I’m grateful to be writing to you as the board president of the Museum of Danish America. The museum has had a memorable year. The event foremost in my mind from last year was the resignation of Rasmus Thøgersen as executive director. Rasmus joined the staff in December 2016. A modern-day Danish immigrant, Rasmus’ time at the museum, including receiving his American citizenship, parallels the many stories of immigrants told by the museum. Rasmus expanded the museum’s connections with Danish consulates across the country. He engaged the Danish Ambassador to the US, Lars Gert Lose, and the embassy staff to a level as never before.

The success of the museum is not dependent on one individual, but rather the dedication of the whole: staff, board members, and you, the museum’s patrons and supporters.

Tova Brandt, the Albert Ravenholt Curator of Danish-American Culture, was appointed as Interim Director in February 2019. A search committee comprised of past and present board members has screened multiple candidates for the Executive Director position. Former board members on the committee include Gary Knudsen, from Hutchinson, MN, Dagmar Muthamia from Long Beach, CA, and Erik Andersen from Croton-on-Hudson, NY. Current board members on the committee include Anders Sand from Kansas City, MO, Carol Svendsen from Denver, CO, Glenn Henriksen from Armstrong, IA, and Marnie Jensen from Nebraska City, NE. Terri Johnson represents the staff, and ex-officio members include Dennis Larson from Decorah, IA, and myself.

How will the museum continue to engage, educate, and enlighten in the coming years? Work on a new Strategic Plan is underway for 2021-2025. During their terms on the board, members are involved in the development of two concurring strategic plans. This gives value to the plan’s implementation. Our current plan is continually in use by the museum as a guideline for action. Staff meetings and board committee reports are framed with the expectations and outcomes detailed in the Strategic Plan. To begin development of the 2021-2025 plan, the board and staff participated in a SWOT (Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) analysis workshop last October.

In July staff, volunteers, board members, and community members met with a review team from the American Alliance of Museums. The team evaluated our audience expectations, the role of the museum locally, and explored ways to expand the museum’s reach regionally and nationally. The results detailed in the Museum Assessment Program (MAP) will be valuable in the creation of the new Strategic Plan.

Current exhibitions, as well as those of the past year, have embraced the richness of our Danish story past and present. Educational exhibitions told stories of the past in “Denmark, October 1943: Occupation and Resistance”, and “Dannebrog 800”. We beheld engaging exhibitions of contemporary artists Peter Juhl and Torben Jarlstrom Clausen. Excitement abounds with the opening of “New Nordic Cuisine” in June 2019.
Interns have long been an integral part of the museum’s success in exhibits, collections, genealogy, promotion, and the Design Store. This year a new internship was secured to aid the Jens Jensen Prairie Landscape Park. The preservation and re-establishment of prairie landscapes and native habitats for endangered bees, butterflies, and other pollinators is a growing movement. Dedication to the management and promotion of the museum’s unique landscape is one more of the many ways the museum captivates an expanded audience.

Changes in the 2018 tax laws have museums and non-profit organizations contemplating the effect of contributions. This year we may well be challenged when the implications of these changes are fully realized. Thank you for your steadfast support. Your continued membership and generous gifts allow the museum to remain vital, relevant, and exploratory! Please share what you enjoy about MoDA with someone new. Whether they have an interest in history, genealogy, travel, the arts, nature, design, cuisine – MoDA continues to stretch, grow, and captivate the Danish American experience.
The 2018-2019 Board of Directors is a special group of men and women who have unselfishly dedicated themselves to the preservation of their Danish American heritage and the mission of the museum. They join an elite group of individuals who over the past 35 years have worked to build and maintain a museum of which all Danes, Danish Americans and the American public can be proud.

Participating at their own expense, the Board members come together three times a year to share their skills and experience in providing oversight to the administration of the museum and to develop ideas and plans that will contribute to its continuing vitality. It is the practice of the Board to meet each February and June in different locations around the United States so that they may share and celebrate Danish heritage with those Danish Americans who may not otherwise be able to link directly with the museum. In 2018, the Board held its February meeting in Tempe, Arizona, and its June meeting was held at Danebod Folk School in Tyler, Minnesota, with election of new board members. In October the board meeting was held in Elk Horn, Iowa. The museum’s annual meeting was held in Elk Horn with new board members assuming their office; outgoing members present and participating.

Without the dedication, energy, and support of a strong, team-oriented Board of Directors, the museum staff would not be able to work effectively in managing the day-to-day operations of the Museum of Danish America.

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The Museum of Danish America celebrates Danish roots and American dreams.

CORE VALUES

We are:

◆ **Inspirational:** We honor the vision, ambition and diligence of Danish-American achievers, and we seek to inspire future generations by telling their stories.

◆ **Deeply rooted:** We treasure our Danish heritage, and we are deeply committed to our local American communities.

◆ **Focused on the future:** We realize that to keep the past alive, we must always remain part of the future.

VISION STATEMENT

◆ To be widely recognized as the world’s leading compiler and communicator of the history and inspirational achievements of Danish-Americans.

◆ To turn the museum and the villages of Elk Horn and Kimballton into one of Iowa’s top destinations for tourists, educators and local family excursions - and to support other local communities featuring Danish-American history.

◆ To be widely recognized as a thought leader and trendsetter in the international museum industry, constantly featuring new and inspiring experiences for worldwide audiences through innovative exhibits, events, publications and online media tools.

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35 years of “celebrating danish roots and american dreams”

2018 marked the 35th anniversary since our museum was founded. We marked this milestone several times through the year, inviting artists and special guests to join our celebration.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

* In April, we kicked off the celebrations with an evening reception featuring the Danish Ambassador to the United States, His Excellency Lars Gert Lose. Even though illness delayed the Ambassador’s arrival by a couple of days, the guests at the reception enjoyed good food, good company, and a chance to reflect on 35 years of accomplishments.

* During Elk Horn’s annual Tivoli Fest over Memorial Day weekend, the museum arranged a free screening of a new documentary film, “Finding Hygge.” We shared the same film with the community of Tyler, MN during our board meeting in June.

* June featured our annual Sankt Hans Aften (Danish-style Midsummer) with an outdoor party of live music, picnic menu, and a bonfire at sunset.

* In October, when our board of directors gathered for the annual meeting, we hosted a dinner and concert by Grammy-winning Danish jazz violinist, Mads Tolling.

* October also marked another opportunity to share a notable documentary film, “The Danish Solution” by Karen Cantor, which presents the true story of Danes helping their Jewish neighbors reach safety in Sweden during World War II.

* The Danish Embassy in Washington, DC, hosted a first-ever benefit dinner for the museum, specifically in support of the coming “New Nordic Cuisine” traveling exhibition.

In addition to the special events that highlighted our 35th anniversary, the museum continued to welcome visitors from all over the world, present new programs and exhibitions, provide research and translation services, and care for a growing collection of artifacts and archives. Some notable accomplishments include:

* Visitors arrived from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 17 foreign countries.

* The museum installed a satellite exhibit about Danish Modern Design at Copenhagen House in Solvang, CA.

* Among a diverse array of artifacts added to the museum’s permanent collection, one notable new acquisition is a huge troll hand! Danish artist Thomas Dambo created the hand (and the rest of the troll) out of reclaimed lumber for a major installation at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle, IL.

* The museum’s long-standing internship program took another leap forward and added a Prairie Intern for the first time during the summer of 2018. This position joins both American and Danish interns who assist in collections, exhibitions, and outreach.

It’s been an exciting year, and we hope that you will be able to share in the projects and events planned for 2019!

By Tova Brandt
In 2018 volunteers at both the Genealogy Center and Museum contributed a total of 2,506 hours. Each year we lose a few volunteers, for a number of reasons – health, a move to a different community or other commitments. But once again, we've had new volunteers join the team – Andrea Hansen at the museum and Virginia Conklin and Peter Dam-Hein (former Danish intern) at the Genealogy Center. Our volunteers help with genealogy research, translations, assisting museum staff by greeting visitors at the front desk, helping to set up, serve and clean up at a number of museum events, data entry, mailings, and most recently, in the Jens Jensen Prairie Landscape Park. Staff could not do what we do on a daily basis without assistance from our devoted volunteers - every hour of time volunteers give is deeply appreciated.

The following are volunteers for whom we have documented hours in 2018.

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We also want to recognize members of the Atlantic Chapter of the Friends of The Danish Immigrant Museum who have been long-time supporters and donors. The organization provides us with delicious cookies to serve at our annual celebrations of Tivoli Fest, held the weekend preceding Memorial Day, and Julefest, held the weekend following Thanksgiving Day. Its members include Harvey Andersen, Ramona Andersen, Marty & Connie Boose, Janet Bornholdt, Jack & Eileen Denne, Clayton Ellingson, Dean & Verna Esbeck, Ileen Furne, Marcella Gaines, Phyllis Hoegh, Chet & Marj Holland, Nadine Jacobsen, Doris Jensen, Merlin & Sonya Mikkelsen, Beverly Nelson, Dale & Linda Nelson, Delores Nelson, Bob & Frances Nelson, Clara Pedersen, Darrell & Bertha Schroeter, and Nadine Williamson according to the most recent roster of record. Staff member Deb Christensen Larsen represents the museum.

“Mange tak” to ALL of our volunteers!
exhibitions

Sometimes it takes a little extra effort to recognize the extraordinary in our everyday lives. In 2018 several new exhibitions invited us to consider extraordinary examples of art and actions: beautiful art from the simplest of materials; preserving heritage with everyday tools; and heroism in helping a neighbor in need.

In the spring we hosted a traveling exhibition called *In Trunks, Hands, and Hearts: What Immigrants Bring to Iowa*. Organized by Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in Decorah, Iowa, this display shared the stories of immigrants from all over the world who have settled in Iowa and made a new home here. Immigrants bring their personal belongings, their skills, and their traditions, all contributing both tangibly and intangibly to the fabric of society.

This summer we opened two art exhibitions that featured art made from very basic materials. In *Balancing Act*, Minnesota-based Peter Juhl uses rocks from the Lake Superior shoreline to create gravity-defying stacked sculpture; they may last only a moment before toppling, but Peter manages to capture them on camera to make this ephemeral art form one we can all enjoy. In *The Sound of Scissors*, Torben Jarlstrøm Clausen of Odense, Denmark, uses paper and scissors to cut out paper characters – “freeing” them to take their whimsical, unique shapes. Both artists were able to travel to the museum during the year and introduce others to the art of finding beauty in rocks, paper, and scissors.

This fall marked the 75th anniversary of one of the few bright points in World War II, when Danes worked together across society to help their Jewish neighbors to safety in Sweden. The Danish Boatlift took place in the context of five years of occupation by Nazi Germany, 1940-1945, when acts of resistance became more and more prominent. The exhibition *Denmark, October 1943: Occupation and Resistance* presents a poster series about the Danish Boatlift by the Danish Resistance Museum, as well as stories of daily life told through artifacts and archives in our museum collection.

Museums have the capacity to inspire, as we learn about what other people have been able to create and accomplish. We invite you to find inspiration wherever.

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**ON-SITE GALLERY EXHIBITIONS IN 2018**

- *Watercolors by Betty Pedersen Bell*
  July 2017 – May 2018
- *Denmark: America’s Smallest and Biggest Ally*
  September 30, 2017 – September 3, 2018
- *Home-Grown Art*
  November 24, 2017 – June 10, 2018
- *In Trunks, Hands, and Hearts: What Immigrants Bring to Iowa*
  May 26 – June 24, 2018
- *Balancing Act – Peter Juhl*
  June 23, 2018 – March 17, 2019
- *The Sound of Scissors: Paper Characters by Torben Clausen*
  July 1 – December 31, 2018
- *Denmark, October 1943: Occupation and Resistance*
  September 29, 2018 – March 24, 2019

**TRAVELING EXHIBITIONS IN 2018***

- *Danish Gymnastics in America*
  Danish Heritage Preservation Society, Danevang, Texas
- *Denmark – America’s Smallest and Biggest Ally*
  Combined Arms, Houston, Texas
- *Danebod Folk School, Tyler, Minnesota*
- *Flyvestation Værløse, Denmark*
- *Denmark, October 1943*
  The Danish Home, Croton-on-Hudson, New York
- *Hygge*
  Scandinavian Midsummer Festival, Omaha, Nebraska
- *Jens Jensen: Celebrating the Native Prairie*
  Danish Brotherhood in America, Heartland Convention, Davenport, Iowa
- *Skål! Scandinavian Spirits*
  Danish Church and Cultural Center, Yorba Linda, California

*Would you like to share one of these exhibits in your community? Contact us to learn more about hosting a museum display!*
2018 saw the addition of 153 new artifacts to the collections. These ranged from a copper-fronted postcard with an embossed image of Bedstemor’s House to Danish railroad signs to a modern art sculpture by Michael Geertsen. All of these pieces broaden the range of stories the museum can illustrate, as do the photographs, military materials, other art, and even a large wooden troll hand!

Thank you for your continued and kind support.

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With the popularity of DNA tests, television shows, and ever more accessible online resources, interest in genealogy seems only to increase, and 2018 was another busy year for the Genealogy Center. We welcomed a number of visitors to our beautiful building on Main Street, and particularly enjoyed coffee with H.E. Lars Gert Lose, Danish Ambassador to the United States, on his visit to Elk Horn in April.

Our research library continues to grow and improve through the efforts of donors, patrons, volunteers, and interns. Last spring, Scan Design Foundation Intern Peter Dam-Hein pored through our collection of oral histories, documenting and researching the immigrants interviewed and creating a detailed reference database for the collection. His penchant for genealogical research has him continuing to volunteer for the Genealogy Center even while back home in Denmark, for which we are immensely grateful.

Another Scan Design Intern, Camilla Stagis, helped catalog the 600 new items added to our library and Special Collections in the last year. With her talent for organization and cataloging she tackled our backlog, processing a wealth of archival materials and clearing up space at the library. We are fortunate to have Archival Collections Manager Cheyenne Jansdatter working to make our Special Collections more accessible for research, discovering all kinds of hidden gems in our archives.

Genealogy staff completed 66 research projects and 42 translation projects sent to us from all over the country, in addition to many hours spent with patrons in-house. We added 159 new files to our immigrant database and updated or augmented 339 files. Volunteers near and far donated over 2,000 hours to improving our resources, assisting with projects, and keeping us fueled on cookies and coffee. We’re so appreciative of their help.

A very special thank you this year to the Decorative Arts Trust, who allowed me to travel with them to Denmark and Sweden on scholarship for their Study Trip Abroad in June. I had an incredible, educational experience touring museums, castles, and churches and sampling Scandinavian cuisine and culture. More information on the Trust can be found at www.decorativeartstrust.org; we are exceedingly grateful that they reached out to the museum with this opportunity. It is exciting to see the field of genealogy evolve and interest grow, and we look forward to what the next year will bring. Our thanks to all patrons and donors for your kind and generous support.

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The Museum of Danish America’s endowments provide the opportunity for members to perpetuate their contributions and, at the same time, help guarantee the museum’s long-term financial viability. Current market value as of December 31, 2018, was $4,127,416.42.

Condensed Financial Statements  
Years Ended August 31, 2018 and 2017

### Condensed Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis

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In 2018 the museum received $227,808.58 in bequests, $5,226.92 (3%) has been invested in the museum’s endowment funds and the balance $222,581.66 (97%) has been or is being used for operations, special projects and programming. The Museum of Danish America gratefully acknowledges the following estates, trusts and individuals:

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Rita Neergaard Hansen, Kenosha, WI
Lloyd D. Nelsen, Kimballton, IA
Erik Sorensen, Knoxville, IA
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The purpose of the Museum, among other things, is to tell the continuing story of the Danish immigrant experience and influence in America and the evolving story of the Danish-American heritage. As a way of paying tribute, the Wall of Honor was established listing the name of the immigrant, year of entering the United States, and place of settlement. Their stories and family histories, if available, are part of the growing repository connected with the Museum of Danish America’s Genealogy Center. Listed below are the names of the immigrants placed on the Museum’s Wall of Honor in the year 2018:

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**Hemmie Christoffersen** (1872) Polk Shelby, Iowa – Steven Woerth, Brownville, NE

**Kirsten Sveistrup Hansen Devashrayee** (1960) Salt Lake City, Utah – Steven Devashrayee, Gretna, NE

**Bent Hansen** (1957) Rockford, Illinois – Kristie Hansen-Mendez, Chicago, IL

**Josine (Gansberg) Hansen** (1891) Kennard, Nebraska – Sandra L. Wunder, Eaton, CO

**Johannes Jaeger** (1948) Solvang, California – Marie Jaeger, Solvang, CA

**Jens Larson, Elena Larson** (1872) Pewaukee, Wisconsin – Robert McEniry, Papillion, NE

**Ane Magrete (Gansberg) Møller** (1873) Orum, Nebraska – Sandra L. Wunder, Eaton, CO

**Dagmar Amalie Franciska Nielsen Newman** (1882) Nevis, Hubbard, Minnesota – Phyllis (Newman) Holven, Toledo, IA

**Jens Peter Nielsen** (1925) Chicago, Illinois – Paul & Marie Sorensen, DeKalb, IL

**Paul Jensen Paulsen & Laura M. Petersen** (1907) Hartford, Connecticut – Frederick Dane Paulsen, Holiday Island, AR

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**Johanne Willadsen** (1882) Clinton, Iowa – Susan Vitek, Port Orange, FL

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The Museum of Danish America is the grateful recipient of gifts made in memory of deceased friends and relatives.

Dona Andersen
Richard Lee Andersen
Roger Andersen
Roger Andersen of Ames, IA
Roger Andersen, my husband, Oct 6, 1932 - April 15, 2018
Virgil Andersen of Fargo, ND
Muriel Bacon
Muriel Thomsen-Muller Bacon
Erik Brynn Baelum, our son
Thorvald & Louise Barents
Mary Bergman
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Irena Svendsen Christensen, my mother, who passed away at the age of 103 on December 9, 2017
Lotte Christensen
Lloyd Christensen, my husband and Virgil Christensen, my brother-in-law
Virgil Christensen
Virgil L. Christensen of Harlan, IA
Virgil Christensen, “One Good Man!”
Gwen Christiansen
Gwen Lindholm Christiansen
Anna Gwendolyn (Lindholm) Christiansen, my cousin
George Clausen, my father, born 2.26.1897 Breninge, Æro, Denmark, came to US/Iowa April 1914
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Glen Clemens, my husband
Ralph Doonan, my husband
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Cora Fagre, long time friend and fellow Dane
Cora Fagre, long-time member of the Denver Danes
Cora E. Fagre, my mother
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Paul & Johanne Larsen, my parents
Dorothea Laursen
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