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## Condensed Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Officers

SEPTEMBER 23-26, 1968

The annual meeting of the Board of Officers of The Danish Brotherhood in America was held at the Home Office, 3717 Harney Street, Omaha, Nebr., September 23-26, 1968. All officers were present.

The meeting was called to order at 9 a. m. President Kristen Jorgensen bid all members welcome, stating he was pleased to see each member.

The first item for business was to review the proposed agenda which had been mailed by the president to all board members. This agenda was reviewed and adopted after a number of items were added. At this point, Einar Danielsen requested the securities inventory be set up for Thursday because he was unable to attend any sessions of the meeting beyond Wednesday evening. This was agreed upon. A number of important committee meetings were set up for noon hours and evenings during the week.

Officer's reports were then presented by each board member. The president presented his report in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section V, Paragraph 1, of the By-Laws.

A general discussion of special aid application procedures was held. Some discussion concerning desirable changes in the form currently used in making special aid applications was considered. The final consensus, however, was to continue using the same type of form, but when additional information was necessary, or desired, any board member could request such additional information before rendering his opinion.

Discussion was also held concerning how the final amount of money to be awarded a member requesting fraternal aid should be determined. The result of this discussion was that when a majority of four or more board members vote for a specific amount, that amount would be awarded to the applicant. If there were not at least four voting for a specific amount, then all recom-

mended amounts would be averaged to determine the final award. The same would hold true when four or more voted against allowing any aid.

It was suggested that occasionally a board member desires additional information before rendering opinion. The following practice was established: The final opinion would be withheld until any questions were answered that had been posed by any board member. This would not hold true if a board member wanted information but a majority vote was already received in favor of a specific amount, or in favor of rejecting the application. The secretary-treasurer was directed to prepare a format of this discussion and put the policies established in writing and supply a copy to each board member.

The subject of the California charter flight permission, which had been granted through proper opinion procedures, was introduced by the president. It was found that, since mitigating circumstances had existed, permission had been granted even though the request for the flight had not been submitted at the proper time in accordance with the revised By-Laws. The mitigating circumstances existing were that California hadn't had a convention since the By-Law changes were made.

Danielsen then informed the board the Midwest District would be requesting permission under the same circumstances for a group flight to Aalborg. The president suggested all central organizations be notified of the new rules so they could decide now for 1970 flights and put them in a position of being able to comply with the By-Laws. Axel Skelbeck noted that flights were desirable, but we should be sure the Supreme Lodge is not in any way obligated under any of these flights.

George Godthaab moved to give the Midwest District permission for a flight if such request was received on the same basis of the other flights. This was seconded by Fred Jensen and it carried.

In conjunction with this discussion, Godthaab asked if the Danish Brotherhood planned to have a ship tour, and the general consensus of the board was that one was not in the plans for the immediate future.

President Jorgensen noted that all members of the board had received a copy of the most recent audit report by Arthur Andersen & Co. and asked if there were any questions surrounding it. The report was available, and the president stated he was not asking for an audit this year.

The president requested Skelbeck to discuss the question of obtaining a license to permit the Danish Brotherhood to solicit insurance in Canada. Skelbeck mentioned that the most important items that had been developed so far in this study had been mailed to the board members for their information and study prior to the meeting. The items that were mailed were: a copy of a letter from E. A. Frederickson, the Administrative Officer of the Dominion Department of Insurance in Ottawa, Canada; a memorandum dealing with the records needed to be kept in Canada; and the Fraternal Benefit Society's Section of the Office Consolidation of Foreign Insurance Company Acts. Additional data that had been gathered were available for the board's review. Skelbeck reviewed the procedures that had been followed in studying this problem. He pointed out that under our current By-Laws the securities must be maintained by the Board of Officers in the safe deposit vaults of the society, and therefore, it would be a question to decide whether we can comply with the requirement that a certain amount of Danish Brotherhood funds be shipped to Canada to cover a deposit, as required by the Dominion Insurance Department.

Skelbeck stated he had gone as far as he felt he

should go in this study without further direction from the board.

The board members then discussed the various aspects of the problem of obtaining a license in Canada. It was the general consensus of the board members that the cost in money involved in obtaining a license in Canada is in excess of the value to be gained by obtaining this license at this particular time.

The help Lodge No. 328 would be required to give with respect to obtaining a license had not been determined. Women are not eligible for membership in Canada at this point, which is another detracting factor.

The extent to which the Danish Brotherhood could increase its membership in Canada was considered at length, and the final decision of the board was to let Canada show the potential the Brotherhood could realize before continuing to pursue this licensing matter. Albert Tunsen moved that the Canadian subject, in view of all the facts that have been placed before the Board of Officers, establishing the evidence that to further pursue this matter, in view of said facts, would be of no avail at this time, that they should hold any further activity on this matter in abeyance until such time as the membership of Canada may provide either further and new facts pertinent to their request, or any pertinent changes in the attitude of the Canadian government that may appear upon the scene, and in which case we then would be more than happy to take a new look at the subject. After having been duly seconded, this motion carried.

Danielsen suggested we inform Lodge No. 328 of this study and Jensen moved the secretary-treasurer write a letter to Lodge No. 328 informing them of the whole story and why a decision was made at this time to discontinue pursuance of a license to operate in Canada with our insurance program. Tunsen suggested the information that had been sent to the board also be sent to Lodge No. 328.

Adjustments in wages of the employees were made by the board.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 p. m., with a reminder by President Jorgensen that the meeting on Tuesday would be called to order at 8 a. m.

Skelbeck reminded the investment committee members, Jorgensen and Tunsen, that a meeting of this committee is scheduled to follow the adjournment of this session of the full board.

On Tuesday morning at 8 a. m., Hedegaard was called into the meeting for discussion of the promotional program for 1969. Hedegaard presented a comprehensive report to the board relating the activities that he had undertaken since the last board meeting. He enumerated the lodges and conventions that he had attended, reported on the status of some of the central organization promotional directors and reported on the extent to which the central organizations had taken advantage of the 1968 promotional program, which provided that money would be sent to a central organization if membership contests were established or if an approved lodge activity had been initiated. He noted that the California General Committee was the only organization that took advantage of this program.

He reported that eight special representatives were now under contract to solicit Brotherhood memberships on a part-time basis. He reported the extent to which these representatives had submitted new business and made some suggestions with respect to certain items that might aid these representatives in selling additional memberships. This report had been mailed to the board ahead of time for their examination. He also presented a report that had been sent to the two members of the pro-

motional committee, Tunsen and Godthaab. This report dealt primarily with problems surrounding the type of membership contest that might be successful in encouraging members to solicit new memberships.

Another report, entitled "The Agent Program," was presented dealing with the concept of the use of agents in soliciting memberships and insurance for the Brotherhood. (To be continued next month)

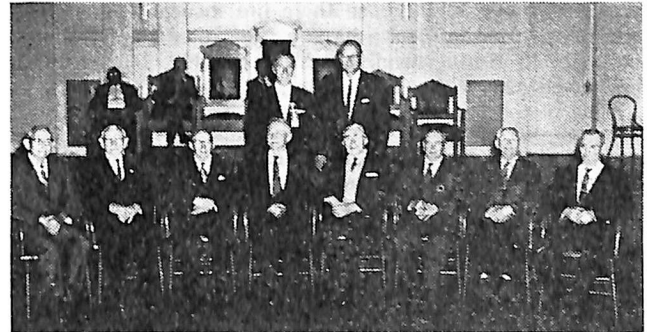
## Fraternal Backbone!

by A. F. TUNSEN

On November 2 at 2:30 in the afternoon this officer, representing the national Supreme Lodge had occasion to be present at a grand occasion surrounded by a beautiful setting. Some 80 friends and relatives gathered in the hall of Pacific Lodge No. 39 to celebrate as only Oakland, Calif., lodge can do on the occasion of 11 60-year pin presentations.

After appropriate opening ceremonies guided by Oakland's lodge president, Aage Lundquist, into the hall marched eight of the eligible recipients out of a possible 11. To see these fine proud Brothers all averaging over 80 years of age march the grand circle and take their place in a half circle before the altar was most touching.

The meeting was turned over to the master of ceremonies Melvin Oredsen who did a fine job of reciting the history of the honored guests as follows:

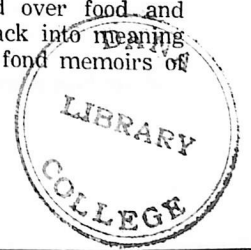


Seated, left to right: **Christian Alfred Vindelov**, joined Lodge 183, Troy, N. Y., May 18, 1905; transferred to Pacific Lodge 39, Sept. 16, 1924. **Jacob Jensen**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Aug. 14, 1905. **Samuel Brask**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Nov. 7, 1906. **Anton Theodore Mathiasen**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Dec. 19, 1906. **Carl J. Rennow**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Feb. 13, 1907; **Morris Johnson**, joined Golden Gate Lodge 49, Feb. 27, 1907; transferred to Pacific Lodge 39, Mar. 7, 1911. **Oliver B. Rasmussen**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Mar. 13, 1907. **Hans J. Hansen**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Sept. 4, 1907. Standing, Aage Lundquist, President Lodge 39; and National First Vice President Albert F. Tunsen.

Three others were unable to attend but corresponded their regrets to the lodge for one reason or another. They are, **Ferdinand A. Petersen**, joined Lodge 1, Omaha, Nebr., Jan. 15, 1902; transferred to Pacific Lodge 39, Aug. 15, 1904. **Carl Brask**, joined Pacific Lodge 39, Nov. 7, 1906. **Dr. Jorgen Eugene Jensen**, joined Golden Gate Lodge 49, Jan. 2, 1908; transferred to Pacific Lodge 39, Oct. 17, 1922.

After the history was presented the honor of presenting each Brother with his 60-year pin was accomplished by A. F. Tunsen, with an appropriate candlelight ceremony.

These Brothers are truly the backbone of our organization and the visit with them afterward over food and coffee furnished by the lodge brought back into meaning many interesting facts of history in the fond memoirs of these grand old men.



# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

**GCEL** — Greetings from the General Committee of the Eastern Lodges. We in the East are looking to the coming year, full of optimism for the Danish Brotherhood.



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are eligible to belong and don't are in most cases, not as good prospects as the married men in their middle or late twenties or thirties. Many men in this age group are ready to affiliate with some fraternal society and also are ready to increase their life insurance coverage, so if they are eligible we have a great deal to offer them, not only in Brotherhood, but with reliable, low cost life insurance as well.

One of the lodges recently gave a banquet for prospective members and after the dinner when all of the benefits the Danish Brotherhood had to offer were explained, they had 15 applications submitted. This is wonderful. At this time, when many fraternal societies are finding it difficult to get good membership participation, we may be able to help our lodge attendance by offering good Danish-style dinners before the meetings.

This has been our method of operation in Schenectady for years and although our signing of new members is lagging, our membership participation is holding up very well. The old saying "The way to a man's heart is through his stomach," can work for us also. Good luck signing that new member.

OLIN W. YAUCHLER, GCEL Pres.

**Flight "69" News** — The flight committee is now able to give you some dates of interest for our flight. We leave J. F. Kennedy Airport, New York, Friday, June 20, and arrive at Copenhagen Airport Saturday, June 21, 1969. Reception at City Hall June 23, where we will honor the President of Copenhagen's "Borgerrepresentation" Honorable Henry Stjernqist, with a plaque.

Tour and reception of Carlsberg Breweries on June 24. "Kronborgmødet" on June 29, where the 50 year anniversary will be celebrated. We have an unconfirmed report that the royal family will be represented at this meeting. Sunday evening a supper will be served at Marienlyst Restaurant, Helsingør. To both meeting and supper there will be a limited seating available. Return flight on Saturday, July 19, 1969.

Co-chairman of Flight "69" Elmer W. Jensen has recently returned from a trip to Florida, where he received great interest for our flight and is currently in Denmark to make personal contact with people involved. He is helping to make our trip more interesting and more pleasant for members and their families participating in Flight "69."

FLEMMING HINRICHSSEN, Chm., Flight "69."

We have a new promotional director John Madsen whose father the late Supreme Trustee Chris Madsen, was known to all of us as a real proponent of Brotherhood, and John is following in his dad's ways. He is one of the younger members and as such knows how to interest the younger people in what the Danish Brotherhood has to offer them.

It is from this younger generation that we have to draw most of our new members. The older people who

**Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N. Y.** We deeply regret the loss of Brother Thomas P. Christensen. He was 90 years old, came to the USA when he was 14 years old, from Jerslev in Denmark and joined our lodge in 1913. He was a farmer and retired a few years ago, leaving one daughter, Ethel. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family. Brother Carl Christensen's wife is ill in the Geneva General Hospital.

Our 75th anniversary banquet will take place December 6 at 7 p. m., at the Dresden Hotel. The price is \$5.50 per person. We hope to see many of our friends from other lodges at this great event.

LAURIDS S. PEDERSEN, Sec.

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.** A Merry Christmas and gay and prosperous New Year to all from all members of No. 102.

An interesting trip through South America and the Virgin Islands will be a film show after our December meeting by Brother Harbo Jensen. You are invited. Our annual Christmas party for the children will be held Sunday afternoon, December 15, at the Portuguese Club, Second Avenue, Cranston, R. I. Come and bring your friends.

We learned with regret belately of the passing of two of our most dedicated members of the Brotherhood, namely Brothers William Svendsen of Lodge 205, Brooklyn, and Anker B. Christensen of Lodge 184, California. Although they lived miles apart, their objectives were the same and our organization has suffered a great loss. We extend our deepest sympathy to those concerned.

We were happy to have Brother Fred Mortensen back with us and feeling spry after recovering from a recent illness. Birthday greetings to Brothers Peter W. Rasmussen, Dec. 8; and Leo Juul Larsen, Dec. 17.

CARL W. SORENSSEN, Cor.

**Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J.** We are sorry to announce that one of our old timers, Brother Charles Steinbach passed away November 3. Brother Charles had been a member in the Brotherhood since 1913. He was 77 years of age. Our sincere sympathy goes to his wife and family. Also our deepest sympathy goes to Brother Carl Breuning, who lost his wife two weeks ago.

Brothers Viggo Steensgaard, Ove Rud Clausen, L. K. Jorgensen and Fred Krogsgaard are still doctoring. Peter Williams is in Riverview Hospital in Red Bank.

Our yearly Christmas party for the children will be held Sunday, December 22, from 2 to 5 p. m., in our meeting hall, Springfield, N. J. We urge the parents to have their children at the party no later than three or they might miss "Santa," and let's face it, this afternoon is for the children, weather permitting. We promise the grownups afternoon coffee and cake.

The lodge voted to have joint installation with the Sisterhood in our meeting hall, January 10. Following the installation there will be dancing to Chris Pedersen's orchestra, the same music we enjoyed at our dinner-dance affair. Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a most prosperous and Happy New Year.

VIGGO NIELSEN, Cor.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** Children's Christmas party will be held at the Latvian Club, 7th and Spring Garden Streets. Admission \$1 per adult, children free. Coffee, cake, ice cream, soda and candy to be served. Santa will be present to entertain the kids.

Special birthday greetings to Brothers Niels Chr. Wil-

hjelms, who was 80 years old November 21 and Niels Mou, who was 81 years old November 20.

Our condolences to Brother Gunnar Jorgensen, whose father passed away in Denmark.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** Brother Harold Christie, recently returned from Florida and attended a dinner party where he was warmly welcomed by the Brothers. Also Brothers Svend Jensen and Lawrence Barry attended a dinner party following long absences. We were glad to see both and hope they will come often.

Brother and Mrs. Walter Jorgensen, celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary, were surprised by all their relatives and friends at a party held in the hall October 11. President Harold Hansen, representing Lodge 190, presented the guests of honor with a money tree and extended the best wishes from the Brothers.

Jacob (Jake) A. Christiansen, a former member of No. 190, who resigned upon moving to California two years ago, was visiting with his wife Hilda. While here he rejoined as a social member and was initiated at the meeting on October 16.

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** Brother Axel Lindstrom passed away October 25. He was born in Thisted, Denmark on July 20, 1890 and joined our lodge December 21, 1910. Brother Axel was active in lodge affairs, he was president of our lodge in 1912 and director of the building committee in 1940-42. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his wife Marion and his family.

Election of officers will take place on Friday, December 13. Christmas party for the kids will be held December 22, from 2:30 to 5 p. m., 50¢ per child. Get your ticket or make reservations in advance. Santa Claus will be present and everyone will get a nice treat. Coffee and pastry available for the grownups — come one, come all.

Thought for today: If you want people to notice your faults, start giving advice.

**Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn.** Although we were 17 at the last meeting we surely did miss you. Our meetings aren't long, so why don't you come and enjoy our social hour and get reacquainted. Maybe your wife or girl friend would like to be rid of you for a night. How about it Brothers, it's your lodge too!

Brothers Otto Meyer and Henry Carlson are presently on our sick list. We wish our sick Brothers a speedy recovery.

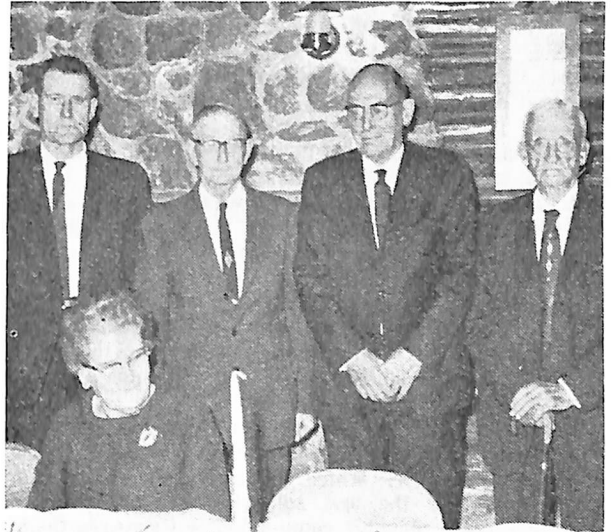
A Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 28, at 6 p. m. in the DBS Hall. The party is free to all members and their immediate family and only such will be admitted. The party is of course planned to give the children as much fun and joy as possible and we must insist that you follow this rule in registering children for the party. Only children and grandchildren of members will be admitted. As we aim to have a gift for all children under 12 years of age, please be prompt and register all children before December 1, so that no child will be disappointed at the party. Send registration to Alfred Stark, 24 Violet St., Windsor, Conn.

**Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y.** Next year's GCEL convention host lodge. A Christmas party will be held on December 15 and the annual codfish dinner will take place on January 10.

Your friends and relatives joining our lodge before December 15, can be on our charter flight to Denmark in 1969. Talk to a prospective member now and call George Jacobsen for details.

Bartender: "What do you think of a moon shot?"  
Customer: "Fine, I'll try one."

## Membership Pins Presented at Askov



Members and friends of DB Lodge 263 at Askov, Minn., gathered at the American Legion Hall November 23 for the regular quarterly birthday party and also to honor four members who received 50- and 60-year membership pins.

Receiving the 50-year pins were Brothers Henry W. Larsen, Askov; Emil Jensen, Hopkins and Christopher Nielsen, Sandstone. Brother Nielsen was unable to attend because of poor health.

The 60-year pin was presented to Brother Carl Madsen of Anoka. Brother Roy Petersen, president, made the presentations after introductions by Toastmaster Ed Leese.

A program from 1927 had been found, at which time the lodge had celebrated its 20th anniversary. At that time Brother Madsen spoke about "Kasserer's Genvordighed" and now in 1968 Brother Madsen again told very interestingly about the founding of the lodge. Brother Madsen joined the Brotherhood in Sheffield, Ill., 65 years ago, and was also a charter member of No. 263. He proudly showed his father's 50-year pin; his own 50-year pin, presented to him by Svend Petersen, former Supreme President and now he added a 60-year pin to the collection.

Also on the program in 1927 and 1968 was a song written by Mrs. Jens Thomsen, wife of Brother Jens Thomsen, now deceased. The song was in Danish and told of the sociability of the times, the troubles and the decision to buy a phonograph to be used at lodge dances.

A film and games were enjoyed before the presentation of the membership pins and refreshments.

## DECEMBER ASSESSMENT

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**December 1, 1968**

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**January 1, 1969**

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

**AXEL SKELBECK,**  
Secretary-Treasurer.

## Cultural Center Flash . . .

During October the executive committee for the Danish Brotherhood Cultural Center met at the home of Melvin Oredsen in San Leandro to discuss the first subdivision plans. W. D. Noteware, project engineer, presented the proposed plan noting that the first subdivision would encompass 170 acres. It is divided into 122 acre parcels and 28 one-third acre lots. This first subdivision will surround the lake.

It was decided that a contest would be held among the California Brotherhood lodges in order to select a name for the Cultural Center. Each lodge is to suggest three names and submit them to the managing committee. The committee would make the final selection from the various suggestions. The lodge who submits the winning name will receive a plaque depicting their contribution. This plaque will be placed in the new Cultural Center administration building.

In the first week of November, investigation into possible well sites began. Drilling is scheduled for the middle of November. Water appears to be no problem.

The plans for the first subdivision have now been submitted to the planning commission of Calaveras County. Acceptance of the plans should come in a few weeks.

## Members in the U. S. Service

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## Films From Coast to Coast

As mentioned in an earlier issue a film troop from Scandinavia will tour Canada and USA during the coming months. At this time the two promoters Jørgen Petersen and Jørgen Bosted Andersen are busy in Canada and should hit Vancouver around Christmas time.

They travel in a Danish VW bus and carry a complete set-up for movie shows from which interested parties can choose between 20. Among the films: Visit to Tuborg Breweries, productions of world famous Danish furniture, silver and porcelain, Danish Brotherhood Excursion to Denmark this year, May 17 festival in Oslo, Nordkap, Gothenborg, Stockholm and many more.

DB lodges, Danish business people and other organizations could arrange an interesting evening for their members and associates and at the same time create a beautiful promotion for Denmark. The whole tour will be filmed and shown in Denmark next year.

Interested lodges can contact Mr. Petersen either at c/o SAS in Chicago, DB headquarters in Omaha or the West Coast tour manager, Henning Jensen, 255 W 41st Ave., San Mateo, Calif. 94403. Tel. (415) 341-6489.

## George Petersen Writes

I am now back in the USA after a great trip in the USA and of course Denmark. As you know, I sent you a letter from Denmark regarding my first plan and affairs. I have not seen it in the Magazine and am wondering why. (Ed. Note: Letter from Denmark not received.)

After entering Denmark I was received by a great group of friends and many relatives. I attended many real family reunions and a trip by car around the country winding up on Samsø before going back to Copenhagen; golden wedding parties, birthday parties, confirmation, etc., kept me on the go.

I attended two meetings of No. 318 both very well attended and lively. At the meeting September 17, we had a representative of the People to People organization telling us the real purpose of this group and how you may become a member and what you may get out of being a member. He also showed very fine pictures of the trip the People to People had to the USA in the summer of 1967. It was most interesting, especially when we saw the pictures from Florida where I was included.

My trip was by air to Montreal and Boston where I had my car waiting for me and my son came there to pick me up. Now I am home and someday I hope to visit in the Middle West.

GEORGE V. PETERSEN.

## CHARTER FLIGHT TO DENMARK

**Minneapolis Lodge 45 is sponsoring  
a charter flight by PAN-AM Boeing  
Jet to Denmark in 1969.**

**Leaving New York  
Thursday, June 26**

**Returning from Copenhagen  
Friday, August 1**

**Round Trip Fare — \$260.00**

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PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

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182—Waukegan, Illinois .....	9
227—Detroit, Michigan .....	26
230—Arcata, California .....	10
263—Askov, Minnesota .....	5
306—San Diego, California .....	8
322—Santa Barbara, California .....	5
325—Nassau County, New York .....	6
332—Ripon, California .....	31
337—Fremont, California .....	5
339—Las Vegas, Nevada .....	9

Lodge	Location	New Member	Sponsor
4 .....	Racine	George J. Petersen	Ray Thielen
17 .....	Chicago	Johannes Nielsen	Peder M. Larsen
17 .....	Chicago	Kaj V. Jensen	Paul Kristensen
39 .....	Oakland	Jens M. Jacobsen	Melvin Oredsen
43 .....	Denver	Tove J. Briths	Svend Sonderup
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110 .....	Winside	Donald Alexander	Anton Pedersen
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144 .....	Dike	Steven T. Shafer	Arthur Thode
184 .....	Hayward	Gilbert M. Anthony	H. L. Anthony
190 .....	Schenectady	Jacob Christiansen	Geo. Christensen
227 .....	Detroit	Gunnar Jensen	Jorgen Mau
263 .....	Askov	Robert M. Kenowski	M. Espointour
263 .....	Askov	Lawrence Peterson	M. Espointour
319 .....	Bakersfield	Paul Rytter	Verner Stenderup
322 .....	Santa B'bara	Karl A. Sorensen	Arne Johansen
322 .....	Santa B'bara	Jay F. Woods, II	Hans Mogensen
323 .....	Alhambra	Gerda K. Troy	Richard Rowse
323 .....	Alhambra	Kenneth P. Troy	Richard Rowse
332 .....	Ripon	Zella M. Meedom	Jack Belmont
332 .....	Ripon	Dorothy B. Jensen	Jack Belmont
600 .....	Home Office	Wilhemina Johnson	Edw. Jonasen
600 .....	Home Office	Margaret Tansey	Edward Jonasen

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263 .....	Askov	Scott Q. Peterson	M. Espointour
263 .....	Askov	Gregory Kenowski	M. Espointour
263 .....	Askov	Lisa C. Kenowski	M. Espointour
263 .....	Askov	Krista J. Holter	Edwin Sorensen
332 .....	Ripon	Chirley L. Jazen	Jack Belmont

### INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Lodge	Location	Sponsor	Number of New Members
1—Omaha, Nebr.,	Alfred Hedegaard	.....	5
43—Denver, Colo.,	Svend A. Sonderup	.....	5
45—Minneapolis, Minn.,	Christ W. Pedersen	....	3
46—Perth Amboy, N. J.,	Peter Christensen	....	3
49—San Francisco, Calif.,	Henning Jensen	....	11
84—Lincoln, Nebr.,	S. C. Sorensen	.....	3
95—Ferndale, Calif.,	Francis D. Sweet	.....	3
126—Los Angeles, Calif.,	Poul D. Andersen	.....	8
126—Los Angeles, Calif.,	Kurt E. Moller	.....	6
126—Los Angeles, Calif.,	Peter Pedersen	.....	19
139—Viborg, S. D.,	Esther Jorgensen	.....	4
139—Viborg, S. D.,	Arnie Sorensen	.....	19
143—Petalum, Calif.,	Jim Larsen	.....	7
144—Dike, Iowa,	Gary L. Andersen	.....	8
144—Dike, Iowa,	Arthur B. Thode	.....	6
172—Folcroft, Pa.,	Mogens Hempel	.....	4
225—Canton, Ohio,	John Christensen	.....	3
227—Detroit, Mich.,	Jorgen Mau	.....	4
227—Detroit, Mich.,	Lawrence C. Sheppard	....	3
230—Arcata, Calif.,	Gunnar Ladefoged	.....	6
332—Ripon, Calif.,	Jack Belmont	.....	26
332—Ripon, Calif.,	Charlotte Scott	.....	5
336—Escondido, Calif.,	Richard J. Suda	.....	3
337—Fremont, Calif.,	Sigfred Olsen	.....	4
339—Las Vegas, Nev.,	Harold C. Reed	.....	7

### 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 1 —

Lodge No. 339, Las Vegas, Nevada

#### GROUP II —

Lodge No. 263, Askov, Minnesota

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## Honor Roll Listings

### LODGES

Lodge	Location	Members
4—Racine, Wisconsin .....		8
17—Chicago, Illinois .....		8
43—Denver, Colorado .....		5
49—San Francisco, California .....		12
51—Ludington, Michigan .....		7

## 'Getting a New Member' Suggestions

When you filled out your last application for a new member, you may have overlooked some possibilities for other members.

For example — On the juvenile application you filled in the beneficiaries' name.

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On the regular adult application you did the same. You also got their health condition. This could be an indication as to the type of membership to suggest.

On the medical report if they were examined, the same information is available.

On social applications, you can ask about the other family members and relatives.

At the time the application is written is a good time to ask the applicant about the whereabouts of his or her relatives and their general health. If they live in other areas, if you would get their names and addresses and send them to us, we would forward them to the lodge concerned, and if we all started doing this, I am sure all lodges would be receiving names from other parts of the country as prospects for membership. Clip the form below and return it to us. Thank you!

**I have a relative, whom I do not believe is a member now, living at:**

\_\_\_\_\_

(Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

**My relative's name is:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approximate age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My name is:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Lodge No.** \_\_\_\_\_

Let's give this a try and see. If you can inform some prospective member that their relative is a member, this will no doubt be of help in securing the application.

Of course, no mention should be made of the amount of insurance the relative bought, or even as to the type of membership. Just indicate that they are members, or have applied for membership.

## Visitors

Our guest book at 3717 Harney Street shows that we have had visitors from eight states and quite a few from Denmark at our headquarters building since May 1968.

Perhaps you will find your name or that of a friend in the list of guests. We have listed only out of town visitors though there have been many from Omaha. When in Omaha, we hope you will find it convenient to stop and see us.

**California:** Mrs. Esther Mead, Newport Beach; R. F. Bender, La Jolla; J. C. Parker, South Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meckia, San Francisco; Carl E. Hansen, Glendale; Adolph S. Mogensen, Barstow; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hedegaard, Laverne; Mr. and Mrs. Borge Nielsen, Oakland; N. J. Nielsen, Los Angeles; Otto J. Sorensen, Alhambra; Holger J. Knudsen, San Francisco.

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**Michigan:** Lawrence C. Sheppard, Dearborn; Thomas J. Bath, Detroit; Bill Sheppard, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Irving Lohr, Greenville.

**Minnesota:** Martin A. Sorensen, Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. Jens L. Larsen, Austin; Dean Strandskov, Askov.

**Montana:** Mr. and Mrs. Elmer W. Petersen, Dillon; William B. Petersen, Dillon.

**Nebraska:** Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schultz, Ruskin; Herman Block, Lincoln; Darrell Nilsen, Lincoln; Mrs. Nate Chase, Fremont; Axel Andersen, Lincoln.

**Pennsylvania:** Asgeir Riis, Erie; Herold Emerson, Erie; Mr. and Mrs. John Pihl, Erie.

**Denmark:** Dagmar Kristoffersen, Aalborg; Kris Kristoffersen, Aalborg; Ellinor Hansen, Copenhagen; Ellen Wehnert, Copenhagen; Harry D. Hansen, Copenhagen; Nanna Christensen, Randers; Mrs. Aase Girsell, Ballerup.

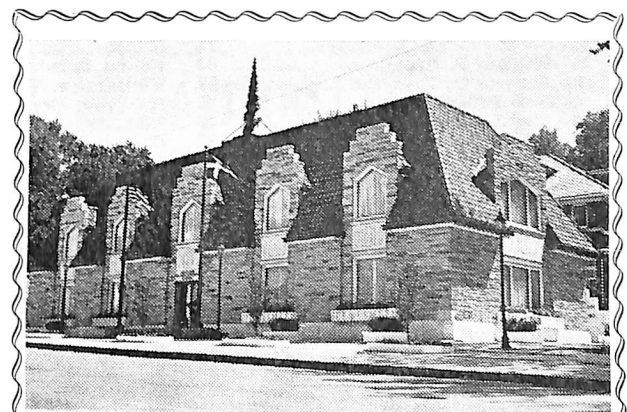
## Why Cash In?

Your certificate may have loan value so that you can borrow if an emergency exists and then repay the loan on a leisurely basis. No collateral is required for a certificate loan and your precious protection is needed more than ever if it is debt which is causing the assumed need for the loan or surrender.

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Let it be known that our plans are different, in some small ways, from others. As a matter of fact, every company in the business usually has plans that vary somewhat with others. But **basically** they are the same. They have to be. We use the same mortality figures, the same interest assumption, etc., that others use.

Our **present** certificates, both juvenile and adult, have cash values, paid-up values, extended protection values, settlement options and retirement income provisions; just as other companies provide. It is known that some companies are offering so-called "gimmick" policies which tend to make one believe they are exceptionally good plans.

Now there is nothing necessarily wrong with these, but all insurance plans are built around a basic plan and by using a variety of settlement options or a combination of plans, one can devise about any kind of a plan conceivable. What we are saying is that, basically, you can get the same thing in the Danish Brotherhood and in many cases for **less money!**

It is perfectly understandable that our membership is not always aware of this, and this is one reason that we are desirous of getting people in the various areas that we can train and educate in these matters so they can be of service to our membership. Why shouldn't we give this service to our members? Why shouldn't our members insure themselves and family members in the Danish Brotherhood?

The organization can become only larger and stronger if our membership remembers to make their insurance purchases in their own society. This in turn will enable the society to provide greater fraternal benefits, which in turn will help attract more members, which in turn will provide more revenue, which in turn will enable the society to provide greater fraternal benefits, which in turn....

So. Why not the Danish Brotherhood? Those children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, husbands, wives; why not the Danish Brotherhood? Ask us about it!

Oh, yes! As a **certificate** holder, our younger members will be eligible to apply for college scholarships and older members for fraternal aid if needed. This you do not get in a **policy**.

His doctor told him he was in as good shape as a man of 60. The trouble is, he's only 45.



## In Loving Memory

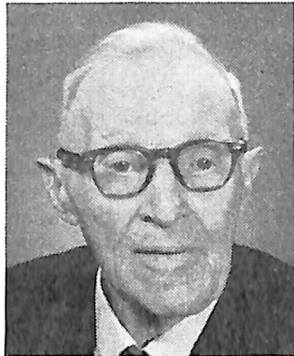
*Members who passed away since the last report*



Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined
Sep 15	Peter H. Petersen	81	Tommerby, Denmark	144	Dike, Iowa	1910
Sep 23	Otto E. Jensen	84	Copenhagen, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1907
Sep 25	Moller Jens Pedersen	82	Albert Lea, Minnesota	75	Albert Lea, Minnesota	1912
Sep 10	Herman Klingenberg	63	Faaborg, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1950
Sep 21	Christian M. Christensen	87	Vejle, Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1909
Sep 13	William T. Gemmer	78	Bestoft, Denmark	1	Omaha, Nebraska	1911
Aug 20	Emil B. Osterberg	67	Sweden	294	Barre, Vermont	1947
Jul 26	Adolph Kuhne	66	Skodborg, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1924
Sep 21	John Petersen	71	Copenhagen, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1921
Sep 29	Louis K. Jensen	75	Gentofde, Denmark	107	Chicago, Illinois	1915
Sep 22	Einer Peter Johansen	83	Kendertofte, Denmark	38	Laramie, Wyoming	1936
Sep 26	William P. Svendsen	78	Ronne Bornholm, Denmark	205	Brooklyn, New York	1911
Oct 8	Thomas C. Thygesen	77	Kongerslev, Denmark	298	Chicago, Illinois	1920
Oct 6	Jens Peter Larsen	86	Nakskov, Denmark	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1904
Sep 10	Christ Christensen	83	Ribe, Denmark	34	Dwight, Illinois	1915
Sep 25	Chris Nelson	77	Gjedsted, Denmark	300	Oneonta, New York	1928
Aug 31	Jerry J. Fuerst	70	Hildreth, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1961
Oct 12	Mariane Tuma	64	Elba, Nebraska	288	Cotesfield, Nebraska	1962
1963	Soren Pedersen	83	Randers, Denmark	300	Oneonta, New York	1930
1964	John Nielsen	86	Brenderup, Denmark	300	Oneonta, New York	1931
Oct 10	Hannibal Mortensen	74	Aarhus, Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1942
Oct 9	Martin Sorensen	85	Norre Kongerslev, Denmark	170	Rocky River, Ohio	1924
Oct 5	Anker M. B. Christensen	70	Holbak, Randers, Denmark	184	Hayward, California	1919
Sep 5	Ferdinand Rasmussen	91	Frederiksborg, Denmark	325	Nassau County, New York	1909
Oct 13	Christian F. Roge	75	Thisted, Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1916
Oct 21	Thomas P. Christensen	90	Jerslev, Denmark	71	Penn Yan, New York	1913
Oct 19	Arthur M. Andersen	66	Copenhagen, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1923
Oct 25	Axel Lindstrom	78	Kjærstrup, Denmark	242	Erie, Pennsylvania	1910
Oct 18	Holger Novack	92	Copenhagen, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1910
Oct 7	Carl V. Rasmussen	78	Michigan	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1908
Oct 25	Karl M. O. Nielsen	82	Copenhagen, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1920
Oct 21	Valdemar Andersen	87	Copenhagen, Denmark	160	Underwood, Minnesota	1909
Oct 10	Thomas Jorgensen	76	Lanstrup, Denmark	167	Portland, Oregon	1921
Oct 27	Viggo A. Hansen	78	Usserød, Denmark	321	West Palm Beach, Florida	1920
Nov 1	Edward M. Jensen	79	Struer, Denmark	45	Minneapolis, Minnesota	1910
Oct 23	Axel Andersen	58	Dike, Iowa	144	Dike, Iowa	1907
Nov 3	Carl Petersen	83	Bjerreskov, Denmark	215	Battle Creek, Iowa	1951
Oct 14	Carl M. Nielsen	86	Aalborg, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1920
Nov 10	Einar J. Sorensen	66	Racine, Wisconsin	4	Racine, Wisconsin	1914
Sep 5	George Th. Jorgensen	91	Bornholm, Denmark	205	Brooklyn, New York	1940
Oct 5	T. C. Jensen	75	Minden, Nebraska	16	Minden, Nebraska	1905
Sept 20	Walter Larsen	71	Ludington, Michigan	51	Ludington, Michigan	1956
Oct 13	Aksel Nielsen	70	(Chicago, Ill.) Denmark	17	Chicago, Illinois	1963
Oct 28	Jorgen Jorgensen	85	Kellerup Fyn, Denmark	29	Seattle, Washington	1968
July 27	Rasmus Newman	68	Tved, Denmark	90	Port Reading, New Jersey	1936

## Peter A. Hansen, Aged 96

Brother Peter A. Hansen, having reached the age of 96 years, received his insurance from The Danish Brotherhood's Supreme Lodge office. He was born in Vester



Ørum Vejle, Amt. on October 20, 1872, came to the USA, Menominee, Mich., in 1893, where he joined the Danish Brotherhood Lodge 59 in the year 1896. When he moved to Green Bay, Wis., he transferred his membership to Green Bay Lodge No. 12. He served as secretary in Lodge No. 59, and president in Lodge No. 12 and has now served as treasurer in Lodge 12 since 1942. He has been a member of the Danish

Brotherhood for seventy-two years — quite a record!

In 1911 he started in the shoe business in Denmark, Wis., having learned shoemaking in the old country, and is still selling shoes at age 96, but has quit the shoe repairing business. His son, Hans, took over the shoe business in 1953 but Brother Peter still helps out.

On Saturday, October 26, the lodge members and their wives gathered at the Scandia House in Green Bay for a delicious dinner and the lodge president, Jens Peter Andersen, presented the check to Brother Hansen.

HANS M. HANSEN, Secretary.

## News From Lodge 318, Copenhagen

The fact that news from Lodge 318 in Copenhagen is rare does not mean that there is no activity. On the contrary! We would like to boast about Lodge 318's meeting attendance being 30 per cent. Unfortunately, our excellent secretary, Brother A. John Sonnergaard, had to resign from his post this summer due to illness, but the lodge has another fine young man, Brother Knud Lonstrup to take over the post for the rest of the year and he is doing a good job.

The lodge's birthday in May was celebrated according to our usual standards. After a brief meeting, "smørrebrød" and coffee were served. President Schack-Eriksen and several other Brothers took the opportunity to say a few words.

The Danish summer is over now. It has been many years since Denmark has had such a fine summer — beautiful warm weather and a crop which beats all records. During the summer the lodge has had the pleasure of visits from many Brothers from the USA and Canada, arriving on charter flights both from the East and West Coast, Chicago and Racine.

The Fourth of July was celebrated by a gathering at the "Mindehøjen" in Søndermarken and afterward at a dinner in Damhuskroen.

Recently Brother George Petersen from Florida came to visit. In spite of his 75 years he is still going strong. He gave a very inspiring speech about the Brotherhood. Besides we were honored by the visit of Brother Melvin Oredsen from California, who was pleased to visit Denmark and praised Lodge 318 for the manner in which its meetings are conducted.

Last month one of the oldest members of the lodge, Brother K. V. Hansen turned 80. He will no doubt be remembered by many of the Brotherhood's older members. Forty years ago he traveled through the USA

giving speeches and showing movies of Denmark in Danish societies and DB lodges all over the States. Lodge 318 has often availed itself of K. V. Hansen on occasions which called for something special. K. V. (as he is known among his many friends) seldom fails to attend our meetings.

Thursday evening, September 17 will be an evening which will stand out in the history of Lodge 318. The lodge had invited its members with their wives as well as the Sister Lodge to a social evening with a lecture on the non-profit organization, People to People. About 70 members attended and they were certainly not disappointed. The chairman of the executive committee of People to People in Scandinavia, Knud Damgaard, was the main speaker. He explained the background and goals of this organization which was founded by General Eisenhower in an effort to create better understanding among the nations. After the lecture a color film was shown from one of the many trips which is arranged by People to People in the USA every summer. In this case it was a group of 150 Danes who traveled through the Midwest and the South in Greyhound buses, participating in the so-called "homestay" program.

Last spring Lodge 318's only living charter member celebrated his 80th birthday and that took place at his daughter's home in Philadelphia. Our Brother's name is Anton Christensen. He is still enjoying good health.

In October the lodge invited its members to a "Herre-Aften." The meal included "Gulearter, flæsk og medisterpølse," what a treat. Everybody had a good time.

Lodge 318 sends all members of the Danish Brotherhood the best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Løge 318 møder 1 og 3 Tirsdag hver maaned Kl. 19:30. Adresse: Forhaabningsholm alle 20. Sekretær P. T., Svend Holm, Bag Engvælen 6, 2791 Dragør, Danmark.

JOHS. PETERSEN.

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# CALIFORNIA NEWS

By LEVI PERSSON, 525 Atterdag Road, Solvang, California 93463

A note of thanks to those few who so graciously help fill this column every month, even though we admit our job would be vastly easier, if we had more people like Ebba Norby from Chula Vista, Ellen Petersen from Las Vegas and good old "Mr. Reliable" himself, also known as Paul Sorensen from Hayward. Paul is also a very active Inner Guard in the General Committee, besides writing a quite readable weekly column here on the Coast.

**Hayward Lodge No. 184** celebrated its 65th anniversary with a celebration on November 8. The ladies had cooked a Danish styled "flaskesteg" dinner and after the repast Fred Mahler was introduced as the M. C. for the evening. He handled the job efficiently. Among the speakers were Hayward Lodge President Walter Hansen, who spoke briefly about the lodge's memory laden 65 years of existence. Past President GC Willie (Caruso) Christensen, President of Fremont Lodge Erhard Rasmussen, President of the Oakland Lodge and Ripon President Jack Belmont all spoke and brought congratulatory messages from their respective lodges.

First Vice President Al Tunsen brought greetings from the National Officers of the Brotherhood and then eulogized A. B. Christensen, perhaps the most noted member of the Hayward lodge.

The committee which arranged the successful birthday party consisted of chairman Paul Sørensen, John Villadsen, Ken Danielsen, Fred Mahler, Larry Olsen, Hans Sorensen and John Sorensen.

The lodge will celebrate Christmas for its members and friends on December 13 at the Hill and Valley Club. The affair will start with a potluck dinner around 6:30 which will be followed with community singing.

**Anker Lodge of Fremont** took in three new members at the last meeting. The lodge's secretary, Elly Erhardt has announced that the lodge has scheduled a Christmas party for December 15, but at this time she was unable to tell where it will be held.

**San Diego Lodge 306** held its regular meeting on November 6 and with great pleasure we welcomed Ed Aasted from Santa Barbara. San Diego is a long way from its neighbor lodges so we enjoy having visitors.

Just a reminder — San Diego is the first installation for 1969. We are very proud that Alfred Vestergaard will start his tour from home base. We invite everyone to join us January 4th, at the Bronze Room in La Mesa, for an evening of fun and dancing. For reservations, please contact Secretary Robert Jensen, 473 Omaha Court, El Cajon. Phone 444-2376.

**Notes From Everywhere.** Travel Agent Rudolph Olsen, whose work within the Brotherhood goes back to before 1930 celebrated his 75th birthday on October 3. Those of us who have known Rudy since the early 30's think of him as a man who never seems to grow old, hence it is difficult for us to imagine that he is now past 75. Up until just a few years ago he was very active within the General Committee. He is a past president, and was for many, many years the Committee's secretary. He has many talents, among them is his gift of gab, but not only that, he writes like a pro and was for many years the editor of this column. Rudy worked for many years for the old Cunnard Line and prior to that "Det Forenede Dampskibsselskab." Rudy knows all about the old emigrant liners — anyway Rudy is still at it every day in his own travel office in San Francisco — Til lykke Rudolph, til lykke.

**Golden Gate Lodge 49** celebrated its 77th birthday November 2, with a dinner-dance at Hotel Lawton. Mr. and Mrs. Sigurd Nielsen, well known within the DB and DSS lodges, were honorary guests at the event... Martin Jensen, well known in **Lodge 126**, who about 18 months ago suffered a heart attack is back in circulation, but the illness forced him to close his popular cafeteria in Pasadena. Martin, who is a chef by trade, is 60 pounds lighter than his usual weight and says he has no intention of regaining it... At the Danish Days in Solvang, a man won the world championship in eating "Danske Æbleskiver." Recently Danish importers in Hong Kong held a contest to find the world champion in eating "Danske Knek-pølser." En kineser blev mester. Han forterede 63 danske pølser med knek paa 12 minutter. Og saa gik han ud og knekkede sig.

Brother Carl Birkholm, who got Solvang going as a tourist attraction is a horse enthusiast. A couple of weeks ago he ventured with 50 other horsemen deep into Mexico for some riding in real wild country. The event would have been successful, but for the last day of the ride when Carl contracted a tropical fever and was rushed to a hospital. He was seriously ill for several days but is now home in Solvang recuperating from his harrowing experience. Carl also attended a bullfight where he and most members of his party lost their wallets. "What does Carl Birkholm think of Mexico?" Well he told us, but unfortunately it is unprintable.

The DSS and DB lodges of Solvang will celebrate Christmas with a party for members and children on December 20 in the auditorium of the Danish Church. Thora Mae and Andrew Andersen are heading the committees, no more need be mentioned.

**Lodge 126 in Los Angeles** will in collaboration with other Danish lodges and societies in the Los Angeles area this year arrange "Nytaarsfest" in the Danish Center. Admission charge is \$5 which takes care of something to eat, something to drink and dance to Brother Otto Stampes Orchestra.

And that's 30 for this year. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and see you in 1969.

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# PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

While the Danes in Denmark prepare to observe Christmas Eve which is the big family event of the year, may we at this time, wish you and yours a very merry holiday season. Steeped in old tradition, this time of year is the oldest of Nordic festivals — even in heathen times, mid-winter celebrations were held around Winter Solstice, the shortest day of the year and the exchange of gifts, gentleness towards one another and a longing for peace were closely connected. Hans Christian Andersen writes about the fir tree as the official decoration for the Yuletide event. And so, "Glade Jul, Dejlige Jul til alle."

An occasion always filled with beautiful color and ceremony is the annual old timers night in Enumclaw. Invitations were sent neighboring lodges for November 9th with friends and relatives of the Danish celebrants also asked to be on hand. President of the Pacific Northwest Danish Home, Brother Ed Olsen and wife Ruth, brought along Brothers Chris Sands and George Gertsen from the Danish residence. "Uncle" Henry Bruhn was present looking his usual good self and other oldsters included Brothers Jens Christiansen and Nels Johnson and Sister Margaret Nielsen. The arrangements committee of Brothers Jens Holm, John Rieck, Hans Weston, Ingvald Nelsen and Oswald Pedersen and their wives, presented each honored guest with a boutonniere upon arrival. Lunch consisted of open-faced sandwiches, coffee and anniversary cake. After the usual extemporaneous speeches, pinochle was played under the direction of Brothers Chris Slott and Chris Petersen.

If you wish an advertisement in the 1969 district convention souvenir brochure, please contact Brother Lawrence Charneski at East 2324 Mission in Spokane, telephone KE 5-2364. Conclave dates are May 9-11 and all festivities as well as business meetings will be at the friendly Coeur d' Alene Hotel.

Seattle's DB 29 Brother John Petersen has joined "the great lodge above." Reported ill are Brothers Svend Nielsen, Ted Kofoed and Al Truelsen. Nomination committee for the 1969 slate of officers include Brothers Flem-

ming Sorensen, Kris Jorgensen and Paul Hansen. The Danish Boys Choir included St. John's Church, the Danish Home and Washington Hall on their October itinerary.

Spokane's DB 42 Past President Ernie Wales drops in on Rotary in Puyallup each time he comes to the Coast on business. The annual Danish Christmas party is scheduled for December 7 and entertainment will include the talented Grandmother's Orchestra. Sisters Linda and Karen Eskeberg have both received Danish Brotherhood scholarships. Brothers Swan Larsen, John Jacobsen and Jens Thomsen are all hospitalized at this writing. Brother Aage Julius Beck passed away August 7, shortly after returning to his home in Bremerton from a trip to Denmark.

Enumclaw's DB 113 Brother J. C. Rieck is confined at home with a liver ailment. Treasurer Henry Hergert and Niels Nedergard are in charge of the annual family Christmas party on December 15, with potluck, program, traditional carol singing and gift exchange. Twenty-five Enumclawites attended Seattle's annual supper and bazaar for the Danish Home. Sister Rita Nedergard is in Denmark celebrating her parent's golden wedding. Sister Rosamond Hansen is visiting in California following the wedding of a grandson. Brothers Einar Christiansen and Soren Petersen are on the sick list. Brother Nels P. Rasmussen, past master of the Masons, celebrated his 90th birthday this year and is still hale and hearty.

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## NEWS FROM IOWA UNITED LODGES

by A. B. THODE, Correspondent

Good news from DB Lodge 3 of Davenport! Lodge No. 3 invites the Iowa United Lodges to hold their 1969 convention in Davenport, Iowa. Arrangements are being made for a gala event and all members of the Iowa United Lodges are very cordially invited to attend. Further information will be sent to all lodges at a later date.

**From Lodge No. 144.** At the regular meeting held November 11, two new members were initiated — Steven and Jack Shafer, the grandsons of a good member, now deceased, J. Holger Jensen. We welcome them and hope they will share the enthusiasm that their granddad had for the Danish Brotherhood.

The nominating committee was appointed for the coming election of officers. Committees were selected to work on the Christmas tree party for the children of Dike and surrounding community. This will probably be held the last of December, come join us as we dance around the tree and sing "Nu har vi Jul igen." Plans for the New Year's Eve party are shaping up and the usual noise making stuff has been ordered. Weather permitting we hope to have a good time and to look forward to planning for the next year.

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# MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWS

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

**Detroit Lodge 227:** In the absence of our president, regular lodge meeting on October 23 was headed by Vice President Bob Sorensen. Attending was Brother Finn Jensen who recently moved to this area from Philadelphia, Pa. On November 2, we had a very successful Halloween harvest dance, which was attended by about 175 people, a number of whom came in fanciful costumes. A lively band, the Executives, kept the dance floor crowded all night long. Prizes were given for the best costumes and delicious open face sandwiches were served. Entertainment chairman Ken Rehan and his committee had done a real nice job arranging this evening.

At the meeting November 13 we were informed of some possible by-law changes which will come up for voting on our election at the first meeting in December, Wednesday the 11th. This meeting will start half an hour earlier than usual. The matter refers to the possibility of splitting up the secretary's job in two, a recording and a corresponding one. Also some of the officer's salaries will be up for revision. During this meeting we had the pleasure of adding still another member to our lodge, Gunnar Jensen, who was bid welcome by Past Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen.

After this meeting we had the opportunity to view some Danish tourist movies which were shown in the Danish Hall by two young Danish men who are touring the States with their films.

**Lodge No. 51, Ludington, Mich.,** held its regular business meeting October 24. Brother Charles Johnson was initiated into the lodge by President Laurits Hansen, who conducted the meeting. He was bid welcome by all present and was given an opportunity to make a few remarks afterwards. The name of James Hansen was called and he was present so he received the jackpot award. After meeting a lunch was served by Conductor Merton Rasmussen and Inner Guard Art Hansen.

On November 1 our lodge held a costume and hard-times party in the hall. The members and guests certainly had a variety of costumes and I am sure everyone

had a good time dancing to the music of Vern Soberalski and his concertina. The committee for the evening consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Soneral, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Larsen, Albert Christoffersen, Lars Christoffersen and William Hansen. The hall was very prettily decorated by Lois Soneral and Dorothy Wagner, with an assist from their husbands. The next dance we have will be a New Year's party, with President Laurits Hansen in charge. At the conclusion of the dance a potluck luncheon was served by the committee. Door awards went to Mrs. Sidney Morell and Herman Bentz.

At our November 7 meeting the name of Richard Enbody was called for the jackpot but he was not present. After the meeting lunch was served by Everett Liebetreau and Howard Barber.

Past President Carl Soneral and Outer Guard Donald Wagner have been busy replacing the windows in our downstairs meeting room. This job was done in their spare time with no charge to the lodge. It certainly is a big improvement and the lodge is indebted to these members for a fine job.

Secretary Earl Jensen is presently head over heels in work with our big money-making endeavor which he is chairman of. It is a big job to get the tickets distributed and then another to get everything finalized for the drawing, which will be held December 12. We hope all our members will help all they can.

ALF LARSEN, Treas.

## News From Sunny Florida

It has been a long hot summer with many of our members away on vacations in Denmark or other States, but now we are active again and our dear ladies are serving good coffee at every meeting.

Visiting at our last meeting were Brother and Mrs. Soren Henningsen of Lodge No. 17, they are now in Hollywood, Fla.

It may be appropriate to mention for visiting Brothers or those now permanently located in this part of Florida, that Lodge 321 meets on the second Saturday at the Odd Fellow Hall, 410 Datura St., West Palm Beach, which is right downtown, just off South Dixie Highway.

At our November meeting the lodge rose in reverence to Brother Viggo Hansen who passed away October 27. He was a charter member of No. 321 and joined the Brotherhood in Chicago in 1910. The lodge also performed our funeral ceremony at the funeral home with most of our members and wives present.

In his younger days he served aboard the Georg Stage Danish Schooling ship now lying in Mystic, Conn., under the name Joseph Conrad. When Viggo visited his old ship a few years ago he brought along his early seaman's papers, they are now on file on the old ship.

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