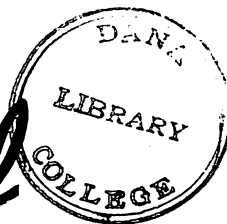


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Cultural Center Flash --

By ALBERT F. TUNSEN

Since the California General Committee convention held in August, 1967, many members have been on the lookout for a Cultural Center site somewhere in the state of California.

The chairman has been the capable Melvin Oredsen, who has been keeping the ball rolling in the direction of a successful project. Many prospects were in view but finally one "direct hit" was made and this reporter is pleased to pass the information on to Danish Brotherhood members.

Several Brothers and Sisters had a special get-together May 18, to witness the business transaction taking place through the capable guidance of Mr. Oredsen and his local committeemen, Jack Belmont, Ripon 332, and Paul Sorensen, Hayward 184, and others interested in the development of a center.

The meeting was held in the middle of the vast historic Mother Lode country in the Hi Sierra Mountains, County of Calaveras, four miles north of Copperopolis, Calif. This is a beautiful piece of real estate with rolling hills and valleys surrounding a spring-fed lake. One could certainly dream of some day seeing a Danish community amid this beauty.

Oh yes, the owner of the property was present and it was interesting to hear of the testimony that this historic site was established as one of the large important cattle ranches of the past by grandparents traveling to the west in the days of the wagon train. Since time has taken its toll, the property (valued at \$300,000) has been divided among the family and they are interested in seeing this 1,000-acre site used for a project such as ours.

Under the guidance of our state chairman with authority from the past state convention, and under the watchful eye of State President Willie Christensen who

was present at the meeting, an understanding was reached and an option is now in effect. Ripon Valley Lodge 332, being the closest, was assigned to take care of the necessary preliminary details.

After the departure of the landowner, Mr. Oredsen proceeded to remind everyone that the work is just beginning. We must take the necessary steps to let our lodges know of this undertaking and give the membership every opportunity to be a part of history being made.

The beautiful hidden valley lies in a country reeking with history and a climate second to none the year around. Within 30 minutes any direction there exists 15 large lakes and as many smaller ones with fishing and water recreation for all. During winter months snow facilities are close at hand. And there is plenty of room for the aged to plan a retirement in the surroundings of a Danish atmosphere.

Plans are being drafted to include boating on our own lake, golfing on an 18-hole course, swimming in an Olympic-sized pool, horseback riding, hiking, nature appreciation and many other activities for all ages.

The approach to the site is via Highway 4 and already plans are approved for a new freeway some four miles distant. And for those who fly their own plane, it is planned to have an airstrip. Flying commercially, Stockton is but 20 minutes by air, or 45 minutes by auto, from the proposed center.

Further information, or questions, regarding the matter should be addressed to Charlotte Tunsen, 3724 Country Club Blvd., Stockton, Calif. 95204.

The realization of a center is now in the making, so let us all get behind the wheel and go, go, go. All California lodges should place their bid now for a site in this acreage, so they can be well represented in a fine, community Cultural Center.

Condensed Minutes of the Board of Officers

APRIL 1-4, 1968

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Officers of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held at the Home Office, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, Nebraska, April 1-4, 1968. All officers were present.

The meeting was called to order at 9 a. m. President Jorgensen noted that a former Supreme Board member, Hans Norregaard, had died and requested that the board members rise in a moment of silence in respect to a former Brother.

At this point, the proposed agenda was reviewed and adopted. After considerable discussion a number of important committee meetings were set up for evenings during the week.

Officers' reports were then presented by Jorgensen,

Tunsen, Danielsen, Jensen, Godthaab and Skelbeck. Jonsen complimented Skelbeck on the fine report and requested that he be provided with a copy to study ahead of the time the minutes are available.

Promotional Director Al Hedegaard was called into the meeting and the promotional department report was presented. The portion of the promotional program dealing with payment of money to central organizations who would in turn pass this money on to the lodges belonging to their central organizations was discussed. Substantial discussion took place concerning the pros and cons of this method or reimbursing local lodges for promotional programs. Hedegaard observed that the central organization was in a better position to know what was best for

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the promotion of the Danish Brotherhood in their specific area. No specific action was taken on this point at this time.

The hiring of agents to sell memberships in the Brotherhood was entertained. Godthaab stated that he was concerned about the effect this may have on current members who are obtaining one or two members each year. Hedegaard noted that this was the very reason that money was being sent to the central organizations. This would enable the promotion of contests and other promotional programs so that the members who are currently getting members could still be reimbursed in some way. Substantial discussion took place concerning the clarification of agents' contracts and agreements. At this point Al Hedegaard was excused.

A continuation of the discussion concerning the handling of money sent to central organizations for distribution to the lodges for reimbursement of promotional efforts was held. Skelbeck stated that lodges should be encouraged to join the central organizations. If they arbitrarily refuse to join where practical within an existing district they should be ineligible for promotional money available. Jensen felt that we shouldn't discriminate against certain lodges since there were certain lodges that were not in the proximity of a central organization; he gave the example of a Florida lodge. Tunsen felt that a general policy should be adopted and individual lodge problems should be referred to the promotional department. He suggested that there were two categories; one where a lodge existed within a central organization and another category where a lodge was outside a reasonable distance of a central organization and could not feasibly join that organization. Danielsen moved that lodges should not receive money if they do not belong to a central organization, but an exception should be made in a case where lodges that don't exist close to a central organization; these lodges should be permitted to ask for money and when they did, it should be handled by opinion. Seconded by Fred Jensen, the motion carried.

An inquiry from the National Fraternal Congress had been received requesting that the Danish Brotherhood send entertainment suitable for presentation at the annual meeting of the National Fraternal Congress to be held in Pittsburgh. Jonasen noted that representation could consist of a drill team or entertainment of this nature and that we should encourage any local lodge with suitable entertainment to participate in this type of a program. Tunsen moved that our reply to the National Fraternal Congress should state that we don't have any entertainment at this time, but for future policy let it be established where we have existing lodges who have entertainment available which is suitable for the event,

that we encourage this lodge to enter that entertainment with the thought that, if subsidy is necessary to provide this entertainment, that we be prepared to do so. Godthaab seconded the motion and it carried.

Arrangements were made to initiate the new Lodge No. 339 at Las Vegas, Nevada. The history of the development of this lodge was traced by Tunsen and, after some discussion, Jonasen moved that Tunsen be authorized to represent the Board of Officers for the purpose of instituting the new lodge at Las Vegas and that he further be authorized to have the president of the California General Committee and a qualified secretary of a local lodge accompany him to the institution of this lodge for the purpose of better qualifying the lodge to continue to be in a position as a proper functioning lodge based on these gentlemen's experience and further that we draw our precedent from previous assignments that have been made involving at least three new lodges in the past four years. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

Miscellaneous items that had been brought to the attention of the board by Hedegaard were introduced at this time. The first item dealt with permitting members to continue their insurance in force even though they no longer wish to remain lodge members. Skelbeck felt that when a member was through with the local lodge it would only be in a very few cases where this member could be persuaded to continue his insurance in force by paying assessments to the home office. A general discussion of associate membership continued in this line of thinking. Danielsen suggested that possibly another membership class could be added. No action was taken at this particular point.

The trustees convened in the vault in the First National Bank of Omaha, Nebraska, the official depository of the society, at 9:30 a. m., Tuesday, to perform the duties described in Section 14, Paragraph 1, of the by-laws. This function was performed in cooperation with the other members of the board of officers. An inventory of the securities was taken and interest coupons were detached from bonds, checked and segregated by due date and placed in a safe deposit box to remain there until date collectible.

After lunch the president called the meeting to order at the home office for an appointment with Dean Bushing and Don Goaley, representatives of Arthur Andersen and Company, the society's auditors on the past year's audit. Copies of the audit report were distributed and discussed in draft form. The gentlemen certified without exception the figures as reported in the annual statement to the insurance departments of the various states of our jurisdiction. Jorgensen asked for their comments concerning the combining of funds. Mr. Goaley noted that the ease of operation has greatly improved with the combination of the funds. The records were in good order and controls adequate. He said, however, that as expansion takes place with respect to direct billing and other member services, procedures must be further augmented and new ones developed. Rough cost estimates for future audits were proposed by Mr. Bushing and some discussion took place concerning the benefits that would accrue to the Brotherhood with respect to additional audits. After additional discussion Goaley and Bushing were excused.

The promotional committee, consisting of Tunsen and Godthaab, presented a report at this time with respect to the development of guide lines for the attendance by the promotional director at various conventions of central organizations. A policy for attendance at these conventions was developed as follows:

1. Reason for attendance.

2. Develop a program.
 - A. Subject to be discussed.
 - B. Who shall attend the program. (General Committee members, promotional people, etc.)
3. Allotted time for:
 - A. Local lodge promotional committee members.
 - B. General report to convention.
4. Written understanding by and between the General Committees, president and promotional director.
5. Final approval by the national president.

Jonasen moved to adopt the promotional committee guide lines concerning the attendance of the promotional director at central organization conventions. Fred Jensen seconded the motion and it carried.

Once again the subject of agents' contracts was considered. Tunsen recommended that the president and promotional director sign the contract with the agent and that the president circulate for opinion each contract and he would then sign the contract if approved by a majority of the board. Jensen moved to instruct Hedegaard to proceed with the hiring of agents and the agent program and to accept the recommendation of the promotional committee that would provide that the promotional director would sign the contract and the president will then submit the contract for an opinion and when favorable action was received from the majority of the board, the president would then sign the contract. Jonasen seconded this motion and it carried.

The miscellaneous items that had been presented by Hedegaard which were introduced at the Monday afternoon session were continued at this time. These items included the inclusion of copies of the application in benefit certificates, problems surrounding the billing of associate insured members, payment of commissions to agents, and licensing in some additional states. Each of these items were reviewed in detail and action was taken by the board where deemed necessary. The final item on this list as presented by the promotional director concerned the expansion of certain coverages and the revision of the rate structure. After considerable review of this item, Danielsen moved to take this entire problem under advisement and that the board should be prepared to expand policies and services if the future membership justifies the added expense in this undertaking. Tunsen seconded this motion and it carried.

A cost estimation concerning the various projects was presented by Hedegaard. These were discussed and Skelbeck expressed a great appreciation to Hedegaard for providing this information. A recess for dinner was called by the president at 5:30 p. m.

Tuesday evening Jorgensen called an evening session to order at 7:30 p. m. The first topic for discussion concerned legal counsel matters. Correspondence from John Binning, the society's legal counsel, concerning certain inquiries was reviewed. After discussion of this item, Skelbeck moved to table it until tomorrow. Duly seconded, this motion carried.

Two requests for special aid were brought to the attention of the board by the president. Files No. FF-128 and FF-129 were reviewed with respect to certain items contained in the applications and their relationship with the specific by-laws dealing with special aid. A motion was made by Tunsen that additional information on File No. 128 be obtained. This motion was seconded by Jonasen. A roll call vote was requested and the results of this vote were: Tunsen, yes; Danielsen, yes; Skelbeck, yes; Jensen, yes; Godthaab, yes; Jonasen, yes; Jorgensen, yes. Tunsen moved that in future cases of this nature where the board is deciding upon aid for the

general membership to any of the sections of the by-laws that all facts be developed before final decision is made. Seconded by Jonasen, this motion carried. Special aid File No. FF-129 was also considered and no action was decided upon this file at this particular time. The meeting was adjourned at 9 p. m.

The president called the meeting to order on Wednesday morning, April 3, at 9 a. m. Fred Jensen was called upon to present the trustees' report. It was read as follows:

April 2, 1968

To the President and Secretary-Treasurer

This is to certify that we, the undersigned officers of the Danish Brotherhood in America, assisted by all officers present, have this date checked and audited the securities owned by the society.

We have found such securities owned to be in full agreement with the records of the secretary-treasurer as of March 31, 1968.

SECURITIES:

Bonds (Par value \$3,885,000)	\$3,890,431.12
Mutual funds (22,646 shares)	262,764.75
Savings Bonds and Certificates	97,000.00
Preferred stock (Par value \$140,000)	141,812.50
Certificate loans	21,431.43
Home office real estate	297,106.74
Furniture and equipment	12,078.88
Savings accounts	32,657.13
Savings & Loan shares	30,000.00
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	\$4,785,282.55

Cash in bank, March 31, 1968:

General fund	\$ 14,051.48
Fraternal fund	7,500.43
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	\$ 21,551.91
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	\$4,806,834.46

/s/ FRED JENSEN,
Chairman of Trustees.
/s/ EDWARD JONASEN,
Trustee.
/s/ GEORGE GODTHAAB,
Trustee.

Tunsen moved to accepted the trustees' report, seconded by Danielsen. It carried.

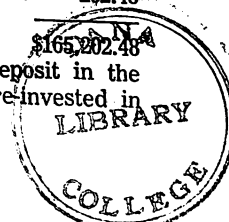
Skelbeck presented the investment report on behalf of the investment committee:

Investment Committee Report

On behalf of the investment committee, consisting of Kristen Jorgensen, Albert F. Tunsen, Sr., and myself, I would like to report that in the period from September 30, 1967, to March 31, 1968, the following holdings matured or were called for payment. No sales were made.

Trinity Valley Telephone Series A, 4½% at par	\$ 7,000.00
Trinity Valley Telephone Series B, 5¼% at par	2,000.00
Niles, Illinois, Water Revenue, 3½% at par	3,000.00
London, Kentucky, Water Revenue, 4% at par	21,000.00
Boyd County, Nebr., School District 21, 3% at par	2,000.00
Bank Certificates of Deposit	130,000.00
Certificate loans repaid	202.48

You will note that bank certificates of deposit in the amount of \$130,000 matured and were not re-invested in



similar types of certificates. During the period in which we were paying for the new home office building, we carried a substantial amount of money on deposit in the bank as certificates of deposit. These certificates earned an excellent rate of interest, sometimes as much as six per cent. However, now that the home office has been paid for, we have been re-investing these amounts in longer term bond issues. The investments that have been made during this period are listed as follows:

Philadelphia Electric Company, 6 1/8% at 98 3/4	\$ 50,000.00
Tennessee Valley Authority, 6 3/8% at par	50,000.00
Province of Nova Scotia, 7% at par	50,000.00
Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., 4 5/8% at 82 1/2	50,000.00
Real estate, national headquarters	34,137.17
Six per cent loans on members certificates	1,547.10
Unpaid interest on certificate loans added to principal	287.70
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	\$235,971.97

You will note that the interest rate that we are receiving on these investments is as high as it has ever been. At the same time we have not given anything up in quality since we have invested only in the preferred "A" rated bond, or better, an indication of strength and quality credits.

You will note that one issue, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph, while having a generous coupon rate of 4 5/8 per cent was purchased by us with a price of 82 1/2, which results in a net yield to us of well over six per cent.

The amount invested in the national headquarters brings the total amount so invested to within approximately \$3,000 of the final amount that we will then have invested in the home office building. The committee is abreast of market conditions at all times, and is ever vigilant for new opportunities for investment of the society's funds, to the best of our ability and beliefs.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ AXEL SKELBECK,
Chairman, Investment Committee.

Jensen complimented the investment committee for the extremely favorable investments that had been made and the excellent handling of funds by the investment committee. Godthaab requested that this commendation be included in the minutes of the meeting. Skelbeck stated he would like to share the credit with past committees and thank current committee members. Jensen observed that we are in good financial condition even after the membership taxes have been eliminated and inflationary pressures have increased expenses. Tunsen moved for acceptance of the investment report. Jensen seconded and the motion carried.

Consideration was given to future audit policies. Skelbeck stated that there was a distinction between what we would like to have and what we could afford and stated that after the auditors have reviewed all phases of the home office operation they have gone into everything very deeply. It is nice to have a yearly audit, but the cost is extremely high. He recommended that one audit every four years as required by the by-laws be sufficient at this time. At a later date it could be advisable to increase the number of audits should home office procedures be revised or expanded. He also noted that the insurance department examined the Brotherhood every three years and this was an extremely thorough review and more important than the public accounting

firm audit because we are required to comply with all state laws. Jonasen moved to limit the number of audits to the number spelled out in the by-laws. Godthaab seconded the motion and it carried.

A general discussion concerning the Canadian insurance question took place. Jorgensen reviewed the Canadian resolution as presented to the national convention. Skelbeck traced the history of this problem and reviewed some of the important details that had been developed down through the years. After considerable evaluation of the problem. Tunsen moved that on the subject matter of the Canadian question as we know it and as it was put forth in resolution at the last national convention, that Axel Skelbeck be assigned to head a complete investigation of the subject matter with complete authority to use whatever avenue of approach is necessary to accomplish the end result, which would be a written document in the form of a report and that he report his progress at the next board of officer's annual meeting.

Jorgensen reviewed the proposal of Scandinavian Air Lines to participate with four Scandinavian fraternal organizations in a promotional endeavor to encourage Scandinavians to travel in this country. The proposal was designed to make some effort to help the United States in its balance of payments deficit problem and at the same time promote the Scandinavian fraternal organizations in the United States. This program would involve having Jorgensen as president of the Danish Brotherhood extend a personal invitation to visit America by means of television, interviews, newspapers, advertisements, etc., to all residents of Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland. The location of Danish Brotherhood local lodges and especially those lodges who provide meal services would be provided SAS and also a list of our secretaries, treasurers and presidents so that touring Danes, when in the vicinity of these facilities, would be able to visit meetings, obtain information about local areas, and take advantage of restaurant facilities. Jorgensen emphasized the fact that the entire program would be cost free to the Brotherhood. Skelbeck noted that it would be a tremendous opportunity for us to step out and spread the name of the Danish Brotherhood throughout the press, television and radio in Denmark. Skelbeck moved to commend President Jorgensen for steps he had already taken and to ratify his actions to date concerning the SAS proposal. Duly seconded, the motion carried. Danielsen moved to give Jorgensen the authority to take whatever action was necessary in implementing this entire program and that if some matter of cost should arise, that Jorgensen be authorized to spend this money to get the most out of the program. This motion was seconded by Ed Jonasen and it carried.

(To Be Continued Next Month)

JUNE ASSESSMENT

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June 1, 1968

AND MUST BE PAID BEFORE

July 1, 1968

Members failing to pay to their local lodge treasurer
as per above will be considered in arrears.

AXEL SKELBECK, Secretary-Treasurer.

Invite your kin from over there over here.

1968 is the year for the folks in Scandinavia to visit you and America. Because a new "Welcome to the U.S.A." program has been inaugurated which will permit visiting Scandinavians to see America at the grass roots, in homes and lodges and among friends, where the real America has always lived.

The campaign is being sponsored by SAS and four major Scandinavian-American fraternal organizations — the Danish Brotherhood of America, the Sons of Norway, the Swedish Order of Vasa and the Finnish Knights of Kaleva. In a letter published in Scandinavian periodicals, the fraternal groups said in part: "On behalf of all Scandinavian-Americans, and in particular the 125,000 members of our organizations and their families, we extend a warm

welcome to you to visit the United States of America this year..."

Other organizations and auxiliaries are expected to join the drive, whose purpose is to foster greater understanding between Scandinavians and Americans and, at the same time, help improve the U.S. balance of payments situation.

Get on the welcome wagon. Invite your Scandinavian kin for a visit this year. Low family fares are in effect, and you can even pre-pay their way over.

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SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES

MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWS

By **IB K. JENSEN, 6510 Hartwell, Dearborn, Mich. 48126**

During the regular meeting of Detroit Lodge 227, April 24, Brother Ole Rasmussen was presented his 25-year pin, accompanied by a nice speech by Brother Viggo Mikkelsen, Past President.

At the first regular meeting in May, a new member was initiated for membership in our lodge. He was Carl Alf. Hansen and bid welcome by Brother Viggo Mikkelsen.

During this meeting we were reminded that the election to the board of trustees for the Danish Old People's Home in Rochester, Mich., will be during the regular lodge meeting taking place June 12.

At this writing we are looking forward to the spring dinner-dance to be held May 25. We hope it will be a success.

Sunday, June 16, the annual Grundlovs party will be held at the beautiful grounds of the Old People's Home in Rochester, sponsored by the Danish National Committee. We hope for good weather and the success will come by itself.

June 24, Brother Chris Nielsen will turn a milestone in his life, namely his 90th birthday. A committee has been formed to present congratulations and a gift to Brother Nielsen on this big day.

The bowling season is now over and our recreation committee chairman, Brother Otto Pedersen, has submitted this report of the last activities:

Early on the morning of April 20, 63 people left Detroit for North Aurora, Ill., to attend the Midwest Bowling Tournament. The majority went by chartered bus which left from the Danish Hall and Club. Lodge 227 had six men's teams entered and DSS Lodge 125 had four ladies' teams entered. The men did very well by taking second and third places and of course the ladies had to outdo us by coming in first. Everyone had a very enjoyable trip and are looking forward to next year's tournament which is being held in Chicago.

Lodge 227's bowling league finished its regular bowling April 29 with Team No. 4, captain Bob Sorensen, and Team No. 2, captain Jim Hansen, finally deciding who was going to wear the crown for the year. Team No. 4 ended up the winner.

Our Sisterhood Lodge 125 wasn't so lucky to finish April 29 as Team No. 1, captain Kay Hansen, and Team No. 3, captain Sherry Hansen, tied for first place on the last night. This meant a 3-game roll-off had to be planned for the following Sunday. After the three games the two teams were still tied so that meant an extra 10th frame. It took two extra 10th frames to decide that Team No. 3 was the winner by two pins. It was a very exciting time for both bowlers and supporters.

At the time of filing this report we are a week away from the Michigan-Ohio District convention to be held in Greenville, Mich., May 25-26. We hope the convention will prove of benefit to our district and look forward to receiving a report for the next number of the magazine.

News From Lodge No. 30, Muskegon, Mich.:

May 9—This was our regular monthly meeting. Jeff Hansen was initiated into the lodge. Jeff was sponsored by his father, Donald Hansen.

May 23—Our monthly social meeting was in a steak fry at the home of Tom Stafford on Bear Lake in North Muskegon.

The movie "1967 Highlights of the Detroit Lions" has been scheduled to be shown June 27. We are sure that everybody attending will enjoy the movie.

All members who previously have been at the "Hook

and Horn" for a weekend are eagerly awaiting this year's weekend. The "Hook and Horn" is a private club on the Pere Marquette near Baldwin. It is to be held July 25 and 26.

CARL HANSEN, Sec.

News From Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich.:

April 17, we had a pinochle party at the Danish Hall for members and guests. At the conclusion of the games a lunch was served by the committee of William Hansens and Frank Hansens.

April 19 was the night of our spring dance. The committee was composed of Carl Sonerals, Donald Wagners, William Hansens, Albert Christoffersen, Howard Bentz and Lars Christoffersen. The hall was decorated with paper cutouts of spring flowers and butterflies, and really looked nice, thanks in large part to Lois Christoffersen. Dancing was enjoyed and the door prizes were awarded to Henry Hansen and Howard Bentz. A sing-along was also part of the activities and lunch was served at midnight by the committee.

April 25—Regular lodge meeting was conducted by President Lawrits Hansen. The name of Gary Jensen was drawn for the jackpot but as he was absent the pot continues to grow.

May 9—Regular lodge meeting was conducted by President Hansen. The name of Arnold Hansen was drawn, and he was absent (he is at present in California). I might urge our members to come to our meetings, as one of these nights a member will receive this very worth while prize. Our delegates are getting lined up for the trip to attend the convention in Greenville. We hope the convention will be a successful one and that much good for the Brotherhood will be accomplished. At the close of the meeting lunch was served by Donald Wagner.

ALFRED A. LARSEN, Treas.

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Aug. 17 BERGENSFJORD Aug. 8

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Sept. 17 SAGAFJORD Oct. 2

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FROM THE PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT

AL HEDEGAARD PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR

Honor Roll Listings

LODGES

Lodge	Location	Members
49	San Francisco, California	10
95	Ferndale, California	5
126	Los Angeles, California	16
182	Waukegan, Illinois	9
227	Detroit, Michigan	14
306	San Diego, California	5
325	Nassau County, New York	5

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	Number of New Members
43	Denver, Colo.,	Svend A. Sonderup	3
45	Minneapolis, Minn.,	Christ W. Pedersen	3
49	San Francisco, Calif.,	Henning Jensen	10
95	Ferndale, Calif.,	Francis D. Sweet	3
126	Los Angeles, Calif.,	Poul D. Andersen	7
144	Dike, Iowa,	Gary L. Andersen	4
225	Canton, Ohio,	John Christensen	3
336	Escondido, Calif.,	Richard J. Suda	3

TOP LODGES AND TOP SPONSORS

Top Lodges and Top Sponsors are judged by the number of applications submitted to the home office for approval by the 20th of the month.

GROUP I —

Lodge No. 181, Sidney, Michigan

GROUP II —

Lodge No. 126, Los Angeles, California

TOP SPONSORS —

- Gary Andersen, Lodge No. 144
- Al Hedegaard, Lodge No. 1
- Poul D. Andersen, Lodge No. 126
- Kurt Moeller, Lodge No. 126
- Mogens Hempel, Lodge No. 172
- Albert Schroeder, Lodge No. 181
- Chris Fabricius, Lodge No. 227
- Laurence Sheppard, Lodge No. 227

Introducing Our New Members

Lodge No.	Location	New Member	Sponsor
30	Muskegon	Jeff M. Hansen	Donald R. Hansen
43	Denver	Andre H. Ronlov	Svend Sonderup
43	Denver	Louis E. Swensen	Svend Sonderup
113	Enumclaw	Einer C. Bruhn	John L. Rieck
113	Enumclaw	Jack D. Oakley	John L. Rieck
181	Sidney	Robert Jorgensen	Albert Schroeder
181	Sidney	Ivan Christensen	Albert Schroeder
195	Omaha	Richard Nielsen	Chris Jensen
211	Grand Island	Paul C. Larsen	Clarence Johnson
217	Humboldt	Nona Have	Marie Pedersen
227	Detroit	Roy G. England	John Kinch
227	Detroit	Vandel L. Nielsen	James Hansen

227	Detroit	Carl A. Hansen	William Hansen
264	Pocatello	Carl Norgaard	Peter Norgaard
229	Solvang	Eric Johnson, Jr.	Andrew Andersen
306	San Diego	Povl Jorgensen	Peder Norby
306	San Diego	Borg Norby	Peder Norby
306	San Diego	John A. Paplow	Harry Sloan
306	San Diego	Arne S. Lunding	Svend Norgaard
319	Bakersfield	Joseph Sorensen	Dwain Shockey
323	Alhambra	Cai J. Nielsen	Hans T. Nielsen
323	Alhambra	Niels Christiansen	Hans T. Nielsen
325	Nassau Co.	Egon E. Larsen	Sofus Christensen
328	Vancouver	Erik P. Andersen	Knud E. Dagoe
328	Vancouver	Aage Jensen	Frants Poulsen
600	Omaha	Robert C. Warner	Evelyn Warner

JUVENILE MEMBERS

16	Minden	Mildred D. Hode	Andrew Madsen
43	Denver	Craig R. Schmidt	Svend Sonderup
71	Penn Yan	Kristen Borglum	Bartell Borglum
92	St. Charles	Diane L. Petersen	Leon Petersen
95	Ferndale	Todd S. Sanborn	D. R. Sanborn

The Future of the Danish Brotherhood

Do you know that almost one-half of our lodges have no junior members on record as of the end of 1967?

Look at the potential membership that is being missed. About 600 junior members have already graduated to adult membership since the Danish Brotherhood started accepting junior members, and there are several hundred more coming up.

Can you think of an easier way to get members? Perhaps you didn't want to impose the extra bookwork on your treasurer to collect the assessments. Well, now this isn't necessary, because you can request direct billing from the home office as provided for in the by-laws. The objection of having to sell the insurance is overcome if the parents buy it on the child at a time when it can't object. This may not be an immediate solution to getting lodge members, but remember, these children grow up and as indicated before, 600 have already graduated. Surely in the lodge membership that indicates no junior members there are many children or grand-children eligible. You can be of a good service to that youngster in starting him on a program of thrift and protection, for which some day he will be thankful. If some one started you as a child, surely you appreciate it, and if they didn't, don't you wish someone had? You might even get paid for getting some junior members if you would get your lodge to set up a contest to get junior members. They can do this, you know, under the provisions of the 1968 promotional program. Will you give it your attention.

The lodges that have junior members are going in the right direction, but still are not getting all the potential. You are eligible to make a contest out of this also.

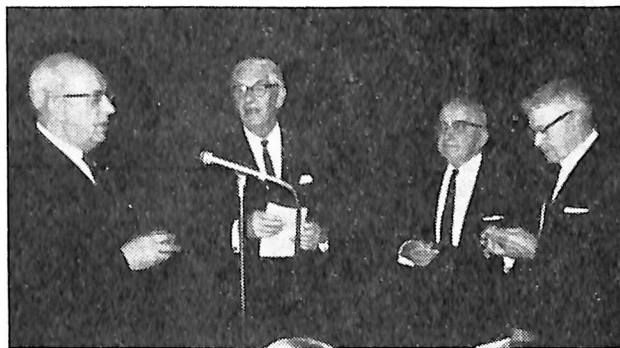
Eighty-Sixth Anniversary Party

Lodge No. 1 celebrated its 86th anniversary April 20, with a dinner and dance at the Castle Hotel. Entertainment, which consisted of some group singing and a soloist, Don Pedersen, was apparently enjoyed by all.

Programs and arrangements were formulated by a committee consisting of Olaf and May Berthelsen, members of a few short months; Earl and Frances Hansen, and Alfred and Melverine Hedegaard, who, with the exception of Earl Hansen, are also members of a short period of time.



Axel Skelbeck pinning a 60-year pin on Louis Larsen.



Axel Skelbeck, Fred Jensen, Ludwig Schmidt and Louis Larsen, the latter two being special guests and recipients of 60-year membership pins.

The 50- and 60-year members were all honored and those able to be present were special guests. There were also members from Council Bluffs and Lincoln Lodges in attendance.

Junior Membership

Some probing into junior memberships has brought up some questions and some observations.

Our ratio of junior membership to adults insured is less than one out of eleven. Is there any logical apology for this? Have we lost faith in our way of life so that we have enrolled only a fraction of our progeny? Is there any more effective step to expand and solidly assure the future of our fraternal structure than to sign up our own children?

How convincing can we be in our belief in fraternalism, how successful can we be in our selling the fraternal package; that combination of unmatched insurance coverage and extra-contractual benefits, if we do not enroll our own youngsters?

It has been stated that fraternalists have the magic formula for curing the ailments of this day; such as fast living, superficial values, the impact of foreign ideologies, and the so-called juvenile delinquency or, maybe rightfully called, parental indolence. If we have this formula, it of course will be of no benefit unless put to use. There are many local youth leaders who give freely of time and effort to junior activities but there need to be more.

Even simple plans for a single holiday or a detailed program for an all season activity including crafts, baton and tap dancing lessons, hobby production, contests, ritualistic exercises, or any cultural activity, requires the guidance and implementation by adults. However, they do get a desired result because they make the participant (both leader and junior member) feel useful and important and can get at the root of human frailty and temptation — idleness.

One of the objectives of the Danish Brotherhood is to perpetuate memories and traditions from Denmark for the benefit of future generations in America. Choral groups, language classes, dancing groups and costume affairs can all be part of this. An injection of Danish sports into the regular athletic events could be desirable.

Junior leagues of various types might be just as desirable as adult leagues.

Scholarships are an important part of the fraternal functions. We have expanded our program in this direction, but the potential could be virtually unlimited.

Probably a very important part of our organization would be recognition of the young who have qualified as leaders by giving them the opportunity to hold offices and administrative duties in the organization.

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Institute New Lodge at Las Vegas

The initiation of the Silver State Lodge No. 339 of the Danish Brotherhood in America was held at Las Vegas, Nevada at the Showboat Hotel, April 27. Initiation was completed with the following officers serving as initiating officers:

Past President Willie Christensen, Lodge 49; President A. F. Tunsen, National Vice President; Vice President Alfred Vestergaard, Lodge 306; Secretary Peter Pedersen, Lodge 126; Treasurer Bessie Olsen, Lodge 332; Conductor Eric Roug, Lodge 126; Trustees Harold Mathiasen, Lodge 126, Fred Holm, Lodge 126, and Alma Jensen; Inside Guard Melvin Oredsen, Lodge 39.



Vice President Albert F. Tunsen giving final charge establishing Silver State Lodge No. 339.

Institution of the lodge was then completed with Peter Pedersen of Lodge No. 126 being given a standing ovation for his part as organizer of the lodge. Sister Emma Blank of Lodge 336 served as conductor during the impressive candlelight ceremony.



The members being initiated.

Harold Reed, the new president, did a good job of introducing the guests present.

Willie Christensen conducted the installation of officers who are as follows:

President Harold Reed, Vice President Willie Bielefeldt, Secretary Alice Pinkerton, Treasurer Lene Boas, Conductor Jutta Reed, Outer Guard Nils Boas, Inner Guard Kurt Stark, and Trustees Lillian Berntsen, Harry Conradsen and Nelta Robinson.

There were 79 people present for the initiation dinner and 81 members present for the initiation. Eighteen mem-



Left to right: Willie Christensen, Alice Pinkerton, Harold Reed, Albert Tunsen and Lene Boas.

bers of the Silver State Lodge became the charter members of the lodge.

Cocktails were served from 5 to 6 p. m., and dinner was served at six. It was a most delicious dinner and enjoyed by all.

At 9 p. m., dancing commenced and everyone enjoyed a most enjoyable evening of dancing and merriment. It was an honor to have a most versatile band who honored us with many of the old Danish dance tunes as well as some songs.

We were most honored to have 62 out-of-town guests attending this big event who came from San Diego, Los Angeles and Ripon, Calif.

A gavel set for the use of the lodge was presented by the Los Angeles Lodge to the Silver State Lodge.

The following day, Sunday, Ripon Lodge No. 332 hosted the Silver State Lodge to breakfast at the Castaways Hotel, including in this breakfast, Akavit, beer, ham and eggs and coffee, together with the feeling of brotherhood. Many of the San Diego members were present at this breakfast and accompanied the Ripon members with members from No. 339 to the airport to see them off on their plane at noon Sunday.

On behalf of Silver State Lodge No. 339, the secretary wishes to express their most grateful appreciation for all the support they were given by the members who came from California to assist in getting them off to a flying start. Everyone in Lodge No. 339 feels they have gained many new friends through this meeting. They all feel most honored to have been given such a grand send-off.

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Winners in National Bowling Tourney

The Ripon, Calif., Team 1 captured the top spot in the Danish Brotherhood National Bowling Championship with a total score of 3202, and runner-up for the year was Lodge 95, from Ferndale, Calif.

Scores were higher than last year by about 132 points for the number one spot and 34 points for the last team in the money. A total of 79 teams actually participated and represented teams across the country from Philadelphia to Oakland.

Even the high series and high individual game winners ran up higher total points than last year, and none of them were in either of these categories last year. Peter Norby of San Diego scored in both high series with second spot and top spot in the individual high game and also on the actual high game.

Fourteen of the winning teams were not in this winner's circle last year, so maybe next time will be your turn.

Fraternally yours,
AL HEDEGAARD, Tourney Chm.

Lodge	Team	Average	Score	Handicap	Total	Prize	Place
332	Ripon 1	818	2786	416	3202	\$100.00	1
95	DB No. 1	580	2439	672	3111	75.00	2
51	Lodge No. 51	851	2771	315	3086	60.00	3
45	Number 2	717	2471	597	3068	50.00	4
245	Team 2	817	2619	477	3066	45.00	5
227	Team 1	886	2401	660	3061	40.00	6
89	Superior No. 1	750	2518	525	3043	35.00	7
263	Askov Alley Cats	774	2546	474	3020	30.00	8
34	No. 1	795	2579	426	3005	27.50	9
172	Philadelphia South	825	2620	369	2989	25.00	10
184	Hayward 1	818	2610	378	2988	22.50	11
283	Dagmar Farmer's Un.	579	2477	504	2981	20.00	12
306	Number III	691	2417	561	2978	19.00	13
84	DB 84 - 2	610	2131	819	2950	18.00	14
283	N. Dagmar Kings	796	2532	432	2946	17.00	15
227	Team 2	736	2393	552	2945	16.00	16
322	No. 1	731	2373	570	2943	15.00	17
170	Gorm 170	742	2399	543	2942	14.00	18
39	Oakland 1	651	2466	465	2931	13.00	19
144	Team 2	773	2438	480	2918	12.00	20
184	Hayward 3	665	2210	705	2915	11.00	21
126	Number 1	803	2494	417	2911	10.00	22
92	Team 2	792	2492	417	2909	**	23
113	Great Danes	686	2246	657	2903	**	24
242	Team 2	782	2448	453	2901	**	25
306	Number I	736	2331	558	2889	**	26
227	Team 6	694	2244	642	2886	**	27
245	Team 1	774	2404	477	2881	**	28
126	Number 2	807	2514	363	2877	**	29
4	Barran's Club 18	794	2441	435	2876	**	30
113	Chinooks	709	2262	609	2871	**	31
29	Fiskeboller	709	2262	606	2868	**	32
34	Number 2	822	2504	363	2867	**	33
242	Team 3	781	2394	468	2862	**	34
183	Lucky Five 2	704	2226	634	2860	**	35
92	Team 1	783	2379	480	2859	**	36
242	Team 1	770	2362	480	2842	**	37
273	One	772	2339	480	2819	**	38
242	Team 6	857	2518	297	2815	**	39
227	Team 9	715	2223	591	2814	**	40
84	DB No. 84	664	2108	705	2813	**	41
227	Team 7	735	2248	558	2806	**	42
125	No. 2	709	2193	612	2805	**	43
227	Team 5	727	2229	573	2802	**	44
39	Oakland 2	715	2197	600	2797	**	45
242	Team 5	781	2300	492	2793	**	46
172	Philadelphia North	772	2311	480	2791	**	47
227	Team 4	732	2229	561	2790	**	48
29	Flyers	740	2234	549	2783	**	49
4	DB 4	798	2359	423	2782	**	50
34	No. 3	800	2358	414	2772	**	51
29	Seattlelite	712	2163	606	2769	**	52
227	Team 8	727	2208	552	2760	**	53
227	Team 3	716	2159	600	2759	**	54
92	Team 3	696	2114	642	2756	**	55

299	Solvang III	733	2158	597	2755	**	56
126	Number 3	736	2160	591	2751	**	57
306	Number II	729	2172	573	2745	**	58
183	Lucky Five 1	771	2255	483	2738	**	59
184	Hayward 2	665	2167	570	2737	**	60
242	Team 4	795	2246	474	2720	**	61
325	Long Island Tigers	602	1881	837	2718	**	62
29	Seattle 29ers	751	2186	525	2711	**	63
227	Team 10	723	2122	585	2707	**	64
167	Number 1	746	2131	555	2686	**	65
325	Long Island Panthers	553	1718	960	2678	**	66
126	Number 4	621	2013	660	2673*	**	67
255	Lodge 255	731	2106	567	2673*	**	67
306	Number IV	672	1980	681	2661	**	69
95	DB No. 2	666	1960	699	2659	**	70
29	Seattle 1	623	1863	792	2655	**	71
299	Solvang I	782	2167	474	2641	**	72
29	Old Timers	636	1854	783	2637	**	73
167	Number 2	721	2046	585	2631*	**	74
172	Philadelphia West	707	2013	618	2631*	**	74
332	Ripon No. 2	595	1628	966	2594	**	76
299	Solvang IV	688	1937	654	2591	**	77
45	Number 1	746	1902	534	2436	**	78
299	Solvang II	715	1766	600	2366	**	79

Individual High Game Winners:

306	Peter Norby	256	27	283	\$10.00	1
95	Glen Martella	218	57	275	8.00	2
34	Leo Andreasen	239	21	260	7.00	3
144	Holger Jemsem	234	28	262	6.00	4
89	Cassius Christensen	220	35	255	5.00	5

Individual High Series Winners

95	Glen Martella	579	171	750	\$10.00	1
306	Peter Norby	655	81	736	8.00	2
51	Gunnar Christensen	660	42	702	7.00	3
263	Jens Lund	625	66	691	6.00	4
126	Asp Nielsen	646	39	685	5.00	5

* Denotes tie
** Denotes out of the money

NEWS FROM ALBERT LEA LODGE 75

On April 28 Lodge 75 was host to Lodge 111 of Austin for their annual joint anniversary party. It was held at the Eagle's Hall with women of the Eagles preparing a very fine banquet. Guest speaker was Dr. Voight of Lea College, who spoke on his three items knowledge of the Danes. First on his being married to a Jorgensen from Wisconsin; second was on his personal experience of being in Denmark following World War II. He had the luck to spend three weeks in Denmark and visited several of the universities. When the Danes found he was a college student before the war started, he was welcomed with open arms and spent several days talking and exchanging ideas. Third was a short history and culture of the Danish people who immigrated to this country. One example was, there was a Danish colony in America before the Plymouth settlement. He told of inventions brought over that were to prove a great help for a new country.

Our next event will be a St. Hans party at the Ed Conn's residence on June 23. Potluck picnic will be held before the burning of the witch. All members and friends of the Danish Brotherhood are welcome.

Then on August 17 and 18 we will host the Minnesota state convention. Meeting and banquet will be held at the VFW basement. There will be rooms for both the women and the men plus the banquet in the same hall. Meeting will be on the 17th and on Sunday there will be a picnic at the Chris Hvolboll home at 1405 East Main. Food will be furnished by the lodge. So plan now to attend the Minnesota convention in Albert Lea.

Lodge 75 held its annual torsk supper April 5 and served 500 people to a very special supper. With the help of DSS 60 and the juvenile members we had a lot of work but it was enjoyed by all of us.

A rural area is one of those backward places that uses money instead of credit cards.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

By NORBERT E. GROVE, Box 279, Puyallup, Wash. 98371

Enumclaw hosted the 19th annual convention of the Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges in conjunction with the 70th anniversary of DB 113 on the first weekend in May. "It was a very successful gathering," quote from District Secretary-Treasurer Sigrid Jensen of McMinnville, Ore. To that your editor can add that the food was delicious and the fellowship was supreme. The Portland Sisterhood drill team was on hand to perform with their usual beautiful colors and precision; and Margo, daughter of John L. Rieck, entertained on Friday night as did magician Robert Link, a long-time friend of the Danes.

Elected and installed for the 1968-69 administration by Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck were Past President Svend Johansen, Vancouver, B. C.; President Thorvald Jensen, McMinnville; Vice President Hans Jensen, Portland; Secretary-Treasurer Sig Jensen, McMinnville; First Trustee Kris Jorgensen, Seattle; Second Trustee Henning Lindberg, Tacoma; Third Trustee Niels Nedergard, Enumclaw; Conductor Erick Gloet, Vancouver; Inner Guard Ib Rossen, Seattle; Outer Guard Emil Larsen, Spokane; and Promotional Chairman Magnus Esrom, Portland. The honored slate was unanimously accepted by the delegates as proposed by the nomination committee, Brothers Ed Olsen, Seattle; John Bech, Spokane; and Ingvald Nelson, Enumclaw.

Presiding over all sessions was District Chairman Svend A. Johansen who performed in his best parliamentary manner, first observing a moment of silence for those who had passed away during the last year. "Home Office Procedure as Related to Local Lodges," was the subject of visiting dignitary Axel Skelbeck's presentation with "A Review of the Canadian Question" thrown in for good measure. Brother Martin Rasmussen of Tacoma reported 20% attendance; Brother Poul Christensen 40% for Vancouver; Brother Elmer Boysen for Enumclaw 38%; Brother Max Madsen, Portland, 30%; Brother Emil Larsen 25% for Spokane; Brother Flemming Jensen 12%, Seattle; and McMinnville again took the trophy with 44% average attendance. Promotional Manager Magnus Esrom finished the Saturday afternoon meeting with the reading of a poem entitled "Do You Just Belong?" District Scribes and Past Presidents Sam Frederiksen and Norbert Grove received a round of applause for their monthly efforts.

At the grand ball and banquet Saturday night, the 300 to 400 West Coast delegates sang the "Star Spangled Banner," "America," "Oh Canada" and "Der er et Yndigt Land." Retiring District Sisterhood President Wilhelmina Parker furnished the wine and there were favors from Brown and Haley Candy Co., Beechnut Life Saver Manufacturers and from Reynolds Tobacco. The convention was indeed fortunate in having three leading Danes in session from start to finish — Secretary-Treasurer Axel Skelbeck, Past President Otto Nielsen and current President Kris Jorgensen.

An invitation to meet in the "City of Lilacs" for the 1969 conclave was unanimously accepted as the Empire City delegates John Bech and Emil Larsen invited the "Great Danes" to Spokane. Exact dates were not determined but it is hoped that the event can be dovetailed with their annual Lilac Festival, a showcase of community spirit in breath-taking flower shows and spectacle float parades. Enumclaw Danes will once more be in charge of the annual district bowling tournament. Convention sidelights included the simultaneous celebration of Brother

Charles Parker's wedding anniversary, the "39th" birthday of Myrna Rieck, the heart attack of Abilone Jorgensen, and the "group get-well-wishes" to Brother Arnold Grimlund of the Bellingham Lodge.

Personally, I missed the usual secretary reports from each lodge which have heretofore been a "must" each year. Whether or not the various resumes were "glowing or not," they served the purpose of "enthusiasm or regret" and instilled the desire of doing better for the coming year. However, it was a real pleasure to see so many of the old timers and to meet a number of new recruits. As I remarked on the convention floor "if we do nothing but preserve the traditions of Denmark and our forefathers" we have accomplished much at these annual meets. Thank to General Chairman Jens P. Holm, President Elmer Boysen and to DSS 75 for "a job well done."

Brothers Peter Pihl and Magnus Esrom, attended the quarterly meeting of the Pacific Northwest Danish Home directors in Enumclaw April 20. Tacoma was represented by Secretary-Treasurer C. Fred Christensen and Seattle had a large delegation from the Queen City. Home Board President Edmund Olsen reports approval "to construct a new forty bed nursing home" on the present site of the old landmark on Des Moines Way. If you know of a Danish couple who would be interested in managing the home, please inquire for details. The annual session of the executive board is scheduled for July 13th, at Washington Hall in Seattle.

Seattle's DB 29 reports their sick list to include Brothers Frank Nelsen, Max Keller, Ralph Hansen, Damon Pedersen and Carl Torp; the death of Brother Christian Lauritsen was reported to the membership last month; latest member to join the ranks of the Seattlite Danes is Brother Ernst Jensen; many Danish colony prominents witnessed the performance of the famous Copenhagen gymnasts as they appeared at Highline and Renton High Schools; Brother Erik Bertrand entertained the lodge members at a regular meeting in May; long-time Secretary Paul Hansen is with the Department of Buildings, Seattle Municipality; and Brother Otto Nielsen and Anna, both looking great, are on their annual sojourn to visit relatives and friends in California.

Spokane's DB 42 has a handball champion by the name of Brother John Wales of Fort Sheridan, Ill.; Brother Chris Hansen celebrated his golden wedding June 11; congratulations to Brother Eric Leegaard on the arrival of a daughter in April; Brother Howard Jensen vacationed in Los Angeles last month; and Ellen, wife of Ernie Wales, has been elected president of the High View Garden Club and secretary of the Lady Rotarians.

Portland's DB 167 has awarded 60-year pins to Brothers Richard Madsen, Carl Pihl, Jorgen Hansen, Frans Frandsen, Froberg Hansen and Peter Christensen; Brothers Jim Jensen, Carl Jensen and Sigurd Nielsen have subsequently been presented with 25-year lapel pins; Brother George Rhoda passed away April 4; and about 120 Brothers and Sisters helped the Rose City Danes celebrate their 65th anniversary April 6th.

Enumclaw's DB 113 sends greetings to their Brother Harold S. Holm who celebrated a 50-year wedding anniversary June 2 at Renton; and the host city Danes herewith acknowledge with thanks, their appreciation to other lodges, to the national officers, to the city mayor, to the Danish church, to local businesses and to each of you for helping to make the 19th event a very successful weekend.



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NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

By OTTO JONASEN, 636 East 33rd Street, Erie, Pa. 16504

Lodge No. 32, New Haven, Conn. Our annual spring picnic will be held Sunday, June 23, at Brother Arthur Sorensen's house at Amity Road in Bethany, Conn. Members of the Eastern Lodges and their families are most welcome. The festivities start at noon; there will be games for the children and both hot and cold food for all, and of course a bar. We are hoping again to see many of our friends. For further information and in order for us to plan in advance, please contact Jack Wilshire, 644 Whalley Ave., New Haven, Conn. Tel. 387-7941; or Arne Bjarno, 27 Blake St., New Haven, Conn. Tel. 389-9258.

Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N. Y. The convention committee is hard at work to get everything ready for the GCEL convention over Labor Day weekend. Several good motels are available and everyone is to make his own reservation. Here you have a list of the motels: Towne Motel, Elm St., Penn Yan, N. Y.; Colonial Motel, 175 West Lake Rd., Penn Yan, N. Y.; Kashong Motel, Geneva, N. Y. (10 miles from Penn Yan); and Ryal's Motel, R.D. 1, Penn Yan, N. Y. (5 miles from Penn Yan).

Brother William Elling is a patient in Penn Yan Hospital and so is Jenny Sorensen. Arlene Engell is in Canandaigua Hospital, and we wish them all a speedy recovery.

Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I. April 26 we were entertained by the Danish Folk Dancers of New Haven, Conn., all 28 of them. It was a wonderful performance and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. We cordially invite them to come again.

Just heard that one of our youngest members, Brother Karl J. Larson is taking boot training at the Great Lakes Training Station. Lots of luck, Karl.

Sister President Agnes Aust has once again invited all the Brothers and Sisters to a box lunch picnic at her summer home on East Beach Road, Charlestown, R. I., Sunday, July 14. Last year's affair was a happy one, with swimming, fishing and speed boating in the Atlantic Ocean and games that can be played by all. We are hoping for a bigger and better time (if possible) this year. Don't forget the date — July 14.

CARL W. SORENSEN, Corres., "102"

Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J. Ladies' Night was held following our May meeting; it was poorly attended but a good time was had by those present. At the meeting election of delegate and alternate to the GCEL convention took place. Past President John Madsen was elected, with President James Brochu serving as alternate.

Several Brothers, together with their families are leaving for Denmark during June and July and we wish them all a very good trip and vacation with a safe return. The dinner and dance planned for the fall is shaping up, the committee has met and made all arrangements. Tickets are available or can be reserved, only 110 tickets are to be sold — so make up your mind, first come, first served. Brothers Viggo Nielsen, John Madsen, Carl Ingeholm, Paul Ifversen, John Jensen and James Brochu can furnish detailed information and will also gladly take care of your reservations. The affair is to be held Saturday, October 12, at Mountainside, N. J. A prime roast beef dinner will be served and music will be provided by Chris Pedersen, Jr., and his orchestra. Cost of tickets is \$7.50 per person. Mark your calendar now. This is a dinner and dance and there will be no speakers.

VIGGO.

Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa. President John Hinrichsen and Brother George Clausen were elected delegate and alternate to the GCEL convention in Penn Yan, N. Y. Inner Guard Jorgen Danvold has moved out of town and the president has appointed Knud Christian Frederiksen to take over Danvold's post.

Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa. Over 90 persons attended the joint Sister and Brotherhood anniversary dinner-dance held May 18 at the Danish Club. Brother Olaf Hansen was the master of ceremonies. National Officer Edward Jonasen related the lodge histories of Brothers James and Ole C. Beck, who received their 50-year pins. Thirteen visitors from the Penn Yan and Geneva lodges and three from Warren, Pa., participated in this gala affair.

Brother Oluf Andersen was elected delegate to the GCEL convention and Brother Ole Beck alternate. A dinner will be held Saturday, June 15, for the members of the 100-10 Club.

Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn. Brothers George Keller and Marius Frost were elected delegate and alternate to the GCEL convention over Labor Day weekend. We are sorry to say that 10 Brothers are on the sick list. We wish them all a speedy recovery. We wish Brother Carl Sorensen the best of luck, we understand he has been transferred to Pennsylvania.

At our gala anniversary dinner held May 25, three Brothers received their 25-year pin: William H. Nielsen, Wilbert Mulberg and John Paulsen.

Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y. We welcome Brother Egon E. Larsen who was initiated at our May 10 meeting. More than two months ago Brother Harald Bendtsen came to New York from Florida where he retired some years ago. Due to illness, he has been confined to a hospital ever since his last operation, amputation of he left leg above the knee. In spite of that and his 81 years of age, he is in good spirits and doing very well. A visit or a get well card can be sent to him at Nassau Community Hospital, Oceanside, Long Island, Room 215. Good luck Bendtsen, see you soon at one of our meetings.

Lodge No. 334, Geneva, N. Y. The joint Brotherhood and Sisterhood anniversary banquet was a huge success with close to 140 people in attendance. We had many guests from the Penn Yan area and 19 Brothers and Sisters came from Erie, Pa., to be with us. Brother Andrew Christensen was the toastmaster, and short speeches were heard from DSS President 172, Marjorie Jorgensen, DB 334 President Harry Jorgensen, DSS 173 President Mary Borglum, DB 71 President Mark Jensen; special guest Joan Madsen and Mayor of Geneva, Michael Simeone. National Trustee Ed Jonasen talked about the youth problem in the Danish Brotherhood and also the importance of every so often to rededicate ourselves to the grand principle of Brotherhood.

After the delicious roast turkey dinner, Nielsen's Orchestra entertained into the early hours. A very well planned party and thanks to the committee, especially Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Christensen and Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Pedersen.

The harried mother took a sip of scotch to settle her nerves then proceeded to tuck her son in bed. He looked up at her after she kissed him goodnight, and said:

"Mamma, you're wearing daddy's perfume!"

1960 Scholarship Winner Writes

I received your scholarship during my junior and senior years at Mankato State College in Mankato, Minn. This was during the school year 1960-61 and 1961-62. I graduated in 1962 with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics. While attending Mankato I was a dormitory counselor and also participated in varsity track.

After graduating I accepted a position as a teacher in the Racine, Wis., public schools. I was in Racine for the next three years teaching mathematics at Starbuck Junior High. During this time I was also active coaching track and football. Also, during 1963, I was married to Carol Jenkins from Spring Valley, Minn., who also is a graduate of Mankato State College. During the summer of 1964, I attended a summer institute in mathematics at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N. J.

For the past three years I have been teaching at Hopkins Senior High School in Hopkins, Minn. During the summers of 1966 and 1967, I have attended a summer institute at Colorado College in Colorado Springs, Colo. This institute is sponsored by the National Science Foundation. I will also attend Colorado College during the summer of 1968 and at the completion will receive a master of arts degree in the teaching of mathematics.

At the present time I am living at 4082 Ensign Avenue North, New Hope, Minn. I want to thank the Danish Brotherhood for the scholarship that was awarded to me and I hope that in the future you will be able to continue to award young people the financial assistance many of them so desperately need.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES R. ROVN.

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Members who have passed away since the last report



Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined
Apr 9	Sophus Beldring	79	Skjoldnes, Denmark	241	Sayreville, New Jersey	1911
Mar 18	Hans A. Pedersen	68	Slagelse, Denmark	143	Petaluma, California	1947
Mar 31	Hans W. Thestrup	83	Præsto, Denmark	257	New York, New York	1918
Feb 21	Morris Madsen	70	Sellerup, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1936
Apr 4	Chris H. Christiansen	79	Tranderup Aro, Denmark	95	Ferndale, California	1907
Apr 13	Jens Chr. Christensen	63	Rakkeby, Denmark	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1928
Apr 19	Svend Th. Olsen	79	Præsto, Denmark	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1920
Mar 13	Niels P. Pedersen	89	Horby, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1911
Apr 17	Rasmus C. Rasmussen	78	Kolding, Denmark	107	Chicago, Illinois	1914
Apr 16	Henry K. Terndrup	63	Esbjerg, Denmark	257	New York, New York	1934
Apr 16	Hans P. Beck	69	Minden, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1921
Apr 21	Carl J. Frisk	80	Tilst, Denmark	233	Toledo, Ohio	1907
Apr 23	Soren L. A. Smith	83	Tvis Sogn, Denmark	172	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	1909
Jan 11	Peder L. Stenderup	83	Fredericia, Denmark	126	Los Angeles, California	1925
May	George P. Christiansen	84	Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1914
Apr 21	Hans Peder Toft	75	Holsted, Denmark	143	Petaluma, California	1914
Apr 21	Mads P. Westergaard	78	Borris	121	Tyler, Minnesota	1917
Jan 19	Andrew Halstead	81	Norway	85	Rochester, Minnesota	1938
Apr 24	Anders Christensen	68	Lynby, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1964
Apr 19	Kjeld Christensen	70	Denmark	255	Selma, California	1956
May 8	Chris P. Nielsen	66	Ejstrupholm, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1964

CALIFORNIA NEWS

By A. B. CHRISTENSEN, 4140 Thorton Avenue, Fremont, Calif. 94536

Time for departure of the plane that will carry 165 people associated with the California General Committee to Denmark is drawing near as this is being written, the exact date being Saturday, June 1, and many of the lodges are having "bon voyage" parties for those who are going.

Wednesday, May 8, the San Francisco Forty-niners made their meeting a "double header" in that they combined their "bon voyage" party with honoring two of their members who have held membership in No. 49 for 50 years.

The 50-year veterans are Brother Edmund Nielsen, who excels in the art of pleasing the palates of his fellowman and Brother Al. Christensen, who in his younger days excelled in the art of fisticuffs but, luckily never practiced his art on his lodge Brothers.

Brother Willie Christensen, who beside being the president of No. 49 also is the current president of the General Committee, presented the 50-year honor emblems to the two members after the regular meeting and a good repast furnished by Brother Ernst Meyer of Scandinavian Delicatessen and the Sisters of Margrethe Lodge No. 24 sharing. Both honored Brothers thanked for the pins and the good treatment afforded them.

Most of the 49ers who are making the journey to Denmark were present and received their plane tickets from Brother Rudolph M. Olsen who is handling the arrangements for the trip and everybody sang "Hils fra mig derhjemme."

In Fremont, No. 337 is planning a farewell party for its members who are taking the plane to Denmark with potluck eats and dancing but that will be history when this is read, as it happened on May 24. There are 10 in the group from this young, small lodge.

And, since our last article, our Order has become one

lodge larger and we have it from Brother Melvin Oredsen who assisted the Vice President of the Board of Officers, Albert Tunsen, in the institution of the new link, No. 339, that it is a healthy baby, that should grow into a good lodge.

He also praised the work of Albert Tunsen in performing the institution and the following installation of officers performed by California GC President Willie Christensen and Conductor Eric Roug. Also assisting in the institution beside Melvin Oredsen was the secretary of Lodge No. 332, Vernon Olsen, who is a past president and a lifetime honorary member of the General Committee.

There were many guests present to witness the institution, 34 from Los Angeles, about 20 from San Diego-Escondido and about a dozen from the northern part of the state headed by V. P. Albert Tunsen. All participated in a banquet preceding the official meeting at the Showboat Hotel and the affair wound up with dancing.

Our best wishes to the new Sisters and Brothers, the good members of Silver State Lodge No. 339.

Brother Paul Erik Sørensen, past president of Hayward Lodge No. 184, and Outer Guard of the GC, has been placed in charge of activities for the ensuing year and has already arranged a frikadelle dinner for which he has been promised the help of the Sisters of Olga Marie Lodge No. 166, DSS.

Also in his plans is a grand celebration of the lodge's 65th anniversary November 1, the lodge's birthday, and the members gave him the go-ahead signal for the event at the May meeting.

Amber Lodge No. 337 will have its picnic July 28 and also a masquerade the last Saturday in October, this because of the success achieved last year.

We now have all the information from the Oakland lodge's committee for the General Committee convention concerning the trip on San Francisco Bay. Transportation will be furnished from convention headquarters, the Hotel Claremont, to Jack London Square where the boat "Harbor Queen" will be ready and waiting to be boarded by the participants in which promises to be a grand experience.

A buffet supper will be served on board and there will be good music for dancing. You may dress as a Viking or anything else, but the committee says that space on the Viking ship is limited, so reserve early. The trip will be Friday evening, August 16. Hotel reservation forms will be mailed soon.

Brother John Sorensen, a member of Lodge No. 184 and residing at "Aldersly" joined with the manager of that retirement home, Knud Raben and his good wife in giving a farewell party for the residents at the home as the three of them are leaving for Denmark on the GC flight June 1. Also going on the flight is Brother George Vidar, a 49er and resident at the home.

Two drunks stumbled into the zoo compound and stopped in front of the lion's cage. Suddenly the lion let out a roar.

"C'mon, let's go," one told the other.

"Go ahead if you want," the other said. "I want to stay for the movie."

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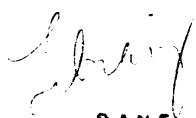
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