

An E-Newsletter Exclusively for Friends of

# The Danish Immigrant Museum

News from our Development Department

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## *Greetings from The Danish Immigrant Museum!*

The Danish Immigrant Museum would like to update you on some of the many activities that the museum has participated in recently and of upcoming events.

- ***Upcoming Board Meeting, October 15-17***

Between October 15-17, the museum's board will assemble in Elk Horn. The various committees and board members will discuss reports prepared by the museum and discuss projects relating to the museum. The board meeting is open to all members.

The meeting of the Board of Directors of The Danish Immigrant Museum will conclude with a luncheon on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. to be held in the Fellowship Hall of the Elk Horn Lutheran Church. Following the luncheon Janet Borge Crowle, daughter of Victor Borge, will give a presentation and show a documentary about her father entitled, "The Funniest Man in the World."



Janet Borge Crowle

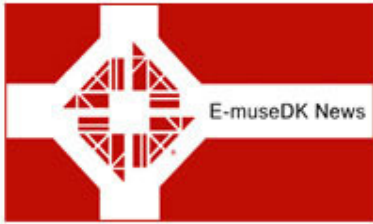
- ***New Danish Intern Ann Christine Brandt***

The new Danish intern at The Danish Immigrant Museum is Ann Christine Brandt. Her internship is sponsored through a grant from ***Scan | Design by Inger and Jens Bruun Foundation of Seattle, WA***. Ann Christine lives in Odense, where she is also studying at the University of Southern Denmark. She is enrolled in the university's MA program in American Studies and completed her thesis on *Route 66* this summer.

Brandt's internship is for six months, ending January 31, 2010. During that time she will work in both Collections and Development at the museum. One of her main tasks while in Elk Horn will be to translate the museum's webpage into Danish. During the month of November, Ann Christine will broaden this experience by traveling to and divide her internship with the Danish American community in Seattle, WA.



Ann Christine Brandt, arriving September 1<sup>st</sup>, is the museum's newest ***Scan | Design by Inger and Jens Bruun Foundation of Seattle Intern***.



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- **Scandinavian Day Festival in Elgin, IL, September 13**



Development Associate/Membership Coordinator Debra Christensen Larsen, Director of Development Bruce Bro and Danish intern Ann Christine Brandt participated in the 30<sup>th</sup> Scandinavian Day Festival at Vasa Park in Elgin, IL, on September 13.



About 2,500 visitors spent their Sunday after Labor Day at the festival and enjoyed the many opportunities to sample Scandinavian culture and cuisine. A total of more than 50 vendors offered arts and crafts, foods, and gifts unique to Scandinavia.

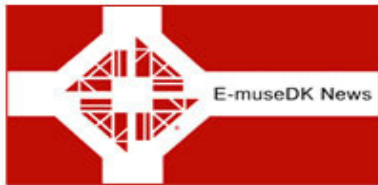
Top picture: Bruce Bro, Ann Christine Brandt and Debra Christensen Larsen greet festival visitors to the museum's booth.

Bottom picture: Ann Christine Brandt delighted children and adults alike with her face painting talents.

- **Museum Shop News**



The Museum Gift Shop is now featuring a new fall line of jewelry by *Dansk Smykkekunst*, a new line of watches and jewelry by *Skagen*, and new pieces by *Stelton*.



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## “DANISH CULINARY CLASS”

The Danish Immigrant Museum would like to invite members and non-members to an afternoon of culinary fun with a class on how to prepare traditional Danish foods. Our instructor for the event is **Benedikte Ehlers Olesen**, current board member, residing in Eugene, OR, and Silkeborg, Denmark. This is a “bring a dinner guest for free” event.

If you would like to learn more about, or refresh your existing skills on preparing Danish dishes and setting your table Danish-style, then join us on **Tuesday, October 20** at **Elk Horn Town Hall**. We **begin at 12:30** and **dinner will be served at 5:30**. *And bring a dinner guest for free!* (Your guest is invited to join you **for dinner** at 5:30; the cooking class is not included for your guest.)

The menu we will prepare together consists of the following items:

- Red cabbage
- White potatoes
- Various gravies
- Hakkebøf
- Lagkage (layered cake)
- “Real” æblekage
- Frikadeller
- Rugbrød (rye bread)

The price for the event, including cooking and table setting class, as well as materials, is **\$40 for members** and **\$55 for non-members**. Please note that the class size is limited to 20 people and seats are on a first-come-first-served basis.

*Deadline for registration is **Monday, October 12**, and payment must be made upon registration.*

Checks and credit card are payable to The Danish Immigrant Museum, 2212 Washington Street, Elk Horn, IA, 51531. Please contact Debra Christensen Larsen at 712-764-7001 to make your reservation or for more information.

