Next in the Brown Bag Lunch Series

November 15  John Mark Nielsen, “Mortensaften: or, Luther Gets His Goose”

Museum director John Mark Nielsen will explore the history of Mortensaften, the traditional festival of St. Martin of Tours, which is often celebrated with a goose dinner! How did another Martin – Martin Luther – change this kind of tradition in Denmark?

All Brown Bag Lunch programs begin at 12 noon and are FREE to the public! Bring your own lunch – we’ll provide the coffee!

Coming Soon in the Brown Bag Lunch Series:
December 13  “Christmas Hygge”

Exhibition Extended

Meeting My Makers: Portraits by Neoma Thomas will remain on view through March 10, 2013.

Make plans to see this lovely exhibition that explores family history through art.

Museum Staff Member Elected to Prominent Position

Angela Stanford, Curator of Collections and Registrar for The Danish Immigrant Museum, was elected President of the Board of Directors for the Iowa Museum Association in October at the annual meeting and conference held in Iowa City.

The Iowa Museum Association is the leading professional organization for Iowa’s museums. The IMA helps to create networking opportunities between museums and other related organizations, and organizes training opportunities for museum professionals, volunteers, and students. The Iowa Museum Association and its board of directors are committed to seeing all of Iowa’s museums succeed.

Angela looks forward to leading this dedicated organization as it expands its reach through programming, networking, and advocacy. Her two-year term will begin in January of 2013.
New Board Members Welcomed

During the 29th Annual Meeting of The Danish Immigrant Museum held in Elk Horn, Iowa on Saturday, October 27, seven new Board Members were welcomed. They were (pictured L-R): Dorothy Stadsvold Feisel of St. Michaels, MD; Linda Steffensen, Hoffman Estates, IL; Tim Burchill of Jamestown, ND; Garey Knudsen of Hutchinson, MN; Dagmar Muthamia of Long Beach, CA; and Cindy Adams of Littleton, CO. Not present was Vice Consul Anna Thomsen Holliday of Houston, TX.

Executive Director John Mark Nielsen along with the current, newly-elected, and outgoing Board Members of the 92nd Regular Meeting and 29th Annual Meeting of The Danish Immigrant Museum.

Get Hyggelig with the Museum Shop

Our simple, yet beautiful, white paper bag lanterns are handmade of flame retardant paper. Also beautiful in the home with battery powered candles (not included). They are bio-degradable. Open bag - pour a thin layer of dry sand, rice or small pebbles at the bottom of the lantern - place a tea light on top - light it and enjoy! Also available in a heart design. $19.00/set

Did You Know?

In 1769, the Danish population was only 797,584 people?
In 2012, the number was 5,584,758.

An Invitation For You

“The Danish Immigrant Museum celebrates Danish roots and American dreams.” Celebrate with us as we pursue our dreams by becoming a member of the museum. Your membership support makes possible the museum’s many activities. Visit our website to learn more about membership benefits.
Museum Calendar, November - January

November 15  Brown Bag Lunch: “Mortensaften: or, Luther Gets His Goose”
November 22  Thanksgiving Day – Museum Closed
November 23-25  Julefest at the Museum and throughout Elk Horn and Kimballton
December 13  Brown Bag Lunch, “Christmas Hygge”
December 25  Christmas Day – Museum Closed
January 1  New Year’s Day – Museum Closed

Watch this Space for Upcoming Danish-American and Danish Events:

The Danish Immigrant Museum is happy to share information about Danish-American and Danish events.

To include your organization’s event, send complete information – including a contact phone or email – to Deb Christensen Larsen at development@danishmuseum.org.

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