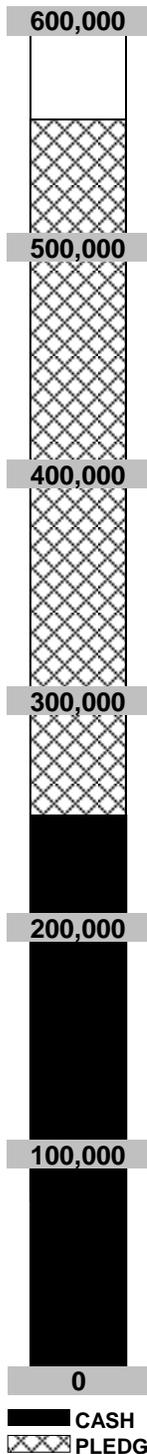


JOTTINGS

November, December 2008, January 2009

ENDOWMENT FUND



Archive Volunteer Week Scheduled for April 20-24

DAAL Volunteers will assemble from many states in The Archive facilities during the days of April 20th through the 24th. Some will come for a single day, others for the entire week, but whether they come for a short stay or for five days, they will engage in the process of accessioning and preserving archival material. The DAAL Board will meet Wednesday forenoon, and in the afternoon there will be a plenary session of all the volunteers.

Volunteers cover their own expenses of travel, lodging and meals, but they share a treasured camaraderie and they enjoy morning and afternoon coffee breaks consuming the delicacies that they have brought.

Assignments are made as work demands and as individual interest and skills dictate, but it is a great help to the director if he knows how many and who to expect. So if you are an experienced hand or a first timer at such volunteering, please inform Dody Johnson 3352 Hanover Ct, Iowa City, IA 52245, Dodyrj@aol.com of your intentions. She in turn will notify the director. The group is eager to expand its pool of participants.

Music Collection Being Organized, Beginning with Hymnals and Songbooks

Thanks to the assistance of Claire Bushong, a member of the Dana College music faculty, the extensive music holdings of the DAAL are being sorted and reorganized. Work is beginning with the collections of hymnals and songbooks but will extend to all music holdings including recordings, CDs, tapes, sheet music, secular songs, folk tunes and scores not to mention clippings of concerts, reviews, programs and pictures.

Director Nielsen and cataloger Sharon Jensen have decided to keep the hymnals in the DAALs collection of books but to place all other holdings in the special room that is being furnished as a repository for audio-visual materials. This room is expected to be operative by April.

Although the collection will focus on music of a Danish origin or with a strong Danish connection, it will also

include other music owned by or played and performed by Danish immigrants and their descendants.

The collection has already been enriched by generous gifts from Hans Hermansen (Racine, WI) and Mr. & Mrs. Svend Hestoft (Milwaukee, WI) and by the fact that The Danish Immigrant Archive of Grand View College, The Danish Immigrant Museum in Elk Horn, IA, and the Danish American Heritage Society have made the DAAL the repository for their music contributions.

Claire Bushong is working on the collection on Tuesday mornings but hopes to devote more time to the project during the summer.

Salvaged U.S. Postage Stamps Used for Current Jottings

John Beck has enabled the DAAL to procure salvaged postage stamps from Boys' Town at a greatly reduced price. This results in a financial savings, but it means that the mailings look less professional. Stamp collectors and history buffs, however, may savor the results.

Because the adhesive backing has been removed in the process of salvaging the stamps, it is necessary for volunteers to affix the stamps using glue sticks which is a tedious process. As long as volunteers are willing to perform the task the DAAL will continue to avail itself of this savings. A thank you to John Beck for initiating the possibility.

Missing Copies of The Bridge Needed to Complete a Set

Tim Jensen, the manager of the DAAL's periodical collection, reports that The Archive has one complete set and one partial set of **The Bridge**, the journal of the Danish American Heritage Society. Since The Archive would like two complete sets, Dr. Jensen would like to receive the missing issues:

- 2001 v. 24 #2
- 2002 v. 25 #2
- 2005 v. 28 #1
- 2006 v. 29 #2
- 2007 v. 30 #2
- 2008 v. 31 #1

Would someone having these issues sitting in an attic, closet or bookshelf be willing to donate them? Send them to The Archive, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008. Attn: Tim Jensen. Thank you.

Jill Hennick expresses Personal Appreciation to Anonymous Donor

Just before Christmas an anonymous donor gave Assistant Jill Hennick a generous cash gift. This was undoubtedly an expression of appreciation for the work that Jill does and an awareness that her salary is not commensurate with her service.

Since she does not know whom to thank, she wishes her appreciation to be made known in this manner. The Archive staff who are the immediate beneficiaries of her assistance join in this thank you to whomever the donor is.

Correction:

The last Jottings erroneously reported that Gerhard Nygaard had been chaplain of The Northfield Retirement Center. That was a serious error. He was the Administrator of the Center for its first twenty years and launched it on its remarkable program of expansion.

Royal Visitors from Denmark Expected by Blair and Dana

As these **JOTTINGS** are printed, a visit by Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary is pending for March 24th. The royal couple will visit Dana in connection with their contacts with various Danish industrial and business operations in the United States. For details of their visit contact Carrie Reed, Director of College Relations, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008.

Lur Publications Issuing Two Books For Spring Distribution

After a hiatus of several years, Lur Publications is once again publishing books with a significant Danish connection. One is a third printing of **Boats in the Night**, Knud Dyby's experiences in Denmark during the Nazi occupation and his role in the rescue of the Danish Jews as told to Martha Loeffler. The second is a reissuing of **Recipes and Reminiscences**, a cookbook issued in 1983 in anticipation of Dana's centennial the following year.

There have been frequent requests for the latter book during the past 25 years. Now once again it will be available with recipes by Dana women and faculty of past years including Abalone Larsen (Mrs. C.B.), Mildred Morton (Mrs. R.E.), Esther Madsen (Mrs. C.C.), Gertrude Nielsen (Mrs. J.P.), and Ingrid Nyholm (Mrs. Paul). Appearing in this year when Dana celebrates its 125th anniversary, the recipes and reminiscences will be especially meaningful.

Both books are available from Lur Publications, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008. **Boats in the Night** costs \$18.95 and **Recipes and Reminiscences** costs \$10.95. Add \$3.00 for shipping and handling for one book and \$1.00 extra for each additional book. Pay by check or by credit card (Visa or Mastercard.)

Unexpected Memorials Occasion Special Tribute to Andersens

When suddenly the DAAL began receiving several significant memorials in honor of A.M. Andersen (See the financial report for details.), Director Nielsen decided it would be more than appropriate to ask Ann George (Dana, 1954) to write the following biographical sketch of Anton and Laurine Andersen and their family. The timing coincides with the 125th anniversary of the founding of Trinity Lutheran Seminary in their home on Park Street in 1884. That school was the antecedent of Dana College.

Members of the family have been devoted supporters of both Dana and The Danish American Archive and Library. This year, instead of drawing names for Christmas gifts, they decided to support some worthy cause: The Archive. A grateful Thank You is extended to all of them. Other families may decide to follow their example.

A.M. and Laurine Andersen's Dedication Make Trinity/Dana Possible

This year Dana College celebrates the 125th anniversary of the founding of its predecessor, Trinity Seminary, and so it seems fitting that we pay tribute to Trinity's first president and first professor, Anton Marius (A.M.) Andersen, and his wife, Laurine.

Andersen, who was determined to become a pastor, left Denmark in 1872 when he learned of the need for pastors to serve Danish immigrants in this country. He was 25 years old. On his arrival he enrolled at Augsburg Seminary in Minneapolis and was ordained in 1874 in the Norwegian-Danish Conference.

His first assignment as a pioneer was to Dannebrog, Nebraska, where he served that congregation and several others in the area. Andersen included an account of his horse-and-buggy experiences during this time in G.B. Christiansen's **Recollections of Our Church Work, 1877-1927**. His life is also documented by Wm. E. Christensen in his 75-year history of Dana and Trinity, **Saga of the Tower**, and by Peter L. Petersen in his 100-year history, **A Place Called Dana**. All three books are available in the Danish American Archive and Library and in the C.A. Dana-LIFE Library. What follows is based on information in those books and on records in the Andersen family Bible, which is also in The Archive.

Rather than going into detail about his ministry and experiences in the Dannebrog area and then in Racine,

Wisconsin, I'd like to focus on the Andersens in Argo, when they returned to Nebraska in 1879; in Blair, in their new house on Park Street, where seminary classes were first held in 1884; and then in the new seminary building, which would eventually be called "Old Main," in 1886.

We know more about Andersen than about his wife, the former Laurine Marie Larsen. They married in 1875, in Omaha; she was a 20-year-old Danish immigrant who had been living in St. Ansgar, Iowa, with a Danish pastor and his family. Cooking, laundry, cleaning, assisting her husband, and child care would have been her responsibilities. It was also a family that had already experienced sorrow: They returned to Nebraska from Wisconsin with their third child, Agnes, who was born that year, 1879. Their first two children, also born in Racine, hadn't survived – Martha, born in 1877, died within the year, and Martin, born in 1878, died the day he was born.

In Argo, about 15 miles northwest of Blair, Andersen served that church, annexes at Oakland-Lyons, Kennard-Orum, Fremont, and Fremont Bluffs, and mission stations in Saunders and Colfax Counties and Blair. In Racine he'd become the first editor of **Dansk Luthersk Kirkeblad** and he continued his editorship at Argo. Three more children were born in Argo: Alfred, in 1880, died when he was 14 months old; Alice, in 1882, died in 1898 of diphtheria; and Anne, in 1883, lived less than a month after her birth. (Infant mortality rates were high in the 19th century, and these deaths had to have been hard to bear – and as you'll see, they continued.)

When developer H.B. Dexter offered property in Blair for a parsonage and church, the Andersens decided that Blair would be a more central location, and they moved in 1883 with four-year-old Agnes and one-year old Alice into the house on Park Street, which, extensively remodeled, still stands. They also installed the small hand-printing press used for the **Kirkeblad** in their home.

The next year, 1884, Andersen was one of a small group of pastors and laymen who met in Argo to establish the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church Association in America, and he became its secretary. It was at that meeting that they also decided to establish a seminary to train pastors to serve the new synod. Andersen was named chair of the education committee, which asked him to organize the seminary and to teach there. He also returned to Denmark that year in an unsuccessful attempt to recruit another faculty member.

With his new duties, he resigned as pastor from the congregations in Fremont, Fremont Bluffs, and in Saunders and Colfax Counties, but continued as pastor at the other four, in Argo, Oakland-Lyons, Kennard-Orum, and Blair. He also resigned as **Kirkeblad** editor, and the printing press was moved elsewhere so that the three rooms on the second floor of the Andersen home could be used for the seminary, with one room for classes and two for sleeping. That first year there were four students, and the second year, nine. Andersen taught exegesis, dogmatics, and church history, and two of the students – his nephews – taught English and

Greek. Mrs. Andersen cooked for them and probably did their laundry and cleaning, too, while caring for their two young daughters. A son, Anders, was born in 1885 and died only a month later.

It soon became clear that the seminary needed more room, and when Blair developers Dexter and J.C.W. Kline donated land for a building site on a hill overlooking Blair and the town promised \$3,000 in matching funds for the structure, Andersen headed a successful fund-raising committee consisting of all the pastors in the synod, two laymen, and a seminary student. He was elected president of the seminary's board of trustees and named to a three-member building committee.

In **A Place Called Dana** Petersen writes that Andersen was recognized by his fellow pastors "as an individual whose faith was matched only by his capacity for work," and his life bears that out. At this point he was seminary president, its only professor, president of its board of trustees, the chief fund-raiser (today we'd call him the "development officer") and a member of the building committee, synod secretary, pastor of four congregations, and a husband and father. He was also a member of Blair's first elected school board. In reviewing Mrs. Andersen's responsibilities, we can safely conclude that she, too, had faith and a "capacity for work."

In 1886, when the Andersens and 12 students moved into the new seminary building that became a campus landmark, Andersen continued as seminary president and its only professor, with his nephews continuing to teach secular subjects. The Andersens lived in a four-room apartment on the south side of the first floor, and there was a kitchen and dining room for students on the south side of the first floor, and there was a kitchen and dining room for students on the north side. Mrs. Andersen continued to provide board for the students. During this time two more children were born: Alvin, in 1887, who died of diphtheria in 1890; and Silas, born in 1889. He became an M.D. and served on Trinity and Dana's Board of Trustees from 1944 to 1953. The number of students continued to grow, with 14 in 1887-88 and 15 the next year. When cooking (understandably) became too burdensome for Mrs. Andersen, students organized their own Boarding Club.

Funds were scarce during this period, and Andersen bore much of the burden. He added his small earnings from the four congregations he served to seminary funds to help pay his own salary of \$600 a year – a salary that, even with this assistance, often wasn't met.

In 1889 he resigned but remained in Blair another year as pastor at First Lutheran. Then he became pastor in Hampton, Nebraska (The church is now a part of the Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer in Grand Island, Nebraska.) In Hampton daughter Emma, who survived, was born in 1891. Two sets of twins, Maren and Ane, born in 1893, and Naomi and Ruth, born in 1894, died shortly after they were born. During this time the Andersens adopted Anton

Nielsen Lorenzen, who survived. (His name in the family Bible is followed by "1893," which according to his daughter, Joan Jensen, is the date of his birth.) The family returned to Blair in 1895, and Andersen taught at Trinity until 1897. Then he accepted a call to Viborg, South Dakota. Their last two children were born in the late 1890s and both survived: Ruthven, in 1896, in Blair; and Allen, in 1899, in Vibog. (Altogether the Andersens had 17 children, one of whom was adopted; only six lived to adulthood.)

In 1903 the family moved to Blair a third time, when Andersen was named editor of another church publication, **Danskeren**. The year before, he'd become a Trinity and Dana board member, serving for some of those years, until 1909, as its secretary and president. Even as a fulltime editor, he briefly served a congregation in Gayville, South Dakota, and for several years was pastor to the congregation in Kennard, a few miles west of Blair. He edited **Danskeren** until 1923, when it and the **Kirkeblad** were merged to become **Luthersk Ugeblad**. He was 75 years old at the time. From their later home in Beresford, South Dakota, the Andersens moved to California, where Mrs. Andersen died in 1939 at the age of 84, and A.M. Andersen died in 1941 at the age of 94.

In **Saga of the Tower** Christensen writes that "people close to [Andersen] remember him as a warm and cordial person." Christensen learned through his interviews with those who had known him that Andersen was temperate and deeply religious and that he "read widely and had a keen interest in politics." Among his hobbies were planting trees, including fruit trees, and tending a vegetable garden. "The couple would serve wine in their home on special occasions," Christensen writes, "but when prohibition arrived, they removed it altogether."

Andersen was an early promoter of using English during church services and was criticized by some for his advocacy. After he retired from preaching, "he made it a point to visit every church in Blair and attend a service in each one," Christensen writes. He also continued to study, write, and translate throughout his life.

In recognition of his many achievements, Andersen received the Golden Cross of the Order of Knights of Dannebrog from the King of Denmark and, in 1938, an honorary doctorate from Trinity Seminary.

*(Readers who would like to know more about A.M. Andersen's formative years in Denmark, his pioneering experiences in Nebraska, and his role in the founding of Trinity Seminary can order a photocopy of his memoirs in G.B. Christiansen's **Recollections** from the Archive for \$5, which includes postage and handling.)*

Innovation – The Danish Way Theme of Minneapolis Conference

The Danish American Heritage Society is sponsoring its third United States based conference, October 1-3, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Minneapolis with the theme: "Innovation – The Danish Way." The keynote speaker will be Jørgen M. Clausen, prominent Danish innovator in industry and education. Previous conferences were held in Omaha in 2002 and Des Moines in 2005. For details on program, registration and costs contact Susan Jacobsen:(612)870-3204 sjacobse@artsmia.org | www.artsmia.org.

DIRECTOR'S JOTTINGS

On this February morning I should be greeting you with a valentine verse, but since only a fraction of you received our Christmas note with Elizabeth's art and my poem, I am including the poem that was occasioned by the 2008 nutcracker postage stamp. Unfortunately I cannot reproduce the art.

Steadfast they stand
The soldiers grand
Summoned for service
From distant land

To herald the birth
Of monarchs on earth
Their vestures
Denoting
Dynastic worth

But more wonderous by far
Than emperor or czar
Was one lonely birth
Announced by a star.

So very belatedly we wish you a meaningful 2009 and hope that your Christmas was as gratifying as ours with children, grandchildren and great grandchildren gathered together around the tree.

Then, I want to thank all of you who remembered me with stamps for my collection, and most importantly I want to thank all of you who have contributed to The Archive. You cannot know what a boost it is when a check or a packet of material arrives. It may be only \$10.00 or a single obituary or it may be the \$15,000.00 check or the two large boxes of letters and family items that arrived. Everything is appreciated. I would be less than honest, however, if I did not admit that the latter two provided a special thrill. - JWN

TO: Tom Nielsen, *Library Director*
FROM: John W. Nielsen, *Archive Director*

VOLUNTEERS: 812 hours by 19 volunteers from Blair, Fremont, and Omaha, Nebraska.

VISITORS: 25 visitors from Arizona, Florida, Iowa, Louisiana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Texas and Denmark.

USERS: 39 users from Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Washington, Wisconsin and Denmark.

ACQUISITIONS:

1. H.C. Andersen's **It's Perfectly True and Other Stories** (trans.: Paul Leysaac), **The Bridge** vol. 34 #1, G.B. Christiansen's **Recollections of Our Church at Work**. (Presented anonymously.)
2. Easement and abstract of title for Norman Bansen's property. Professor Emeritus certificate. Correspondence from Veterans Administration. Tribute to Bansen by a Dana student. Bansen's tribute to San Francisco. 3 passports, health certificates, youth hostel pass, and 2 Eurail passes. 7th grade quarterly report card for Bansen. 7 pictures. Danish letter from Anna and Chris, valentine from Grandma, and obituary for Karen Brandt. (Presented by Lloyd and Ann Bansen, Yamhill, Oregon.)
3. **Sangeren**, Slegwart Petersen's **Norges, Sveriges og Danmarks Historie for middelskolen, Børnevennen** (1883, 1884, 1885 and 1886). (Presented by Eleanor H. Brenneke, Hortonville, Wisconsin.)
4. Alfred C. Nielsen's **Life in an American Denmark**. 8 photographs: R.B. Nielsen (Grandfather), St. Peders (Nysted, NE), R.B. and Gertrude Nielsen home with family members (Nysted, 1887), Copy of Nielsen home picture, Nielsen family c. 1908, Nielsen family c. 1912, The Nielsen house, Rasmus and Gertrude Nielsen with child. Rasmus Nielsen's story as told to grandson, Harold Jensen. Elna Bellow's account of her grandparents (Rasmus and Gertrude), 10 Nisse Christmas Cards Elna received (1927, 1928, 1930-1933, 1935-1938). Snapshot of Elna and grandfather, Christian Hansen. Photographs of Christian Hansen and Rikke Utoft, Rasmus Nielsen and Christian Hansen, and Christian Hansen. H. Christian Hansen's account, "H. Christian Hansen's First Days in Minnesota, 1887" with Elna Bellow's notes. Article: "Christian Hansen, "The Fairy Tale Man'," by Johannes Knudsen, translated in 1975 by Gudrun Nielsen for **Kirke og Folk** from 1935 **Julegranen**. Account of descendants of Jens Hansen and Ane Marie Hansdatter given to Ove Johnansen. (Presented by Elna Nielsen Bellows, Edina, Minnesota.)
5. 53 letters (1973-1979) to, from or regarding Art and Kathy Bliese. Article from **Dana Review** on Kathy Bliese as 1976 distinguished alumna. (Presented by Elaine Christensen, Plymouth, Minnesota.)
6. Obituary tribute for Soren Jesper Laursen. Articles on Danish festival in Solvang and a home in Ferndale, CA. Picture of John Christensen and an informative letter from Myra. (Presented by John and Myra Christensen, Fortuna, California.)
7. **A Brief History** (Our Saviour's Lutheran, Fairfield, CT) compiled and edited by Vic Berecz. (Presented by Mark Christoffersen, Fairfield, Connecticut.)
8. **Diamond Jubilee 1900-1975** (Bethesda Lutheran, Eugene, OR). "History of the Danish American Heritage Society – The First 25 Years." "95th Anniversary Bonanza" (Golgotha Lutheran, Chicago, IL.) (Presented by the Danish American Heritage Society, Jim Iversen, Ames, Iowa.)
9. Baptism and confirmation certificates for Mette Beck, 1906, 1920. Naturalization papers for Jes Nielsen Beck, 1894. Delayed certificate of birth for Marie Jensine Beck, 1896 (issued 1942). Note with information on Katherine Kristin Beck, Marie Jensine Beck, and Metta Elnora Beck. (From Allan Jacobsen, Audubon, Iowa). Cassette of Lauritz Melchior singing Danish songs (From William Kuhse, Marshfield, Ohio). **Sangeren, Dr. Morten Luthers Lille Katekismus** (DLPH, 1910), **Psalmebog for Kirke of Hjem, Luthers Katekismus med en Kort Forklaring** (DLPH, 1913), **Bibelhistorie** af Biskop C.F. Balslev (DLPH, 1910), **DANMARK 1:200,000 – Topografiske Kort**. Danish phonograph records: "Ole Lige glade Viser #1," "Stille Hjerter," "Juleaften in Hjemmet," "Juleskibets Ankomst," "Sidste Nyt, Sidste Nyt," "Bars Grin," "Bondepigens Drom," "Maaneskinsidyllen," "Glade Jul, Delige Jul," and "Et Barn er Født I Bethlehem." (From Signor and Inga Larsen, West Branch, Iowa.) 58 Danish letter to Jorgine Enghoff from Jacob Riis, 1900-1910, 8 picture post cards, photo of unidentified woman, perhaps Miss Enghoff, a congratulatory telegram. **En liden Bog til Konfirmationen** to Jorgine Enghoff, 1897. Autograph book belonging to Jorgine Enghoff. (From Robert and Esther Riis, San Diego, California.) "**Der Var Engang**" and "**Kong Kristian Stod Vedhojen Mast**" (From Royal Danish Embassy, Washington, D.C.) Peter Sorensen's **Barn I Kirke**, 4 act farce with songs, 1878, Enok Mortensen's **Livets Lykke**, 3 act play, J. Christian Bay's **Frisk Luft**, Caret Etlar's **Gøngehøvdingen**, (from Earl Bickel, Wilmette, Illinois.) **Danmarks Frihedssang** (From Kim and Gloria Nielsen, Omaha, Nebraska.) (All the above presented by The Danish Immigrant Archive, Elk Horn, Iowa, via John Mark Nielsen.)
10. **Stjernen**, Nov., Dec., Jan. (Presented by Dannebrog Booster Club, Dannebrog, Nebraska.)
11. Address book belonging to Arta Pedersen Christiansen. 3 packets of 60 postcards to Arta. 2 packets of letters to Niels Pedersen, many from Minnie (Ottomine.) 7 packets of material (letters, writings, clippings, papers and family records)

- relating to Niels and Maren (Minnie) Jensen Pedersen. 3 packets of stories, articles and accounts to, by or translated by Arta Pedersen Christiansen. 3 packets of letters and cards of Ejner Christiansen. Pack of material on Christian and Arta Pedersen's 1928 trip to California. 3 packets of material of 1969 Denmark trip regarding Ejner and Arta Christiansen. (Presented by Lois Christiansen Eagleton, Umpqua, Oregon)
12. Obituaries: Gertrude Pedersen, Sophie L. Jepsen, Margaret Morton Andersen, Darrell "Pete" Johansen, Anna N. Carlsen, Elsie M. Lehmer, Joan Jacobsen, Eugene Jacobsen, Shawn W. Jensen, Charles E. Hansen, Audrey Eckerson Hansen, Adelbert Thomsen, Mark H. Olsen, Todd A. Andersen, John G. Petersen, Leona Hansen, Willis "Pete" Hansen, Mary Jean Jensen, Malvern B. Christensen, Lloyd B. Nansen, Sr., Robert Christensen, Mildred Norgaard, Sidney Clausen, Robert Danielsen, Delbert Larsen, Melvin C. Hansen, Marjorie Pedersen, Harvat, Alton Hanson, Ronald J. Andersen, Jr., Jerome A. Hansen, June Christensen, Robert J. Andersen, Irmgard Christensen, Elizabeth Nelson, Ronald W. Steenbock, Bertha Madsen, Robert Brodersen, Paul Andersen, Jr., Kenneth Andreasen, August N. Christenson, Edith M. Anderson, Lorraine D. Nelson, William A. Nelson, Ray A. Jensen, and Sally Hansen Haddix. 2 articles on closing of Vise-Grip plant in DeWitt, NE, founded by William Petersen. 10 back issues of **Den Danske Pioneer**. (Presented by Esther and Norman Freund, Fremont, Nebraska.)
 13. Update information on the Gansberg-Hansen family. (Presented by Rita Hansen.)
 14. Obituaries: Harold S. Williamsen, Marguerite V. Barker, Thelma Hansen Kolb. Funeral folder and Obituary for Gerhardt Mengers. **Stjernen** – Nov. (Presented by Sara Hansen Walter, Blair, Nebraska.)
 15. Marriage bulletin and clipping for Hanson-Collins wedding. (Presented by Verlan and Helga Hanson, Blair, Nebraska.)
 16. Obituary and article on Jorn Utzon. (Presented by Michael and Jill Hennick, Blair, Nebraska.)
 17. Correspondence of Axel Hermansen and The Danish Immigrant Museum. 7 clippings on Peter Back. Album containing: "Glade Jul," "Dejlig er den Himmel Blaa," "Fred Hviler over Land og By," "Da Soren Gjorde Uhre Istand," "Skriv Hjem til Mor," "Dejlige Danmark," "Vuggesang," "Kornmodslandsen," "Dejlige Jorden," and "K rlighed fra Gud." Record: Minnesota Scandinavian Ensemble plays "Old Time." "For de Muntre p  50," "En Aften med Kai L vring," "Copenhagen Pops!" "S manden og Stjernen," "Under Italiens Himmel," "Danske Julesalmer," "Scandinavian-American Folk Dance Music" vol. 2, "Christmas in Scandinavia," "Tivoli Garden," "1658-1983 Vagtskiftet p  Amalienborg og Marcher fra Vagtparaden," "Syng og dans med Tingluti," "16  nskenumre fra Palme Hansen," "For Fulde Sejl I & II, 14 Julesanger," "16 Danske Sange," "Victor Borge presents his own enchanting version of Hans Christian Andersen," "Accordion Solos: Annette L ffler," and "Musical Greetings from Denmark." (Presented by Hans Hermansen, Racine, Wisconsin.)
 18. Packet of information on Danish Reorganized Latter Day Saints of Pottawatomie County, IA. (Presented by Alvina Hjortsvang, Council Bluffs, Iowa.)
 19. Hounshell's **Becoming Bestemor** and **This Precious Love** (Presented by Jeanne Hounshell, Yuma, Arizona.)
 20. **Engraved in Gold** (Listing of service people of Washington Co., NE, who died on duty.) (Presented by Pat Hunsche, Blair, Nebraska.)
 21. Myrtle Rolstad, Vera Johansen, Joyce Andersen Johnson, Luther Barsness, Barbara Everson and Edward Sorenson. "Life and Times of Floyd and Carol (Sorenson) Johnson." Funeral folder and obituary for Edward Sorenson and Beulah Luckman. 2 articles on Anna Dickie Olesen, early Democrat woman activist. Article on Nicolaj Znaider, Danish violinist and conductor. Sunday bulletins and "The Parish Visitor" – St. Peter's (Northfield, MN), June-Dec. 2008 and Jan. 2009. Various parish materials. Hazelwood Cemetery Association announcement. Clipping: Orville and Martha Nelson's 50th. Article on Raymond Larson's pumpkin patch. (Presented by Geraldine Jasan, Northfield, Minnesota.)
 22. **Ved skiftende Belysing: Fot llinger for B rn og Unge**, DLPH – 1910. **Seks Fort llinger for B rn**. DLPH – 1901. (Presented by Janet Jenkins, Lincoln, Nebraska.)
 23. Obituary for Calvin Jorgensen. (Presented by Lorraine Jensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 24. "Chronology of Jens Dixen's Life." "Pages of Remembrances of Missionary Jens Dixen's Life and Work" selected by M.G. Christensen. (Presented by Richard Jensen, Apple Valley, Minnesota.)
 25. Article by Faye O'Reilly in **Peace Matters**, Nov./Dec. "Combine" and bulletins for Immanuel, Orum, NE. **The Oaks Arrow**, Fall 2008. Program for Martin Luther King Alumni Inspiration Breakfast. (Presented by Tim and Sharon Jensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 26. Funeral folder for Victor Lauritsen. Copy of funeral bulletin with obituary for Betty Andersen Heide Kuessow. Copy of Rev. Tim Larson's meditation at Victor Lauritsen's funeral. (Presented by Jim Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 27. DVD "The Census and the Star" by Fred Baltz. Funeral bulletins and obituaries for Harold Schjodt and Calvin Jorgensen. **Engraved in Gold**, record of Washington County gold star personnel. (Presented by Richard Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 28. Copy of picture of Markus Fredrik Wiese (Rev.) and of pages written by him. (Presented by Michael Knudson, Blair, Nebraska.)
 29. CD "The Greatest Warrior I've Ever Known... Was a Woman" by Lynn Madsen, former NFL player. 8 pictures of Madsen family members. 30 pieces of sheet music and collections belonging to Aunt Belle Viles and Grandma May Madsen dated from 1914 on. 2 programs of musicals. Individually crafted art piece. (Presented by Ryan Madsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 30. Johannes Br ndsted & Knud Gedde's **De fem Lange Aar: Danmark under Bes ttelsen 1940-1945** 2 vols. (Presented by Martha Mahoney, Irvine, California via Owen Miller, Big Bear City, California.)
 31. Obituaries: Mary Jane Skanderup, Agnela Kjergaard Teachenor, Daisy Ellen Frederksen Jonasson. Clipping on immigration and archaeology. (Presented by Frances McGee, San Leandro, California.)

32. **The Holm Family Cookbook.** (Presented by Nancy Mueller, Livermore, California.)
33. Passenger information on **DS Thingvalla** for Neve family: (Presented by Lloyd Neve, Blair, Nebraska.)
34. Funeral folder and obituary for Adolph Kloth. (Presented by John Mark Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
35. Invitation to and program for Northfield Community Center observance. Bulletin for St. (Northfield, MN) 115th anniversary. Dana clippings. Obituaries: Leona M. Hansen, Enid M. Kempke, Robert J. Brodersen. Clippings on Larrie Stone, Hanson-Collins wedding, and Gladys Matzen. (Presented by John W. and Elizabeth Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
36. Clipping: "St. Peter's events honor church's Danish history." **Tivoli Fest** – Elk Horn, IA. Funeral folder for Bertha Andersen. (Presented by LeVern and Marilyn Nielsen, Racine, Wisconsin.)
37. **Collected Works of Ove R. Nielsen: Memories, Stories and Verse.** (Presented by Ove R. Nielsen, Hot Springs Village, Arkansas.)
38. 1954 UELC Convention hymnal, Audubon, IA. (Presented by Ron Nielsen, Green Bay, Wisconsin.)
39. "Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of Fredricksburg Evangelical Lutheran Church, Minden, Nebraska 1879-1929." Photo of Fredricksburg church. Memorial folder for Andrew Beck. Death notice for Kaj Nyegaard. Prayer by Kaj Nyegaard in Lincoln paper. Commencement Week Program at Blair High, 1919 (Laura Beck.) Business papers of Kaj Nyegaard. Program for cornerstone laying of Our Saviour's, Lincoln, NE and picture of Our Saviour's. Dedication program for Bethany, Spencer, IA. Pictures of confirmation class at Emmaus, Eugene, OR and Our Saviour's, Lincoln, NE. Clipping on Andrew Beck, Spanish American War veteran. Clipping announcing Kaj Nyegaard's first sermon at Our Saviour's, Oshkosh, WI. Copies of Kaj Nyegaard's declaration of intention, 1913 and his honorable discharge from the U.S. Army, 1919. 2 letter to "Uncle Kai" from John Beck. Letter to Nyegaard from Hans C. Jersild. Certificate of death for Kaj Nyegaard. Memorial message from President Ford. 75th anniversary booklet, 1882-1957, for Our Saviour's, Lincoln. Dedication booklet for Bethany, Spencer, IA. Various clippings and photographs. (Presented by Allan Nyegaard, Eugene, Oregon.)
40. "On Our Way Rejoicing" – 1888-1988, Bethany, Spencer, IA. Obituary and funeral folder for Luther Barsness. (Presented by Gerhard Nygaard, Northfield, Minnesota.)
41. Christmas letter from Denmark. (Presented by Darlene Olsen, Lyons, Nebraska.)
42. Danish Canadian **Club News** on Pallesen memorial concert. (Presented by Peter Pallesen, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.)
43. First Danish Baptist Church, Clarks Grove, MN: anniversary books for 60th, 100th and 125th. Obituaries/funeral folders for Helen Christiansen Petersen, L. Herbert Petersen, John Wayne, Dale H. Jensen. Clippings (1 original, 3 copies) concerning Rev. Aage W. Warren. Letter from Colleen Jensen on Dale Jensen's death. Letter from Emily Ayers on L. Herbert Petersen's death. Pete (A.J.) Petersen's notes on John Wayne's funeral. Transcript summary of Danish radio broadcast on A.J. Warren (2005), 2 notes. (Presented by A.J. "Pete" Petersen, Kennewick, Washington.)
44. Funeral bulletin and obituary for Adolph Kloth. (Presented by Jon and Dorothy Kloth Petersen, Puyallup, Washington.)
45. Picture of Dana Students and faculty, 1922. Framed felt hanging "Herren er min Hyrde." Embroidered felt banner: "Jesus elsker dig." **Den Gamles Julebog**, 1926. Invitation to royal banquet in Omaha, May 20, 1976, **Eenfoldige Betragtninger**, 1881, containing Schmidt-Ludvig family information. Pictures of C.C. Madsen presenting Diamond Jubilee Award to P.C. Jensen, of P.C. and Kirsten Jensen, and of P.C. Jensen. "Pella Historical Style Show" program, Sidney, MT. Picture of P.C. reading at family Christmas gathering, 1966. Confirmation class picture, Exira, IA, 1931. Danish prayer and songs with translations, some by P.C. Photos of P.C. Jensen and of Theodor Beck and P.C. Various clippings. Occasional poems written by P.C. Picture of P.C.'s ruff and robe presented to The Danish Immigrant Museum. Packet of pictures labeled "Uncle Al's and Margaret's. Picture of Plugge family. 1918 letter of P.C. to Katie (Mrs. P.C.) (Presented by Ellenora Jensen Plugge, Blair, Nebraska.)
46. Obituary: Joyce Petersen Strong. Copy of picture of Eagle Sanitary Dairy, owned and operated by Alfred Madsen. (Presented by Ruth Rasmussen, Omaha, Nebraska.)
47. **World War II Story for Harold Sand** by Kenneth Sand. **My War 1943-1946: Harry Rasmussen Sand** by Kenneth H. and Richard L. Sand. (Presented by Kenneth and Carolyn Sand, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin.)
48. Copies of 9 letters from Denmark with translations. Catalog of descendants of Jørgen Ulrichsen. Family chart Family tree chart of descendants of Jørgen Ulrichsen and Anneken Doens. Picture (copy) of Andreas and Mette Birk Dinnesen. Picture (copy) of Nicolai and Christine Larsen Birk. Cop of clipping on N.J. Birk and Christine Larsen Birk's golden wedding. Translation of clipping. Picture (copy) of N.J. and Christine Larsen Birk. (Presented by Larrie and Norma Stone, Blair, Nebraska.)
49. Obituaries: Karl Pedersen, Gloria Strandberg Klint, Agil V. Olsen, Ralph Stillman Jacobsen, Thomas E. Thoresen, Odel Andersen, James Gregory Bruno, Anne Jensen Fitzgerald, Ray A. Eriksen. Clipping: "Looking for light and comfort with the Danes." Magazine: **DENMARK 2008**. Brochures on The American Scandinavian Foundation and Scandinavia House. Brooklyn Museum: Danish Artists Jesper Just and Olafur Eliasson. (Presented by Martha Stone, Boston, Massachusetts.)
50. "For Denmark against Bolshevism" – copy of SS recruiting poster **Bergstaden Røros Norway, Nordic Warriors: SS Panzergrenadier 24 Danmark**, Eastern Front, 1943-1945, **Foreign Legions of the Third Reich: Norway, Denmark, France, Gifts of the Heart, and Little Bits of Wisdom**. (Donated by Ron Vig, Tekamah, Nebraska.)
51. "Ritual" for The Danish Sisterhood of America, "Constitution of Supreme Lodge of the Danish Sisterhood of America." Sisterhood song card. (Presented by Anton Whitehead, Fargo, North Dakota, via The Danish Immigrant Museum.)

FINANCIAL REPORT

November, December 2008, January 2009

General Fund Income

Herbert Hart (Philidelphia, PA) translation	\$5.00	Martha Stone (Boston, MA)	50.00
Sara Hansen-Walter (Blair, NE) family memorial	50.00	Dorothy Feisel (St Michaels, MD)	100.00
Anne & John Hibbing (Lincoln, NE) Aunt Pinkie's 80 th	50.00	Lloyd & Ann Bansen (Yamhill, SD)	50.00
Bee Krantz (Blair, NE) via Eric George		Norman Bansen memorial	
Via Eric George	18.00	Jane Sorensen, David Marchant, Huch Marchant, Ada	100.00
Cal Jorgensen memorial	25.00	Sorensen (Fairfax, VT) A.M. Andersen memorial	
Reimbursement for copies	1.00	Ordell & Virgil Witte (Northfield, MN)	50.00
John W. & Elizabeth Nielsen (Blair, NE)		Willis Olson memorial	
In honor of Verlan Hanson's 80 th	25.00	Ruth Peterson (Portland, OR)	25.00
General Fund gift	1000.00	Dennis Barten (St Louis, MO)	100.00
Joyce Strong memorial	50.00	Edward & Shirley Hansen (Edina, MN)	
Bertha Andersen memorial	25.00	Adolph Kloth memorial	25.00
Harald Schjodt memorial	25.00	Helen Elling memorial	25.00
Leona Hansen memorial	25.00	Richard & Delores Jorgensen (Poy Sippi, WI)	100.00
Helen Witt Elling memorial	25.00	Cal Jorgensen memorial	
Tante Ruth Skjoldager memorial	100.00	Jon & Dorothy Petersen (Puyallup, WA)	25.00
Adolph Kloth memorial	25.00	Adolph Kloth memorial	
Cal Jorgensen memorial	25.00	St Paul's Lutheran Church (Neola, IA)	100.00
Cleo Hanson memorial	25.00	Timothy & Sharon Jensen (Blair, NE)	300.00
In honor of Fritz & Cathy Hansen's wedding	50.00	Bodil & Jorn Muller (Fortuna, CA)	50.00
In honor of Borge M. Christensen's 80 th birthday	50.00	H. Milton & Karen Peterson (Eugene, OR)	25.00
Reimbursement for copies	10.00		
David Nielsen (Winfield, KS)	25.00	<u>Archive Assistant</u>	
R.L. Bartley (Springfield, MO)	20.00	Paul & Marilyn Raadt (Northfield, MN)	\$50.00
Elizabeth Dutton (Boalsburg, PA)	100.00	Duane & Ruth Benson (Council Bluffs, IA)	150.00
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Betsy Lange (Edgewood, NM)	50.00	Oscar Johnson memorial	
Darlene Olsen (Lyons, NE)	25.00		
Glen & Margaret Christoffersen (Redwood City, CA)	100.00	<u>Endowment</u>	
Marilyn & LeVern Nielsen (Racine, WI)	75.00	John Rydberg (St Paul, MN) Oscar Johnson memorial	\$100.00
Bertha Andersen memorial	25.00	Alvina Hjortsvang (Council Bluffs, IA)	25.00
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Elna Nielsen Bellows (Edina, MN)	5000.00	Karen & Mike Brodie (Richardson, TX)	500.00
Maynard & Marion Hansen (Springfield, MO)		A.M. Andersen memorial	
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John W. Nielsen		Keith & Paula Anderson (Gaylord, MN)	100.00
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Milt & Elaine Brostrom (St Peter, MN)	25.00	Reisinger (Tallahassee, FL)	
Cal Jorgensen memorial		A.M. Andersen memorial	
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		Calvin Jorgensen memorial	50.00
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