



GRAND LODGE DANIA & DANNEBROG

Danish Societies Dania & Dannebrog of California and Nevada

January 2020

Dannebrog Grand President

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with their family and friends. I traveled to Southern California and was able to spend time with my brother Ralph (Thyra #9 member) and his wife Kathy while Susan was at a conference in the area. The following weekend was Hayward's annual Christmas Party held at Greg Gleeson's home. This is always a fun event especially with visitors from other lodges. It was a pleasure to welcome Dania Grand President Jana Heer-Glovaski and Grand Secretaries Natalie and Tim Heer to our party. As we head into 2020, we have installations and convention just around the corner. Hope to see you there! Beth Cowan, Dannebrog Grand President

Dania Grand President

Godt Nytar! Hope everyone had a Holly Jolly Christmas, I did! My road trips dashing through the storms was well worth it when greeted with the warmth of friends offering good food and holiday cheer. Wish I could have gotten to them all and will do my best in the next few months to get to the lodges I missed. I extend a very special "thank you" to Greg G. & Pat B., and Doris S. for their generous hospitality so I didn't have to make a late-night return trip home. Earlier in the month luckily Steen S. needed a ride home to Fresno after he attended the Rebild party, and I, San Francisco's in Point Richmond, it was very reassuring to have a co-pilot through that long stormy drive. My destination was the home of longtime friends in Clovis with plans to attend the Danish-American Historical Society of California Christmas Party in Selma where I got to visit with several Fresno members since I had to miss their party the day before. Soon we'll be getting back into the swing of good times in Dania & Dannebrog with the last of the 2019 - 2020 Branch installations followed closely by convention in April. Hope all branches are making plans for who to send to represent them in Modesto in 2020 and send your choices to the Grand Secretaries, January 10 for Dannebrog and February 1 for Dania. You will find the registration form in this newsletter and this year's hosting branch, Modesto's Bornholm #14 will appreciate a quick response especially from Delegates, Grand Officers and Past Grands so that they have all the information they need to complete their preparations: head counts for meals, the timely printing of the program and the making of convention badges. Please keep in mind that all members are entitled and encouraged to attend, come join us and be inspired to serve as a delegate in 2021! The hosting branches work hard to make sure we have a lot of fun, and we even try to work some laughs into the meeting agenda too. Within the remaining

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Upcoming Conventions

Bornholm #14	April 16-18 2020	Clarion Hotel Modesto
Upcoming Installations		
Thor No. 5 Thora No. 11	February 1, 2020	Fresno Breakfast House
Danmark No. 2 Thyra No. 3	February 8, 2020	Grosvenor South San Francisco
Dannevang No. 7 Danebod No. 16	February 22, 2020	IOOF Hall Livermore
Thyra No. 9 Valborg No. 1	March 21, 2020	To Be Announced

GP articles during this term, I will be sharing some comments about what to expect and contemplate regarding some new and old business that will be up for discussion at Dania's convention meetings. It is my sincerest wish and will be my number one priority that all

voting members will walk away from deliberations feeling that their voices were heard and opinions respected. Happy New Year all! Looking forward to 2020 with a fresh start and renewed hope for the future. Jana Heer-Glovaski, Dania Grand President

IN MEMORIAM:
DANIA/DANNEBROG SENIOR ASSISTANCE FUND
DANNEBROG SCHOLARSHIP
DANIA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
DANIA GENERAL FUND
NEW MEMBERS:

Secretary's

Danmark No. 2 & Thyra No. 3

Meeting: 2nd. Wednesday every month 7:30 PM Odd Fellows Building; 26 Seventh Street, San Francisco CA 94103
Danmark #2 Secretary John A. Jensen, E-Mail
jajensend2@gmail.com Thyra #3 Secretary Johanne Gade

All of us at the San Francisco lodge hope you and your families had a very Merry Christmas. December was a blur of fun and festivities. We all had such a good time at our Christmas luncheon Thank you Grand President Jana Heer-Glovaski for joining us! Thanks also to the Hotel Mac for treating us so special. And thanks to Roger Gearhart for arranging such a great venue – Mange Tak! Now if you are reading this, then you are invited to Danmark #2 and Thyra #3's Installation and Anniversary Party on Saturday February 8th. We will be at the Grosvenor in South San Francisco. The event starts at

4pm with the installation at 5pm, dinner and dancing to follow. The menu is London Broil or Salmon and the price is \$30 a guest. RSVP to John Jensen (info below) with your details. Hope to see you there...and Happy New Year! Our next meeting will be *onsdag, 8 januar*. We gather at about 6:30 for socializing before our meeting at 7:30, and then we get down to the serious business of having a good time. We hope to see you there!
Med venlig hilsen, John A. Jensen, Secretary,
jajensend2@gmail.com , 510-299-1855

Thor No. 5 & Thora No. 11

Meeting: 1st. Saturday, 11:30 AM. Denny's 1110 Shaw Ave (on the north side, just east of First Street) Fresno.
Secretary, Christie Pettitt, poppatango@msn.com

Our Holiday season has now come and gone. I hope everyone had a good time with family and friends. We had our Christmas luncheon on the first Saturday in December. We were thrilled to see a few members that we haven't seen in a while. Geraldine and Norm Jensen came; Gerri was feeling better and was able to get out. We had Gail Hansen accompanied by her family: son, James Hansen and wife, Frances, also Gail's daughter, Janice Kinney. We even had out of town visitors, Grand Past President John and Marge Scheuber. Unfortunately we didn't have any entertainment which would've made a livelier party. But we were so happy to see all our members and visitors. A few of us attended Modesto's Dania Christmas party. There was quite a number of out of towners attending.

They handed out song sheets and we sung Christmas carols, with the grandchildren singing also. Our first meeting of the New Year will be held Saturday, January 4, at 11:30 a.m. at Denny's on Shaw Ave. and First St. Remember that membership dues are payable for the coming year. Our installation will be held Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020, at 11:30 a.m. at the Grand Banquet Room of the Fresno Breakfast House located at 2085 W. Bullard, Fresno. You will need to call Kay Jensen, 559-289-3461 or Christie Pettitt, 559-259-0718 for your reservations and choice of tri-tip or chicken, for \$25. Our New Year's wish for everyone is good health, much happiness and prosperity. So with all of that, it will be a great year. MN

Freja No. 6 & Dana No. 15

Meeting: 1st. Sunday every month at 1:00 P.M.; Salinas Masonic Center, 48 East San Joaquin Street, Salinas CA
Secretary, Natalie Heer, timandnatalie@sbcglobal.net

Happy New Year from Salinas! We all hope you had a wonderful warm Christmas time. If you still have Sunday the 5th open (probably just a couple of days from now) please think about driving to Salinas and join us for our

annual traditional Danish meal. We'll gather at the Salinas Masonic Center 48 East San Joaquin St. at 1pm for small bites and sit down at 2pm with full plates. There's no charge, please come let us feed you! Let's start this new

decade with full tummies and friendly faces. If you can make it, would be great if you let us know by Saturday night so we know how many pork roasts to put in the oven. timandnatalie@sbcglobal.net or ph. 831-426-4623. Dana and Freja members please mark you calendars for Sunday January 26 for a business meeting lunch at a soon to be determined Salinas restaurant, and please come

prepared to let us know if you would like to represent us at convention in April. We will not be meeting in February, but will meet on Sunday March 1st. GODT NYTÅR! jhg

Note From Freja and Dana Treasurer: Freja's Dues is \$25.00 and Dana's is \$15.00. If you are a Fifty Year Member of Freja your dues would be \$12.50. TJH

Dannevang No. 7 & Danebod No. 16

Meets 2nd Saturday at 6:00PM; The Farm Bureau Building, 638 Enos Way in Livermore.

Dannevang #7 Secretary, Robert Lamee, Robertlamee@yahoo.com Danebod Secretary, Kathy Thomsen, danskfarm@yahoo.com

Happy New Year! May 2020 be a good one! Livermore just can't get enough of holiday feasting, so we are continuing with one more holiday dinner for our January meeting at the home of Bob and Tracey Lamee, Saturday, January 11th, 2:00. Please RSVP if you plan to join us at the email above, or call Tracey at (925) 819-2785. We had a delightful Christmas themed dinner at Kathy's house with

a short meeting in December. Please send in dues, \$12.00 for Danebod No. 16 to Tracey and \$22.00 for Dannevang No. 7 to Bob. Be sure and Mark your calendars for our installation February 22nd, 12:00, we will be back at the Odd Fellows Hall for a traditional Danish open face sandwich buffet. Let's bring in the New Year with some holiday cheer, Skål! KRT

No. 9 Thyra & Valborg No. 1

Meeting: 2nd Thursday every month 7:30 PM; 20920 Redwood Road, Castro Valley CA 94546.

President, Susan Gauthier, s.gauthier@sbcglobal.net #9 Thyra/Valborg #1 Secretary, Beth Cowan, beth.cowan@att.net

We gathered at the residence of Greg Gleeson for our annual Christmas party. Thank you to Greg and Pat Brouillette for hosting. And, a huge thank you to all who donated toys for the local Salvation Army!

Note from Hayward Treasurers:

Membership dues are payable for the coming year. Please bring to a meeting or mail to respective Treasurers.

Checks payable to Valborg #1, in the amount of \$12, mail to Pat Brouillette, 1400 Jacqueline Place, San Lorenzo CA 94580. Checks payable to Thyra #9, in the amount of \$35 for sick benefit members and \$29 for social members, mail to Stuart Mahler, 803 Bantry Way, Benicia CA 94510. Please join us when Hayward Lodges meet on Thursday, January 9 at 7:30 PM. Visitors are always welcome! Happy New Year, Susan

Sonderjylland No. 10

Meeting 2nd Saturday of March, June, August and October, 11:30 at Kastania Fælled, Petaluma.

John Cruger-Hansen, Secretary, 8426 Bel View Court, El Cerrito, CA 94530-2557

Home: 510-232-6998 or cell: 510-375-5070, E-Mail: j.crugerhansen@comcast.net

Sonderjylland #10 had their annual Christmas Party on December 7, held together with the San Francisco Chapter of the Rebild National Park Society at the Aldersly Danish Retirement home in San Rafael. We had a great time eating Danish food, singing Danish Christmas songs and mingling with our friends from the Rebild Society. A great tradition we all enjoyed.

We are planning to have our traditional Valentine's Day lunch event on Sunday, February 16, 2020, but have been

informed that the restaurant at the Oakmont Golf Club, where we traditionally have had our Valentine's lunch, has closed. We are now searching for a new place near Santa Rosa to have our traditional Valentine's lunch. More news to follow.

Our next regular scheduled meeting is on Saturday, April 11, 2020.

Respectfully, John Cruger-Hansen, Secretary

Valhalla No. 11 & Ydun No. 10

Meeting: 1st Saturday every month at 11:00 A.M., Danish Hall, Ferndale, CA 95536

Secretary, Christian Nielsen, ChristianNielsen@suddenlink.net

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. On January 4, since crab will not be available, we will be doing a sea food catered lunch after our meeting. Meeting will be at 11:00 with lunch served around 12:30. Cost to be

announced, make reservations to **Falicity Christensen** at (503) 706-8732.

Dues are due and can be paid at the meeting.
Christian Nielsen

Valdemar No 12. & Dannevirke No. 9

**Meeting: 1st. Friday every month at 7 PM, Odd Fellows Hall; 1300 Stardust Street Reno, NV 89503.
Secretary, Sena Marie Freeman P.O. Box 4575, Sparks NV 89432; Anette Christensen,
anettechristensen@charter.net**

The Reno Lodges of Valdemar #12 and Dannevirke #9 met at the Odd Fellows Hall on Friday December 6, at 6 pm for our outstanding Christmas Party. 110 was in attendance and it was so nice to see all our members, their guests, children and grandchildren - we don't get to see them very often. We especially enjoy the little ones and there were no shortage of cuteness watching all the children - Soggi was the youngest with 10 months. We started the evening with Gløgg and Æbleskiver, then Ingrid Hedman led the Performance with Lucia girls and Star boys. A huge thank you goes out to Ingrid and all the performers for dedicating their time for us every year. On Sunday, they also perform at the VA Hospital and a Nursing home ending the season with a pizza party.

(Maybe that's why they keep coming back? 😊)
Following the St. Lucia Performance, we enjoyed the Christmas dinner and it was all so yummy. The kitchen crew had everything under control - Lars, Mariann, John, Lisa, Carl and Jens were on it! I even heard that "Gordon Ramsay" was giving instructions? 😊
After dinner, Steve Myers entertained everyone with "Nisse" stories and tricks to everyone's enjoyment. Gifts were handed out to the children by the "Nisse". Thank

Bornholm No. 14

**Meeting: 3rd. Friday every month 7:00 PM Eagles Hall 126 Camellia Way Modesto, CA 95351.
Secretary, Ann Stowers, ann.max@att.net**

We ended the year with our Christmas Party on Dec. 14th. We welcomed Grand President's current and past; Guests from other lodges; and many grandchildren. We started with appetizers and cocktails followed by a great lunch. Santa Joined us for songs, games and gift-giving. I think everyone had a good time.
Now that we have said goodbye to 2019, we are working on our 2020 Calendar. For those of you who plan to attend this year's Convention, the registration form is attached to this Newsletter and will also be available on the website. If anyone needs additional copies please let us know. You can contact Convention Committee Chairman, John Scheuber: (209) 541-4092 or john.scheuber@vsi.cc.
As a reminder to secretaries, you need to report names and

Danneskjold No. 17 & Laura No. 8

**Meeting: 3rd Saturday at 12 Noon in various homes.
President, Doris Skow, dws1929@gmail.com, Secretary, Laila Solyst, lailaspring@hotmail.com**

I hope all of you reading this, had as great a holiday season as I did. Now 2020 is starting and if goes as fast as 2019, then it will be over next month. HAHA.
This is the first newsletter article of the future. As of Dec. 31 Laura, #8 closed their books for the final time and became part of Danneskjold #17 of Dania.
Jan. 18, 2020 we will hold our first meeting of the year. We will start with lunch prepared by Kim

you so much Steve for surprising Ann-Katherine, Nina and Jordon for giving them the gifts from Sena-Marie. I love seeing the look on Ann-Katherine's face when he brings her the gift. Nina's and Jordon's as well this year. Then it was time for coffee and dessert. Mariann Gnantd had made the delicious Ris a la mande (Rice pudding) with cherry sauce. Also, a thank you to all the "Cookie bakers". We ended the evening with a raffle and want to thank everyone that donated items. We needed an extra table this year. Thank you to Bob and Lone Webb for setting the raffle tables up. Great job.

A Big, big thank you to everyone that came to set up - the kitchen help and the clean-up crew. This party couldn't be done without everyone's help! I even heard from several people, that this was the best party ever! 😊
Our January meeting will be on Friday January 3, 2020 at 7 pm - it will be our fish dinner. Cod, potatoes & mustard gravy. Everyone can bring appetizers or desserts.
January Birthdays: Ingrid Hedman, Marlene Swaffer, Jens Christiansen, Erik Jensen, John Matuzak, and Knud Sorensen. Happy Birthday everyone!
Happy and healthy 2020. Take care, Sena-Marie

addresses of your delegates to either the Grand-Lodge Secretary or to me at the above e-mail address.
Our January meeting will be on Friday January 17 hosted by John & Marge Scheuber at 2608 Van Gogh Drive, Modesto 95356. They will provide us with some "Swiss delicacies". Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. Meeting will follow.
Plans for our annual Fish Dinner are on-going. It is set for the first Saturday, March 7. If you are planning on joining us, please let us know a.s.a.p. (deadline 2/2/20). Further details will follow.
Wishing you all a Happy New Year from Bornholm #14!
- Ann Stowers

Giacinto. Be sure to call her to let her you will be there. 408-314-8626. We will begin at 12 noon as usual.
This our annual program planning meeting. Be sure to bring your calendar so we can everyone involved. Maybe you can host a meeting, help with refreshments, or suggest some programs or entertainment.
DWS

Hejls Minde No. 23

**Meeting: 1st. Wednesday 12 noon at Bit O' Denmark,
Secretary, Jean Kardel, 5765 Oakhill Dr. Santa Maria, CA 93455**

Hejls Minde #23 held its regular meeting Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at the restaurant Bit O' Denmark in Solvang. A delicious Danish lunch was served. The menu was cream corn soup, flaeskesteg, red cabbage, sliced cucumbers and potatoes and gravy. Rice pudding with cherry sauce for dessert along with coffee, tea and snaps! Doris Jensen won the door prize. Happy Birthday was sung to Lucile Wolff!

The meeting was opened with the singing of God Bless America. There was a roll call of officers by Marie Jaeger. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Jean Kardel. The Treasurer's report was read by Marie Jaeger. Dues of \$25.00 are due January 1st.

We finished the meeting by singing "Der er et Yndigt Land". We hope to see you at the Joint Christmas Party with Rebild at the Rancho Santa Ynez Mobile Estates' clubhouse in Solvang on December 8th 4 p.m. Because Bit O' Denmark will be closed for remodeling in January and February, we will hold our January Meeting at the Red Viking on Wednesday, January 8 and our February meeting at the Red Viking on Wednesday, February 5. We will be back at Bit O' Denmark on Wednesday, March 4. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 12 noon at Bit O' Denmark.

Jean Kardel, Secretary

Holger Danske No. 27 & Valkyrien No. 23

Meets four times a year; contact the secretary for further information.

Holger Danske Secretary, Wayne A. Allen; Valkyrien Secretary, Darlene Iverse



2020 Convention

Danish Societies of Dania & Dannebrog



April 16-18, 2020
Clarion Inn Conference Center
1612 Sisk Road Modesto, CA 95350

REGISTRATION FORM

Please use one registration form per person. Make as many copies as necessary.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail (to confirm reservation): _____ Phone Number : _____

Grand Lodge Officer: _____ Title: _____ Local Branch: _____

Delegate: _____ Local Branch: _____

Visitor: _____ Local Branch: _____

Registration Information to be sent to us by April 1, 2020

Registration Fee for the "Package Deal" - \$200 (\$225 after April 1)	
Includes: Thursday Reception , Friday Graffiti Night and Saturday Grand Ball	
Registration for all meetings only - coffee breaks, room & misc. charges \$25 (\$30 after April 1)	
Thursday Reception Only - \$30 (\$ 40 after April 1)	
Friday Graffiti Night Only - \$70 (\$ 80 after April 1)	
Dinner Choices: Circle one - NY Steak - Lemon Chicken - Salmon - Vegetarian	
Saturday Grand Ball Only - \$75 (\$100 after April 1)	
Dinner Choices: Circle one - Prime Rib – Chicken Marsala - Halibut - Vegetarian	
Total	
Make Checks payable to: Bornholm #14	
Mail Registration Form and Check to : Johanne Gade	
12707 South Cometa	
Oakdale, CA 95361	
E-mail any inquiries to: Ann Stowers - ann.max@att.net	
Phone inquiries to: John Scheuber 209-541-4092	

Room Reservations

<p>Clarion Inn Conference Center 1612 Sisk Road, Modesto, CA 95350 Phone: 209-521-1612 Reservation Phone: 1-800-424-6423 Mention Dania Group CG98T9 Prefer we use the Website: https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/cg98t9 Room Rate: \$92/King, \$97/2- Queens, Plus Tax and Fees Special Rate not available after April 5, 2020</p>
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