	18	225.00
17	Chicago, Ill.	3,550,404	174	15	8.62
1	Omaha, Nebr.	301,589	209	14	6.70
177	Cordova, Nebr.	152	32	14	43.75
75	Albert Lea, Minn.	17,108	84	12	14.29
245	South Bend, Ind.	132,445	39	12	30.77
49	San Francisco, Calif. ...	740,316	296	11	3.72
67	Fresno, Calif.	133,929	84	10	11.90
155	Bellingham, Wash.	34,688	19	10	52.63

You are now members of The Danish Brotherhood in America which this year celebrates the 80th anniversary of our founding. We suggest you gain the greatest enjoyment and benefit out of your membership by taking a really active part in the work and the social affairs of your lodge. Attend your Lodge meetings. Suggest and help plan the kind of activities that will interest your members AND prospective members. Voice your opinion on the subjects under discussion at your Lodge meetings. Help make your Lodge and The Danish Brotherhood in America the kind of organization that will best interest and serve all our members.

And most important of all — keep your Lodge growing by inviting those of your family and friends who are eligible. A growing Lodge is an interesting Lodge. Remember that eligible for membership are:

1. Persons who are of Danish origin or extraction.
2. Persons who have obtained Danish citizenship.
3. Persons who are married to persons of Danish origin or extraction.
4. Persons who are relatives of members of the Society.

Tell your family and your friends about our Fraternal Aid (Supreme Constitution Sections 76 and 78) and our college scholarships (Section 78 Paragraph 9). Tell them about our low cost insurance for all the family, our rates are shown on all application blanks. Tell them about the sociability in YOUR Lodge. Then invite them to join — NOW. Celebrate YOUR membership by sponsoring at least two new members right now.

It is interesting to note that of the 28 Lodges (exclusive of No. 600) who admitted new members this month, seven or 25% of them admitted 10 or more new members during 1961. They keep right on growing, don't they?

Another 10 Lodges on this list admitted from five to nine members in 1961.

Fifty-seven or more than half of the new adult members admitted became members of four Lodges:

Los Angeles No. 126 admitted 11. Bellingham No. 155 admitted eight. Ruskin No. 161 admitted 20. Cotesfield No. 288 admitted 18.

Los Angeles No. 126 and Bellingham No. 155 are consistent performers — No. 126 has failed to appear in our new members listing only once this year. Lodge No. 155 got a late start but is making up for it now. Lodge No. 161 and No. 288 are newcomers to our new member listing but look at the start!

Fifty-five loyal and interested members sponsored these 112 new members. The conclusion is obvious — YOUR Lodge can grow — with YOUR help.

Honor Roll for 1962

Lodge No.	Location	Population	Member-ship 1-1-62	New Mem-bers	% of In-crease
16	Minden, Nebr.	2,383	93	36	38.71
167	Portland, Ore.	372,676	132	30	22.73
144	Dike, Iowa	630	53	22	41.51
126	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,535,700	305	21	6.89
161	Ruskin, Nebr.	203	12	20	166.67

Will you look at our HONOR ROLL grow this month! Fresno's No. 67 gained one new member to make it this month; Bellingham's No. 155 (population 34,688) proudly added eight — seven of them ladies — to join the charmed circle and Ruskin No. 161 and Cotesfield No. 288 added 20 and 18, respectively, to earn HONOR ROLL rating all in one jump! We are proud of each of you HONOR ROLL Lodges! You have proved our point — that any Lodge that really wants to grow — can grow — with the help of YOU members.

Small town Lodges? Lodge No. 288 in Cotesfield, Nebraska, population 81. Lodge No. 177 in Cordova, Nebraska, population 152. Lodges in medium-sized cities? Lodge No. 75 in Albert Lea, Minnesota, population 17,108. Lodge No. 155 in Bellingham, Washington, population 34,688. Big city Lodges? Lodge No. 126 in Los Angeles, California, population 2,535,700. Lodge No. 17 in Chicago, Illinois, population 3,550,404.

Small Lodges? Cotesfield No. 288, membership eight. Ruskin No. 161, membership 12. Medium-sized Lodges? Dike No. 144, membership 53. Solvang No. 299, membership 72. Big Lodges? Los Angeles No. 126, membership 305. San Francisco No. 49, membership 296.

Lincoln No. 84 and Alhambra No. 323 each need 1½ more to qualify for HONOR ROLL. Chicago No. 35 and Askov No. 263 each need three more; Dillon No. 273 needs 3½ more and San Diego No. 306 needs 4½ more. Watch next month's listing for those Lodges!

AND look for some surprises. You never know which Lodge will make HONOR ROLL in one jump as did Ruskin No. 161 and Cotesfield No. 288 this month!

Leaders Club for 1962

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	New Members
16	.....Minden, Nebr.—	Peter C. Nielsen	14
161	.....Ruskin, Nebr.—	Ova L. Schultz	13
299	.....Solvang, Calif.—	Levi Persson	13
245	.....South Bend, Ind.—	Louis A. Kasa	12
288	.....Cotesfield, Nebr.—	Chris Boilesen	12

A 21-gun salute to our two new LEADERS CLUB members this month!

We are tremendously proud of you — Ova Schultz of Ruskin No. 161 and Chris Boilesen of Cotesfield No. 288! Your record of sponsoring 13 and 12 new members respectively, all in one month, is a record that will be hard to beat. It is even more impressive when we consider that your Lodges (as reported in our October issue) have lain dormant for so many years.

You are both LEADERS in the fullest sense of the word! You have earned your LEADERS CLUB rank and the recognition that goes with it. Your LEADERS CLUB cuff link and tie bar sets will be properly presented to you at your next Lodge meeting. Wear that set proudly!

Our two stout workers, Louis A. Kasa (South Bend No. 245) and Levi Persson (Solvang No. 299), not content with just earning LEADERS CLUB rating continue to sponsor more new members. Levi sponsored another two to bring his total for the year up to thirteen. Louie

(with Esther's help, if we know them) sponsored one more to give him a total of 12 to date.

Minden's Tony Madsen ought to qualify soon; you need only 3½ more, Tony. And Bart Aable (Minden No. 16 again), you need just four more. And Fresno's (No. 67) grand old man, Frederik Andersen, needs only 4½ more. We'll be looking for you hard workers in next month's LEADERS CLUB! We have your award sets all ready to send to you!

Are You Doing Your Share?

The 436 new members admitted into our order thus far this year, as of October 20, were sponsored by 219 of our members. That works out to almost exactly two new members average for each of the 219 sponsors. IF each of our 9,826 adult members of record on December 31, 1961, had sponsored two new members thus far this year, we would have admitted 19,652 new members this year to date!

Eighty-three of our 180 Lodges have admitted an average of five members each this year to date. IF each of our 180 Lodges had admitted five new members to date, we would have admitted 900 new members so far this year!

Those figures, while they are averages, do speak for themselves. Just about 2¼% of our members, 219 of them, are doing the job for all 9,826 of us; A little less than one-half of our Lodges, 83 of them, are doing the job for all of us!

Are you doing your share? Is your Lodge doing its share?

What Do We Have to Sell?

Some of our members have remarked that they never know what to answer when an eligible prospect asks, "Why should I join the Danish Brotherhood in America?" There are many reasons WHY every eligible prospect should WANT to become a member. Let's see if we can't list some really good reasons.

1. **SOCIABILITY.** Perhaps the best reason in the world for joining the Danish Brotherhood in America is the sociability that is part and parcel of our organization. When we become a member we immediately enlarge our circle of friends and that is important to all of us. We create new friendships by taking part in our Lodge life whether that be Lodge meetings, Lodge committees or Lodge social affairs.

2. **FRATERNALISM.** This is the mainstay of the Danish Brotherhood in America. We are banded together for the primary purpose of helping each other when help is needed. Few of us, if any, joined so that the Danish Brotherhood in America might help us. Most of us joined so that we might play a part in helping some other member who might need help. BUT, if and when we might need help, we KNOW the help will be there for us and that is important!

The help that is available to all insured members may take many forms.

How about those young members who are getting a college education through the help of one of our Scholarship grants?

How about those members whose Supreme Lodge taxes are being paid and whose insurance is being kept in force through our Fraternal Fund?

How about those members whose sunset years are being made a little more comfortable and worry free through help from our Fraternal Fund?

These are just a few examples of FRATERNALISM

as we practice it in the Danish Brotherhood in America.

3. **COST.** In no other way that we know of can you secure so much protection for your family and yourself for so little cost as through membership in the Danish Brotherhood in America.

Here is a comparison with one of the leading "low net cost" commercial companies. We are comparing a \$2,000 Ordinary Life and a \$2,000 Twenty-Pay Life policy on a man age 40 — \$2,000 simply because the commercial company does not write a smaller policy. Here are the figures:

Ordinary Life — Male age 40 — \$2,000 Face Amount

	Commercial Company	Danish Brotherhood
Monthly rate	\$ 5.78	\$ 4.66
Twelve monthly premiums	69.36	55.92
Total premiums to age 65	1,734.00	1,398.00
Estimated dividends to age 65* ...	417.52	307.56
Net premiums to age 65*	\$1,316.48	\$1,090.44
Cash value at age 65	\$1,034.00	\$ 998.78
Net cost to age 65*	\$ 282.48	\$ 91.66

Twenty-Pay Life — Male Age 40 — \$2,000 Face Amount

	Commercial Company	Danish Brotherhood
Monthly rate	\$ 8.18	\$ 6.54
Twelve monthly premiums	98.16	78.48
Total premiums to age 65	1,963.20	1,569.60
Estimated dividends to age 65*	528.98	366.24
Net premiums to age 65*	\$1,434.22	\$1,203.36
Cash value at age 65	\$1,526.00	\$1,526.24
Net gain to age 65*	\$ 91.78	\$ 322.88

* Dividends shown or included in total figures based on current scale, not guaranteed. Any increase or decrease will affect these results.

Note that the cost of insurance in the Danish Brotherhood in America is less than in the commercial company all along the line. Our monthly premium (or assessment) is lower; our total premiums to age 65 are lower; our NET premiums to age 65 are lower; our net cost to age 65 is lower.

In accordance with Section 78, Paragraph 2, upon proper application and evidence of need, any insured member's head taxes and insurance assessments may be paid from our Fraternal Fund. This same benefit is available to policyholders in a commercial company PROVIDED they are disabled for six months or longer AND at an added cost of (on a \$2,000 policy on a male, age 40, Ordinary Life) 14 cents per month or \$1.68 per year!

Again, under Section 78, Paragraph 7, upon proper application and evidence of need, any insured member may receive up to \$50 per month from our Fraternal Fund. The commercial company which we are comparing with the Danish Brotherhood in America offers a comparable benefit of up to \$10 per month (on a \$2,000 policy) PROVIDED the insured is totally disabled for at least six months and PROVIDED such disability occurs before age 55. Such benefit costs an additional 90 cents per month or \$10.80 per year!

On a comparable basis, membership is every bit as advantageous to the female members of your family as to yourself. For example, the commercial company's rate for a \$2,000 Ordinary Life on a female age 40 is \$5.56 per month as compared to our \$4.16 per month.

And on a Twenty-Payment Life their rate is \$8 per month as compared to our \$6.08 per month!

The commercial company's rate for \$2,000 of Twenty-Payment Life on a male age 5 is \$4.80 per month. On a female age 5 is \$4.78 per month. (Minimum policy is \$2,000). Our rates are \$3.08 per month for \$2,000 with a minimum of \$500 and a maximum of \$1,500. (In New York state only our maximum is \$1,000.)

There is a lot of food for thought in these figures, isn't there? It certainly makes sense to buy our insurance on our families and ourselves at the lowest possible rates with the greatest possible benefits at the lowest possible net cost. When we buy our family insurance from the Danish Brotherhood in America we are buying it from ourselves because we, the members, ARE the Danish Brotherhood in America. And the savings or the earnings are passed on to us!

Travel Gavel

Lodge	Location	Gavel Meeting
263	Askov, Minnesota	November 21
75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	December 1
111	Austin, Minnesota	December 8
45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	December 28
139	Viborg, South Dakota	January 17

TRAVEL GAVEL is still being passed from Lodge to Lodge as it winds its way across the country. The appearance of TRAVEL GAVEL is creating a great deal of interest in the Lodges and at State Conventions.

The schedule published herein shows that TRAVEL GAVEL will be busy right through the coming holiday season.

If TRAVEL GAVEL has not yet visited your Lodge, watch for announcement of its visit. Plan to attend that meeting. You will witness an interesting bit of our history in use by your Lodge officers.

Travel Schedule

Your Promotional Director's travel schedule, starting November 9, will be a crowded one for the balance of this year. We are still awaiting confirmation on some of the visits we have suggested so the schedule published herein is somewhat tentative. There will undoubtedly be some last minute changes but as we go to press, I am

looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible. I hope each of you will make it a point to attend your Lodge on the night I plan to be there so we can shake hands and get to know each other.

Friday, Nov. 9, No. 164 or No. 172; Saturday, Nov. 10, No. 50; Monday, Nov. 12, No. 41; Wednesday, Nov. 14, No. 32; Thursday, Nov. 15, No. 46; Friday, Nov. 16, No. 257; Saturday, Nov. 17, No. 248; Tuesday, Nov. 20, No. 325; Wednesday, Nov. 21, No. 314; Monday, Nov. 26, No. 241; Tuesday, Nov. 27, No. 90; Wednesday, Nov. 28, No. 103; Thursday, Nov. 29, No. 102; Friday, Nov. 30, No. 112.
 Monday, Dec. 3, No. 194; Tuesday, Dec. 4, No. 300; Wednesday, Dec. 5, No. 190; Thursday, Dec. 6, No. 183; Friday, Dec. 7, No. 116.

The purpose of this long trip and crowded schedule is, of course, to try to help each Lodge plan and stage a successful membership campaign. With your help we can bring new members, new life and new interest in your Lodge. I hope you will help me to help your Lodge by meeting with me. Between us, we'll be able to do the job that needs doing.

Danish Memorial Garden

Three years in the planning, a Danish Memorial Garden was dedicated September 23 at the Danish Old Peoples Home, Rochester, Mich., by Count Knuth-Winterfeldt, Danish Ambassador to the United States. Danish Brotherhood Lodge No. 227, Detroit, is the owner and operator of the Home.

Outstanding features of the garden are two gas lamps from the Hans Christian Andersen Boulevard in Copenhagen, given by A. K. Bak, formerly of Detroit, and a bronze swan fountain donated by sculptor Marshall Fredericks of Birmingham, Mich. The cost is made available by public subscription. The thought behind it is: "to pass on to posterity a statistical record of the type of person that has immigrated from Denmark to the United States," according to Danish Consul George P. Everson. These records, when completed and published, will be preserved in a weatherproof container near the garden.

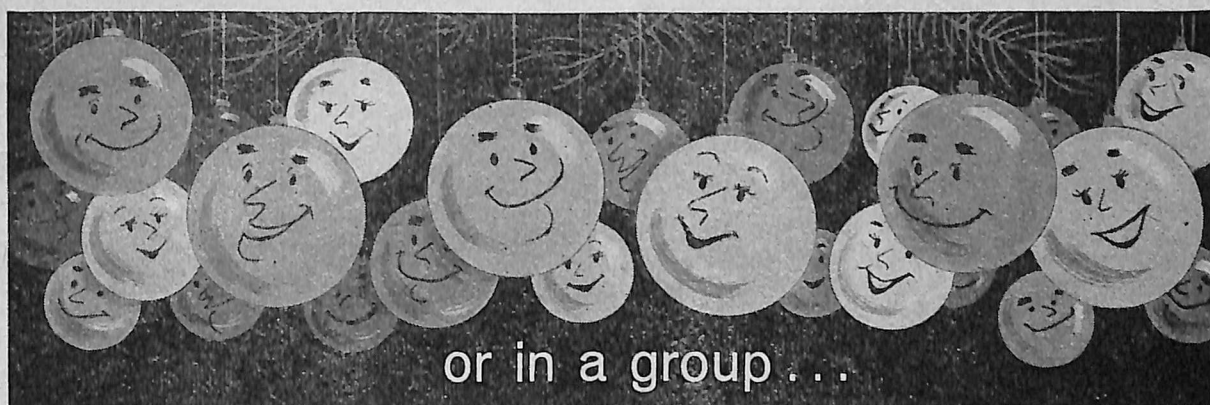
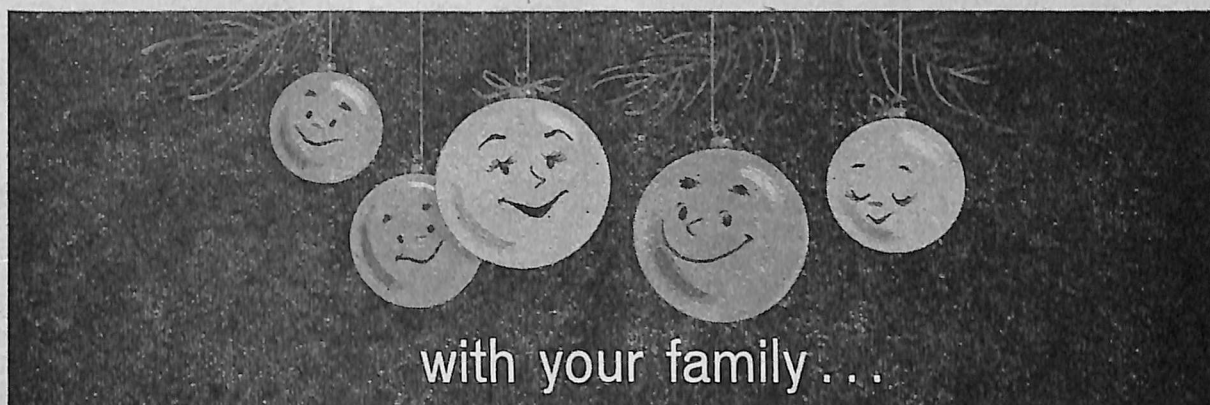
Our First Supreme Vice President Viggo Mikkelsen, a member of Lodge No. 227, is president of the Board of the Home.

EDITOR.

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Members who have passed away since the last report

Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	Lodge No.	Location	Year Joined	Cause of Death	Amount Paid
July 5	Jens Peder Hemmingsen	87	Negaunee, Mich.	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1914	Heart disease	\$ 968.62
Aug. 24	Anton L. M. Stenberg	79	Bornholm, Den.	84	Lincoln, Nebr.	1904	Coronary occlusion	475.08
Sep. 18	Ole Fred Sorensen	73	Ulsted, Den.	75	Albert Lea, Minn.	1909	Heart disease	1,000.00
Sep. 9	Niels N. Damsgaard	78	Aarhus, Den.	91	St. Paul, Minn.	1908	Hypostatic pneumonia	1,000.00
June 27	Christian Fr. Brown	72	Ringkøbing, Den.	45	Minneapolis, Minn.	1918	Auto accident	250.00
July 7	Peter N. Petersen	80	Denmark	164	New York, N. Y.	1921	Coronary occlusion	1,000.00
Sep. 5	Hans J. N. Holm	82	Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Ia.	1908	Lobar pneumonia	1,000.00
Sep. 21	Lars C. Jensen	76	Torslev, Jylland, Den.	234	Woodstock, Ill.	1923	Carcinomatosis	1,000.00
Aug. 3	Martinus M. Helstrup	83	Randers	49	San Francisco, Calif.	1906	Coronary thrombosis	924.03
Sep. 7	Soren C. Andersen	69	Tolstrup Sogn, Den.	15	Des Moines, Iowa	1914	Carcinomatosis	500.00
Mar. 14	Thor S. Larsen	69	Hjørring, Den.	4	Racine, Wis.	1910	Carcinoma	987.55
Sep. 10	Henry R. Dent	77	Holyoke, Mass.	84	Lincoln, Nebr.	1959	Auto accident	500.00
Sep. 11	August Jensen	79	Hjørring, Den.	39	Oakland, Calif.	1907	Cancer of lung	238.64
Sep. 16	Alfred C. Petersen	79	Copenhagen, Den.	17	Chicago, Ill.	1915	Carcinoma	997.92
Aug. 11	Christian Sorensen	80	Denmark	71	Penn Yan, N. Y.	1905	Not given	945.56
Sep. 26	Anders N. Rodbro	85	Klim	182	Waukegan, Ill.	1914	Myocardial infarction	3,000.00
Sep. 29	Rasmus P. Rasmussen	78	Skanderborg, Den.	4	Racine, Wis.	1904	Cardiac failure	1,000.00
Oct. 3	Carl C. Staal	75	Copenhagen, Den.	36	Milwaukee, Wis.	1928	Myocardial infarction	1,000.00
Sep. 17	Carl Axel Larsen	69	Hjørring, Den.	4	Petaluma, Calif.	1925	Cancer	250.00
Sep. 29	Henry W. Christensen	78	Saunders Co., Nebr.	143	Fremont, Nebr.	1923	Cerebral hemorrhage	500.00
Oct. 10	Niels B. Andersen	86	Aalsø, Denmark	26	Racine, Wis.	1910	Heart disease	469.63
Sep. 26	Carl M. Jorgensen	86	Skovby Aarhus, Den.	4	Dannebrog, Nebr.	1910	Mesenteric thrombosis	942.26
Sep. 28	Marius Andersen	82	Randers	190	Schenectady, N. Y.	1935	Not given	Social



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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By VIGGO NIELSEN, 29 Church Street, Millburn, New Jersey

General Committee Eastern Lodges. The president of the GCEL has appointed a committee which is to do some research by trying to bring the names of GCEL past officers up to date. The vice president, Brother Andrew Christensen, of Hartford Lodge is chairman of the committee and needs your help. The GCEL was started in 1925 and the list of ex-presidents is complete, however,



GCEL Officers for 1962-63. Front, left to right: Joseph Gillotte, Secretary; Lawrence Knudsen, Ex-President; Ed. Jonasen, President; Andrew Christensen, Vice President. Rear: Kristian Larsen, Jr., Treasurer; George Godthaab, Trustee.

no record seems to be available from 1925 to 1934, the secretarial list is covered but other officers list is missing. If you have ever served as vice president, treasurer or trustee between 1925 to 1934 please notify Brother Andrew Christensen, 44 Willow Brook Road, East Hartford, Conn.

The GCEL will meet in Geneva November 10. Meeting will be at 2:30 p. m., and will be held at Hotel Seneca. Supper will be served at the Women's club at 6 p. m. Brotherhood meeting will be held by No. 334 and following the meeting there will be dancing.

In visiting several lodges in the past two months I have been asked what that GCEL check received by several delegates and turned over to their lodges constituted. Brothers, those checks were your GCEL Promotional committee rewards for taking new members into your lodge, \$2 was given for each insured adult member and \$1 for each juvenile and social member signed up in your lodge between September, 1961, through July, 1962. Individual members in three groups also received prize money. The list is too extensive for me to record but I'm sure all lodge secretaries have been notified by now.

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. This lodge joined Sisterhood Lodge No. 12, October 3 and helped celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Brother and Mrs. Hans Nielsen, who are here from California. Brother Sondergaard brought a visitor to our last meeting, namely, Brother Petersen, a member of No. 600, formerly a member of No. 87, Boston. A fall dance has been planned November 17 and will be held at the Apollo hall, 717 Sherman Parkway, New Haven. Dancing will be from 9 to 1, Samuelson's Orchestra will play. Tickets are \$1.50 which include coffee and cake.

Lodge No. 46, Perth Amboy, N. J. An official invitation has been mailed to the GCEL, inviting them to have the 1963 GCEL convention in Perth Amboy, with No. 46 as host lodge. Plans are being made for a pre-lenten breakfast, details of same will be published in a latter issue.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. September 29 was a banner night in the annals of Danish culture in Rhode Island. The occasion was the joint celebration of Rosenberg Lodge No. 102, DB 65th and Haab Lodge No. 158, DSS 41st anniversary. The Georgian room in the Crown hotel, Providence, was the setting for this affair, with approximately 75 persons attending. One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of a 50-year emblem to Brother Fred Mortensen by our senior member of our 50-year group Brother Fred Verdich, this group now numbers five. Brother Carl W. Sorensen was toastmaster for the evening and introduced the following guests: President of Rosenberg Lodge, Brother Adolf Nielsen; President of Haab Lodge, Sister Alma Jensen; Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen and the acting Danish Consul General, the Honorable Uffe Himmelstrup of New York. Also present were GCEL Vice President Andrew Christensen and Treasurer Kristian Larsen, Jr. GCEL Sisterhood Past President Sister Lillian Larsen and the following representatives from No. 32, Brother Marinus Bjarno; No. 41, Brother Chris Andersen; No. 103, Brother Marius Jensen; No. 314, Brother Carl W. Sorensen, Jr., all of whom offered their congratulations. We were happy to introduce a member of our 50-year group, Brother John Svendsen, who was present with his son. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen gave an inspiring talk on the Brotherhood. Sister Lillian Larsen brought greetings from the Danish Sisterhood. Consul General Himmelstrup gave a speech. GCEL Treasurer Kris. Larsen, Jr., brought greetings from the General Committee. We wish to acknowledge the many telegrams and letters of congratulations, especially from the newly elected president of the GCEL Brother Edward Jonasen. After the speeches dancing was enjoyed to the music of Brother Nordling's orchestra. During intermission we were entertained by a group from New Haven who sang and played Danish folk songs. A hearty thanks to them. The committee wishes to thank all those who attended, for making this affair the huge success it was, also thanks to Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck for the table favors he sent us. We were informed that Brother Herbert Nelsen is on the sick list again, we miss you Herb and wish you a speedy recovery. We wonder how Brother Harbo Jensen is enjoying his visit in Denmark?

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. Election of officers will take place at the November 2 meeting to give more time to our Promotional Director Paul Strand who plans to visit our lodge at the December 7 meeting. We congratulate Brother and Mrs. Anton Godthaab who are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary November 11, due to poor health, (Mrs. Godthaab is recuperating after a stay in the hospital), it will be a quiet celebration with children, grandchildren and close family. Ladies' night was held following the October meeting, with ladies waiting patiently, the meeting was very short, in fact it was so short that our guest for the evening, vice president of the GCEL, Brother Andrew Christensen, never was recognized and presented to the assembly, our apology Brother Andrew, however, during the evening he met and talked to a number of people.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. GCEL Trustee George Godthaab and I had the pleasure of attending a meeting in this lodge October 12, we were impressed with the new meeting place, facilities are available for conducting good lodge meetings and the socials afterward will, as soon as arrangements are completed, be of such a

variety that we are sure this lodge will prosper. All are pleased with the new quarters and hopes for the future are high. Enthusiasm and willingness to do something is forever present and it is a pleasure to sit in on their meetings. Following their meeting the secretary, Gunnar Groelich showed a film "Holiday in Hawaii," a beautiful film enjoyed together with a bottle of Carlsberg, donated by Knud Koefoed, who won "Rumlekassen."

Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y. The annual turkey raffle will be held November 17 at 8 p. m., in the Danish hall. Chairmen Carl Kuehnel and Jack Christiansen are preparing a fine program, there will be showing of pictures of Scandinavian countries and other entertainment. Support this annual affair and join in the fun.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. We welcome the first juvenile girl member into the lodge, Andrea Elizabeth Jonasen, newly born daughter of Brother Edward and Marie Jonasen. The pinochle club is in session again, why don't you join this group, who meet the first and third Monday of each month?

Lodge No. 294, Barre, Vt. Two charter members of Green Mountain Lodge were honored at a golden anniversary celebration held September 22 at Cobble Hill



Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen presented 50-year emblems to Brothers Henry Lunde and Niels Nielsen at the golden anniversary celebration of Green Mountain Lodge No. 294, Barre, Vt.

Grange, Barre. Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen presented 50-year emblems to Brothers Henry Lunde and Niels Nielsen. About 100 people attended the dinner-dance. Supreme Trustee Madsen spoke of the pride of the national organization, which is 80 years old, in awarding half-century emblems to the two members of the lodge, the only Brotherhood Lodge in Vermont. He stressed the importance of gaining new members. Two juvenile members were welcomed into the order, Thomas, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mekkelsen; and Dana, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Duranleau. Entertainment included a vocal duet, an accordion and drum duet, a violin duet, a vocal solo and vocal and guitar solo, the program concluded with a baton twirling demonstration. At the conclusion of the evening of dancing, refreshments were served including a decorated anniversary cake. Indeed a splendid evening, long to be remembered and a lot of thanks goes to the committee for the fine arrangements.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. The annual "Andespil" for the benefit of the children's Christmas tree party will be held November 16 at 8 p. m. An invitation to participate in this event is extended to all Brothers and Sisters and also friends from neighboring Lodges. Our Promotional Director Paul Strand has promised to be in Hartford November 21, it is hoped that all Connecticut Lodges will make an effort to be present in Hartford on that evening.

From DB Lodge No. 144, Dike, Iowa

DB Lodge No. 144 held its regular meeting September 13 with 35 members present. At this time it was decided to hold a dance September 29. About 75 people attended the dance. Live music furnished a good evening of dancing.

The dance provided an opportune time for many members to bid Brother Paul Giehm and his wife, Ulla, a reluctant "bon voyage." They are moving to Alexandria, Va. Paul has been a good worker for Lodge 144 and we hope he finds a lodge near Washington, D. C., where he will be working.

We are now up to 65 members and still growing. We would be happy to greet any Brother who might be in our area when we have a meeting, the second Thursday of every month, in the Legion hall at Dike, Iowa.

A. B. THODE, Sec.-Treas.

Section 19, Paragraph 3(b)

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CALIFORNIA NEWS

By RUDOLPH OLSEN

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In writing these articles one sometimes wonders if they are read at all, or if it simply is a matter of, shall we say, "love's labor lost." The other day we received a letter from Brother Chris Madsen of Rockford, Ill., telling us how much he appreciated our articles. We need not say that such a letter was much appreciated, and it make you feel good. Thanks a lot, Brother Madsen.

In some of my articles written about Denmark after my visit this summer, I ventured some criticism. It has been suggested that I must have been very bitter about Denmark. But such is certainly not the case, I love Denmark as much as I ever did; and without a doubt it is one of the most beautiful countries you can visit in the summer time, and I think I did mention that the people are some of the best in the world. But what irked me, and I am sure many others, is the way some of the hotels and restaurants in Copenhagen try to take advantage of you at every possible turn.

It gripes me to see that some of our people from America who perhaps have saved for many years in order to make that, perhaps once in a lifetime trip back to the place from whence they came, being rooked the moment they step ashore or de-plane in Copenhagen. And apparently I was not the only one who complained about having to pay for a shoeshine I never got, as a friend of mine was telling me that this matter has been discussed in the Danish press.

No indeed, I am not sour on Denmark, I hope to make a trip again next year and many more trips in the future. But now I know what to look out for and I can warn others who are making trips to Denmark.

And speaking about trips to Denmark, I have just learned from Sister Tove Bollerup Madsen, president of the Sisterhood General Committee, that the charter flight they are arranging, is selling very well indeed and that about 50 have already signed for the trip. As the SAS jet plane will hold only 130, and if you are interested in going along better contact Sister Madsen as soon as possible. And if you are not now a member and wish to join you must be a member of one of the Sisterhood Lodges in California before December 1. So hurry.

Brother Alvin Olsen our President of our General Committees has now arranged his itinerary for installing officers in the various lodges next year. Here are the dates of his visits:

Thursday, January 3—Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles.
 Friday, January 4 — Lodge No. 323, Alhambra and Lodge No. 329, Long Beach.
 Saturday, January 5—Lodge No. 306, San Diego.
 Wednesday, January 9—Lodge No. 299, Solvang.
 Friday, January 11—Lodge No. 322, Santa Barbara.
 Saturday, January 12—Lodge No. 319, Bakersfield.
 Wednesday, January 16 — Lodge No. 255, Selma and Lodge No. 188, Del Rey.
 Thursday, January 17—Lodge No. 67, Fresno.
 Friday, January 18, Lodge No. 184, Hayward.
 Tuesday, January 22—Lodge No. 95, Ferndale and Lodge No. 230, Arcata.

Saturday, January 26—Lodge No. 143, Petaluma.
 Friday, February 1—Lodge No. 39, Oakland.
 Saturday, February 9—Lodge No. 332, Ripon.
 Wednesday, February 13—Lodge No. 49, San Francisco.

May I ask the various lodges to notify Brother Olsen as soon as possible whether or not the date for their lodge meets with the approval of the lodge. In this con-

nection may I remind you that our two presidents of the General Committees will be devoting almost an entire month for our benefit and the benefit of the Danish Sisterhood and Brotherhood. It is a whale of a job, and the least we can do is to try to cooperate. So let Brother Olsen know as soon as possible that you accept the date chosen by him. Should there be any change in the above schedule I shall try to have it in the article next month.

Golden Gate Lodge No. 49 in San Francisco will celebrate its birthday with a dinner in Michael's hall, 30th and Irving Street, Saturday evening, November 10. As there will only be 140 tickets sold, better get yours right away. See the advertisement in *Bien*, or contact me (Rudolph Olsen, 166 Geary St., San Francisco) for tickets which are only \$5.50 per person. Heiser's orchestra will play so you are assured a good time.

On October 26 Oakland Lodge No. 39 celebrated the birthday of Brother Jim Andersen, the reason for such a celebration was because he had reached the age of 96 and as such will, for one thing, get his insurance paid out and no further assessments. We wish Brother Andersen many more happy birthdays.

It is well known that Los Angeles Lodge No. 126 has passed San Francisco Lodge No. 49 in membership some time ago. And to show that No. 126 intends to continue to take the lead, they initiated nine new members October 4. Sixty members were present at the meeting which was preceded by a fine dinner, "Torksemiddage" to be exact. Which reminds me that No. 49 used to have some wonderful "Torskemiddage" and it would be nice to have one again soon.

Brother Emanuel Jurvig, for many years grand secretary of Dania, recently underwent brain surgery for a bloodclot and is now on his way to recovery, as a matter of fact he is so well he can again drive his car. Best wishes for real good recovery.

Brother Carl E. Andreasen, an officer for many years in No. 49 will celebrate his 75th birthday November 30. But no one would ever know it from his appearance, he looks more like 60 than 75 with hardly a gray hair on his top. Many happy birthdays to you, Carl.

And another Brother, Albert L. Christopher, in Morgan Hill celebrated his 70th birthday recently. It was his father, Ole Christopher, who pioneered in the Santa Clara Valley with prunes and this industry was continued by Al and his three brothers. Today the Santa Clara prunes are known the world over thanks to the industry and initiative of this family. We wish Brother Christopher many happy returns of the day.

And just a final word. Our lodges will soon be electing new officers for the year, 1963, be sure to come and vote at election time. Another important election will be that of delegate to the 1963 National Convention. And do elect a delegate because you know he can represent your lodge the way it should and not because he deserves a free trip to Erie, Penn. It is going to be an important convention so send the best man you can.

Husband to doctor: "You know, your idea certainly worked in my wife's case. Shortly after I took your advice and gave her a separate bank account her ulcer was completely cured."

Doctor: "Then everybody must be entirely happy."

Husband: "Not entirely. Now I've got an ulcer."

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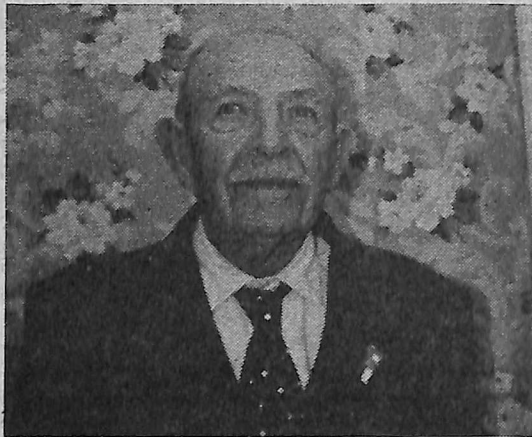
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Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Michigan



Pictured above is Brother Niels Jorgen Christensen, who we proudly presented a 50-year emblem, which you can see he has pinned on his lapel, recently.

Brother "N. J." as he is affectionately called by all of his many friends, was born December 14, 1871 in Vissenbjerg, Fyn, and came to the United States in 1888, settling in Elkhorn, Iowa, where he lived for 32 years before moving to Ludington. It was in Elkhorn that "N. J." joined the Danish Brotherhood, but transferred to Lodge No. 51 January 20, 1921. He joined the Brotherhood November 14, 1911.

Brother "N. J." has one son, Niels Peter, living in Ludington, and we are very happy to say that he also belongs to our Lodge. His daughter, Leona, lives on a fruit farm near Ludington, her husband, Roy Peterson, is in our Lodge also. The other children do not live near Ludington.

The evening we presented "N. J." with his pin, we had our local pastor, Rev. John Christensen with us to show colored movies of Copenhagen, and of rural Denmark. Also present were Brothers N. C. Rasmussen, Stanley Williamson and Holger Hansen, who had been presented 50-year pins several years previously.

After the movies, the committee served a potluck lunch and there was visiting and congratulations among the many members, friends and wives who were present to help celebrate this happy occasion.

EARL G. JENSEN, Sec.

Iowa Danish Brotherhood Convention

The Iowa United Lodges held its 34th annual convention September 2 and 3 at the Hotel Kirkwood in Des Moines.

Those who came on Saturday were treated to the most wonderful get-acquainted night. Lunch was served by the Des Moines Sisterhood. It was a great night.

Registration was Sunday, September 2, in the Hotel Kirkwood lobby. Two hundred registered for the Sunday evening banquet and dance. The first meeting was opened by President Thorvald Sorensen at which time he welcomed both the Sisterhood and the Brotherhood. Welcoming speeches were given by the state vice president of the Sisterhood, Mrs. Chives; Supreme Treasurer Mrs. Linderud and Supreme Trustee Mrs. Ellen Madison; Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen and Promotional Director Paul Strand. The Sisterhood then adjourned to their meeting room.

Roll call was taken and the minutes of the last convention were read and approved. Twelve delegates and all but two officers were present. Some very lively discussion ensued and several proposals were submitted. Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen requested permission to initiate his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krause. Permission was granted and Fred performed an impressive ceremony. The couple was cordially greeted by all members.

The meeting was adjourned and a social hour was enjoyed before the banquet was held in the Pioneer room of the hotel, as guests of Lodge 15 of Des Moines. Welcoming speeches were given by Svend Christensen of Des Moines, who then turned the evening over to Toastmaster "Steve" Hansen. Speeches were given by Willy Christensen, Lodge 15 president; Thorvald Sorensen, State President; Esther Rasmussen, Lodge 102; Mrs. Chives, State Vice President of the Sisterhood; Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen; and Harry Jensen of Grand View college, Des Moines.

An added attraction was a talk by Paul Strand, who had lost his notes and had to speak off the cuff. Music was furnished during the dinner by an accordionist. Brother Fred Jensen led the community singing with his rendition of "Omaha" and ended with the group singing the Iowa Corn Song.

A big crowd attended the dance and a most wonderful lunch was served by the Des Moines Sisterhood at intermission. The highlight was a huge "Kransekage," furnished by the Alec Hansens of Des Moines. Danish and American flags were presented at this time to Lodge 10 of Council Bluffs, Iowa and Lodge 144 of Dike, Iowa, for having initiated 20 or more new members in 1961.

The final meeting was called to order September 3, at 9 a. m. The meeting was opened with a full roster of officers and delegates. After lengthy discussion of proposals, new officers were elected and installed. Supreme Trustee Fred Jensen, installed the following new officers for the coming year:

Earl Mikkelsen, No. 144, President; Willy Christensen, No. 15, Vice President; Art Thode, No. 144, Secretary-Treasurer; Carl Bonnicksen, No. 134, Trustee; Bob Wrisbert, No. 219, Conductor; Paul Paulsen, No. 147, Outer Guard; Gustav Axelsen, No. 10, Trustee; and Thorvald Sorensen, No. 10, Past President.

Council Bluffs Lodge 10 will be host for next year's convention. Westward Ho!

To Lodge 15, Des Moines, and the Des Moines Sisterhood, a big thank you for a most wonderful convention.

A. B. THODE, Sec.-Treas.