

The Little Mermaid

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DACR 2018: Celebrating 40 Years at Menucha

By Line L Larsen



Event participants are calling this year's Danish American Cultural Retreat (DACR), "the best DACR ever!" DACR - previously known as the Danish Cultural Conference - turned 40 in June. For 40 years the conference has brought speakers with areas of expertise related to Denmark, Danish culture, Danish-American relations, and other topics from the Nordic Region. Attendance soared this year with over twice as many participants as last year, a good sign the event is set to continue for years to come.



Image: Janet and Karen at the Friday night Kro-aften

As tradition has it, DACR commences with a flag raising ceremony on Friday afternoon after lunch. This year NWDA board member, Claus Windelev (with the help of 11-year-old Eva) took charge of sending the Danish flag to the top of the flag pole. As the flag headed up against the backdrop of a blue sky, the rest of the guests assembled to sing the Danish national anthem. Guests were then invited into the hall for a short welcome and introduction to the grounds of the Menucha Retreat and Conference Center, the location where DACR is held each year.

The first speaker was professional scientist Kyle Dittmer, who shared an educational presentation comparing eldercare in the U.S. and Denmark. His lecture was interlaced with stories of his personal experience with his mother. Kyle's talk was wrought with emotion and humor, while he created an educational space open for discussion. The stage was set with this atmosphere that carried on throughout the conference.

An almost 4-foot wide 'luksus kringle' from Larsen's Bakery in Seattle was wildly popular among our Danish enthusiast and quickly disappeared during

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Himmelbjerget Danish Camp Fundraiser

By Bodil Muller



On May 19th, more than 50 Portland Danes gathered at the Bethany Lutheran Church for a festive and delicious luncheon, a fundraiser for the Danish young people's camp, Himmelbjerget.

The authentic Danish dishes had been prepared by members of the Danish Sisterhood and the NWDA. There were delectable seafood dishes, typical Danish lunch dishes like ham, roast beef, and

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Northwest Danish Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and sharing with others our Danish culture, traditions, and values



President's Corner



Ninety-five Years and Moving On

By Dr. Edith E. Christensen

Did you know that this is the 95th year of the Northwest Danish Association? It was established on August 18, 1923 with Articles of Incorporation filed with the Washington Secretary of State. It was the idea of a group of Danes to have a Dansk Alderdomshjem. It would serve elders from the Danish churches in Washington and Oregon. Helping elders have a retirement home was a very Danish idea brought here from their homeland.

After asking for delegates from churches and groups of Danes from Bellingham

and Spokane to San Rafael, California, and several meetings, they decided to purchase property in South Park of Seattle to serve elder Danes in a retirement community.

The property was known as The Ham Property which included 5 acres of view property. It had a spacious, well-constructed dwelling with unobstructed views of Mt. Rainier, Puget Sound, and the City of Seattle. There was easy access through various forms of transportation. The property had beautiful shrubbery, orchards and surroundings. The property cost \$15,000.

This reminds me that it is membership renewal time. Or if you are not a member yet, it is now the time to join. We are still taking care of elders, but not in a retirement home. We help them stay in their own homes as long as possible. We provide services, such as personal contact, life lines, a once a month Danish inspired luncheon, and other activities which they can attend. Over the years we have added programs for all ages; Himmelbjerget Camp for 10 to 18 year olds, Little Vikings Dane Camp, Danish American Cultural Retreat (formerly Danish Culture Conference), and various programs around special Danish days and Holidays.

The organization's purpose and activities have changed through the years. Today its principal purpose is to promote and enjoy our Danish traditions and values for all ages.

You can help by being a member and support the various activities by volunteering and participating. Thanks for helping.

The home was opened on July 12, 1925. There is a photo of the building hanging on the wall just as you enter The Danish Center (Harmony Hall) in Seattle (pictured below).

Those Danes were way ahead of their time, in creating a retirement home for people to enjoy their elder years. This is currently being pursued by so many others now in many places throughout the United States.

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Image: NWDA was formerly The Old People's Home founded in Seattle

NWDA News



Our New Membership Year is Here!

This membership year is a special one, Northwest Danish Association is turning 95 this summer! This is a great time to join, we have more membership benefits than ever.

Join now to receive:

- ◆ Up to **50% off** on NWDA events and programs
- ◆ Special pricing at The Dane in Seattle during Fredagscafe
- ◆ Discount at the Danish-inspired Java Bean Café in Seattle
- ◆ And much more...



Image:
NWDA members Eva and Cinnamon

Visit our website to see a full list of benefits.

Become a member now to begin your benefits and be a part of our Danish community!

Memberships ensure that our programs and events continue into the future.

Join quickly and securely online.

Go to:
www.northwestdanish.org/membership/

Or join us by mailing in a form with your payment.
Membership form included on next page.

OPEN HOUSE

Northwest Danish Association is turning 95!

To celebrate, we are hosting an open house for our Danish community and friends.

Join us on our fødselsdag on August 18th for a traditional afternoon birthday celebration with 'Kaffe og Kage' and a champagne toast!



Image by winelab.dk

Refreshments:

- Kransekage (traditional Danish marzipan cake)
- Assortment of Danish pastries
- Coffee, tea, champagne

The celebration will be held in the Seattle Danish Center.
1833 N 105th Street, Suite 205, Seattle, WA 98133
Free Parking!

Save the Date. More details to come.

THANK YOU Larsen's Bakery for donating the kransekage!

Congratulations 2018-19 Scholarship Recipients!

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Majors: Danish, Cinema & Media, Communication

Kaitlyn Kiteley

Western Washington University

Major: Education

Alden Rose

University of Washington

Major: Biology, Danish



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DACR 2018



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By Line L Larsen

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the coffee break. Those who wished to sing were invited to the hall, led by Inge Miller who is active in the singing group in Tacoma. Inge was accompanied by Nora Martinez from Seattle on the piano.

Sailing expert, Christian Holtz, then shared his knowledge on Viking navigation in the second presentation of the day. Christian revealed the ways in which the Vikings were able to navigate across vast distances in their time, with the use of various navigational aids, such as the impressive sunstones.

The rest of the day was filled with optional activities guests could choose from. The nature walk across the vast, blooming grounds of Menucha led to the expansive view over the Columbia River Gorge. The viewpoint serves as the ideal spot for a pause and a short



Image: Lisa and Henry enjoy a night cap in the 'kro'

geology lesson by Kyle Dittmer who is a professional scientist. Kyle talked about volcanic eruptions and how the gorge came to be. Danish language practice was up next on the program, where guests could choose to join beginning Danish lessons with Aase Beaulieu or participate in a more advanced Danish conversation group with Claus Windelev. Other optional activities scattered throughout the weekend included evenings in the 'kro' and Danish trivia with prizes such as wine, chocolate, and coffee.

In celebration of NWDA's 40th year at Menucha, the chef baked a special birthday cake. To the delight of the fun loving Danish group, one celebration led to another. Everyone gathered by the outdoor fireplace to sing in observation of Sankt Hans (also known as midsummer or solstice). The group beautifully sang Midsommervisen, a Danish staple for Sankt Hans. As the group sang and the fire burned, the sun set over the Columbia river gorge leaving notes of violet and orange light on the cliffs above the river. As with most Danish campfires, dough wrapped around sticks (known as snobrød) – were dipped into the fire. S'mores were also thrown into the mix for a true blend of Danish and American favorites. Laughter, song, and hygge echoed throughout the rest of the evening. Guests withdrew to the 'kro' to continue late into the evening with a variety of Danish beer and other refreshments.

The next day guests woke up to whiffs of fresh baked bread emerging from Menucha's kitchen. A full breakfast awaited them, with a smorgasbord-like array of choices, including quiche, yogurt, fruit, cold cuts, cheese, oatmeal and more. To kick off the day, Kristian Naesby, visiting lecturer from the University of Washington Scandinavian Studies Department, dove into his topic on the Golden Era of Danish silent films. Hence the morning began with a viewing of the Danish erotic

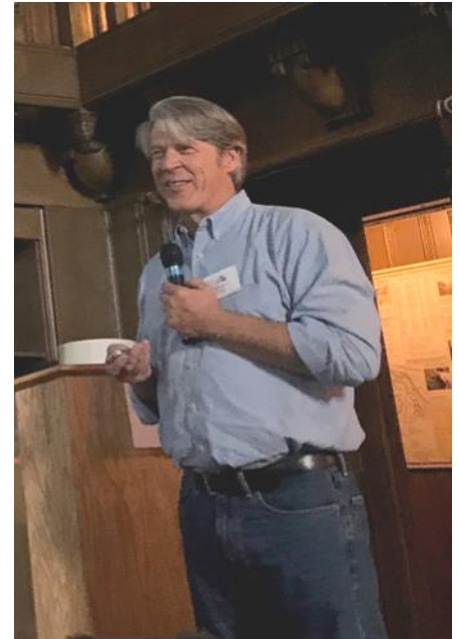


Image: DACR speaker, Eric Nelson, from the new Nordic Museum

melodrama, *The Abyss*, starring Danish superstar, Asta Nielsen. After another break with coffee, Danishes, and singing, Kristian took on the second part of his presentation. With input from the audience, he worked through an analysis of the film and its global significance during the era of the 1910s.

After the lunch break, Eric Nelson, CEO and Executive Director of the new Nordic Museum in Seattle, shared an account of the sequential steps in the process that led to the grand opening of the new museum. A video of the grand opening ceremony showed the splendor of the festivities and clips of the dignified representatives from the Nordic countries, one of which was Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary of Denmark.

Marianne Stecher, professor and head of the Danish Program at the University of Washington, connected the famous Danish writer, Hans Christian Andersen, with the War of 1864. Her talk wrapped up the day of presentations with a historical recap of Denmark dur-

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NWDA Events



DACR 2018: Celebrating 40 Years at Menucha

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Image: Jessica, Christian, Corey, and Kristin during a fieldtrip to Latourell Falls

ing that era.

The area surrounding Menucha is teeming with waterfalls, breathtaking nature, and panoramic viewpoints. On Saturday afternoon guests could choose to go on a fieldtrip to one of the many sights. A hearty Danish dinner of frikadeller, rødkål, kartofler, and agurkesalat awaited the group in the evening upon their return. After dinner, guests were in for another treat - Danish American musician, Jessica Lynne, put on a special performance that catered to the ‘Danishness’ of the DACR crowd. Jessica played Danish favorites mixed in with a few well known English tunes along with her own songs. She even took a handful of (mainly Danish) requests from the audience. With spirits high from the show, guests reconvened in the ‘kro’ for another fun night of Carlsberg,

wine, snacks, and Danish hygge.

Sunday seemed to sneak up akin to years prior. With a weekend packed with activities, ample social time, and learning, the content-rich days speed by each year. A final talk awaited guests after breakfast on Sunday. Inga Wiehl ended the weekend’s series of presentations with a book talk on her newest novel, *Tower Blues: Solving the Riddle of Confinement*. Kim Qvistorff, president of the New York chapter of the Rebuild National Park Society, shared his knowledge of Danish immigration to the U.S. and the consequent plethora of Danish organizations that exist.

The last two to take the stage were president of NWDA, Edith Christensen, and DACR program coordinator, Sonja Kromann. Edith and Sonja thanked participants and all that were involved in making the 40th annual DACR such a success. Edith shared the dates that have already been set for next year, so that all could mark their calendars- **June 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 2019.**

For the closing ceremony, the flag was lowered as guests gathered outside to sing the Danish national anthem. At-



Image: Anne, Line, and Corey in the ‘kro’



Image: DACR 2018 performer, Danish-American musician Jessica Lynne, putting on a special show for the Danish crowd

tendees stuck around to say their farewells, or more accurately, ‘på gensyn’ (until next time), as we say in Denmark. Many already began making plans together to return to Menucha again next year, for the 41st annual retreat.

To see more pictures from DACR 2018 visit:

www.northwestdanish.org/dacr2018/

Himmelbjerget Danish Camp Fundraiser

By Bodil Muller

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liver paté, salads, and delicious cheeses.

When it was time for the beautiful desserts, the tables with the most money in the fund raising envelopes got to choose first. That was an excellent fundraiser, but all the desserts were fabulous, so we all won! The Himmelbjerget camp counselors did a great job as servers, and everyone had a great time. We raised a lot of money for camp scholarships.

Denmark and More



The Cheese Forgotten Under the Reformation

By Jan Bruun-Petersen



Caption: Jan Bruun-Petersen standing on the grounds of Esrum Abbey with Birgitte Cramer Johnsen

Around 1140, near the natural spring called Esrum, the Benedictine monks founded an abbey (kloster in Danish) on Zealand near Hillerød. About eleven years later, the Cistercian monks took over. Around 1200, the Abbey burned down twice. This time it was rebuilt in red brick.

In 1355, Queen Helvig of Schleswig, who was married to King Valdemar IV of Denmark, became a lay sister at the abbey. A lay sister is a woman who has taken vows, but has not been ordained. Such a member of the Catholic Church was there mostly to help out with domestic duties. The queen had sort of been pushed out of the picture by the king's mistress, Tove. The queen eventually was buried at the abbey. Her daughter, Margrethe the First, (who Denmark's current queen is

named after) continued to support the abbey financially.

When Denmark became Lutheran in 1536, the abbey became owned by the king. Some of the buildings were then dismantled to be used as building materials for Kronborg Castle in Elsinore. The remaining buildings were used by the king as a hunting lodge and a stud farm until 1717. After that, the buildings became used for various military and civil purposes. During World War II, they were used to protect the Danish National Archives. Right after the war, they were used to house Latvian refugees. Besides Esrum, Latvian refugees were scattered around Denmark at that time. There were about 2000 of them in Denmark, having fled the Soviets taking over their homes.

In 1996, the surviving buildings and the watermill were fully restored. They are now a museum (focusing on things like the middle ages) and a nature school. The Esrum Abbey lends its name to one of the only two Danish cheeses (the other being Danablu) protected by a PGI (protected geographical indication) within the European Union. Esrum or Esrom cheese had been produced at the abbey until 1559. But then the process was lost due to the Reformation away from the Catholic Church. The recipe was rediscovered in 1951.

Some of the activities at the abbey are a shop, a restaurant next to the water mill, and middle ages days where people dress up in traditional clothing. Esrum Abbey is also now part of the new National Park called Kongernes Nordsjælland which is 263 square kilometers. When I was training for a marathon, I used to run once a week around Esrum Lake (a three hour run), which would take me past the abbey.

NEED A SPACE FOR YOUR NEXT EVENT?

The Seattle Danish Center is available for special events such as birthdays or anniversaries.



Conveniently located near Northgate between Aurora 99 and I-5, the Center features a full kitchen, dance floor, and can host up to 112 people or can be divided in half.

Call the NWDA at [206-523-3263](tel:206-523-3263) for more information.

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NWDA has events lined up year round that draw in 'Danish-minded' people in the Pacific Northwest. We accept sponsorships for most events.

Contact us for more details on what we can offer, including displays at the event and mentions in advertising material.

Or contact us at the office by calling 206.523.3263 or email us at seattle@nwdanish.org

The Dawn of the Viking Age



The Gods of Asgaard and Loke's Children

Viking Series: Part 14

Summarized based on Hudson Publications Event Bookazines 2013, "Vikings: Their Myths and Legends."

For Part 13 of this article, see Issue #2017/2018 Volume 3 of *The Little Mermaid*

The most intelligent, kind, and tender God of Asgaard, was Baldr, the son of Odin and Frigga. He was murdered by his twin brother Hodr, as a result of Loke's deception. As the saga goes, Baldr dreamt of his own death, as did his mother. Out of fear, Frigga used an oath that made Baldr invincible to all things in all the worlds. One exception was the mistletoe, since it seemed insignificant and unthreatening. The mistletoe was a new plant only found in West Valhal, a plant that appeared to be too young to include in the oath. The gods tested this during the meetings of the gods, by shooting at him with various items.

Loke heard this news, and therefore had a spear made out of mistletoe. He then gave the spear to Hodr, who was blind. Hodr threw the spear at Baldr, accidentally murdering him.

This was an enormous loss for all the gods of Asgaard. Frigg asked if one of the gods would be willing to travel to Hel in an effort to find Baldr. They would offer a ransom for his return to Asgard. Baldr's other brother, Hermod, took on this challenge.

Hodr was in turn murdered by his half-brother, Vali, in retaliation. Vali was created for this vengeance. He was the god of eternal light.

Loke, the god who tricked Hodr into murdering Baldr, was a disgrace of all gods and men. He was known as the god of deception.

Loke's Children

Hela was Loke's daughter who ruled as the Goddess of Death. The place of death or the 'underworld' in Norse Mythology was known as Hel.

"Hela he (Odin) cast into Nifelheim, her power over nine worlds (regions), into which she distributes those who are sent to her, that is to say, all who die through sickness or old age. Here she possesses a habitation protected by exceedingly high walls and strongly barred gates. Her hall is called Elvidnir; Hunger is her table; Starvation, her knife; Delay, her man; Slowness, her maid; Precipice, her threshold; Care, her bed; and Burning Anguish forms the hangings of her apartments. The one half of her body is livid, the other half the colour of human flesh. She may therefore easily be recognized; the more so, as she has a dreadfully stern and grim countenance."

-From "The Elder Eddas of Saemund Sigfussonn"

Another of Loke's children was Jormungand, the snake. As Norse mythology has it, Odin threw Jormungand into the sea. He grew so big that he wrapped around the whole world and swallowed his tail to complete a circle.

Fenris, the giant wolf, was also Loke's son. He ultimately became too dangerous to the gods that they were forced to tie him up with Glepner, a special chain. Fenris agreed to be bound up by this chain under the condition that a god would put his hand into Fenris' mouth. Tyr, the bravest of the gods, was the only god who dared to do so. Fenris then realized he was trapped indefinitely, and Tyr lost his hand to the wolf.

Fenris was trapped under the earth by the gods. He made such a racket with his howling that the gods eventually put a sword vertically in his mouth to silence him.

The gods took care of Fenris, but the only god who was fearless enough to feed him was Tyr. Fenris grew larger day by day, to the point where the gods began to fear for their safety. They



Image: Loke's son, Fenris, the wolf

shackled him down with a very strong fetter, called Lading. The gods asked Fenris to test the Lading, and with his great strength he was able to break free from the fetter.

"Then the gods made another fetter, by one-half stronger, and this they called Drome. They wanted the wolf to try this also, saying to him that he would become very famous for his strength, if so strong a chain was not able to hold him. The wolf thought that this fetter was indeed very strong, but also that his strength had increased since he broke the Lading. He also took into consideration that it was necessary to expose one's self to some danger if he desired to become famous; so he let them put the fetter on him. When the gods said they were ready, the wolf shook himself, spurned against and dashed the fetter on the ground, so that the broken pieces flew a long distance. Thus he broke loose out of Drome. Since then it has been held as a proverb, 'to get loose out of Lading' or 'to dash out of Drome,' whenever anything is extraordinarily hard [...]"

-From "The Younger Eddas of Snorre Sturleson"

Find out more about Fenris and the Vikings in the next edition of *The Little Mermaid*.

Calendar



Juli 2018

Søndag	Mandag	Tirsdag	Onsdag	Torsdag	Fredag	Lørdag
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Sangaften (P)	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Danish Hyggeaften (P)	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

August 2018

Søndag	Mandag	Tirsdag	Onsdag	Torsdag	Fredag	Lørdag
			1	2	3 Fredagscafe (S)	4
5	6 Dane Camp (S)	7 Dane Camp (S)	8 Dane Camp (S)	9 Dane Camp (S)	10 Dane Camp (S)	11 All Dane Picnic (P)
12 Danish Community Picnic (S)	13	14	15	16	17	18 NWDA 95th Birthday (S)
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

September 2018

Søndag	Mandag	Tirsdag	Onsdag	Torsdag	Fredag	Lørdag
						1
2	3	4 Work Party (S)	5 DBIA/DSS (S)	6	7 Fredagscafe (S)	8 Danish Movie Day (P)
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Torsdagsklubben (S)	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Danish Sangaften (P)	28	29
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(P)= Portland, (S) = Seattle

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- Work Party — First Tuesday, Seattle (except July & August)
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Save the Date

WASHINGTON

- August 3: Fredagscafe
- August 6 -10: Dane Camp for Little Vikings
- August 12: Danish Community Picnic
- August 18: NWDA 's 95th Birthday
- September 4: Work Party
- September 7: Fredagscafe
- September 20: Torsdagsklubben

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- August 11: All Dane Picnic
- August 22: Book Club
- September 8: Danish Movie Day
- September 27: Danish Sangaften

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