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## BOWLING TOURNAMENT



The Danish Brotherhood National Bowling Tournament is being sponsored again this year because of continued demand. Entry forms and a letter have been sent to lodge secretaries. Contact the secretary at your next meeting and get your entry forms.

*Entry deadline is March 1, if you choose a bowling date between March 1 and 15. If your bowling date is between March 15 and May 1, the deadline is then March 15.*

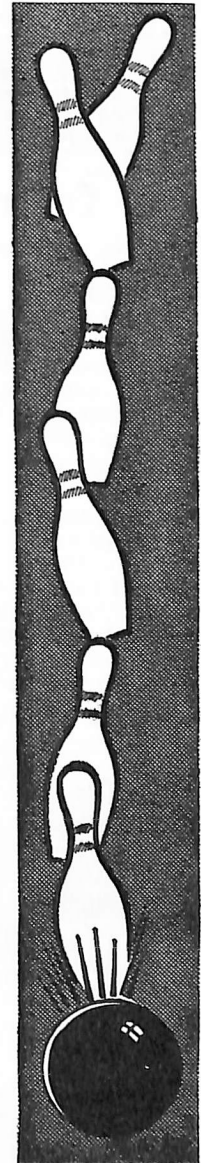
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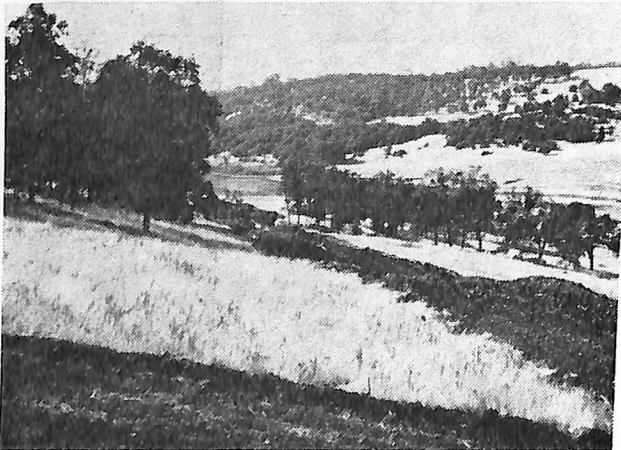
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## Cultural Center Flash

The hills are talking at Bakkedal, Calif. — talking in rumbles and roars from heavy equipment, blasts of dynamite, flurries of rock being hurled, all through clouds of rich, red mother lode dirt. This all means that roads are being built at Bakkedal.

Three roads, at this moment, are being constructed. They are appropriately named Kongevejen, Ring Vej, and Bakketoppen, which constitutes two miles of roadway and one mile of access road. All of these are up to full county standard and will cost approximately \$165,000. Do you have any idea what goes into the building of a road that seems to cost so much? Well, neither did I until I talked with our engineer and learned the following information. (My layman terminology will not be exposed, as I had never heard of rippers, "cats and cans," sheeps foot, air track, dozers and backhoes.)

A complete set of approved improvement plans are prepared by the engineer. This then goes to the crew of surveyors who establish roadway centerline locations. Slope stakes are set which become guide posts for the



contractor in determining where to cut and put the planned roads.

The heavy equipment arrives when the removal of trees, shrubs and overburden within the roadway area appears. Immediately after this phase is passed, they start "cutting" into the hillside. Step by step, material is worked into the fill section in thin layers that are compacted by heavy equipment until the desired grade is achieved.

It must always be kept in mind that varying field conditions may change from stake to stake in order to preserve the beautiful rock outcroppings and the lovely hillside around Bakkedal.

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As you can see, a great deal goes on in order to provide the roads around the gorgeous hillsides that will soon be dotted with Danish cottages and allow people to enter Bakkedal.

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Secretary-Treasurer Skelbeck and President Jorgensen at the January 24 recognition banquet for Skelbeck and Omaha's Lodge No. 1 88th anniversary banquet.

If one looks ahead a few years, time seems very long and it is quite possible Axel Skelbeck would not have had the slightest idea 46 years ago where he would be at this time or what he would be doing.

But time has a way of passing and the starting day for Axel with the Danish Brotherhood has stretched out and the point in Axel's life has been reached where he has completed his major role with the Danish Brotherhood and can now devote more time to his personal interests.

Shown presenting Axel with a gift of a pen set bearing an engraved plate that has literally been waiting 46 years to be presented is the president of the Danish Brotherhood, Kris Jorgensen, on behalf of the Board of Officers, as a gift from the membership.

This took place at Lodge No. 1's anniversary party and recognition dinner.

Brother Skelbeck was also presented a gift by the lodge and a nice certificate of appreciation from Dana College, presented by Dr. C. C. Madsen, president.

A good turnout was experienced at this affair and many people had the opportunity to express their well wishes to Axel.

## From Your President . . .

On January 1, Brother Axel Skelbeck retired from the position of Secretary-Treasurer, a position he held since 1943. As previously announced, Brother Axel retains his membership on the Board of Officers and continues to serve as chairman of the investment committee. In addition to provide for a smooth transition within the Home Office and to permit full utilization of his particular knowledge and skills he will be retained in a consulting capacity.

Succeeding Axel the Board has appointed Brother Howard Christensen to the office of Secretary-Treasurer. Brother Howard has eminent qualifications for this office having previously worked in the office of the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Nebraska and, since 1966, as the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer in the Home Office. In addition he holds a master's degree from the University of Nebraska. The Board feels we are fortunate indeed to have secured the services of Howard and we look forward to a long service that will continue to be as beneficial to the Danish Brotherhood as that of his predecessor.

On January 24, I visited the Home Office for the purpose of discussing the transition of duties from Axel to Howard. A number of matters relative to this change were discussed, principally with Howard. I can report to you that the transition has been made smoothly and is now in effect. I know that Howard will perform his duties in the same creditable manner we have been accustomed to from his predecessor.

At the same time Axel is looking forward to pursuing many interests of long standing that also will be to the benefit of our society. I expect to be able to continue to draw on Axel's experience and talents to the continued benefit of the Danish Brotherhood.

Lodge No. 1, Axel's home lodge and where he served in many capacities, combined their 88th anniversary celebration with a recognition dinner for Axel with many of his friends and longtime associates in attendance. I regret that because of distance most of the members of the Board of Officers were unable to be physically present but I do know that their thoughts were with us that evening.

On behalf of the membership of the Danish Brotherhood whom Axel has served so well and faithfully since 1923, I had the honor and pleasure to present him with an engraved desk set as a small token of appreciation.

The Danish Brotherhood in America has been fortunate over the 88 years since its founding to have had the services of dedicated men such as Axel, both within the respective lodges and as members of the various Supreme Boards. We owe much to them. I feel it appropriate that we, the membership and officers of The Danish Brotherhood in America express our thanks and appreciation to these men, and particularly to Axel, who have given so much of themselves for the advancement of our society. We salute them!

Fraternally yours,

*Kristen Jorgensen*

Kristen Jorgensen, President,  
The Danish Brotherhood in America.

# PACIFIC NORTHWEST DB NEWS

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

The holidays are not exactly my idea of a European trip because of the climate, however, Sonia and I had a very interesting and wonderful sojourn. If the Dansk Broder Orden at Valdemargade 8 is our Copenhagen DB Lodge, I had the same luck in making connections there as I had with the Red Cross, the Boy Scouts and Rotary International — festival time is just not the proper time to connect. Before leaving for Denmark we had the pleasure of seeing and hearing Victor Borge perform at the Seattle Civic Center.

Mark your vacation calendar now to include the Flamingo Hotel in Portland on May 1, 2 and 3 for the 21st annual Pacific Northwest Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood District Convention. Help their publicity committee by buying an advertisement in the souvenir program — full page for \$35, half for \$20, one-fourth for \$10 and a complimentary ad for \$5 — but do it at once, deadline is February 15, for not only this matter but also for sending in the names of your lodge delegates and alternates. Brothers Lawrence Cook and Hans Andersen, as well as Sister Margaret Esrom are the committee-in-charge.

Brother Paul E. Strand, Associate Director of Development at Dana College, Blair, Nebr., is asking for help in completion of the Royal Copenhagen and Bing & Grondahl collections of Christmas plates now on display in their new college library. Brother Strand also asks that if you are proud of your Danish heritage, you might think kindly with a small or large gift for the only full liberal arts school in our country founded by Danish pioneers.

Although the skies were full of rain showers all day Brother Ed Olsen reports a fair turnout at the "open house" ceremonies January 18 of the Northwest Danish Home in Seattle. Director of the donations committee, who has long since written all Danes in this area, will still accept your pledge to help meet the costs of this beautiful but practical edifice.

The Colwood Country Club in Portland was the scene of DB 81's 65th anniversary as they celebrated with a dinner-dance for the Oregon Danish Brotherhood Lodges. Brother Sigurd Nielsen "took ill" at the festivities but he reported a "real nice party." Other news from the south includes the San Diego wedding of Kirsten, daughter of Brother Paul Persson, a visit from Vancouver's Brother Eddie Hellesen, a number of DB 167 gatherings at Pythian Hall and Carnation Local, and congratulations to Portland's Brother Chris Christensen on his 86th birthday on the same day as his and Kristine's 56th wedding anniversary — a very fine couple who have done much for the Danish colony.

Brother George M. Nelson, former caretaker at the Pacific Northwest Danish Home and member of the Enumclaw Danes, passed away December 1. Born July 14, 1900, Brother Nelson was carried to his last resting place by past president of DB 113, John Rieck, Elmer Boysen, Jens Holm, Ingvald Nelsen, Kai Rasmussen and Martin Petersen. It was a large funeral and DB 29 was well represented.

New officers for DB 328 in Vancouver, include President Mogens B. Mogensen, Past President Eigil W. Kristensen, Vice President Svend A. Johansen, Secretary Erik H. Esmann, Treasurer Henning Pederson, Conductor Harry Nielsen, Inner Guard Osvald Nielsen, Outer Guard John B. Sorensen, Trustees Axel Rytter, Svend Pedersen and Axel Johansen and Delegates Ole Pedersen and Jens Miller, according to Editor E. Andreassen. He also tells us that the usual "Juletræ" celebration for all Danish

families was held in Hastings Auditorium December 28. Three more new Brothers have been initiated: Peter Andersen, mechanic; Leon H. Olsen, plumber; and Jørgen Schiebeck, chemist.

Enumclaw DB 113 delegates include Brothers Henry Hergert, Jack Oakley, Elmer Boysen and Einer Bruhn. Brother Jens P. Holm is the promotional and entertainment chairman for the Enumscratch Danes in 1970. Attend lodge on North Porter Street February 14, and then stay for their Valentine's dance. On the sick list have been Brothers Pete Liane, Gene Dewitt, Soren Petersen and Ed Hickenbottom. Retiring President Orval Gunderson is proud to relate that Enumclaw is the only lodge in the district who still meet in their own hall. Some of the old timers who are often mentioned in any festivity clude Brothers Nels Johnson 81, Chris Jensen 90, Fred Petersen 87, Jens Andersen 80, Chris Sand 99, Jens C. Christensen 86, Nels Slott 80 and George Gertsen 93. Guard Nis Hansen is perhaps the only officer who knows his ritual verbatim but then of course he has had the same job for nearly a hundred years. The family Christmas party was held December 14 with a potluck dinner and exchange of one dollar gifts. A good time was had at the New Year's Eve dance. A stag party was also enjoyed by about 30 on January 2. The lodge's bowling team called "cousins of the country" (Pedersens and Riecks) are sporting new shirts. Pauline, sister of the Holm family, has just returned to Denmark after visiting in America. According to the Nile Temple "poopsheet," everyone who attended the Enumclaw Shrine Night agree that Club President Jens Holm is "a clever master of wit and humor with a good natured Danish flavor."

Seattle DB 29 has new meeting facilities these days — the Swedish Club is presently the home of the Queen City Danes. On the ailing list are Brothers Aage Andersen, Hugo Dall and Viggo Pedersen. The Great Danes of the bowling project partied on January 25 at the Olympic Lanes. Over 160 children attended the annual Christmas party December 14. "Running the show" for the next 12 months are President James B. Langsted, Past President Olaf R. Langsted, Vice President Frank Larsen, Secretary Clyde Langsted, Treasurer Jens Nielsen, Conductor Ted Koefoed, Inner Guard Fred Hewes, Outer Guard Knud Dencker and Trustees Walter Nielsen, Henry Jensen and Ed Larsen. Past Supreme President Otto Nielsen and Brother Sam Frederiksen and Flemming Sorensen are the building committee for another year.

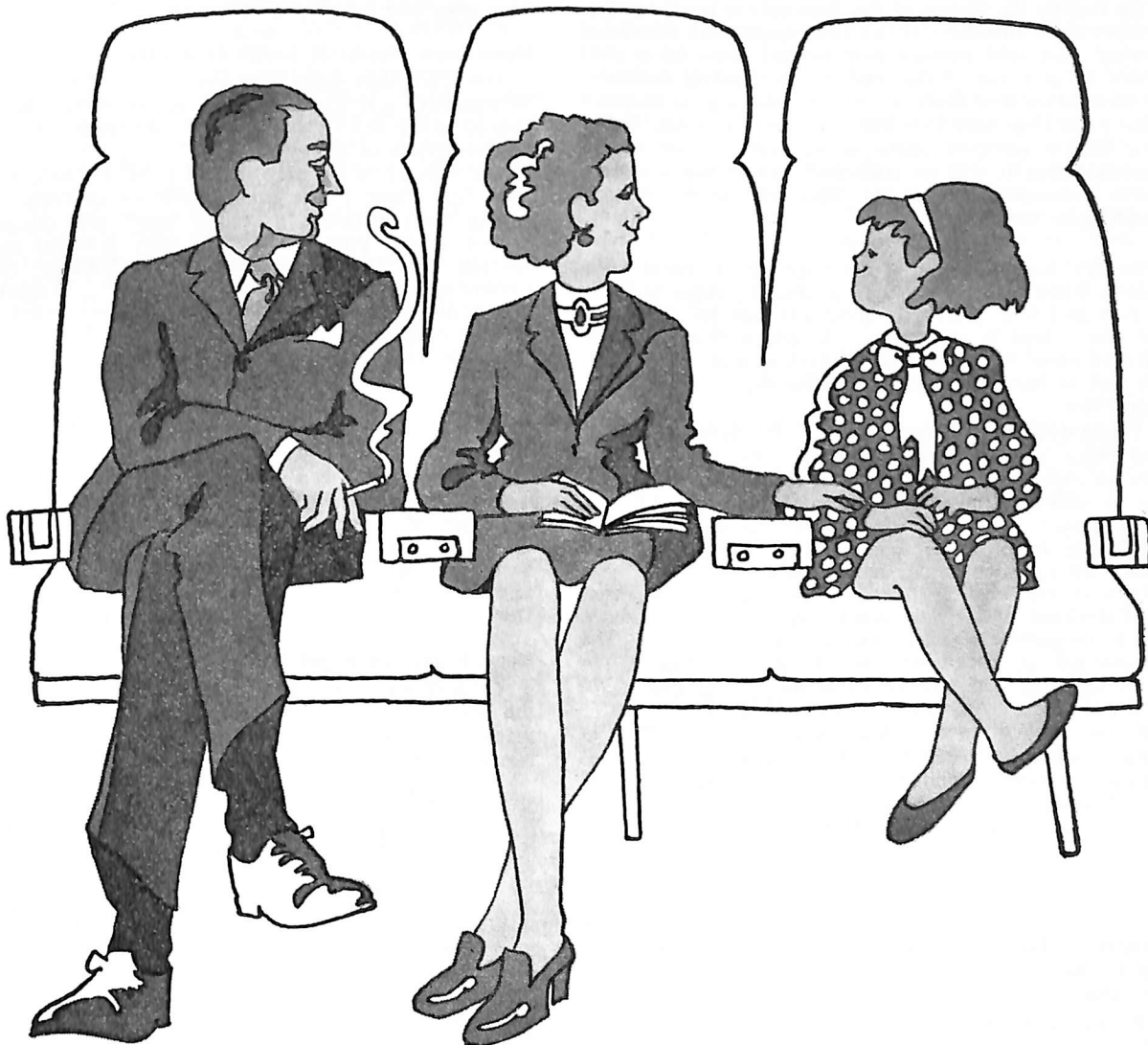
With District President Hans Jensen of Portland as installing officer, I had the pleasure of being installing conductor for DB 113 January 10. Taking the oath of office were President Niels Nedergard, Past President Orval Gunderson, Vice President John L. Rieck, Secretary Einer Bruhn, Treasurer Henry Hergert, Conductor Jack Oakley, Inner Guard Nis Hansen, Outer Guard Wendell Oliver and Trustees Martin Petersen, Hans Weston and Kai Rasmussen. Brother Jim Tedrick supplied appropriate piano music during the ceremonies. Before the separate business meetings of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood Lodges, a most delicious ham dinner was served by the Petersens, Boysens, Hergerts and Bruhns. The illustrious Jens Holm, three times president of his lodge, was the M. C. and did his usual fine job.

Brother and Mrs. Kris Wales spent Thanksgiving with their parents, in Spokane, Brother and Mrs. Ernie Wales, and the Wales recently made a trip to East Nassau in the Bahamas.

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# CALIFORNIA NEWS

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

This column would like to publish a thumbnail history of each of the lodges who are members of the California District. So we are asking that the respective secretaries delve into their lodge's past and forward it to the above address. A couple of hundred words would be sufficient.

Do include the names of the founders, if possible. Remember other members of this organization are interested in your past and present and besides here is a good chance to give your lodge and its outstanding members the recognition they deserve. If you have a good snapshot of the most important founders, then send it along. Something like a passport photo would suffice. We cannot guarantee that it will be published, but if space allows, it will accompany the story. Who will be the first to submit their copy?

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Brother Arnold Jensen of the California General Committee's flight to Denmark tells us that the flight is filling up fast and that seats still available will be sold on a first come, first served basis. He writes that the flight is for all members of the CGC, Sisters as well as Brothers and that at least six months membership is required by federal law.

A member phoned and asked if Brothers or Sisters from other states could participate. We were advised from an expert on the subject that a six-month membership in either of the national organizations was all that was required. However experts can be wrong, so we promise to have travel agent Dan Christian Anderson answer the question in our next column.

It is by the way the first time in many a moon that the Sisterhood and Brotherhood lodges here have been able to co-sponsor a group tour to the old country. The last one we can recall was back in the mid-thirties, via the Gripsholm. Or was it Frederick the Eighth? We could be wrong. Anyway it is long, long ago.

As we have discovered here in Solvang, an affair is so much more fun when the Sisters are in the act. Departure is from Oakland, Sunday, June 7. Return flight starts Tuesday, July 7, which will give everyone an opportunity to participate in the Rebild Festival at Aalborg.

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The Grapevine, edited by Edward Aasted, is still one of the most readable and newsy sheets we have seen. It is one of the reasons for the vigor of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood Lodges in the Channel (Oilspill) Town. We hope Ed will not mind if we pirate a few items from his neat columns.

Did you know that "evigung" Nels P. Christensen is a 50-year member of the Danish Sisterhood? (Yes, we said Sisterhood.) And that he has been a member in good standing all the time? The Fjeldronning Lodge in Ferndale has carried him on its roster for a half century. He pays his dues but he admits that he has been a bit lax in attending meetings. Mostly because he has lived in Santa Barbara the past decades. He also holds a 50-year membership in the DB, although he has been expelled three times for nonpayment of dues. The dues payment thing, however, was not his fault. Anyway Brothers in Southern California think of Nels as a swell guy and a model DB member.

Friends of Brother Erik Ammonsens will be pleased to know that he is again being heard from, after a long silence. Erik has been in a hospital in Denmark for surgery and when he has regained his strength he will have to have more of the same.

Brother Herbert Helseth is now living at the Submarine Base in Groton, Conn., with his wife, Dixie. Herb is a member of the submarine named Flying Fish. They report that they will soon have a visit from the stork.

Hendrik and Ellen Randrup have left the Santa Barbara area and now live in Redway, Calif.

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## News from Humboldt Lodge in Arcata:

Our Christmas party was very successful, with about 40 members and guests present at the dinner-dance arranged at the Bella Vista Inn. Brother Gunnar Ladefoged was chairman of the event.

On January 10 we were invited to hold a joint installation with Gimle Lodge and Fjeldronning Lodge. Preceding the ceremonies a "happy hour" and dinner was served at the Village Inn. We were honored to have Brother Eric Roug and Sister Erma Anthony, General Committee presidents, as installing officers. Brother Fred and Sister Barbara Kargaard of Petaluma acted as installing conductors. We are grateful for a task well done. We were surprised to have Brother Al Tunsen of the Supreme Lodge, Jack and Melva Belmont of Ripon Lodge and Winnie Jensen of Hayward join us for the evening.

Brother Curtis and Sister Astrid Larsen, past presidents of the CGC were also introduced. Eunice Sanborn provided the appropriate music.

Our lodge meets in the IOOF Hall in Arcata the second Thursday of every month. The fourth Thursday in the month we have a social meeting in the same hall. The social consists of anything from cards, to movies, games and of course always refreshments of some kind. All Danish people are welcome to attend our social events.

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## News From Las Vegas Lodge 339:

A Christmas party was held by Silver State Lodge for the children of members, as well as inviting 10 underprivileged children who were contacted through the Nevada State Welfare Department. Christmas carols were

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sung by the children as well as playing games. Santa Claus (Carl Peacock) arrived on the scene with much excitement and presented each child with a gift. The Lodge also presented three needy families in the Las Vegas area with food baskets and a turkey for Christmas.

A New Year's party was held for the grownups at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Erling Rasmussen in their new recreation room. About 35 attended which included out-of-town guests. A potluck smorgasbord was enjoyed.

Silver State is now planning its installation, to be held February 7 at the Paradise Town Hall at 8 p. m.

Alice Pinkerton.

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Brother Fred Kargard, installing conductor at the Solvang installation ceremonies had much trouble reading and pronouncing the names of the new officers. Howard became Holger, Grouleff became Blomberg and Tarnow became Talstov to the amusement of the spectators. When Fred presented the last candidate to be installed the name Jorgen Hansen was pronounced to perfection and he received a spontaneous ovation.

"Before arriving, I was told that I would have no trouble with names, since you were all Danes," Kargard said. "But frankly I have never seen a Danish colony with so many foreign sounding names as Solvang. Next time I come here to install, I will have to rehearse."

Kargard mentioned the Petaluma Lodge has appointed a committee which is already at work with plans for the 1970 CGC convention. All delegates and guests are reminded about the convention change made a few years ago, namely that the meetings begin Thursday of the convention week.

Frode Jensen and Holger Larsen played for the installation in such a manner that the ceremonies became a light-hearted and amusing event. Brother Frode has the ability on the piano to transpose any piece of music

into a march. At a glance also he can judge what music will compliment or satirize the persons involved in the installation and invariably it is a "slæger" which everyone knows by heart. Even otherwise serious CGC Presidents Eric Roug and Irma Anthony joined in the fun. Installation in Solvang (anyway) need never again be dull with a Frode Jensen at the piano.

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Kurt Moller, one of the Los Angeles Lodges most prominent members, is still in the hospital recuperating after an automobile accident two months ago.

Brother Curtis Petersen, five times president of the Waukegan, Ill., Lodge, attended the Solvang installation. Brother Curtis is also a past president of the Midwest District. He is the son of Peter Petersen, a product of Fjerritslev, Jylland, who during the early 30s was elected as mayor of Waukegan twice. Curtis claims that he actually grew up attending all kinds of events in the Brotherhood, where his father was one of the more prominent members. "My father was one of the founders of Lodge 182, and later, on more than one occasion, also its president, besides holding other offices," Curtis said. Brother Petersen, who is a general contractor, is with his wife guesting in the Nels Christensen home.

Restaurateur Brother Nis Christiansen and family are back in Solvang after a Christmas visit in Felsted, Sønderjylland, where his parents are still living.

Peter Weber was absent at the 1970 installation in Solvang due to an appointment with a surgeon at the local hospital. The cause was a hernia, but Peter will soon be back at work in his bakery. This is the first installation Peter has missed in a dozen years.

Rumor has it the Russians are planning a new satellite to be launched with a dozen cows in it. It will be called "the herd that is shot around the world."



## In Loving Memory

Members who have passed away since the last report



Date of Death	Name	Age	Birth-place	No. of Lodge	Location	Year Joined
Dec 11—	Viggo Rasmussen	69	Draaby, Denmark	36	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1928
Dec 10—	Niels C. Andersen	82	Aalborg, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1925
Dec 19—	Anker Simonsen	74	Lake Benton, Minnesota	263	Askov, Minnesota	1920
Dec 21—	Carl I. Jensen	65	Allison, Iowa	263	Askov, Minnesota	1936
Dec 18—	Karl K. Plambeck	85	Copenhagen, Denmark	64	Rockford, Illinois	1907
Dec 21—	Niels Nielsen	94	Viborg, Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1906
Dec 23—	Adser E. Blume	73	Silkeborg, Denmark	3	Davenport, Iowa	1926
Oct 16—	Carl G. Hedblom	89	Helleback, Denmark	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1907
Jan 4—	Albert W. Christensen	61	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	46	Perth Amboy, New Jersey	1944
Dec 15—	Jens R. Jensen	71	Strandby, Denmark	67	Fresno, California	1944
Dec 23—	Soren Rasmussen	87	Brundby, Denmark	314	Hartford, Connecticut	1923
Jan 3—	Laurits M. Hansen	85	Odense, Denmark	183	Troy, New York	1906
Jan 1—	William Riisburg	77	Muskegon, Michigan	30	Muskegon, Michigan	1913
Jan 5—	Kristian Sondergaard	77	Aarhus, Denmark	221	Latimer, Iowa	1917
Jan 7—	Louie Jaspersen	63	Denver, Colorado	43	Denver, Colorado	1928
Dec 7—	Martin Wilms	83	Denmark	49	San Francisco, California	1927
Dec 29—	Thorvald Petersen	69	Faxe, Denmark	227	Detroit, Michigan	1923
Dec 16—	Henry D. Sonderup	62	Oksenbol Thisted, Denmark	261	Fowler, Colorado	1938
Jan 11—	Martin Hansen	90	Ribe, Denmark	43	Denver, Colorado	1904
Jan 5—	Soren Jensen	78	Kejellerup, Denmark	144	Dike, Iowa	1935
Jan 13—	Jens Rasmussen	90	Randers, Denmark	261	Fowler, Colorado	1913
Jan 4—	Soren Jensen Sorensen	90	Hjorring, Denmark	10	Council Bluffs, Iowa	1905
Dec 28—	Jens M. Jensen	83	Skandeborg, Denmark	35	Chicago, Illinois	1922
Dec 17—	Niels G. Petersen	61	Burbank, Alabama	126	Los Angeles, California	1930
Dec 11—	B. Faye Nelson	67	Vinita, Oklahoma	600	Omaha, Nebraska	1967
Dec 14—	George Nelson	69	Denmark	113	Enumclaw, Washington	1957

# DB DATA

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AL HEDEGAARD PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR

## Transition

One dictionary defines this as passage from one position or state or stage to another. Sometimes transitions are rapid and sometimes they are so slow they could better be called evolution.

It is evident The Danish Brotherhood in America is in a transitory state. WE ARE CHANGING!

Some years ago the sole requirement for membership was to be a Danish man, most likely an immigrant from Denmark. As time marched on, circumstances changed, not necessarily to the liking of our membership, but circumstances which they could not control. One of these changes of course was in the immigration laws enacted by our government. A restriction on the number of immigrants may have caused some prophetic individuals within our organization to realize membership requirements would have to be relaxed or the organization could well decline in members to a point of non-existence.

Legislation now permits membership to Danish men or women, or individuals married to a Dane or of Danish descent, or to relatives of members, which can include every nationality on the face of the earth. Children with some Danish ancestry or relatives of members can also become members.

This transition has taken time and no doubt is still in progress.

It is not the purpose of this article to try to establish whether this change is beneficial or not. It is simply to reiterate a **fact** which is no doubt obvious to much of our membership, and that **fact** is simply that change is in progress.

Then it should be quite explicit that, due to circumstances beyond our control which have virtually destroyed one source of membership, we will have to resort to untried methods in some cases.

We will have to remember, like it or not, new approaches in keeping our lodges active will have to be used. We may have to remember that if we talk about heritage to an individual, he may have to think about his heritage from two or three countries because of his mixed ancestry. This approach or appeal then may have little effect on them whereas it may have caused real motivation in a 100 per cent Dane.

This new "American" member may be oriented, because of his lifetime in America and having been subjected to all kinds of appeals to think in terms of helping or being of service to others. The lodge may have to recognize this.

Ethnic groups have probably tended to think more in terms of their own, which is certainly commendable, but regardless, change is in progress in our Danish Brotherhood and it will take place whether we sit and do absolutely nothing; because some change is out of our control, or it will take place and be directed into areas beneficial to us.

So, delighted or disappointed, we must try to accept the fact change is inevitable, but it can be used advantageously.

AL HEDEGAARD.

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We would like to start a "Pen Pal" group of youngsters and if you will send us some information about yourself, we will publish it and then a letter exchange can start. You might want to tell us what age group you would like to hear from, whether you want to hear from boys or girls or both, in that age group, and something about your favorite interests; whether they are sports, music, dancing, art work or whatever.

You can then choose the ones you would like to write to and others can do the same. Be sure we get your name, correct address and zip code.

## Scholarship Winner Writes

In September 1964, I entered the University of Washington as a freshman "pre-major." Like most new students, I wasn't quite sure where my interest would lie or to what field I would be best suited. So for the next year, I sampled a variety of courses covering many areas. I finally decided to major in social welfare — the undergraduate equivalent of social work. My classes continued to encompass many subjects and not only did I learn about people and their problems but different aspects of government, economics and history as well. Luckily, I had also chosen my electives well and by graduation I had almost acquired a second major in sociology and a third in English literature.

In my senior year I married a former student then serving in the armed forces. After graduation in June 1968, we moved to a small Army base in southern Arizona where we have been stationed ever since. For the past 18 months I have been working for an agency called Army Community Services — a sort of military equivalent to a welfare organization.

Although not dealing specifically with problems of social work, the agency covers many aspects of welfare which confront the military family. In March we will be moving back to Seattle. At present I'm not sure whether I will again try to find a position in a welfare organization or perhaps try a little different field. Someday I would like to continue my education.

RUTH (HANSEN) JENSEN.



## The Danish Brotherhood Is a Member

Your society, The Danish Brotherhood in America, is a member of the National Fraternal Congress, which has about 100 societies as members. We are a part of a group of about 200 fraternal benefit societies who have over 60,000 lodges and approximately 10 million members.

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The banding together of these fraternalists into a national congress has enabled them to accomplish many objectives not possible by any single one of them. For example, unfavorable legislation against your society has been prevented, in some cases, while in other cases, favorable legislation has been enacted because of the effectiveness of the larger group.

The National Fraternal Congress is officered by men and women of high character who are prominent in fraternalism. They look after the interests of the members and assist non-members as well and act as a liaison between the fraternalists, the various states, the federal government and the general public. An objective is to create a favorable image of the entire fraternal system.

When all the assets of the fraternalists are put together, they represent a big investment in nearly all areas of American life. Homes are being built, business and agriculture has been helped and even maintenance of our government has been aided by the dollars available from members' pooled resources.

So your membership in the Danish Brotherhood perhaps has a far greater reach into society than you may have realized. This is one more reason for belonging that might be attractive to a prospective member. You might just be the one to tell him about it.

Lodge	Location	New Members	Sponsor
4	Racine	Ib Kildegaard	Kenneth Janssen
14	Kenosha	Alfred Kolmos	Robert Ibsen
39	Oakland	Jens Jensen	Melvin Oredsen
143	Petaluma	Otto Sorensen	Walter Miller
261	Fowler	Charles Ayers	Robert Sorensen
261	Fowler	Sharon Dale Ayers	Robert Sorensen
283	Dagmar	Jerry Thuesen	Hans Miller
329	Long Beach	Reba Fulford	Betty Forgrave
329	Long Beach	James Fulford	Betty Forgrave
325	Nassau Co.	Fritz Laustsen	Carl Jorgensen
332	Ripon	Anne Brown	Jack Belmont

### JUVENILE MEMBERS

15	Des Moines	Steven Allen Hansen	Carl Skov
15	Des Moines	Michael Ray Hansen	Carl Skov
332	Ripon	Casey Ryne Stowers	Harold Olsen

Have you filled out that blank yet?  
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# ARE YOU A MAN ON THE GO?

Then you should check the membership crusade details in the January issue of this magazine.

**THERE WERE SEVENTY-THREE LODGES REPRESENTED WITH NEW MEMBERS IN 1969!**

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## What Is Your Danish Brotherhood in America?

Since its founding in 1882, The Danish Brotherhood in America has been the leading and largest Danish society of its kind outside Denmark. It is the oldest fraternal benefit society organized in Nebraska.

Its objectives include rendering aid to its members and their dependents whenever illness, disability or death may befall its members or their dependents. Funds from the fraternal fund are available where old age, continued illness or accident may dictate additional help.

A scholarship program for deserving members to help them with an education is a benefit of membership. An insurance fund for the benefit of members or their beneficiaries is maintained satisfactorily to state insurance department requirements.

In broad terms, the Brotherhood encourages the practice of The Golden Rule.

Eligibility as far as age is concerned, is from the time of birth through 60 years of age. Certain qualifications in regard to health and in regard to nationalistic background comprise the criteria for membership as either an insured or social member.

The history of our country for more than a century has included the well-known names of Danes who have excelled in their particular endeavors and who have extracted glory for the immigrated groups of citizens who come from Denmark.

This should be just cause for all those eligible to associate themselves with an organization that is trying to concentrate the idealism which has inspired and is inspiring the efforts of Danish immigrants.

The Danish Brotherhood does extend a hand of welcome to other nationalistic backgrounds and together their ideals can be pursued.

A beautiful Home Office Building, erected in 1967, in Omaha, Nebr., is the property of the members and merits a visit at your convenience.

## Low Cost Travel – Try It

If you wish to travel to far off places but can't get it done because of finances or the time involved, why not do the next best thing and order a film from one of the listed addresses and show it for your lodge group?

A new one called, "The Many Moods of Scandinavia" is available at either 505 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y. 10017, or 612 South Flower St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90017, free of charge. You can't beat that for price. It runs 28½ minutes.

Another source of films is Pan American Airways, Pan Am Building, New York, N. Y. 10017. Here films of Britain, France, Germany, Spain, Italy, Austria, or almost any foreign country are available if you feel you have seen enough about Denmark.

But a variety of films about Denmark is available from Tribune Films, Inc., 38 West 32nd St., New York, N. Y., 10001, about tourism, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, handicraft, art and architecture, the Royal Family, trade and industry, social care, science and others. And only for a small return transportation cost.

Even children enjoy travel films and these can provide a good program for a social evening involving the family. You should send your order direct to the above mentioned addresses and perhaps include an alternate date for showing.

Men who say they are the boss in their own homes will lie about other things too.

## PERSSON to Person...

By LEVI PERSSON

When a man is a member of the Sisterhood, is he then a "sister?" And when a woman is a member of the Brotherhood, is she then a "brother?" Or should they be called transvestites?

Brotherhood and Sisterhood Lodges usually hold joint installations in California, but confusion and misunderstanding is often caused by the fact that the Sisterhood calls the installing officer a "marshal," whereas the Brotherhood uses the term "conductor" for the same officer. I would suggest that if they are to continue to work together they use one common term for this officer.

Our town has published a new and very colorful brochure which contains 78 pictures of Solvang and its environs. The folder has pictures of five windmills, of storks on thatched roof tops (imitation), of bindingsverks houses, of the folk dancers and cows and cowboys and horse and horsefanciers, of shady oaks and old school-houses, of white sandy beaches, of fish and fishermen and shapely blondes and healthy blue-eyed children and acres of flowers and fields of grain all golden, of our red and white Danish "Landsbykirke," of waterfalls and the 200-year old and venerable Santa Ynez Mission, and Atterdag College and Stars and Stripes and Dannebrog waving in the breeze, side by side — and of many other objects which love and sun and rain and painstaking care and time have made worth admiring.

The brochure explains why we think that our town is indeed the Danish cultural center in America and why we think this is a good place to live and to raise a family — or simply retire and watch the setting sun. Many Danish Brotherhood members, living and departed, have given unselfishly of themselves to create this bit of Paradise on earth.

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## Resolution

The following resolution was passed at Seattle Lodge No. 29's regular meeting January 7:

WHEREAS, January 1, Brother Axel Skelbeck retired as Secretary-Treasurer of The Danish Brotherhood in America, and

WHEREAS, he has served the Brotherhood faithfully and well for forty-seven years, the last being 30 years as Secretary-Treasurer, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of Lodge No. 29, Seattle, Wash., hereby express our appreciation and thanks to Brother Skelbeck for his many years of loyal service to our society, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Brother Skelbeck and the Board of Officers.

James B. Langsted, President.  
Clyde R. Langsted, Secretary.

## Christmas Dinner Party in St. Charles

The members of Lodge 92, their wives and minor children were treated to a Christmas dinner December 27 by the lodge. This is the first time the lodge has found it possible to assume all of the expenses for such a party and it is expected that it will be an annual event.

The buffet dinner was catered by one of our members, Rex Morrison, and everyone was pleased with the delicious meal. Dinner and dance music was provided and there were games and prizes for the children.

Relatives and friends of members as well as prospective members were invited to attend. It was a very enjoyable evening for all in attendance and the best attended Christmas party in several years.

EINAR DANIELSEN, Sec. No. 92.

## FEBRUARY ASSESSMENT No. 848

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The flight is available only to bona fide members of the Danish Brotherhood that are in good standing and their immediate families. This includes parents of the members (mother and father) living in the same household as the member, spouse and dependent children of the member, provided they are accompanied by the member.

The approximate price per seat will be \$300. All income in excess of the carrier's charter price plus reasonable expenses will be refunded pro-rated to the passengers.

A deposit of \$50 per person is required at the time of application. Please include your name, address, telephone number, lodge number and names of dependents traveling with you.

Checks should be made payable to The Danish Brotherhood 1970 Denmark Tour. Mail reservations to Kenneth Janssen, Denmark Tour 1970, 1648 Douglas Ave., Racine, Wis. 53404. If you wish any additional information, please write or call (414) 634-4938 after 6 p. m.

KENNETH JANSSEN, Tour Chairman.

## Als Lodge No. 111, Austin, Minn.

Als Lodge 111 in Austin held its annual Christmas banquet jointly with the Sisterhood Saturday evening, December 20 at the Holiday Inn. There were 56 present, including guests.

After a delicious meal Miss Theresa Mendoza, an exchange student from Ecuador, gave a talk on her people and county after which we played cards until a late hour. The Sisterhood had drawings for prizes during the evening.

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CARL SHUTT, Sec.



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# NEWS FROM THE EASTERN LODGES

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

**Flight "70" News.** The flight committee has finally arrived with some news, due to workings of Flemming Hinrichsen and Elmer Jensen. The flight news is a little late, compared to former years, but it all paid off. The plan is now to leave New York June 19, for a wonderful four week vacation in good old Denmark and depart from Copenhagen July 17. The payoff is the lowest price ever, provided the plane is full and at this low, low price it costs less than a vacation in the United States. Sign up now and plan this vacation for your family. Write at once to Flight Chairman Flemming Hinrichsen, 80 West Albermarle Ave., Lansdowne, Pa. 19050.

**Lodge No. 41, Ansonia and Derby, Conn.** From the lodge's secretary, Chris Andersen, this message was received too late for the January publication, probably due to the Christmas rush. On December 8 we held our Christmas supper and party. Thirteen members were present for the supper, consisting of spare ribs and sauerkraut and plenty of spirits.

Brother Klaus A. Therkildsen died at the Jones Nursing Home, Naugatuck, Conn., after a short illness. He was 97 years old and born in Denmark, August 17, 1872. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

**Lodge No. 71, Penn Yan, N. Y.** The Sisters of Wendia served a fine Christmas dinner and party. More than 100 persons attended and we all enjoyed the party, thanks to the Sisters.

A delegation from our lodge ventured to Geneva, N. Y., to install the officers of Lodge 334. Coffee and sandwiches were served after the installation.

Brother and Mrs. Harold Jepsen left for Florida for a three months vacation.

We hope our Brothers will stop in and visit Brother John T. Christensen as he is not able to get out of the house in the wintertime.

LAURIDS S. PEDERSEN, Sec.

**Lodge No. 102, Providence, R. I.** Our first meeting of the 70s was a successful one, considering that all our old business was completed.

We wish all our sick members a speedy recovery, especially Brothers Fred Mortensen and Raymond Jensen. Got a call from Brother John Svendsen the other day and it was nice hearing from him. Brother John is one of our 50-year members.

March 7 is the night we celebrate "Dansk Fastelavnsgilde." If you wish to have fun, come in costume, bring your friends, join us in the BIG event of the year. Of course, buffet, dancing and prizes. See you there!

CARL W. SORENSEN, Corres.

**Lodge No. 116, Newark, N. J.** Joint installation was held with Enighed Lodge 84 of the DSS January 9. Officers installed were Past President Knud Scholer, President John Jensen, Vice President Frants Klausen, Secretary Sigurd Holme, Financial Secretary Viggo Nielsen, Treasurer Carl Ingeholm, Conductor Knud Fobian, Trustees Robert Dayke, Chris Mogensen and Paul Ifversen, Inner Guard Robert Nielsen and Outer Guard Leif Larson.

Our most sincere sympathy goes to Brother Svend Kjaer who lost his wife on September 22.

**Lodge No. 172, Philadelphia, Pa.** From the president: On behalf of the outgoing and incoming officers, I would like to wish our Brothers and their families a happy and prosperous New Year. I hope that we will see more Brothers at our meetings in the coming year. It is your Lodge and Brotherhood, so come on down and help us keep your Lodge going the way we all want it.

FLEMMING HINRICHSEN.

Paul Bull and his wife, Betty, have announced the arrival of a 7-lb. 15¼-oz bundle of joy on Christmas Eve. Her name: Kimberly Tracy. We have no information about who made the delivery — Santa Claus or the stork. Anyway — congratulations.

**Lodge No. 190, Schenectady, N. Y.** On January 10, a joint installation of Sisterhood and Brotherhood officers took place. Brother Olin Yauchler, assisted by Fred Jounsen, was the installing officer. Preceding the ceremonies a traditional Danish dinner of roast pork and red cabbage was served.

**Lodge No. 242, Erie, Pa.** Our next convention lodge. DB No. 242 and DSS No. 129 had installation of officers for 1970 on January 23, following the regular Brotherhood meeting. The meeting was kept short in order that the open installations could get started at 9 p. m. Past President of the GCEL Ole Beck was the installing officer.

**Lodge No. 314, Hartford, Conn.** Joint installation of officers of DSS and DB was held January 24. Officers installed were Past President Einar Petersen, President John Christiansen, Vice President Carl Williams, Secretary Frank H. Petersen, Treasurer Herbert Sorensen, Financial Secretary Alfred Stark, Conductor Vincent Sicuralle, Trustees George Keller, Elmer Homo and Aage Jespersen, Inner Guard Virgil Thomsen and Outer Guard Herman Petersen. Brother Anton Mose was elected treasurer-emeritus for as long as he is a Brother.

We are sorry to announce that Brother Soren Rasmusen died December 24. He was a member of No. 314 for 47 years. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

**Lodge No. 325, Long Island, N. Y.** The January 9 meeting was a special event, as all members of Vort Land Lodge 205 officially joined our lodge. Installation of officers also took place at this meeting. Officers to serve in 1970 are: President Tage Wibroe, Vice President Jorgen Petersen, Secretary William Steffensen, Treasurer Hans Pedersen, Financial Secretary Ib Andersen, Trustees Egon Larsen, Carl Jorgensen and Lars Moeller.

Delegates to the Metuchen Home for 1970 are Soffy Andersen and Harold Jorgensen. The five members of the law committee are Tage Wibroe, Sofus Christensen, George Jacobsen, Hans Pedersen and Hans Jorgensen.

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## News From San Diego No. 306

Silvergate Lodge 306, the 1971 National Convention Host, began its new year with an inspiring "first" in a formal expression of its appreciation to Brother Lee Cook. Lee has been restricted to minimal activity as a result of illness during the entire past year.

By unanimous vote of Lodge 306, a delegation of nine officers and members visited Brother Cook's home Sat-



Left to right: Secretary Art Norgaard, Lee Cook and President Villy Mathiasen with his hand on plaque.

urday afternoon, January 10. The purpose was to witness the presentation of an encribed plaque by President Mathiasen while Secretary Art Norgaard read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the membership of Silvergate Lodge 306 of The Danish Brotherhood in America hereby recognizes the steadfast loyalty of Brother Lehman Cook and his many past endeavors and achievements in matters pertaining to the lodge and the furtherance of its principles and objectives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in appreciation of the aforementioned outstanding loyalty and performance, the membership of Silvergate Lodge 306 of The Danish Brotherhood in America hereby bestows upon Brother Lehman Cook the title of Honorary Member and conveys therewith all the rights and privileges associated with said title.

Brother Cook was initiated into the Brotherhood in October 1940. His devotion to the association on all of its levels has been inspiring to all of his acquaintances. He is well known and highly respected, not only in San Diego, but throughout the state of California.

To add to the success of the afternoon, Mrs. Cook served the finest refreshments ever to please a Scandinavian's taste for goodies.

Due to the fact that medical experts have not been able to predict when Brother Lee will be restored to full health and active lodge participation, he is very interested in the Danish Brotherhood and its progress. He is so interested in fact, that the best tonic in the world would be to hear from any of his Brothers. Better still, a visit to Brother Lee's home not only serves as good therapy for Lee but will also serve as an inspiration to greater faith and effort in working for the fraternal objectives of The Danish Brotherhood in America.

ART NORGAARD, Secretary.

Husband home from work: "Good news, dear. I have two tickets to the theater."

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Husband: "Good idea. The tickets are for tomorrow night."

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## MICHIGAN-OHIO DISTRICT NEWS

By CARL J. HANSEN, 31607 Carion Drive,  
Warren, Mich. 48092

### NEWS FROM LODGE 227, DETROIT—

On December 26 we held our annual children's Christmas party with 240 children and 197 adults attending. Santa Claus was kind enough to delay his return home to the North Pole to make an appearance and lead the children in dancing around the Christmas tree, singing carols to music played by Erik Jensen. The children received a candy stuffed stocking and toy and were served hot dogs, cake, ice cream and milk or pop by a committee of our Sister members from DSS No. 125. The adults had refreshments of coffee, hot dogs and pastry.

We had a very successful New Year's Eve party December 31, with 243 guests that lasted until 4:30 a. m. Dancing, food and refreshments were served.

January 11 we were honored with a visit by Ambassador Torben Rønne and Mrs. Rønne of Denmark and Carlo Christensen, Consul and Cultural Attache at a reception sponsored by Marshall M. Fredericks, Danish Consul for Michigan, who is a member of Lodge 227. About 150 members of Detroit's Danish colony braved the inclement weather to attend and were each individually met and greeted by his excellency and party. The ambassador was primarily in town to open the exhibit at Cranbrook Academy of Art of a one-man show of paintings by Denmark's foremost contemporary artist, Carl Henning Pedersen.

President Chris Fabricius, recuperating in the hospital from a recent operation and Vice President Robert Sorensen, also unable to attend because of previous commitments, the honor for Detroit Lodge 227 was handled by Past President Carl J. Hansen. Bertha Back, president, did the honors for Sisterhood Lodge 125.

January 14 we held our first meeting of the new year, preceded by a dinner of stuffed chicken breasts and all the trimmings. One hundred forty-five Brothers and Sisters were on hand for dinner. During the meeting five new members were initiated: Harold Them, Georeg Jacobsen, Otto Kusk, Bendt Nielsen and Robert Fitzgibbon.

The new Brothers were bid welcome by Past Supreme President Viggo Mikkelsen.

After the meeting we had a joint installation of officers with Sisterhood Lodge 125. Past President Carl B. Jensen was installing officer for Lodge 227, assisted by Past President Carl J. Hansen as conductor. After the installation the Sisters served coffee and pastry.

On February 14 we are having our annual "Cat-in-the-Barrel" (Slaa katten af tønden) dance. We hope to have our usual good turnout.

### NEWS FROM LODGE 51, LUDINGTON—

We held our monthly pinochle party in the lodge rooms of the Danish Hall December 17. Committee for the evening was President and Mrs. William Smith, assisted by Brothers Albert and Lars Christoffersen. After the games, prizes were awarded and a potluck lunch was served by the committee.

December 19, the lodge held its Christmas party in the Danish Hall which was decorated with a Christmas tree and all the trimmings. The committee consisted of Trustee Kenneth and Mrs. Johnson, Trustee Donald and Mrs. Wagner and Brother Herbert and Mrs. Tacketon, Jr. A potluck supper was served with dixie cups for dessert. Afterwards the children gathered around the piano to sing the old familiar carols with Mrs. Donald Wagner at the piano.

Due to our meeting falling on Christmas, we held it December 26. The meeting was conducted by President Smith. The main order of business was election of officers for 1970. Following the meeting we were treated to a lunch of creamed cod fish and potatoes by Chef Brother Claude Shanks, assisted by Brothers Henry "Sugs" Michaud and Al Sequin.

January 8 we held our regular business meeting conducted by Past President Carl Soneral. As it was a stormy night our turnout was poor, so we will have our installation of officers January 22. Brother Emmett Jacobsen's name was called for the jackpot but he was absent. Following the meeting, coffee and rolls were served by Brother Al Sequin.

The word from our District President Carl Soneral is "THINK CONVENTION," which will be held in Ludington in May. More on this next month.

ALF LARSEN, Correspondent.

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