134rd Annual Grand Lodge Dania Convention Report



Held in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11th and 12th 2014

FRIDAY April 11 2014

Grand Officers, Delegates, Past Grand Presidents, and Members assembled at The River Inn, Fortuna, California for Dania's 134th annual convention on April 11 and 12, 2014. Host Lodges were Valhalla No. 11 and Ydun No. 10

GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Past President	Johanne Gade	Bornholm #14	Modesto
Grand President	Mel Lundberg	Valhalla #11	Ferndale
Grand Vice President	Bob Schall	Hejmdal #4	Sacramento
Grand Secretary	Tim Heer	Freja #6	Salinas
Grand Treasurer	Gregory A. Gleeson	Thyra #9	Hayward
Grand Marshal	Thomas Martin	Danmark #2	San Francisco
Grand Vice Marshal	Steen Skjellerup	Thor #5	Fresno
Grand Trustee	George A Cumming Jr.	Thyra #9	Hayward
Grand Trustee	James Olef Jensen	Danmark #2	San Francisco
Grand Trustee	James "Jim" Jensen	Danmark #2	San Francisco

DELEGATES

Danmark #2	Uffa Hellsten.	Daniel Joensen,	James "Jim"	Jensen, Peter	Christensen.

John Jensen,

Hejmdal #4 Bob Schall

Thor #5 PGP Gunner Nielsen, PGP Stan Kjar, Steen Skjellerup,

Freja #6 PGP Arne Graversgaard, PGP Tim Heer

Dannevang #7 Jackie Nielsen, Zachary Reinstein, Thyra #9 Roland McNeil, PGP Stuart Mahler

Sønderjylland #10 John Cruger-Hansen, James R. Hollingshead, Jeannie Kjaer

Valhalla #11 Francis Sweet, Christian Nielsen Valdemar #12 Baxter Swaffer, Erik Hansen

Bornholm #14 John Schueber, Bente Ellis, Doris Hoy, Anni Champagne, Kirsten

Johansen

Danneskjold #17 PGP Robert Lacey

Heils Minde #23 Hans Kardel, Bent Olsen, Jean Kardel

Holger Danske #27 No Delegates

Grand President Mel Lundberg, Valhalla #11, instructed the Grand Officers to take their respective Stations and the Grand Vice Marshal Steen Skjellerup, Thor #5, to close the door. Grand President Mel Lundberg, appointed Past Grand President Peder Hoy to fill the station of

Grand Trustee number one during the Convention in the absents of George A Cumming Jr.

The password was taken by Grand Marshal Thomas Martin, Danmark #2, and Grand Vice Marshal Steen Skjellerup, Thor #5. After the password was obtained the Grand President called for the opening sign.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked Grand Secretary to call the roll, 9 Grand Officers, 29 Delegates and 14 Past Grand Presidents responded to roll call. See addendum for the complete Roll Call result. The assembly then rose to recite the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America followed by the singing of Der er et yndigt land, led by Past Grand President Kaj Kristensen, Danmark #2.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, declared a moment of silence as Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, draped the charter in memory of our departed members.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, Welcomed everyone to the convention and then proclaimed the 134th Annual Convention of The Danish Society, Dania of California and Nevada in session with full powers and authority to act.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, instructed Grand Marshal Thomas Martin to escort his advisor Past Grand President, Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, to the chair on his right to act as his advisor during the Convention.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked Grand Secretary to read the minutes from the close of the 133rd convention to the opining of this convention. Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked if there were any errors or addition. John Schueber, Bornholm #14 reported the omission of the Passing of Past Grand President John Champagne. There being no further correction or omissions Grand President, Mel Lundberg, proclaimed the minutes approved as corrected.

Report of the Grand President: Grand President, Mel Lundberg, turned the meeting over to Grand Vice President, Robert Schall. The Grand President asked the Grand Secretary to read his report. (**see addendum**). It was moved by Grand Past President Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, that we accept the report of the Grand President. Seconded by Francis Sweet, Valhalla #11, and approved. The Grand Vice President, Robert Schall ruled that the motion was approved, and then returned the Gavel to Grand President, Mel Lundberg,.

Minutes of the Executive Committee: The minutes of the Meeting held on February 1, 2014 and March 15, 2014 were read by the Grand Secretary. It was moved by Past Grand President Peder Hoy, Bornholm #41, to accept both reports. Seconded by Past Grand President Kaj Kristensen, Danmark #2, and carried. (See addendum.)

Grand Secretary's report: After the Grand Marshal and Grand Vice Marshal handed out the reports of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and The Grand Trustees. The Grand Secretary's annual report was reviewed. They also passed out the reports of the Senior Assistance fund and an additional report of financial information on colored paper. Then the Grand Secretary called

the Delegates attention to the itemized report with an explanation of every line item found on the report. It was moved by Grand Past President Johanne Gade, Bornholm #14, and seconded by John Jensen, Danmark #2, and carried. (**See addendum**)

Recess at 10:05 A.M. Convention reconvened at 10:35 A.M.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked for all those who were not in the morning session to stand, there being no one standing he reconvened the meeting.

Grand Treasurer's Report: was presented by Grand Treasurer Gregory Gleeson, for review. There was a question about the ending balance of \$25,717.20, and after much discussion it was Mover by Grand Trustee, James Olef Jensen, Danmark #2 to table the report until Saturday Morning. Grand President, Mel Lundberg, declared the report tabled.

Grand Trustees' Report: In the absents of the Grand Trustee George Cumming Jr., Thyra #9, The Grand Secretary presented the report. After review, Past Grand President Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, moved to accept the report. Seconded by Kaj Kristensen, Danmark #2, and carried. (**See addendum.**)

The Grand Secretary called the Delegates attention to the itemized reports of the Branches on Membership, Assets, Receipts, and Disbursements for review. Some suggestions were made as to how to make the reports on Membership and Disbursements more understandable. It was pointed out that Danmark #2's Total Disbursement was missing from the report. It was noticed and will be fixed in the annual report. After review, John Schueber, Bornholm #14, moved to accept the report. Seconded by Anni Champagne, Bornholm #14, and carried. (See addendum.)

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

History Committee Report: Grand Past President Roger Gearhart gave the report. Roger explain the Books that were on the display table from his personal collection, then put forth the Idea of starting a new book of the history of Dania by our current members. The idea of having members submit sort article to the history committee so that they may put them together in a book form. After the report was read, it was moved by Past Grand President Gunnar Nielsen, Thor #5, to accept the report. Seconded by Grand Past President Johanne Gade, Bornholm #14, and carried. (**See addendum**)

Report from the Advisory Committee: Grand President, Mel Lundberg, declared the report tabled until the afternoon session.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, appointed the following **Standing Convention Committees:**

Law: Robert Lacey Past Grand President, Danneskjold #17

Peder Hoy Past Grand President, Bornholm #14

Stanly Kjar Past Grand President, Thor #5

Resolutions: Stuart Mahler Past Grand President, Thyra #9

Christian Nielsen Valhalla #11 Baxter Swaffer Valdemar #12

COMMUNICATIONS:

Letter from the Insurance Company of renewal Newsletter from Bethel Lutheran Home Thank you note from Elverhøj Museum, Solvang Letters of greeting for a successful convention from:

Valhalla #11, Thyra #9, Danmark #2, and Dannevirke #19 Dannevang #7

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Report of the Ritual Committee: Grand President, Mel Lundberg, declared the report tabled until the afternoon session.

NEW BUSINESS

The Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked for any new Business.

Changes to the Constitution: The Grand Secretary asked that the Grand Marshal and Grand Vise Marshal, hand out copies of the proposed change. It was noted that this proposed change was received, reviewed by the Executive Committee and mailed to the Secretaries of all of the Dania Branches in conformances with Article XXVII of our Constitution. Grand Secretary, Tim Heer moved for the acceptance of the amendment. Seconded by Grand Trustee, James Jensen, Danmark #2. John Schueber, Bornholm #14, moved to amend the motion by adding the phase 'and current serving" between the words "Past president, president" in the first sentence, Seconded by Francis Sweet, Valhalla #11. Grand President, Mel Lundberg called for the vote on the amended motion, 34 yes and 4 no, Grand President, Mel Lundberg then called for the vote on the motion as amended, 24 yes 9 no.

Report of the Nominating committee: Presented by John Schueber, Bornholm #14 by announcing the name of Daniel Joensen, Danmark #2, for the office of Grand Vice Marshal. The Grand Secretary passed on the message from Grand Trustee George Cumming Jr., Thyra #9, Thanking the delegates for their support over the years and declining any nomination for the Office of Grand Trustee.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg declared a Lunch recess at 12:00 P.M. Convention to reconvene at 1:30 P.M.

Report of the Web committee: Before the Grand Lodge reconvened Past Grand President, John Johansen, Bornholm #14, presented and explained the reasons for a new website and the

changes.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked for all those who were not in the morning session to stand, there being no one standing he reconvened the meeting.

Grand Secretary referred the delegates to the Grand Secretary's report and informed them that the missing total disbursement for Danmark #2 was \$14,272.14. He also pleaded with the local branches to have their report into the Grand Secretary by the end of February noting that this year the final report came in the Tuesday before convention. It was also requested of the Local Branches to make suggestions as to how to make the Annual report more user friendly. He also read a Correspondence from Bornholm #14 that should had been read in the morning session.

The Grand President, Mel Lundberg, requested that the Grand Secretary present the bills. The Grand Secretary requested that the delegates have the opportunity to discuss the report regarding the Grand Lodge financial condition before any bills were considered for payment, the request was granted and the report was explained to the delegates. After the explanation of the report it was moved by Past Grand President Peder Hoy, Bornholm #14, to set the per capita tax at \$20.00 per member semiannually plus 0.6% of the Branches net worth, it was seconded by Grand Past President Johanne Gade, Bornholm #14. After much dissection the Grand President called for the vote and ruled that it would require a two threads majority to pass. The results were 12 in favor and 25 against, the Grand President ruled the motion defeated. John Jensen, Danmark #2 moved to set the per capita tax at \$35.00 per member semiannually, and seconded by Grand Past President Johanne Gade, Bornholm #14. After much more dissection the Grand President called for the vote. The results were 18 in favor and 16 against, the Grand President ruled the motion did not have the necessary two threads majority, the motion failed.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg declared a recess at 2:00 P.M. Convention to reconvene at 2:15 P.M.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked for all those who were not in the morning session to stand, there being no one standing he reconvened the meeting.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, opened up the floor for further dissection, and a number of Branches and individuals made promises for donations to the Grand Lodge. He then called for any other news business.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to set the annual per capita tax at \$20.00 per member to be paid semiannually. Seconded by Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, Danmark #2 and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to donate \$25.00 to the Danish American Historical Society in Fresno. Seconded by Past Grand President, Peder Hoy and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to donate \$25.00 to the Elverhøj Museum of History and Art. Seconded by Anni Champagne, Bornholm #14, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to pay \$40.00 annual dues to Aldersly. Seconded by Grand Trustee, James Olef Jensen, Danmark #2, and the motion was adopted

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to donate \$25.00 to the Bethel Lutheran Home Selma. Seconded by Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, Danmark #2, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to donate \$50.00 to the Solvang Lutheran Home. Seconded Grand Trustee, James Olef Jensen, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to pay the 2014 Convention Committee \$100.00 golf prize. Seconded by Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, The results were 31 in favor and 5 against and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to pay the 2014 Convention Committee \$300.00 for expenses, seconded by Past Grand President John Jensen, Danmark #2, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to continue the payments in support of our web site not to exceed \$100.00. Seconded by Past Grand President, Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to set Funeral Benefit at \$200.00, seconded by Grand Past President Johanne Gade, Bornholm #14, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to increase the Grand Presidents traveling expenses by \$600.00 over the current Constitutional amount of \$600.00 to a total of \$1,200.00. Seconded by Past Grand President, Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to increase the Grand Marshal traveling expenses by \$300.00 over the current Constitutional amount of \$300.00 to a total of \$600.00. Seconded by Anni Champagne, Bornholm #14, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to pay the Grand Trustee \$1.00 each per year expense reimbursement to be paid in cash. Seconded by Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, and the motion was adopted.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to pay the Grand Treasurer \$100.00 per month expense reimbursement. Seconded by Anni Champagne, Bornholm #14, the motion was adopted

Grand Treasurer Gregory Gleeson moved to pay the Grand Secretary \$200.00 per month expense reimbursement. Grand Secretary moved to amend that amount to \$150.00 Seconded by Francis Sweet, Valhalla #11, the motion was adopted

Past Grand President Roger Gearhart moved to pay the 2014 Convention Committee \$30.00 for the Bocce Ball Tournament. Seconded by John Jensen, Danmark #2, the results were 9 in favor and 25 against the motion was not adopted.

Past Grand President, Robert Lacey, Danneskjold #17 asked to talk on behalf of the Senior Assistance Fund, bring to the attention of the Delegates of the needs of donation to support the our members in need of assistance.

Grand Secretary Tim Heer moved to establish limit of \$15,000.00 which funds could not be drawn out of the Grand Trustee account. Seconded by Grand Treasurer Gregory Gleeson. The results were 16 in favor and 14 against The Grand President noting that it did not have the two threads majority vote declared the motion not adopted.

Zachary Reinstein, Dannevang #7, made the suggestion that the Grand Lodge create a Membership Committee with the focus on bring in younger members. The idea was supported but no action was taken.

Report from the Advisory Committee: The Advisory Committee advised the Grand President that their report was now ready. Past Grand President, Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, presented the report of two items one to revise the Local Branch installation ritual, and two for the Member to remember the Grand Lodge in the will with a bequeath. Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, Danmark #2, Mover to accept the report, seconded by Grand Trustee, James Olef Jensen, Danmark #2, and the motion was adopted.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg declared a recess until 9:00 Saturday Morning

SATURDAY April 12, 2013

Before the opening of the session the Grand President invited Doug Strehl, the Mayor of Fortuna, to give a welcome to the Delegates, and let us know what is going on in town. He even offered to shine our shoes if it would make us feel welcomed to the Eel River Basin, but no "get out of jail free cards".

Convention was called back to order at 9:30 A.M. Grand President Mel Lundberg, Valhalla #11, instructed the Grand Officers to take their respective Stations and the Grand Vice Marshal Steen Skjellerup, Thor #5, to close the door.

The password was taken up by the Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin and Grand Vice Marshal, Steen Skjellerup. The Opening sign was given.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked the Grand Secretary to call the roll call of Grand Officers, Delegates and Past Grand Officers. 9 Grand Officers, 30 Delegates and 13 Past Grand Presidents responded to roll call.

The assembly then rose to recite the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America followed by the singing of Der er et yndigt land, led by Past Grand President, Kaj Kristensen and Past Grand President, Peder Hoy.

The Grand President welcomed his advisor Past Grand President, Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2, to the chair near his right.

The Grand President asked the Grand Secretary to read the minutes from the Friday session. The Grand Secretary explained that we had stopped reading them a number of years back. The last Grand Secretary to have to do it was Past Grand President, Stuart Mahler, and he should be acknowledged for his dedication and years of service to the Grand Lodge.

Grand Secretary asked for the Report of the Grand Treasurer that was table yesterday to be brought back on to the floor for consideration. The Grand President granted the request, and the Grand Treasurer, Gregory Glee\$on, presented his amended report. He noted that the total interest number was in error, and that the interest should have been reported as \$6,553.86 and not \$3,313.86, which now balances the report. Mover by John Jensen, Danmark #2 to accept the report as amended. Seconded by Francis Sweet, Valhalla #11, and carried. (See addendum.)

Past Grand President, Stanley Kjar, Thor #5 moved to resend the motion from yesterday regarding the expense reimbursement of the Grand Secretary, and change the amount from \$150.00 to \$200.00. He noted that it has been \$200.00 per month in the past and should remain at that level. Seconded by Anni Champagne, Bornholm #14, and carried.

The Grand President requested that the question about the web site that was table yesterday to be brought back on to the floor for consideration. John Jensen, Danmark #2, moved that we approve the prototype of the web site that was presented on Friday with three stipulations. One that the Leave a comment feature be removed, Two no financial information on any of the downloads, and Three no personal information on any of the downloads. Seconded by Jeannie Kjaer, Sønderjylland #10, and carried.

Grand Secretary, Tim Heer, Freja #6, moved that all addresses and phone number be removed from the newsletter and only email address remain. Seconded by John Schueber, Bornholm #14 and carried.

The Grand President asked the Ritual Committee for an update, Grand Vise President, Robert Schall, had no new information at this time.

The Grand President instructed the Grand Marshal to go and inform the Grand Lodge of Danneborg about the vote that was taken in regards to the new website. The Grand Marshal requested the assistance of Past Grand President, John Johansen, to go with him. Grand President, Mel Lundberg declared a recess from 10:00 until 10:20 for coffee and pastries.

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked for all those who were not in the morning session to stand, there being no one standing he reconvened the meeting.

The Grand President asked for a report from the Grand Marshal regarding his visit with the Grand Lodge of Dannebrog. The Grand Marshal reported they would like to have the opportunity to see the new web site at the conclusions of our session this morning. That as soon as the Dannebrog law committee presents the copy of the ritual for their consideration, and if approved, they will send a representative over to our meeting with a copy of the ritual.

Nomination and election of Grand Officers

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, called the session to order. he gave the instructions to the tellers on how to process the votes.

Grand Past President, Johanna Gade, Bornholm #14, moved that in the case of one nominee that the Grand Secretary is to cast the ballot. In the event of the Grand Secretary nominee, the Grand Treasurer will cast the ballot.

John Schueber, Bornholm #14, moved to deviate from the constitution and allow for the nomination of any Delegate who is attending this session. Seconded by Grand Past President, Johanna Gade, Bornholm #14, and approved.

The following were nominated and elected:

Grand President	Mel Lundberg	Valhalla #11	declined with thanks
	Robert Schall	Hejmdal #4	
Grand Vice President	Tom Martin	Danmark #2	
Grand Secretary	Tim Heer	Freja #6	
Grand Treasurer	Gregory A. Gleeson	Thyra #9	
Grand Marshal	Steen Skjellerup	Thor #5	
Grand Vice Marshal	Daniel Joensen	Danmark #2	
Grand Trustee #1	James Olef Jensen	Danmark #2	
Grand Trustee #2	James "Jim" Jensen	Danmark #2	
Grand Trustee #3	John Schueber	Bornholm #14	

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, Valhalla #11, dismissed the tellers with thanks.

The Grand Vise Marshal announced that representatives of Danneborg Law Committee would like to address the Delegates. The Grand President allowed them in, and they presented the Danneborg approved ritual.

Grand President declared a short recess to allow the ritual Committee to review the proposed ritual. After the recess the Grand President called on Grand Vice President and Chairman of the Ritual Committee, Robert Schall, Hejmdal #4, to report as to the findings of his committee. The Committee proposed a change to the current wording found on page 4 where the current wording is "Dania Grand President: Are the officers-elect ready to be installed?" be changed to read "Dania Grand President: Are the officers-elect ready to be installed in this Branch of our Society?" The rest of the ritual to stay as presented.

The Grand President, Mill Lundberg, instructed the Grand Marshal, Thomas Martin, to escort the Chairman of the ritual committee to the Grand Lodge of Dannebrog's meeting so he can present the additional words to be added to the Ritual.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Resolution Committee report: the Resolutions were read by Past Grand President, Stuart O. Mahler, Thyra #9, who introduced the other members of the Committee, Baxter Swaffer, Valdemar #12 and Christian Nielsen, Valhalla #11. (**See addendum**)

Rowland McNeil, Thyra #9 moved to accept the reports of the Resolution Committee, seconded by Jackie Nielsen, Dannevang #9 and approved.

The Grand Marshal returned with the Chairman of the Ritual committee who reported that the

Delegates of Dannebrog had no objection to the additional words being added.

Grand Past President, Tim Heer, Freja #6, moved to accept the new ritual as amended Seconded by Grand Past President, Johanna Gade, Bornholm #14, and passed

The Grand President asked the Grand Marshal to escort Grand President elect Robert Schall of Hejmdal 34, Sacramento, to podium where Grand President, Mel Lundberg, asked the Grand President-elect to address the Grand Officers, Delegates and Members.

Grand President-elect **Bob Schall** gave a thank you to everyone for all of their support and help. He then appointed his committees:

Advisory committee:

Past Grand President, Stanley Kjar, Thor #5 (1 yr)
Past Grand President, Stuart O. Mahler, Thyra #9 (2 yr)
Past Grand President, Robert Lacy, Danneskjold #17 (3 yr)

Auditors:

Baxter Swaffer, Valdemar #12

Past Grand President, Alan Filiau, Thyra #9 Past Grand President, Stuart O. Mahler, Thyra #9

History committee Past Grand President Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2

First Delegate from each Branch

Web Committee Grand Secretary Tim Heer, Freja #6

Past Grand President John Johansen, Bornholm #14

Membership Committee Zachary Reinstein, Dannevang #7

John Jensen, Danmark #2 John Schueber, Bornholm #14

Dania RV committee Past Grand President Gregory Gleeson, Thyra #9

Nominating Committee Past Grand President, Peder Hoy, Bornholm #14

Past Grand President Roger Gearhart, Danmark #2

Anni Champagne, Bornholm #14

Grand President-elect, Robert Schall then introduced his adviser, Grand Past President, Johanna Gade, Bornholm #14. He then gave and explained his password. The Grand Marshal then escorted the Grand President-elect back to his station.

Grand Secretary, Tim Heer, thanked Grand President, Mel Lundberg, on behalf of all of the

Grand Officers for the Box of local cheese and crackers, which will be put to good use.

John Schueber, Bornholm #14, thanked the Grand Lodge for electing him as a Grand Trustee.

Jackie Nielsen, Dannevang #7 thanked the Grand Lodge for the Scholarship that was awarded to hier Grand Daughter, a member of Dannevang #7.

Daniel Joensen, Danmark 32, thanked the Grand Lodge for electing him to the Office of Grand Vice Marshal.

Baxter Swaffer, Valdemar #12, thanked the Grand Lodge for the Scholarship that was awarded to Erik Jensen a member of Valdemar #12

John Schueber, Bornholm #14, thanked the Grand Lodge for the Scholarship that was awarded to his Grand Son, Ben Hoover, and member of Bornholm #14

Grand President, Mel Lundberg, led the singing of God Bless America then declared the 134th annual convention closed and asked for the closing sign at 11:30 A.M.

At 2:30PM Dania and Dannebrog participated in a joint installation of Grand Officers.

2013-2014 DANIA GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Past President	Mel Lundberg	Valhalla #11	Ferndale
Grand President	Robert Schall	Hejmdal #4	Sacramento
Grand Vice President	Tom Martin	Danmark #2	San Francisco
Grand Secretary	Tim Heer	Freja #6	Salinas
Grand Treasurer	Gregory A. Gleeson	Thyra #9	Hayward
Grand Marshal	Steen Skjellerup	Thor #5	Fresno
Grand Vice Marshal	Daniel Joensen	Danmark #2	San Francisco
Grand Trustee #1	James Olef Jensen	Danmark #2	San Francisco
Grand Trustee #2	James "Jim" Jensen	Danmark #2	San Francisco
Grand Trustee #3	John Schueber	Bornholm #14	Modesto

MINUTES TAKEN BY Timothy J Heer Sr., Freja #6 GRAND SECRETARY

Grand President Report 2013-2014

Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Presidents, Delegates and Dania members:

It is with sincere pleasure that I welcome each of you to our 134th annual meeting of Danish Society Dania of California and Nevada.

On behalf of their officers and members, as well as my wife and I, we are most appreciative of the members of Valhalla Lodge No 11 and Ydun Lodge No 10 for hosting this convention. For the many hours of work and planning to make this a memorable convention, we say Thank You so much.

After more than 12,000 miles and a few million calories, how sweet it is for this Swede to be a Dane, especially a Dania member. The friendships one makes far out-weigh the many hours and miles of travel. My thanks to all the members for their support and the many courtesies bestowed on Zena and me; for your kindness, help and assistance, we are indebted.

Being elected and installed as Grand President was a great honor. Again I congratulate and thank the convention committee and the members of Danmark Lodge No 2 and Thyra Lodge No 3, as well as the staff of the Grosvenor Hotel in San Francisco for a well-executed 133rd annual California-Nevada Dania Dannebrog convention. A special thank you to Johanna Ervin-Gade, Bob and Mary Jo Schall, Baxter and Marlene Swaffer and Kathy Thomsen for their assistance with our reception party.

Our first installation was in Reno on May 3rd for Valdemar Lodge No 12 and Dannevirke Lodge No 9. We were the guests of our long-time friends, Baxter and Marlene, for the weekend.

On June 5th we visited Hejls Minde Lodge No 23 in Solvang where I had the honor to present Past Grand President Kurt Høj with the Dania member-of-the-year award. We had a great visit, delicious luncheon, as well as refreshing beverages. Many of the Grand Lodge officers, past and present, were in attendance.

June 6th we visited Thor Lodge No 5 and Thora Lodge No 11 in Fresno; on our way to lodge we stopped for a visit with Carl and Betty Jensen. Thank you for your friendship and hospitality.

On June 28th back in Eureka we celebrated our annual midsummer gathering of Danish, Swedish, Norwegian and Swedish-Finn lodges with members of the public in attendance. Lots of food and folk dancing.

August 3rd took us to Modesto for Bornholm Lodge No 14's installation and luncheon. August 4th we (Mel, Zena, Tom and Lynn) got to Salinas for Dana Lodge No 15 and Freya Lodge No 6's installation after a little side-trip to Soledad; it was a joyful ride. We were still in time for a few hors d'oeuvre and the installation, followed by a delicious luncheon.

The following weekend, August 10^{th} , we installed the officers of Sønderjylland Lodge No 10 in Kastania Faelled, Petaluma. We had a nice lunch med snaps.

August 31st and September 1st we were at our home lodges, Valhalla No 11 and Ydun No 10 installation and dinner on Saturday; bocce, lamb and chicken barbecue on Sunday. Thank you for coming to Ferndale.

After a little break in our lodge travels we headed south for another visit to Solvang on November 5th for a couple days of relaxation and Hejls Minde Lodge No 23's meeting, including a delicious lunch with liquid refreshments. It was a special time with Past Grand President Kurt Høj in attendance. We had a nice visit.

On November 7th we drove to Carl and Betty Jensen's home where we had coffee and pastries with them and Carl's sister-in-law, Kay Jensen, before leaving for Thor Lodge No 5 and Thora Lodge No 11's meeting and more good eats and fellowship; after which we drove back to Alameda.

Saturday, November 9th, we drove to Kastania Faelled, Petaluma, for Sønderjylland Lodge No. 10's meeting and lunch. Despite the horrendous traffic from Navato going north due to a new casino just opening in Rohnert Park, we had a great visit, a delicious frikadeller lunch with liquid libations. Many thanks.

Sunday, December 1st, Zena, I and Tom Martin were in Salinas again without missing our turn-off this time for Freja Lodge No 9 and Dana Lodge No 15's Danish Christmas dinner (pork roast, red cabbage and glazed potatoes; rice pudding for dessert). We had a great visit with a delicious dinner. Tak så meget. It's on our want-to-go-to list for this year.

Saturday, December 14th, we were at the Grosvenor Hotel in San Francisco for Danmark Lodge No 2 and Thyra Lodge No 3 for their festive Christmas lunch. A good time was had by all.

The first installation for 2014 found us at Selma on February 1st for Thor Lodge No 5 and Thora Lodge No 11 at the Spike and Rail. We had a very nice dinner, lovely music for dancing and visiting with our Danish family. After returning home for a couple of days' rest, we left for the Bay Area for Danneskjold Lodge No 17 and Laura Lodge No 8's installation and luncheon on February 8th at the Marianis Restaurant in San Jose. A nice time was had by all and we enjoyed the ride there with Tom Martin driving.

Friday, February 21st, we were in Modesto for Bornholm Lodge No 14's outstanding Hoy family fish dinner and drinks with lots of delicious hors d'oeuvre to begin with. Mange tak.

Saturday, February 22nd, was the installation in Livermore for Dannevang Lodge No 7 and Danebod Lodge No 16. Zena was feeling-under-the-weather that morning, so by the time I left from Alameda, I got there just after the installation had started, with Bob and Mary Jo doing the installing. I sat and watched them do a very fine job. A very nice lunch of smørrebrød and salads, with lots of delicious kringler and coffee for dessert.

Saturday, March 1^{st,} found us at the Grosvenor Hotel in San Francisco for Danmark Lodge No 2 and Thyra Lodge No 3's installation. The hotel served a nice dinner with liquid refreshments on the tables, music for dancing and raffle prizes; Great Party!

Last, but not least, was the March 15th installation of Thyra Lodge No 9 and Valborg Lodge No 1 at Cattlemen's Restaurant in Livermore. We enjoyed an excellent lunch with good friends.

Before I conclude my report, I have the following recommendation: that the Grand Lodge publish a lodge membership list directory to better keep-in-touch with lodge friends you've met over the years.

To conclude, I must thank all who helped during my term: the Grand Lodge officers for attending as many installations as possible, and Grand Secretary Tim Heer and Past Grand President Johanna Ervin-Gade for their help when needed and to all the Grand Lodge officers elected and appointed for their support and cooperation, to Valhalla Lodge No 11 and Ydun Lodge No 10 members for their support and encouragement. A special thank you to the Grand Lodge marshals, Tom Martin and Lynn Wachter, for a job well done, and to my advisor Past Grand President Roger Gearhart. To my travelling companion, my critic and helpmate, in short, my wife... I say, "THANK YOU, DEAR." Finally, to all the members of the Danish Societies Dania of California/Nevada, thank you for a most rewarding and exciting experience... to serve as your Grand Lodge President.

Your friend

Mel Lundberg

Grand President

Dania Executive Board meeting held on February 1, 2014 at the Spike and Rail in Fresno California.

Present:

Johanna Gade Past Grand President Bornholm #14
Mel Lundberg Grand President Valhalla #11
George Cumming Jr Grand Trustee Thyra #9
James "Jim" Jensen Grand Trustee Danmark #2
James "Jim" Jensen Grand Trustee Danmark #2

Tim Heer Grand Secretary Freja #6 (non voting)

Meeting was called to order by Grand Past President Johanna Gade at 3:05 pm.

New Business: The Grand Secretary reported on a change of procedure in handling of depositing checks in the general fund checking account were the Grand Secretary Deposit monies into the Grand Lodge account.

Moved by James Olef Jensen and seconded George Cumming Jr. to accept a proposal to be presented to the membership at convention, with one Typo correction. Motion Pasted. Joint Installation Ritual: Past Grand President Johanna Gade wanted to make sure we are using 2003 version as a base line of the Combined ritual and make some changes by removing the wording "Society". No action was taken in regards to changing the ritual. There was discussion of a desire of our Branches following our constitution regarding the local the local Branches notifying the Grand Secretary with a list of all the elected Officers.

The Committee recommended that the Grand President appoint a Committee to work with Dannebrog to revise joint ritual. Moved by James Olef Jensen and approved. Committee to be appointed now. The Grand President to work with the Grand President Dannebrog to establish such a Committee. Suggestion to serve on the Committee Johanna Gade, Mel Lundberg. Bob Schall, and Greg Gleeson.

Grand President Mel Lundberg wanted more current contact information in the Newsletter.

Next Meeting time and Place: The Grand Past President asked the Executive Board to Meet on March 15 in Livermore.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Timothy J Heer, Grand Secretary, Freja #6

Dania Executive Board meeting held on March 15, 2014 at the Cattlemen's Restaurant, Livermore California.

Present:

Johanna Gade Past Grand President Bornholm #14
Mel Lundberg Grand President Valhalla #11
Peder Hoy Substitute Grand Trustee Bornholm #14
James Olef Jensen Grand Trustee Danmark #2
James "Jim" Jensen Grand Trustee Danmark #2

Robert Schall

Tim Heer

Grand Past President

Grand Secretary

Hejmdal #4 (non voting)

Freja #6 (non voting)

Meeting was called to order by Grand Past President Johanna Gade at 10:00 A.M. An informal discussion regarding increasing our per capital tax. Different concepts were presented and no action taken.

Dania Memorial Scholarship and Dania Scholarship:

Moved by James "Jim" Jensen to award three (3) Scholarships at \$1,100.00 each for the memorial Scholarship and two (2) Dania Scholarships at \$500.00 each, it was the mover to amend the \$500.00 to \$400.00 By Mel Lundberg. The amended motion was passed. This year's recipients for the Memorial Scholarship are: Kindle Frederich Member of Dannevang #7, Ben Hoover, member of Bornholm #14 and Erik Jensen Member of Valdemar #12. This year's recipients for the Dania Scholarship are Sarah Gauthier submitted by Thyra #9 (Her second award) and Klaus Rasmussen submitted by Danneskjold #17 (His first award) for a total award of \$800.00 from the General Fund.

Dania Member of the year: After review the deserving nominees, with so many qualified nominations the committee elected GPP Roger Gearhart as the 2014 Member of the Year.

New Business: A request was made that if a new ritual is agreed to by both Grand Lodges that the Grand Secretary's placed their seal on each page of the ritual and be the control that makes sure that only approved versions of the ritual is used and not reproduced without their approval.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Timothy J Heer, Grand Secretary, Freja #6

GRAND LODGE DANIA of CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Report of the History Committee:

The history committee has a display on the table at the rear of our meeting room. This year, I have added some things from my personal collection. There are two books on my family history in Denmark and the great book, "5 Years of the German Occupation of Denmark". In that there is a photo of a cousin of Hugo Rasmussen as he and others were freed from *Frøslev* Prison in May 1945. There is the wooden-cover book on my grandmother's family, "Slægtsbog" and "Min Slægtehistorie" written by a third cousin of my mother's; parts have been translated by another cousin. My mother's parents and her paternal grandparents emigrated from Denmark ~1880 and later met and homesteaded in Nebraska.

Many years ago, perhaps as many as 10, we asked Grete Iversen to help translate the book "Danske i California". Grete was then associated with the Museum in Fresno. In the interim, Grete moved back to Denmark and it was reported that she had passed away. We believed that we would never receive anything from her efforts. However, in mid 2013, Martha Nielsen received a package from Grete's family in Denmark containing the book and a hand-written translation of approximately ¾ of the book. It was presented to me at the Modesto installation in July and PGP John Johansen kindly offered to continue the project. However, the hand written notes by Grete were difficult to read and John and I believe that it is probably a fruitless effort.

During the convention, Uffe Hellsten was looking through one of the books on my family history and found the name "Skjellerup", an unusual name. He showed it to Steen Skjellerup and he was delighted to find that it nicely filled in about 100 years missing from his knowledge of his family history. It is exciting to contemplate that he and I may be distant cousins! There will be more reported after we have had a chance to delve further into the history.

Glenn Fritz reminded me that he had given the history committee some envelopes and correspondence between his mother and a former member of Dania, an attorney Jan Walker. Regretfully, the items are not on display this year but will be there at the next Convention.

Respectfully submitted this 11th day of April 2014.

Roger Gearhart Chairman

Amendment to the Constitution of the Danish Society Dania of California and Nevada

Article IV, Representatives to the Convention of the Grand Lodge, Section 5, which presently states:

"Past presidents and those eligible for past president's rights at the time of the next convention shall be eligible for election as representatives to the Grand Lodge. However, any member who has held the office of financial secretary, recording secretary, secretary, or treasurer for at least three years shall be eligible on the same terms as past presidents."

Proposed change: (Words being removed are note with a strikethrough and words being add are **Bold and underlined**)

"Past presidents and those eligible for past president's rights at the time of the next convention, presidents and vice presidents shall be eligible for election as representatives to the Grand Lodge. However, any member who has held the office of financial secretary, recording secretary, secretary, or treasurer for at least three years shall also be eligible on the same terms as past presidents."

Submitted by the undersigned:

Roger Gearhart

Grand Lodge Dania of California and Nevada

RESOLUTION

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11th and 12th 2014; have enjoyed a successful convention, and

Whereas:

The River Lodge was the host Venue to the 134th annual convention of the Grand Lodge Dania of California and Nevada; and our host Hotel, Best Western Country Inn, Fortuna

Therefore be it resolved:

We express our sincere appreciation for all services to us

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organization.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9

Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11th and 12th, 2014; have enjoyed a successful convention

Whereas:

The Ferndale Lodges, Valhalla #11 and Ydun #10; hosted the 134th annual Danish Society Dania and Dannebrog 2014 convention at River Lodge, Fortuna, CA, and the Danish Hall, Ferndale, Ca; And the Caterer C.C. Market doing a superb job in all areas of service; and the great music Friday night and Saturday night; and Ferndale's Mayor Titus' opening remarks Thursday night; and Fortuna's Mayor Doug Strehl Saturday Morning comments.

Therefore be it resolved:

That this convention sends congratulations for a job well done.

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organizations.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9 Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

Grand Lodge Dania of California and Nevada

RESOLUTION

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11th and 12th, 2014; have enjoyed a successful convention

Whereas:

The Queen of Danmark, Her Royal Highness Margrethe II, celebrated her 74th birthday on April 16

Therefore be it resolved:

That this convention sends congratulations and best wishes;

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organization.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9 Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11 & 12 2014 do deeply regret the passing of, Past Grand President Svend Christian; Freja #6, our faithful member who gave his devoted service to our Society over many years, and do deeply regret the death of all lodge members of Grand Lodge Dania.

Therefore be it resolved:

We extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy of sorrow

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organization.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9 Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11 & 12 2014 do deeply regret the passing of, Past Grand President Kurt Høj; Hejls Minde #23, our faithful member who gave his devoted service to our Society over many years, and do deeply regret the death of all lodge members of Grand Lodge Dania.

Therefore be it resolved:

We extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy of sorrow

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organization.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9 Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11 & 12 2014 do deeply regret the passing of, Past Grand President John Champagne; Bornholm #14, our faithful member who gave his devoted service to our Society over many years, and do deeply regret the death of all lodge members of Grand Lodge Dania.

Therefore be it resolved:

We extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy of sorrow

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organization.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9 Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

Whereas:

We the Officers and Delegates of the 134th Grand Lodge convention in Fortuna at the River Lodge on April 11 & 12 2014 do deeply regret the passing of, Past Grand President Arthur Reinstein; Dannevang #7, our faithful member who gave his devoted service to our Society over many years, and do deeply regret the death of all lodge members of Grand Lodge Dania.

Therefore be it resolved:

We extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy of sorrow

Be it further resolved:

That this resolution is spread upon the records of the Grand Lodge and a copy is forwarded to the aforementioned officials, individuals and organization.

Resolution committee:

Stuart O Mahler; Thyra #9 Christian Nielsen; Valhalla #11 Baxter Swapper; Valdemar #12

134rd Dania Convention Delegates

		4/11	4/12		4/11	4/12		4/11	4/12
Jr. Past Gr. Pres.	Johanna Gade	X	X	Danmark #2			Valhalla #11	0	
Grand President	Mel Lundberg	X	X	Uffa Hellsten	X	X	Francis Sweet	, X	X
Grand Vice President	Bob Schall	X	X	Daniel Joensen	X	X	Christian Nielsen	X	X
Grand Secretary	Tim Heer	X	X	James "Jim" Jensen	X	X	Aler- Dick Tirsbeck		
Grand Treasurer	Gregory Gleeson	X	X	John Jensen	X	X			
Grand Marshal	Thomas Martin	X	X	Peter Christensen	X	X	Valdemar #12	ľ	
Grand V. Marshal	Steen Skjellerup	X	X				Baxter Swaffer	X	X
Grand Trustee	George Cumming Jr	A	A	Hejmdal #4			Erik Hansen	A	A
Grand Trustee	James Olef Jensen	X	X	Bob Schall	X	X			
Grand Trustee	James "Jim" Jensen	X	X				Bornholm #14		
				Thor #5			John Schueber	X	X
Past G	rand Presidents			PGP Gunner Nielsen	X	. A	Bente Ellis	X	X
		4/11	4/12	PGP Stan Kjar	X	X	Doris Hoy	X	X
James Jorgensen	Bornholm #14	A	A	Steen Skjellerup	X	X	Anni Champagne	X	X
Stuart O. Mahler	Thyra #9	X	X				Kersten Johansen	X	X
Peder Hoy	Bornholm #14	X	X	Freja #6			Alter-Beth Mortensen		
Glen A. Fritz	Danmark #2	A	A	PGP Arne Graversgaard	X	X	Alter-Ann Stowers		
Gregory Gleeson	Thyra #9	X	X	PGP Tim Heer	X	X			
Alan D. Filiau	Thyra #9	X	X				Danneskjold #17		
Allen Thomsen	Dannevang #7	A	A	Dannevang #7			PGP Robert Lacey	X	X
Robert Sorensen	Bornholm #14	X	X	Jackie Nielsen	X	X	Alter- Arne Rasmussen		
Tim Heer	Freja #6	X	X	Zachary Reinstein	X	X			
Gunnar Nielsen	Thor #5	X	A	,			Hejls Minde #23		
Hugo Rasmussen	Bornholm #14	A	A	Thyra #9			Hans Kardel	X	X
Kaj Kristensen	Danmark #2	X	X	Rowland 'Mac' McNeill	X	X	Bent Olsen	A	A
Arne Graversgaard	Freja #6	X	X	PGP Stuart Mahler	X	X	Jean Kardel	X	X
Robert Lacey	Danneskjold #17	X	X						
John Johansen	Bornholm #14	X	X	Sønderjylland #10			Holger Danske #27		
Stanley Kjar	Thor #5	X	X	John Cruger-Hansen	X	X			
Roger Gearhart	Danmark #2	X	X	James R Hollingshead	X	X			
Lilian Rasmussen	Sønderjylland #10	X	X	Jeannie Kjaer	X	X			
				Alt Finn Kjaer					

Year installed	Name	Lodge
1880-84	* O.F. Westphal	Oden #1
1884-87	* Fred Petersen	Oden #1
1887-89	* Thorvald Orlob	Oden #1
1889-92	* JamesMadison	Danmark #2
1892-93	* John H.Lytgens	Danmark #2
1893-94	* Halvor J.T. Jacobsen	Thor #5
1894-95	* Halvor J.T. Jacobsen	Thor #5
1895-96	* Halvor J.T. Jacobsen	Thor #5
1896-97	* C.P. Jensen	Dagmar #8
1897-98	* O.P. Kieldsen	Thor #5
1898-99	* Jacob Peetersen	mer ne
1899-00	* Carl Plow	Sonderjylland #10
1900-01	* Johannes Sandholdt	Thyra #9
1901-02	* Hans Ahrenberg	Thor #5
1902-03	* H. C. Hermansen	Oden #1
1903-04	* F. W. Andreasen	Valhalla #11
1904-05	* Carl Rasmussen	Skamlingsbanken #20
1905-07	* Robert Nnelson	Valdemar #12
1907-08	* Peter C. Krogh	Hejmdal #4
1908-09	* Carl Holm	Dannevang #7
1909-10	* Hans Sorensen	Thyra #9
1910-11	* H.P. Vogensen	Sonderjylland #10
1911-12	* H. P. Mathiesen	Dannebrog #16
1912-13	* C. W. Hansen	Helga #3
1913-14	* C. H. Duborg	Valdemar #12
1914-15	* Martin Eriksen	Valhalla #11
1915-16	* Martin L. Cramer	Danmark #2
1916-17	* John C. Scott	Oden #1
1917-18	* Jens T. Lund	Freja #6
1918-19	* Ole Christopher	Danneskjold #17
1919-20	* Peter Petersen	Helga #3
1920-21	* Hans Vejby	Thyra #9
1921-22	* Anton B. Ibsen	Hejls Minde #23
1922-23	* John Christensen	Valhalla #11
1923-24	* Christian Iversen	Danmark #2
1924-25	* J. P. Knudsen	Oden #1
1925-26	* Carl Jorgernsen	Thor #5
1926-27	* Finn Andersen	Danmark #2
1927-28	* Hans J. Sorensen	Bornholm #14
1928-29	* Peter Sorensen	Dannevirke #24
1929-30	* P. A. Nielsen	Oden #1
1930-31	* Albert L. Christopher	Danneskjold #17
1931-32	* Viggo C. Dahl	Danmark #2
1932-33	* Henry Gilling	Helga #3
1933-34	* Iver Frydendahl	Dannevang #7
1934-35	* Marius Petersen	

1025.26	*	Carl Favores	
1935-36	*	Carl Fauerso	11alaa #2
1936-37	*	Marius Kristensen	Helga #3
1937-38	*	Janes Martensen	Dagmar #8
1938-39	*	Clifton M Anthonsen	Vitus Berhring #18
1939-40	*	Andy Madsen	Thor #5
1940-41	*	Hans Skytt	Hejls Minde #23
1941-42	*	C.H. Gregers	Oden #1
1942-43		James Bach	Danneskjold #17
1943-44	*	E. Jurvig	Danmark #2
1944-45	*	Ted Petersen	Bornholm #14
1945-46	*	Ted Petersen	Bornholm #14
1946-47		Peter J. Juhl	Freja #6
1947-48	*	Albert Henriksen	Vitus Berhring #18
1948-49	*	Julius Hansen	Thor #5
1949-50	*	Carl Jensen	Holger Danske #27
1950-51	*	Jim Nielsen	Helga #3
1951-52	*	Hans C Jorgensen	Thyra #9
1952-53	*	Asmund Andersen	Vitus Berhring #18
1953-54		Chris Pedersen	Danmark #2
1954-55	*	Clement Miller	Valhalla #11
1955-56	*	Raymond Olsen	Bornholm #14
1956-57	*	Walter Christensen	Helga #3
1957-58	*	Art Christopher	Danneskjold #17
1958-59	*	Melvin Oredsen	Oden #1
1959-60	*	Ted Poulsen	Hejmdal #4
1960-61	*	Knud Clausen	Dannebrog #16
1961-62	*	Corrad Moldt	Dannevang #7
1962-63	*	Knud Weaver	Danmark #2
1963-64	*	Arthur N. Clements	Bornholm #14
1964-65	*	Hans J Therp	Sonderjylland #10
1965-66	*	Robert L. Lind	Thor #5
1966-67	*	Henry G. Kari	Hejls Minde #23
1967-68	*	Jorgen Rasmussen	Danmark #2
1968-69	*	Peter Brix	Thyra #9
1969-70		James Jorgensen	Bornholm 14
1970-71	*	Bjarne H. Carstens	Danmark 2
1971-72	*	Burton F. Skow	Danneskjold 17
1972-73	*	Holger Carstensen	Hejls Mnde 23
1973-74	*	Borge Nielsen	Odin 1
1974-75	*	Dan Mogensen	Thor 5
1975-76	*	Clyde G. Brown	Dagmar 8
1976-77	*	Paul W. Andersen	Danneskjold 17
1977-78	*	Svend Christian	Freja 6
1978-80	*	Niels Walter Hansen	Thyra 9
1980-81	*	Howard J. Krogh	Bornholm 14
1981-82		Stuart O. Mahler	Thyra 9
1982-83	*	Lawrence C. Bentzen	Sønderjylland 10

1983-84	* Jan A. Walker	Freja 6
1984-85	* Reynold F. Nielsen	Thor 5
1985-86	* Terje Schiller	Danneskjold 17
1986-87	Peder Hoy	Bornholm 14
1987-88	* Fred H. Mahler	Thyra 9
1988-89	* Erik Jensen	Thor 5
1989-90	* Arthur Reinstein	Dannevang 7
1990-91	* Norman Dalgaard	Hejmdal 4
1991-92	Glenn A. Fritz	Danmark 2
1992-93	Gregory Gleeson	Thyra 9
1993-94	* Graham Sorensen	Bornholm 14
1994-95	Alan D. Filiau	Thyra 9
1995-96	* Henning O. Petersen	Danmark 2
1996-97	Allen Thomsen	Dannevang 7
1997-98	Robert Sorensen	Bornholm 14
1998-99	* Arthur J. Jensen	Thor 5
1999-00	Tim Heer	Freja 6
2000-01	Gunnar Nielsen	Thor 5
2001-02	* Tedd Matusiewicz	Dannevang 7
2002-03	Hugo Rasmussen	Bornholm 14
2003-04	Kaj Kristensen	Danmark 2
2004-05	Arne Graversgaard	Freja 6
2005-06	Robert Lacey	Danneskjold 17
2006-07	John Johansen	Bornholm 14
2007-08	Stanly Kjar	Thor 5
2008-09	* John Champagne	Bornholm 14
2009-10	Roger Gearhart	Danmark 2
2010-11	Lilian Rasmussen	Sønderjylland 10
2011-12	* Kurt Høj	Hejls Mnde 23
2012-13	Johanne Gade	Bornholm #14
2013-14	Mel Lundberg	Valhalla #11
	* Deceased	

Dania Member of the Year Award

*Chris Pedersen	1990	Danmark 2
*Melvin Oredsen	1991	Odin 1
Greg Gleeson	1992	Thyra 9
*Knud Ove Knudsen	1993	Danmark 2
*Raymond P. Olsen	1994	Bornholm 14
*Reynold F. Nielsen	1995	Thor 5
*Sigurd Thomsen	1996	Dannevang 7
*Ralph N. Kerr	1997	Thyra 9
*Dan Mogensen	1998	Thor 5
*Elmer C. Jorgensen	1999	Thyra 9
*Fred H. Mahler	2000	Thyra 9
Peder Hoy	2001	Bornholm 14
*Burton Skow	2002	Danneskjold 17
*Henning O. Petersen	2003	Danmark 2
*Norman Dalgaard	2004	Hejmdal 4
James Jorgensen	2005	Bornholm 14
Carl Jensen	2006	Thor 5
John Johansen	2007	Bornholm 14
Kaj Kristensen	2008	Danmark 2
Stuart O Mahler	2009	Thyra 9
Stanley Kjar	2010	Thor 5
Francis Sweet	2011	Valhalla 11
Tim Heer	2012	Freja 6
*Kurt Høj	2013	Hejls Minde 23
Roger Gearhart	2014	Danmark #2
* Denoted Deceased		