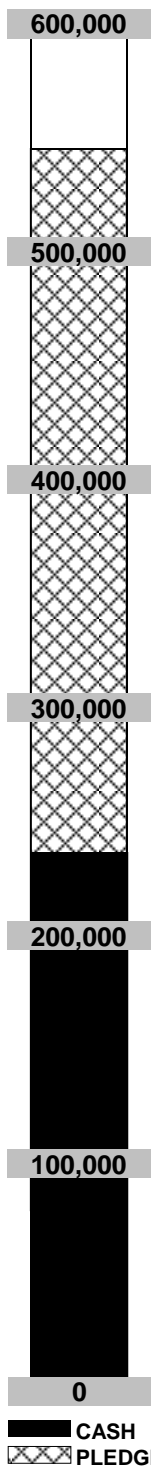


JOTTINGS

August, September, October 2008

ENDOWMENT FUND



Articles of Association, Bylaws, Resolution of Intent and Board Unanimously Adopted or Elected

Articles of Association and Bylaws for the Danish American Archive and Library were unanimously adopted by the general assembly of the DAAL at the Wednesday afternoon, October 8th, meeting at Dana College.

The documents give formal status to The Archive and provide rules for its operation. The Resolution of Intent is an initial statement towards preserving the integrity of The Archive holdings as a permanent and inviolable record of Danish American historical and cultural material.

The assembly also elected a six member board. Edward Hansen (Edina, MN) and Sandra Wigdahl (Blair, NE) for one year, Tim Jensen (Blair, NE) and Pete Petersen (Canyon, TX) for two years, and Fritz Hansen (Wichita, KS) and Joan Jensen (Ankeny, IA) for three years. These terms were in accordance with the newly adopted Articles. In subsequent elections members will be elected for three-year terms. Tim Jensen served as secretary for the meeting, and John W. Nielsen presented the director's report.

Assistant Jill Hennick Assumes Duties the End of September

Jill Jorgensen Hennick became an assistant to Archive director John W. Nielsen on September 29th. Jill is a 1986 Dana graduate who comes to The Archive with wide business experience and the highest recommendations. Her position was made possible by the generosity of many of you who gave designated gifts to the support of an assistant. The Archive board trusts that that support will be renewed in the current year and that others will join in the venture so that her present three-hour a day schedule can be expanded, ultimately becoming a full-time paid position.

Jill originally came to Dana as a student from Poy Sippi, Wisconsin. She is married to Michael Hennick. Michael is also a 1986 Dana graduate. The Hennicks have moved to Blair from Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

No Major Financial Drive Planned for 2008-2009

The Board of the DAAL decided that in light of the current national economic situation no special financial drive would be launched this year. This is a venture of trust in you its constituency because expenses, of course, not only continue but increase.

Currently the DAAL operates with two separate accounts: the Endowment Fund which provides support for the future and the General Fund which covers current operating costs. These costs include printing, postage, shelving, acid-free boxes and envelopes, computers and other supplies and equipment. Also included in the General Fund is the salary of The Archive assistant. To make sure that these assistant funds are kept distinct from general operating funds, a special account column has been created for them in the General Fund account.

There was discussion of establishing Archive dues, but it was decided to continue the current procedure of considering anyone who has contributed money, archival material, or voluntary service during the current and preceding year a voting member. Again this expresses confidence that those who give material or service to The Archive will also contribute money to insure its operation and future.

Official Reminder of Director's Discretionary Authority Over Undesignated Contributions

Rules require that at least once a year The Archive constituency be reminded that the director has authority to deposit all undesignated financial gifts in the fund where they are most needed. Designated gifts, of course, will be deposited according to the donor's stated intention.

During much of the past decade most undesignated gifts of \$100.00 or more were assigned to The Endowment Fund. That policy has changed more recently as operating costs have increased because of the marked expansion of The Archive holdings and operation.

Nebraska State Library Association Panel Presented by Dana/Archive

DAAL Director John W. Nielsen joined Eric Petersen, Dana College Reference Librarian, and Dana senior Jon Brown in making a presentation at the State Library Conference in Lincoln on research opportunities for undergraduate students provided by special collections such as the DAAL.

Eric Petersen introduced the value of special holdings in libraries as well as Dr. Iain Andersen's research course at Dana. Jon Brown, a student in Dr. Andersen's last year class, described his use of the Danish Brotherhood records to determine the effect of the Great Depression upon American Danes. Besides his particular use of those records, he indicated several other ways in which the Brotherhood records could be used for research. Dr. Nielsen described how DAAL material was organized and background on the Danish Brotherhood.

Work Begins On Processing Large Music Collection

Work is just beginning on organizing and cataloging the large music collection that is held by the DAAL. This is made possible because Claire Bushong, a member of the Dana College music department, has volunteered time each week to begin this enormous undertaking. If her plans develop according to schedule, she will devote more time during the summer.

The collection which began originally with hymnals and Dana College Choir recordings has expanded to include all kinds of music belonging to members of the Danish Community in America. This means there is not only sheet music, songbooks, musical scores, records, tapes and disks but also in most cases the necessary equipment to reproduce that music. It is hoped as part of this project to eventually digitize the music. The collection has rapidly expanded because The Danish Immigrant Museum and The Family History and Genealogical Center both in Elk Horn, Iowa, and the Danish Immigrant Archive at Grand View College in Des Moines have made the DAAL the official repository for such music donations.

Archive Contributions Provide Interesting Insight Into Past

Every gift received by The Archive carries with it its own particular significance, but recently two provided special insight into the past. In the last Walker-Johnson box to be opened such an item appeared. It is a man's tie adorned with a host of political pins. Ordinarily this tie would be turned over to The Danish Immigrant Museum as an artifact, but because it casts light on a host of political clippings, cartoons, and campaign literature in the collection, it is being retained by the DAAL. Included are pins stating: "Repeal the 19th Amendment", "No 3rd Term", "Forward with Stevenson", and "Kennedy for President".

A second revealing gift is a collection of essays that Chris Larsen of Fresno wrote while a student at Dana in 1914. These themes are on Dana subjects – one providing a student's assessment of such faculty members as P.S. Vig, Nellie Falk, Viggo Mengers and Charlie Gaydou. One of special interest describes how Charlie Gaydou got students to enlist in the National Guard. It refers to early days before they had been issued arms for drilling. Suddenly a photograph in possession of The Archive assumed significance. It pictures a rag-tag group of fellows outside Old Main standing at rigid attention holding broom sticks. Undoubtedly these are the Dana volunteers! Unfortunately like many recent members of the Nebraska National Guard who unexpectedly found themselves in Iraq, several of these 1914 volunteers were sent to the Southwest and Mexico in an attempt to capture Pancho Villa.

These delightful essays written by her father were a gift of Liz Larsen of Fresno.

Volunteer Week – Small in Size, Great in Spirit and Accomplishment

Several late cancellations and local conflicts meant this autumn's Volunteer Week numbered only thirty, but the characteristic enthusiasm prevailed resulting in an impressive amount of work being accomplished, not to mention the organizational decisions of the DAAL. Four non-volunteer members – John Beck, Phil and Florence Larsen, and Phil Pagel – together with five proxies by Ada Jeppesen, Mary Larsen, Ried and Eunice Neve, and Ruth Rasmussen provided the necessary quorum.

Making his first appearance at a Volunteer Week was Borge M. Christensen (Rochester, MN) who assisted by Sandra Wigdahl began organizing his large collection which together with the Walker-Johnson collection is housed in a recently opened room.

Don and Marge Wahlgren (Gowrie, IA) worked with the periodical collection. Dody Johnson (Iowa City, IA) and Joan Jensen (Ankeny, IA) worked with the obituary collection. Erna Berthelsen (Albert Lea, MN), Edward Hansen (Edina, MN), Ralf and Inga Hoifeldt (Urbandale, IA) and Borge M. Christensen translated letters and articles, Roger and Marilyn Hanson (Cedar Falls, IA) cataloged Walker-Johnson letters, Fritz Hansen (Wichita, KS), Shirley Hansen (Edina, MN), LeVern and Marilyn Nielsen (Racine, WI), Palma Plume (Evergreen, CO), Shirley Petersen (Canyon, TX), and Margaret Madsen (Milwaukee, WI) continued with the Danish Brotherhood records, and Pete Petersen (Canyon, TX) worked on Danish American Heritage Society material.

Besides regular morning and afternoon coffee breaks, the volunteers were guests of Phil and Florence Larsen for dinner Tuesday evening. On Friday noon the remaining workers had lunch with John and Elizabeth Nielsen.

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

VOLUNTEERS: 1,710 hours by 39 volunteers from Blair, Fremont, and Omaha, Nebraska, and from Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, North Dakota, Texas, and Wisconsin.

VISITORS: 52 visitors from Arizona, California, Colorado, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, Wisconsin, and Denmark.

USERS: 18 users from Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, and Denmark. Incomplete records were kept this quarter.

ACQUISITIONS:

1. A. S. Poulsen's **Prædiken holdt** and **Christiansborg Slotskirke**. (Presented by Aina Abrahamson, Thousand Oaks, California.)
2. Picture of Albert Lea Luther Leaguers at convention at Dana. Program for Gov. Val Peterson's visit to Dana. 11 programs for Dana events, 1947-1948. **Viking Log** 1947-1948. Anton and Marie Grobeck's diamond wedding program, 1948. Article on Lucy Neve Larson, Clipping on J.M. Girtz. Article and picture on Danish Immigrant statue in Albert Lea. **Femogtyve Aar – 1896-1921** (UELC). (Presented by Erna Berthelsen, Albert Lea, Minnesota.)
3. Booklet: "Den Danske Sømansskirke I New York." Promotional folder for Danish Seamen's Church. **Bogens Verden (3/2007)**. **Nordisk Mytologi stamps**. (Presented by Borge M. Christensen, Rochester, Minnesota.)
4. **Dedication and Golden Jubilee 1889-1939** (Immanuel, Racine, WI). "Immanuel Herald" (March 1937). **Songs of the Soldiers and Sailors** (1917). C. Moe's **Naaden og Sandheden, New Testament** (U.S. Service edition belonging to Robert Christensen). **Zions Seiers Sange, Looking to Jesus** (Virginia Green's confirmation), Devotion Book (Mr. & Mrs. Green on 50th anniversary), **God in Our Home** (Given to Robert & Virginia on wedding day by Rev. & Mrs. Cornelius Hansen), **God's Message**, and Vilh. Beck's **Erindringer fra mit Liv**. (Presented by Robert and Virginia Christensen, Farmington, New Mexico.)
5. **21 Ansgar Lutherans** (1957, 1958). Funeral folder and obituary for Mabel Sorensen Fredrickson. (Presented by Vaughn and Clarice Christensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
6. "From Thorvaldsen's Music Book," "Danish Delight," "N.F.S. Grundtvig 1783-1872) Den signede dag," and Carl Nielsen's "Symphony No. 5. Op. 50 – Saga Drøm" (From Florence Hansen, Tucson, AZ) Treasurer's Book for Danish Brotherhood Lodge, Ringsted, IA (From Robert E. Nielsen, Ringsted). 3 journals and 4 notebooks belonging to Aage (Worm) Warren, Danish Baptist pastor. C.D of Aage Warren's life written by Romola Warren Petersen Edwards. (From Calvin Petersen, Vermillion, SD, and Romola Edwards, Everett, WA). (Received from The Danish Immigrant Museum, Elk Horn, Iowa).
7. **Stjernen** (August, September, October). (Presented by The Dannebrog Booster Club, Dannebrog, Nebraska.)
8. S. Anker's **Perler**, Stretton's **Adlade Sjælle, 1960 Danske Nytaar**, Scriber's **Sjæle Skat**. Obituaries: Bernice Hansen, Kenneth Larsen, Shiela Larsen, Lois Asmussen, John Hansen, Elmer P. Petersen, Lona Thomsen, Mary Petersen, Allen Larsen, James L. Hansen, Mary Y. Rasmussen, Jeannean Johnson, Mary Lou Andersen, Edwin Jorgensen, Linda Hansen Bristol, Daisy Ebberson, Eugene L. Jensen, Oscar L. Olson, Walter Henricksen, Eileen L. Anderson, Richard O. Christensen, Ashley A. Peterson, Mark A. Christensen, Russell A. Woodard, Richard O. Hansen, Frances Hansen, Donald H. Erickson, Clarence Thomsen, Richard A. Christensen, Eugene L. Jensen Jr., Peter F. Nelson, Burton Christopherson Sr., Jacob Hemmingsen, Karen Jensen Nelson, Beverly Madsen Houser, Mary A. Christensen, Bernice Larson, Ted Westberg, Leslie Clifford Hansen, Richard Larsen, A. Louise Molgaard, Virginia Mortensen, Bruce H. Hansen, Samuel Thomsen, Larry Lee Larsen, Janet Christensen Boucher, Oscar Johnson, Myrtle Kaer Patterson, James Michelsen, Dale Lee Hansen, Clifford Hansen, Folmer Johnson, Genevieve Andreasen, Richard R. Norgard, Joseph Jespersen, William C. Jensen, Louis N. Larsen, Beverly Jensen Olsen, Mary Ann Olsen, Marie A. Olsen, Willow M. Olsen, Glynnis Green, John B. Jensen, Donna R. Nielsen, Ervin F. Jensen, Charles R. Petersen, Ted Larsen, Anna T. Jensen, Richard W. Larsen, Mary Lillian Nelson, Gary F. Hansen, Linda Christensen, Ethel P. Jensen, Patricia Jorgensen Kay, Roberta Hansen, Ansel Andersen, Meta Hansen, Ann Jorgensen Breitbarth, Carolyn Olsen, Helen Jensen Ronin, and James Boothe. Articles: "Hansen loved working with kids at Westside," and "Danish Museum Fetes 25 Years of Culture.: (Presented by Esther and Norman Freund, Fremont, Nebraska.)
9. **The Sower 1951, Danian 1947, Christmas Chimes** 1952, 1955. Obituaries: Iver C. Jorgensen, Harold Jorgensen, Raymond S. Mickelsen, Elizabeth M. Kozar, Frances Hansen Nielsen, Norman A. Jensen, Marjorie B. Lindholm, Janet Petersen, Paul B. Sorensen, Lena Christensen, Cleo Nielsen Simon-Matten, Arthur E. Jepsen, Herdis Jensen, Lemuel Sprow, Folmer G. Jorgensen, Ann Morton Olson, Mabel Hansen Hagaen, Freda J. Christensen, Valborg Moeller Olesen, Mary Jensen Mathews, Ruth Beck Jensen, Fylla Miller Paulsen, Katherine Nikolaisen Sorensen, Caroline Wogensen

- Olsen, Fr. Frank Xavier Jobst, Clarence Heny Christensen, Kenneth Millard Petersen, Earl A. Levisen, Alvin Rueter, Gladys Dige, Norman Joseph Johnson, Daniel Iversen, Edward Thogersen, Anne Margrethe Hansen Jorgensen. Postcard to Bertha Jorgensen from Ella Hansen. (Presented by Esther Jorgensen Grindberg, Blaine, Minnesota.)
10. Fabre's **Hjulets Kavalkade**. Obituary and new release on Dana Jerome Hansen. (Presented by Kathleen Hansen, Sacramento, California.)
 11. **Beretning** (Yearbooks of The Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) Complete set from 1902 to 1962 except for 1907. (Presented by Thorvald and Johanne Hansen, Des Moines, Iowa.)
 12. **Stjernen** (Aug.-Dec. 2007, Feb., Apr., Aug. and Oct. 2008). **Little Mermaid** Nov, Dec. 2007, Jan.-Aug 2008). Obituaries: Mrs. Swen Williamsen, Anna Sorensen, Harry C. Hansen, Stanley C. Petersen, Ansel F. Andersen, James W. Anderson, Mary L. Andersen, Margaret A. Barkley, Madeline P. Carlson, Kenneth H. Christensen, Mary A. Christensen, Charles L. Clark Jr., Shirley Lauersen Crom, Victor Enger, Sally Franceschini, Ruth Clausen Gates, Andrew R. Hansen, Bernice Hansen, Clifford K. Hansen, Dale L. Hansen, Leo S. Hansen, Lillian Hansen, Walter W. Henricksen, Sophus M. Henricksen, Howard H. Hoier, Betty J. Jensen, Bruce R. Jensen, Caroline Laaker Jensen, Howard Krogh Jensen, Jens C. Jensen, William C. Jensen, Wilbur C. Jensen, Mary Sorensen Johnson, Mildred Kastруп, Helen L. Kearnes, Linda Jurgensen Koehn, Howard F. Kubie, Wayne H. Kuhl, Eunice D. Kuhr, Chester Larsen, Larry Lee Larsen, Louis N. Larsen, Ray Lauritsen, Laura M. Lorsch, Albert S. Madsen, Donald Madsen, Dale Magnuson, William Mangelsen, Marlys Mortensen-Say, Donald F. Nelson, Robert G. Nelson, Shurley Nelson, Duane R. Nielsen, Elmer Nielsen, Franklin E. Nielsen, Inga Nielsen, Jean John Nielsen, Violetta Olufson, Beverly D. Paulsen, Elmer E. Petersen, Georgiann Petersen, Kathryn C. Petersen, Kenneth M. Petersen, Laura M. Petersen, David H. Rasmussen, Jessica P. Rasmussen, M. June Rasmussen, Mary M. Rasmussen, Phyllis J. Rasmussen, Betty Jorgensen Rogert, Georgia Kuhr Ryan, Gerald A. Sheets, Michael J. Smith, Ruthene Ann Smith, Andrew Sorensen, Dorothy L. Sorensen, Myron M. Sorensen, Robert C. Sorensen, Katherine Nelson Stewart, Pearl Svendgaard Sticklett, Ruth Suverkrubbe, Paul William Thomsen, Viola E. West. 50 clippings on birthdays, anniversaries and events. (Presented by Sara Hansen Walter, Blair, Nebraska.)
 13. Obituaries: Clifford K. Hansen, Charlotte Jenny, Charles Brehm. Funeral folder and obituary for Irene Kirkegaard Jessen. (Presented by Verlan and Helga Hanson, Blair, Nebraska.)
 14. Krogh's **I Guds Naades Ly**, Roussell's **Børglum Kloster**, Ostenfeldt's **Om Du Kendte Guds Gave**, Ricard's **Med Mund og Pen**, Skovgaard-Petersen's **Manneskeskikkelser: Bibelske Karakterer**, Kristenson's **Danmark of Det Danske Folk**, Ricard's **Ungdom og Kristendom**, Mortensen's **Litteratur Historie**, Also several bibles and song books. (Presented by Phyllis Hunter, Oregon City, Oregon.)
 15. **Nye Testament** 1864, **Den Danske Pioneers Bibliothek** – Numbers 18, 22, 41, Schneekloth's **Dansk Sproglære** – 1892. (Presented by Joan Howe, Schenectady, New York.)
 16. Funeral folder, obituary and letter of information on Carol Jean Sorensen Johnson. (Presented by Jerry Jasan, Northfield, Minnesota.)
 17. **Dana College and Trinity Seminary – 1886-1936**. (Presented by Irving H. Jensen, Jr., Sioux City, Iowa.)
 18. Clipping on Holocaust opera. Obituary for Leo Nielsen. (Presented by Jane Jensen, Plainview, Nebraska.)
 19. Obituaries: Douglas Christensen, Leila Christensen, Willy Christensen, Lyle Esbeck, Evelyn Hansen, Olga A. Sorensen. (Presented by Joan Jensen, Ankeny, Iowa.)
 20. Bulletins for Immanuel, Orum, NE – Aug. Sept., Oct., Newsletter. Clippings on Dana and Danish individuals. Copies of **Den Danske Pioneer** – Aug., Sept., Oct. (Presented by Tim and Sharon Jensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 21. Obituary for Kenneth Larsen. (Presented by Dody Johnson, Iowa City, Iowa.)
 22. Family history notebook with material on Lars Michaelson - Christine Hansen, Lars Michaelson, Mary Jensen, Christen (Chris Moeller) Christensen. Family History notebook of Nicolaj Hendrik Ohms and Anne Marie Hansen (original letters, documents, reports as well as copies.. Ward's **The Rational Method in Reading**, Smith's **School Arithmetic**, Sudlow & Crosby's **Language Before Grammar**. (Presented by Verda Johnson, Atlantic, Iowa.)
 23. Funeral folder and obituary for Oscar Johnson. Obituary for Russell Jensen. (Presented by Jim Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 24. 2008 UELC reunion material. Paul Neve 90th birthday celebration with choir. Elmer Petersen sculpture exhibit at Danish Immigrant Museum material and disk of his works. **Dana Catalog** 1999-2000. Funeral folders for Wayne Anthony, Charles Brehm, Alvin Rueter, Ethel Sonderup. Dana College material. 7 Christmas cards from Paul and Jeanne Simon 1987-1993. (Presented by Richard Jorgensen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 25. Article on Mogens Kiehn in **Scottsdale Republic**. (Presented by Mogens Kiehn, Scottsdale, Arizona.)
 26. 3 Bing and Grøndahl cups and saucers, "Falling Leaf" pattern. (Presented by Nathan Kramer, Blair, Nebraska.)
 27. Clipping of Ambassador Petersen's visit to Danish Immigrant Museum. (Presented by Bee Krantz, Blair, Nebraska.)
 28. **Psalmebog for Kirke og Hjem** belonging to grandmother, Anne Marie Schults, (Presented by Harry Landbo, Fort Myers, Florida.)
 29. H. Hansen's **En Gammel Bang Herreds Slægt**. Disk containing material on Hans Larsen, Fresno, including accounts of his year at Dana, 1914. (Presented by Liz Larsen, Cupertino, California.)
 30. **Børnesangbog for Skolen og Hjemmet, Waters in the Wilderness**, and **Sømandsangbog**. (Presented by Mary Larsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
 31. Copy of 1977 letter from Adelaide Fynboe to Florence Larsen anf First Lutheran Guild. Funeral folders for Charles Brehm, Charlotte Jenny. **Eben Ezer Lutheran**. (Oaks, Oklahoma.) (Presented by Phil and Florence Larsen, Blair, Nebraska.)

32. Laurids Jensen Huus' "Memoirs and Experiences through 60 Years on the Heath of Denmark." Photo of Lautids Lauridsen and bride and of Kristen Lauridsen and family group. (Presented by Carl Lauritsen, Santa Barbara, California.)
33. Obituary and funeral folder for Willis J. Olson. (Presented by Larry and Susan Legore, Algona, Iowa.)
34. Funeral folder and bulletin for Robert A. Christensen. (Presented by Margaret Madsen, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.)
35. Obituaries: Craig Robert Andersen, Louis Classens, Peder Duncan Knudsen, Dorothy Jorgensen Williams, Ebba Schou. (Presented by Frances McGee, San Leandro, California.)
36. Riismøller's **Rebild**, Naver's **Sådan bor Kongen**, Sabroe's **Prinsessen og Hele Kongeriget**, Ræthinge's **Queen in Denmark**, Margrethe II talks about her life, Kauffeldt's **Fra Kronprins til Konge**, Palsbo & Mentze's **Kongens hverdag**, Tronskiftet, Året rundt med Konge Familien, Skovgaard's **Pictures in Viborg Cathedral**, **Rosenborg. 12 LPs**: "La vos taal Jydsk," recordings by Birgitte Grimstad, Trille, Carl Nielsen, Arne Lindet, Lily Broberg, Aksel Schiøtz and others. Also 6 cassettes. (Presented by Family History Center by Michele McNabb.)
37. Clipping on Harriman-Nielsen farmhouse. (Presented by Deb McWhirter, Allison, Iowa.)
38. "Blot til Lyst," account of Gunnar and Susan Mengers trip to Sweden and Denmark in 2000 with 11 pictures. (Presented by Gunnar Mengers, River Edge, New Jersey.)
39. Certificate for completion of course in Civic Education for foreign born residents in Racine for Nels Nelson, 1919. Copies of declaration of intention, oath of allegiance, certificate of arrival, petition for naturalization, and certificate of naturalization for Nels Nelson (issued from 1911 to 1919). Account of the process of naturalization by Earl Nelson. (Presented by Earl Nelson, Racine, Wisconsin.)
40. 8 U.S. passports for Lloyd and Muriel Neve. Article: "Loan to Japan" and notes by Muriel Neve. Letter from Rachel Neve. Picture of Nigerian Lutheran Church with drum. Clipping on Marilyn Neve. (Presented by Lloyd and Muriel Neve, Blair, Nebraska.)
41. Summary of message by Mark Pries at Oscar Johnson's funeral. (Presented by Ried and Eunice Neve, Omaha, Nebraska.)
42. Clippings on Dana, Ralph and Mildred Clausen family, Dick and Lorraine Hansen family, new pastor at Good Shepherd Home. **Washington Post** articles referring to Lyle Schjodt and John Hibbing. (Presented by John W. and Elizabeth Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
43. Funeral folder for Sara Jane Nielsen Watrous. Letter (copy) from Beulah Nielsen. Article by Paul Jersild. Obituaries: Peter P. Brown, Jr., Lawrence Hjortness, Werner Larsen, Donald Andersen, Gertrude Blaesing-Hansen, Eric Ludwig, Robert Bufton, Alan Anderson, Dorothy Rockwell, John Jorgensen, Roy Foss, Harriet Johnson, Robert A. Christensen, Peter Thomaen, William Manke, Erik Andersen, Dagmar Jacobsen, Raymond Gilbreath, Joanne Kosterman, Frank Jensen, Betty V. Hansen, Walter B. Petersen, Paul Smedsgaard, Judith Koch, Victor Deno, Annette Frederickson, William E. Hansen, Einer Berthelsen, Milton Isaacson, Jacob Thomsen, Edna Johnson, Arlene VanBuskirk, Thelma Chandler, Lillian Wall, James Cote, Florence Brun, Carol Nelson Schneider, Ethel Frederickson Hess, Joyce James, Richard L. Peterson, Sr., Geraldine Monson, Raymond Gregorson, Sr., Richard J. Peterson, LeRoy Seeger, James Johnson, Norman Peterson, Charles Mathisson, Melvin Jacobsen, Ethel Stougaard. Clippings on anniversaries and birthdays. Packet of UELC Church and Development material 1947, 1948. (Presented by LeVern and Marilyn Nielsen, Racine, Wisconsin.)
44. Thomas Friedman's "Flush with Energy" (Denmark), Article on John R. Hibbing. (Presented by Tom Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska.)
45. Account of Rev. Jeppe Søe. Copy of title page of **Under Kors og Stjerne** by Søe. Translations of four of his poems. (Presented by Myrna Olsen, Racine, Wisconsin.)
46. Funeral folder for Mildred Bonstead Jacobsen. (Presented by Pete and Shirley Petersen, Canyon, Texas.)
47. **Den dansk amerikanske Højskolesangbog**. Photo of and 66 picture postcard from Minnie Hansen (1907-1926). Obituary and two pictures of Minnie. Photo of and letter and 21 postcards from Mrs. Rasmussen (1908-1924). 2 group pictures and 46 picture postcards from Chris and Marie Nielsen (1907-1924). Disk concerning Hansens in Rowen, IA (1942-1951). Clippings concerning Sheffield, IL, and H. P. Hansen. Disks concerning N.P. Hansen and Christian Nielsen Hansen. 4 letters and cards from Mary Jensen (1913, 1924). 14 picture post cards, 4 letters and 16 pictures from Katherine Nielsen (1912-1938). 23 pictures, 5 picture postcards, and 2 letters from Otto and Caroline Christensen (1909-1935). 6 pictures, 12 postcards and 5 letters from Rasmus Nielsen (1906-1925). Atlas of Wright Co., Ia, with plat maps of townships, alphabetical rural directory, histories of churches and institutions, pictures of families, churches, farms and buildings of general interest. Material on scandal surrounding John Alexander Dowie. (Presented by Palma Plume, Evergreen, Colorado.)
48. 1950 clipping and picture concerning Alfred Madsen's trip to Denmark with daughters Ruth and Donna. 1938 clipping of Omaha cattle auction. (Presented by Ruth Madsen Rasmussen, Omaha, Nebraska.)
49. Letter and material on Charles, Martin, and Christian Mortensen and their descendants. (Presented by Wilma J. Schmitt, Forest Lake, Minnesota.)
50. 1988 issues of Blair's **Pilot Tribune** and **Enterprise** and Omaha's **World Herald's** articles on the Old Main fire. 55 programs, invitations and clippings of Dana events (1976-1978). Dana **Student Handbooks** for 1975-76 and 1976-77. Blair Chamber of Commerce pin: "Blair Nebraska Sits on It." (Presented by Sandra Sonderup, Blair, Nebraska.)
51. Article on Hannibal Woods, Howard Co., Family picture of C. Art and Gweyn Christiansen with children and grandchildren. **Marion Hudson: The Vanguard Viking Extraordinaire**. (Presented by Larrie and Norma Stone, Blair,

- Nebraska.)
52. Hans Christian Andersen's **A Visit to Portugal** (1866). Clippings on Reif Larsen, Gene Perason, Pernille Lopez, Ted Sorensen and Douglas Petersen. Obituaries: Robert J. Andersen, Joyce J. Jensen, Walter A. Carlson, Jr., Betty Olsen Gallagher, George Bjornson, Arthur Stenberg, Elmer Sjostedt, Leif Petersen, Andrew Hansen. (Presented by Martha Stone, Boston, Massachusetts.)
 53. Family tree of the Sven and Kastrup families. (Presented by Peter Sven, Vancouver, B.C., Canada.)
 54. Obituaries: Ardis Syndergaard, Virginia Syndergaard Shreve. (Presented by Larry Syndergaard, Kalamazoo, Michigan.)
 55. "The Real Farming Years," Part II – Reminiscences of Washington County farm years. (Presented by Bill Trip, Blair, Nebraska.)
 56. Article on Solvang: "Celebrating Danish Heritage." (Presented by Mary Lou Tudor-Hayes, Lake Havasu City, Arizona.)

DIRECTOR'S JOTTINGS:

As you undoubtedly have noticed the Jottings proper has assumed a more impersonal tone. That means, as space permits, I will limit my observations and ramblings to these Director's Jottings.

After a gorgeous Indian summer we stand on the threshold of truly November weather – a mix of gray damp days and brisk clear ones both with a subtle but subdued beauty. The rich tones of trunks, branches, and barren underbrush become apparent. The remnants of splendid autumn foliage quiver as pinions of a season past. Even snow flurries are in the forecast. It is good to be alive!

Having just completed an unavoidable combative election cycle, we now crave a period of healing and vision realized. Again this November I used a map I painted on a board in 1936 for the Roosevelt-Landon election. Through all the intervening years I have charted the election results with red and blue tacks – first as radio reported raw totals precinct by precinct and now as often early and usually uncannily accurate projections are made on television. Something has been lost, but then maybe the electorate no longer has the patience to experience the seemingly erratic shifts that occurred as announcers reminded us that the votes of Hennepin or Cook counties were not yet in. So we hoped and waited!

With these November Jottings some of you will be receiving handwritten notes from Jill. I regret not being able to have those minutes with you personally, but minutes mount up to hours when there are 650 notes to write, and hours into days. Hopefully this will enable you to "meet" Jill and allow me to be a bit more relaxed – still writing to each of you a couple of times during the year. It is interesting how I have come to feel that I know so many of you whom I have never met.

As you peruse the financial report you will find memorials to many friends who have died. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the respective families and in most cases a host of meaningful memories arise. I must, however, mention the death of one friend, Oscar Johnson. Not only was Oscar the husband of our Volunteer Week's Organizer and Director, Dody Johnson, but he was a special friend to Elizabeth and me through the years. He was a seminarian when we were in college. Then he married Dody Jensen, a childhood friend from Albert Lea. We cherish the memory of Oscar' quiet and reflective manner, and missed his presence and service during Archive Week.

By the time that these Jottings reach you, Elizabeth and I will have returned from a weekend in Northfield, Minnesota, where we have been invited to celebrate the founding and expansion of The Northfield Retirement Center. The project was launched in March 1962 when I was pastor at St. Peter's. Since that date two other graduates of Trinity Seminary from the class of 1953 played roles in its development. Bob Hansen succeeded me at St. Peter's, and Gerhard Nygaard served many years as pastor at the Retirement Center. We anticipate seeing not only them but a host of other Northfield friends.

As I close these Jottings I am keenly aware of how much there is to be thankful for even in a time of serious economic recession. Life still offers hope and disappointment, illness and health, joy and sorrow, but it offers them to us in a nation of remarkable freedom and amazing opportunity. Still there is love and friendship and the chance to think more of others than of self. So I wish you a truly happy and meaningful Thanksgiving, and may that be the prelude for an Advent Season of hope and a Christmas of joy and fulfillment with the candles of Advent culminating in a wondrous light for the entire world.

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE www.danishamericanarchive.com AND HELP US IDENTIFY PEOPLE ON THE CHANGING PICTURES.

FINANCIAL REPORT

August, September, October 2008

General Fund Income

Edythe & Orville Peterson (Northfield, MN) gift	\$ 25.00
Oscar Johnson memorials:	
John W. & Elizabeth Nielsen (Blair, NE)	100.00
Bee Krantz (Blair, NE)	50.00
Roger & Marilyn Hanson (Cedar Falls, IA)	50.00
Edwin & Eleanor Hansen (Sparta, WI)	15.00
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