



The Danish Soldiers Club



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NEWSLETTER FOR THE DANISH SOLDIERS CLUB OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, INC. POST OFFICE BOX 41, PETALUMA
CA. 94953

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Greetings -

After a tough week for those of us in the North Bay with the danger of the Kincaid Fire and PG&E power outages it felt great to relax with all our Danish friends at the November meeting. We had beautiful weather with 38 members and guests enjoying Kastania Park and a wonderful Danish Lunch.

Plans are underway to have another great Christmas Party. Due to popular demand it will again be held at the Sonoma Veterans Hall. So please order your Christmas Party tickets through our usual channels (PayPal, Email or US Mail) and while you are doing so maybe include your 2020 dues.

At the November meeting we had our Board elections for the 2020 Board. Both Michael Stecher and Jill Brians agreed to stay on for another term. Henrik Olsgaard of the Vikings of Bjornstad was selected to take over my Director seat on the Board. Welcome to Henrik. Unfortunately due to family health issues Peg Saragina needed to resign from the Board, therefore we will be looking to find someone to fill the remainder of her term (to 2021). Our Thoughts and Prayers go out to Peg and her family.

See you at the Christmas Party
Glade Jul
Rick



Date to remember:
Christmas Party Sunday
December 15th at the
Sonoma Veterans Hall

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Address Correction Requested

The Governing Board for 2019

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The November meeting came with beautiful weather with 38 members and guests enjoying Kastania Park and a wonderful Danish lunch. Thanks to the many donations for the raffle that help support this club. Thanks also to Birthe who brought her famous Tuscan cake.

November 2nd was the last regular meeting of 2019. Election of officers was held with Michael Stecher and Jill Brians being reelected for another term, while Henrik Olsgaard was elected for his 1st term. As stated in the Club Bylaws the new Board will meet in February to select Board officers (including President).

The next event is our Christmas Party on December 15. A lot of preparation is going on by us and all our volunteers. The Children's "goodie" bags along with Hot dogs for the children are handled by Erika Hill, Sonal Nielsen & Christina Nielsen. Peter Schakow will again sing and dance around the Christmas tree, and Jesper Lundbaek will arrange the childrens program. The Veterans Hall in Sonoma is rented, the Caterer is under contract, so it seems we are on the road to another major success. Come and join us for a delightful party.

If you feel you want to help in any way please call Rick (707) 477-6669 or email him at ricksantarini@danishsoldiersclub.com

Keith Brians will coordinate donations to the raffle. We hope like last year a lot of people will bring gifts. If you want to donate an item to our raffle please email Keith at: kastaniakeith@gmail.com or call him at (707) 789-9953.

Remember the Raffle helps alleviate the costs for the Christmas Party so any donations will be appreciated.

Order form for the **JULEFEST** at Sonoma Veterans Memorial Hall, 126 First Street W, Sonoma, CA 95476 Sunday December 15.

We will gather around 11:30 AM, when the Veteran's Hall bar opens. (Drink Tickets only). There will be ample time to socialize, buy raffle tickets and find your tables. First course will be served at the Tables at 1:00 PM, main course will be served around 1:30 PM. MC will be Keith Brians.

Adult Members & Guests.

Smoked Salmon or Bay Shrimp over Napa Cabbage & Iceberg tossed in creamy Cilantro dressing.

Flæskesteg - Oven roasted Danish style Pork loin roast with crisp skin. Served with pickled red cabbage, boiled white potatoes, sugar browned potatoes and a savory sauce.

Ris-a-lamande with warm cherry sauce.

Red or white wine plus coffee.

\$60.00 Total Count _____

Young Folks 16 and under have two selections :

Choice # 1

The same traditional Danish Pork Roast with red cabbage & all the trimmings plus Ris A la Mande.

Soft drinks are included.

\$45.00 Total _____

Choice # 2

Courtesy of DSC we have a special Hot Dog dinner which includes soft drinks.

FREE

Name: _____

Check amount _____

We must have your order no later than Wednesday December 4th.

PayPal: www.danishsoldiersclub.com

Email:
margrethebaekgaard@danishsoldiersclub.com
(Email orders are binding)

Or mail your order with your check to:
Margrethe Baekgaard
1740 Brandee Lane
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
Ph. (707) 293-7972

Final deadline for ordering is
Wednesday December 5th.

Ordering after that time will be charged an extra \$5 per person/order, and with regret we cannot guarantee that such orders will be met. This is due to catering complications with late orders, so please get your orders in on time.



2020 Membership fee of \$40 is now due.

You can pay for the Christmas Dinner and the dues with PayPal at the same time on our website. www.danishsoldiersclub.com

You may also pay for both Christmas Party and 2020 Membership dues by check.

When you write the check for the Christmas Party, it is easy to include \$40 for your 2020 membership.

We will appreciate to receive ALL dues no later than Feb 1, 2020. It will save time and money, if we do not have to send out reminders and call members.



-I hate sending reminders

Christmas Party

Plans are being formulated for our Christmas Party in Sonoma, so mark December 15th on your calendar. We certainly hope that you will not miss our traditional Danish Christmas Party, which will be held at the Veterans Memorial in Sonoma (126 First Street West) on Sunday, December 15th. The Danish Soldiers Club has again rented the big hall and contracted with Annette's Catering for one of the best Holiday dinner events ever.

There will be plenty of chairs, white linen table cloth with napkins, a decorated Christmas Tree and music. After our gathering and the open bar around 11:30 am, we will enjoy a nice salad with either shrimp or salmon.

The dinner menu will be the traditional Danish "Flæskesteg", served with red cabbage, white and sugar browned small potatoes and brown gravy. At every table there will be enough bottles of fine California red and white wines, with the Danish Soldiers Club label. Our dessert will be Ris-a-lamande served with Cherry sauce and coffee (or tea). Also for the youngest guests there will be soft drinks and hot dogs.

As is the Danish tradition there will also be "Mandelgaver" (Almond prizes) familiar to most which will be granted to anyone who can prove that a **WHOLE** almond was found in their dessert.

There will also be a door prize and raffle prizes. In addition we

will bring play recordings of traditional Danish and American Christmas songs. After our dinner we will all join hands and dance around the Christmas Tree. There will also be a "surprise" visit by Santa Claus, who will distribute goodies to the kids. A great time for photos, indeed.

So guaranteed good food and good times for all so please plan on attending. Due to rising expenses with the hall and catering the price for the Christmas Party will be increasing by \$5.00 to \$60.00 (\$45.00 for 16 and under).

Please make sure that your reservations are received in a timely fashion, by **December 4th** by PayPal, or if by Email or US Mail please send in your check to our treasurer, Margrethe Baekgaard so receives by the 4th. Please specify number of adults in your party (\$60 each) young people (\$45 each) or kids getting Hot Dogs as it is important for our planning.

Club News:

At our October membership meeting due rising Club expenses the members present voted to increase the membership dues to \$40.00 for 2020, this is the first increase in 10 years.

Also due to the recent resignation of Board Director Peg Saragina we still need one person to help fill out her remaining term which expires in 2021. Please consider helping the club out by stepping forward.

Order form for renewing Membership to The Danish Soldiers Club

Dear member we just need \$40 for a membership in 2020

Member Name: _____



-Excuse me, what are you doing in my pocket?

It is time for the Christmas Party and that coincides with the time to renew your membership with the Danish Soldiers Club. The price is \$40 for 2020. The easiest way is via PayPal on our website www.danishsoldiersclub.com. Just click on the member renewal button on top of the home page, and you are done.

If you do not have computer access you can also send a \$40 check to either

Lilian Rasmussen our Membership Coordinator. Her address is:
4397 Coach Whip Way
Roseville, CA 95747-8623
email: mormor@surewest.net Ph. (916) 771 4961

Or

Margrethe Baekgaard our Treasurer. Her address is:
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-How many have not paid



In the coming weeks we will be winterizing our facilities at Kastania Fælled to protect them so we can have a great 2020 season. We are also having people with fabrication skills checking out our club Barbeque to make any necessary repairs to ensure that our annual May and September BBQ's still continue to be a success for many years to come.

As we have been asserting all year please share this with your family and friends as a way to inspire new members to join, participate and help us celebrate our Danish Heritage. It takes active members to keep our club alive, maybe encourage that next generation to join. Though this the club will continue to remain vibrant

Hopefully we will see at the Christmas Party and if not then sometime in the coming year as we enter a new decade.

Glædelig Jul! From your Board of Directors



Glade jul, dejlige jul

LYRICS BY: B.S. Ingemann (1850)

Glade jul, dejlige jul,
engle daler ned i skjul!
Hid de flyver med paradys grønt,
hvor de ser, hvad for Gud er kønt,
lønlig iblandt os de gaar.
Julefryd, evige fryd,
hellig sang med himmelsk lyd!
Det er englene, hyrderne så,
dengang Herren i krybben lå,
evig er englenes sang.
Fred på jord, fryd på jord,
Jesusbarnet blandt os bor!
Engle sjunger om barnet så smukt,
han har Himmerigs dør oplukt,
salig er englenes sang.
Salig fred, himmelsk fred,
toner julenat herved!
Engle bringer til store og små
bud om ham, som i krybben lå;
fryd dig, hver sjæl, han har frelst!

