Danish Sisterhood News

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It is with a very sad heart that I am writing this article for the newsletter. Our country has experienced several devastating disasters in the past few weeks, and for those of us in northern California, the devastation is still rolling through as I write this. My home, Past President Lizette Burtis’s home, and Vice President, Julie Morrison’s home are all within about a 4 mile radius. All of our homes are currently safe from the fires, although at one point they were very close but now have shifted direction. What a blessing! My home is open and has 4 families there due to evacuations and one home lost. Crazy times, but feels good to be helping.

We have members in states that have experienced impacts from the record setting hurricanes, some may have been in Las Vegas during the shootings, and now so much of California is on fire. We have at least one member reported so far that has lost their home due to the fires, and we’re in the process of checking on members to be sure they are all safe following these disasters.

What we need from you, is to please email me if you have information on a member that has suffered from one of these disasters so that we can provide a bit of relief. This all came so suddenly, and we’re working out the details of how this will be managed, but what we do know is that we (National) will establish a fund for disaster relief for our members. Monetary contributions may be made by individuals or lodges, and can be in memory or honor of someone. You can also make donations that are designated to a particular person if that’s your desire. We have not established a matching funds policy yet as far as percent of contribution, but that will be resolved soon. It would be very difficult for us to know what exactly would be the help needed for our members, so we will be providing Visa gift cards so the recipients may purchase whatever is needed to help them in their time of need.

If you were to read our history, the foundation of our organization was to aid members in need. We are going to be there for our members!

These donations are one form of help. However, we encourage our members to reach out to those in need, providing clothing, help cleaning up, food/meals, etc. Giving from our hearts is what we do best.

Send information about member loss to myself or our National Treasurer, Carol Faruolo. Monetary donations should be sent to National Treasurer Carol Faruolo as well, with designation for “Disaster Relief”.

Wishing you all safety!
Sindy Mikkelsen
Dear Sisters,

It’s been a turbulent few months nationwide. Echoing Sindy’s President’s letter, there have been natural and man-made disasters across the country that have affected us all, either personally or distantly.

And while there is so much grief and destruction, what I have been seeing most is the strength of people. People coming together, people caring, people working to overcome tragedy.

I know that many of you have been or know someone who has been affected by the recent events, but I hope that all of you are well and safe.

Please know that all of our Sisters, near and far, are here for you always. We each have our own strengths and moreso, strength together.

My thoughts are with you all.

Sisterly love and greetings,

Lauren Nielsen, Editor

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Youth Birthdays

Happy October Birthday to:

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On the Cover

Title: Members Visit Fredericksborg
Year taken: 2017
Photographer: Carol Olsen

Nathan and Madeleine Richardson discover the grandness of Fredericksborg Castle and Denmark as a whole.

Submit Your Cover Photo!

Do you have a photo that you’d like to see on the cover of the Danish Sisterhood News? Send in your submissions and yours could be featured next!

Photographs must be high resolution and should be accompanied by a short description of the photo’s content. Photos from Danish events, Sisterhood meetings, travels around Denmark, Danish culture and more are all great topics. Send photos to: editor@danishsisterhood.com
Members of Thyra Lodge Take Family Trip to Denmark

Nathan and Madeleine Richardson, the youngest members of Thyra Lodge # 19 enjoyed an amazing two weeks in Denmark this past summer. They traveled with their grandparents/lodge members, Bob and Carol-Olsen-Dick and parents Greg and Karen Richardson.

They landed in Billund—home of Legoland; then climbed into a rental van and rode to Svendborg for their first experience in a Bed and Breakfast. They awoke to fresh bread, pastries, yogurt, meats, cheeses, and fruit.

Early the next morning they ferried to Aero where they rode bicycles through cobblestoned streets and along the beach. They admired the beautiful flowers, quaint houses and shops. Here they met their first in a series of Danish cats—who offered their own touch of Danish hygge.

From Aero, it was off to Roskilde where the entire family bunked in a one room, family friendly, youth hostel. From there they explored the Roskilde Cathedral, toured the Roskilde Viking Museum, and nearby castles. A highlight for Nathan was making a Viking shield and Madeleine a rune necklace in the museum courtyard, under the guidance of Viking artisans. The two burned off some energy chasing each other around a labyrinth. Denmark is a fun place for kids!

At Frederiksborg Castle the two were dwarfed by the expansive architecture, mesmerized by the castle moat, and awed by the heraldry and wall to ceiling of oil paintings. They walked on stilts and spun tops in the courtyard of Kronborg Castle, listened as talented actors portrayed scenes from Hamlet, and descended into the dungeon to meet Holger Danske.

Then it was on to Copenhagen where they took up residence in a three-bedroom airbnb, two blocks from Amalienborg Palace—the royal residence. During their “too short stay” in Copenhagen they visited Tivoli twice, caught a brief glimpse of The Little Mermaid, and were introduced to their first set of Danish cousins (and their cat) in nearby Frederikssund.

Then it was off to Hjarbaek in Jutland, where they would stay in the summer beach home of Danish Sisterhood member—Benedikte Ehlers.

From the deck they enjoyed panoramic sunsets on the Hjarbaek Fjord.

In Lyngsa they visited the birth-home of their great-great grandfather. As the van approached, yet another set of cousins poured out of the fully restored thatched-roofed house to greet them. They enjoyed a wonderful meal together around a long table surrounded by friendly faces.

Then the van proceeded north to Skagen where Madeleine and Nate splashed and frolicked in the colliding waves of two oceans—the Baltic and the North Sea.

Back in Hjarbaek, friends from the states (now living in Ireland) joined them for a rousing day in Legoland and another (more relaxing one) on a
sandy beach on the Hjarbaek Fjord.

The van took a brief trip south to Kiel Germany, the capital of Schleswig-Holstein. Here German flags waved and Euros were traded in a land that was once part of Denmark. As they watched cruise ships leave the port they squealed, “That’s what we want to do next, Grandma.”

Then we were off to Aalborg to visit more cousins. Another gracious meal was followed by a friendly game of Uno—no English required. The Danish children smiled and waved, running alongside the van as we reluctantly drove away. But wait! It’s not over yet!

An overnight at Lalandia Billund Resort, the largest waterpark in all of Denmark, completed this amazing and “kid friendly” heritage journey.

Carol Olsen
President-Thyra Lodge #19
LODGE #3 NEWS

Lodge #3 was thrilled to welcome our newest member, Mary Mussmann, at our August meeting in Clinton, Iowa. On September 14th, the 133rd anniversary of the beginning of our Lodge #3, 11 members met for lunch at Red Lobster. Jerry & Judy Johansen and Maxine Schroeder shared photos and wonderful memories of their fantastic 2016 Sisterhood tour of Denmark. We felt like we were there in The Roskilde Cathedral, Rosenborg Castle and Faborg and more, a wonderful way to celebrate our Lodge’s special day.

Five members of our Lodge #3 enjoyed sharing in the “hygge” of the Heartland District Convention in MN. From the Smorrebrod and sing-a-long and Danish dancers on Friday eve to the kringle, banquet and entertainment on Saturday, we five came away with memories of the Danish American Center and all the members of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood we got to meet.

Our VP, Sarah Bengtson, received the Outstanding Sisterhood member award for 2017. Sarah shares her love of her Danish heritage with us in so many ways. She was also elected VP of the Heartland District.

Lodge #3 will host the Heartland Convention in Davenport, Iowa on September 14-16, 2018. We will be working on our Danish Christmas tree in November, in preparation for the Clinton, Iowa Festival of Trees on December 1-10.

We wish you all a very happy Thanksgiving!!

Paulette Fisher, Secretary Lodge #3

Update from Lodge #102

Our president, Christina Hudson, has been reading articles about “Things Danish” at our meetings. We have received information on Christianborg Place, Tivoli Gardens, and history of Legos. Amanda Lary brought a special cake to our July picnic in honor of member Jenny Rupp’s baby. Jan Broers became a member after attending our picnic.

In August, Marilyn Kramme and Cheryl Brinkman were chosen as delegates to the district convention with Carol Christiansen as alternate. We agreed to send a $50 donation to the Country Store. Jane Paulsen and Cheryl created a gift basket for the silent auction. We will now contribute our monthly offerings to Dorothy’s House, a home for Human Trafficking victims. At this meeting, Claudia Holcomb gave us information regarding her DNA test. Several members have done this with some surprises. She shared a book from a church in Neol, Iowa dated in 1881-1891. It contained history of baptisms, weddings, and family members.

Marilyn Kramme read from her delightful Hygge book at our September meeting. She also reported on the SH/BH convention held at the charming Danish American Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota with quite a few members attending. Friday evening, we had a well-planned Smorrebrod Buffet. Our new president, member Carol Rudisill, presided at the meeting on Saturday. We enjoyed having National Board member Christine Sallee and her husband from Oregon with us. In the afternoon we were free to eat lunch and visit areas in Mpls. Saturday evening a lovely banquet was served with musical entertainment from Kira Jorgensen Duus and Lisa Jensen. The theme of the convention was “Let’s Hygge” which perfectly fit the whole weekend. Our district hosts and planners made it a very memorial event. The Davenport, Iowa lodge will host the next convention.

At our Sept. meeting we had a guest who may become a new member. Her family came from Denmark and parents still live on their century farm in Iowa. We received warm greetings from Kirsten Lundgren who has been unable to attend our meetings. We voted to send $100 to the Danish Heritage Society event to be held in October. Several of our members will be attending.

Venlig Hilsen,
Carol Christiansen
ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Members: Assessment #1346, for the month of January, is due and payable to your local treasurers before January 31, 2018.

Lodge Treasurers: Assessment #1346, for the month of January, 2018 is due and payable to the Supreme Lodge of the Danish Sisterhood immediately following your January meeting.

Assessments for the year 2018 will follow in order, with the December, 2018 assessment being #1357.

In Memoriam

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Membership Expansion

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Grant Thank Yous

I want to thank the Danish Sisterhood for enabling me going to Himmelbjerget Danish Camp. For me the thing that I look most forward to, in starting off my summer right, is Himmelbjerget. I have been going to camp for seven years now and I always enjoy going there. This year though I was not able to participate in sport or dance because of a knee injury that I got earlier in the year. Even though I could not do some of the activities it was probably the best year that I have had. The reason why is because we had a new senior camper. Ben was a little shy at first but by the second day of camp it was like he was with me all seven years. Danish camp is a wonderful summer camp and I hope to come back as a counselor in the years to come.

-Zachary Sallee

I really liked being in The Tortoise vs The Hare because it was fun! I want to do it again! I was part of the Fan Club for Cutesy Curly Hare. “Cutesy Curly, so awesome brave and strong! Cutesy Curly, his ears are extra long! Curly, smart and clever! So right and never wrong! Cutesy Curly, he's the hero of our song!”

-Beatrice Settje, Age 6
Missoula Children’s Theater Camp
Grant Thank Yous

I would like to thank you for the National Camp Grant that you awarded me this summer. I attended Camp Roger here in my home state of Michigan. While there I enjoyed a canoe and overnight camping trip to Windy Isle. This was my first time on a canoe trip and I learned a lot, especially when we ended up going down some rapids backwards! While in camp I was able to take some classes on snorkeling and rock climbing, both of which I really enjoyed. We also went swimming in Little Bostwick Lake, had fire starting competitions and played many fun games. Two other highlights were working with my cabin to make a marble course on a hill and flip over a 400 pound rock, it was fun learning to work together.

I really appreciate the National Camp Grant which helped provide this opportunity for me to go to camp. It was a wonderful experience that I will always remember.

Sincerely,

Jasper Gugino

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I would like to send a very belated thank you for the National Camp Grant that you awarded me last summer. Summer came and went last year and sending in a thank you completely slipped my mind, so I wanted to be sure to do so now and let you know how much I appreciated your helping me attend camp.

Last summer I attended Camp Roger here in Michigan but actually most of my time was spent outside of camp! I was part of the Pioneer Camping Trip which, last year, was a three day canoe trip on the Lower Manistee River and then a four day hiking and camping trip on Lower Manitou Island. It was my first time going on a back country camping experience and I loved it. I really loved being outdoors for a whole week, sleeping in tents and cooking over a fire.

Thank you again for your generous award to me, it helped make my trip possible.

Sincerely,

Linus Gugino

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Thank you for letting me play in the foam blocks. I really had a lot of fun at gymnastics learning many tricks and how to be safe.

From,

Athena Christiansson, Crown Princess Ingrid Lodge 165
Santa Barbara, Calif.
6 Years Old
Grant Thank Yous

I am writing to you to say a huge thank you for selecting me to receive a grant from the Danish Sisterhood of America. The National Camp Grant paid for a tennis camp that I was able to participate in at Hudson Valley Community College this past July.

I really had a great time at the tennis camp as I was able to meet the coach I will be working with at the high school I will be attending in the fall as a freshman. I will be attending Averill Park High School in September. The camp ran from 9 am to 12 noon for a week and the coach really helped me understand the game of tennis. He gave us all pointers, advice and suggestions but also let us figure out where we needed to change, improve or practice. I also met some great new people during the week long tennis camp as well. It was a great opportunity for me to be able to attend the camp and for the grant to cover it as well. Thank you for making tennis camp worthwhile for me this summer! I appreciate your generosity!

Sincerely,
Isabella Guyer

Dear Danish Sisterhood,

Thank you so much for the money you sent me to go to art camp, I really enjoyed it. That week, our theme was all about Africa. I had so much fun! The main thing that we focused on was watercolors. On Wednesday we went to the beach and painted with watercolors, ate lunch and played in the sand. It was so cool! One of my favorite things we did was make an African animal themed mask. My mask was a cheetah made out of a palm frond.

Thank you again for helping me go to art camp.

Charlotte Montee
If you haven’t been to Denmark in the fall for a while, you may not know that Halloween has become a holiday among the Danes.

The origin of Halloween is thought to be the pagan tradition from Ireland then called Samhain. When Ireland became Catholic, the evening was named All Hallows Eve and eventually Halloween. The Catholic holy day All Saints Day on November 1 was preceded by All Hallows Eve. All Saints Day was a day to remember all of the church’s saints for which there was not a defined holy day. All Hallows Eve became a time when the Irish believed that witches, ghosts and other dark forces haunted the living.

In Ireland and Scotland, people began to make lanterns by carving scary faces into turnips or potatoes and placing them into windows or near doors to frighten away the evil spirits. Immigrants from these countries brought the “jack o’lantern” tradition with them when they came to the United States. They soon found that pumpkins, a fruit native to America, make perfect jack-o’lanterns.

Denmark it appears had a bit of a different twist on Allehelges aften (All Hallows Eve). There faces were cut in beets and put outside to scare away the winteraften (winter evenings.) The Lutheran Church in Denmark used All Saints Day to pray for deceased Christians. The celebration of All Saints Day and Eve was mostly forgotten in the Danish culture since it was abolished during the holiday reform in 1770. However, it is again becoming a part of the Danish culture under the name of “Halloween.” The celebrations are now more along the American model with, of course, some Danish changes and additions.

Nineteen years ago the Danish newspaper “Ekstra Bladet” initiated the first of a series of annual Halloween events in the Scala building in Copenhagen. With horror movie marathons and prizes for best costumes, “Halloween” began its comeback in Denmark.

In 2000, the Danish toy store chain “BR” began selling Halloween items and then, in 2006, Tivoli joined the party, and the Tivoli Halloween season began.

This year the celebration in Tivoli will run from October 13 through November 5. In the first year of this autumn Tivoli event it drew around 250,000 visitors; now about half a million people attend.

An article on the internet states, “From the outset, the intention was never to simply transpose the American tradition unaltered into a Danish context. Instead, Tivoli took inspiration from the American tradition and added some Danish spice, interpreting the traditions and taking inspiration from the old Nordic autumn festivals.”

This year there will be more than 20,000 pumpkins, 2,500 bales of straw and 5,500 perennials and aromatic herbs within the gates of Tivoli. Tivoli becomes an autumn wonderland with a little fright on the side.

According to one of the several articles on the internet about Danish Halloween, pumpkins have become the “prominent feature” of the celebration in Denmark.

According to Politiken around one million pumpkins will be sold in Denmark, compared to only 50,000 sold 15 years earlier. Sales increase approximately 10% every year.

The extent to which Halloween is celebrated in Denmark may depend on where you live. In some area of Denmark, for example in the suburb of Måløv, there are huge Halloween events. Other areas hardly acknowledge it. If Halloween happens to be popular in your area of Denmark, the children there are lucky to celebrate two holidays in which they dress up in costumes and eat too many sweets.

The Danish festival of Fastelavn is celebrated much the same way as Halloween.

“Fastelavn can roughly be described as the Danish Carnival and includes costumes and sweet buns and children begging for treats. Of course, defined by costumes and sweets, Fastelavn sounds to us more like a Danish Halloween. If that is what you are thinking, you might want to keep it to yourself.

Fastelavn versus Halloween is a topic that can raise heated discussions in Denmark. The
former is rooted in medieval tradition seasoned with Danish touches, while the latter concept has only began to grow in popularity over the past generation. Historically Fastelaven is celebrated in the Lutheran nations of Denmark, Norway, Greenland, Estonia and the Faroe Islands the Sunday or Monday prior to Ash Wednesday. Regardless of the feelings of the adults about Fastelaven and Halloween, my guess is they are both here to stay in Denmark. What child would not like two holidays a year where they can dress up and beg for sweets?

Following are some suggestions of ways to celebrate Halloween in Denmark:

1. **Number one is, of course, Tivoli.** This year’s schedule lists the following:

   **Petzi Show** (the little bear, a favorite of all Danish children, has two shows, Peekaboo Petzi and Pure Magic presented daily at the Open Air Stage)

   **The Haunted Orphanage** (Villa Bernadotte was an asylum for orphaned children between 1900-1930. When it was closed it was found that the two administrators had been conducting secret experiments on the orphans. It is rumored the administrators, who were never caught, took refuge in Tivoli’s old Roller Coaster. The Coaster, which hides a myriad of secret passageways and cellars, is just right for the Danish version of a haunted house. Open evenings)

   **Danish Championship in Giant Pumpkins** held on October 14 (Last year’s winner weighed 754 pounds.)

   **Monsters Night Out on October 28th.** (A parade of zombies, Phantoms, movie monsters and other terrifying creates wend their way through Tivoli)

   **Trick or treat on October 31.** (Children can buy special Halloween bags and go trick or treating at the stalls around the Open Air Stage.)

2. **Kronborg Castle**

   While Shakespeare’s Hamlet may never have taken up residence in Kronberg Castle, it has been the sight of numerous well-publicized contemporary ghosthunting expeditions. Special Halloween flashlight tours take place from October 14 to 21 and come “complete with scary stories and white sheets that children can wear to get into the spooky spirit.”

3. **Assistens Cemetery**

   Who doesn’t want to visit a cemetery on Halloween? While no known ghosts haunt these grounds there are headstones for many famous Danes including HC Andersen, Soren Kierkegaard and Niels Bohr. You may even run across a marker “littered with beads and bling.” It is the grave of the once-reigning queen of Danish reggae, rapper Natasja Saad.

4. **Politimusseet**

   The police museum is the perfect place for a Halloween expedition. It is the only one of its kind in the country and presents the history of the Danish police, offering an insight into a number of crime cases and mysteries.

   Furthermore, the museum shows visitors how the police handle different kinds of crime and the various methods of detection they use. It also presents a number of Denmark’s most notorious criminals.

   So you still have time to catch that SAS flight to Denmark to celebrate Halloween in an all new way. “Slik eller Ballade” It may literally be translated as “Candy or Kill” but let’s just think of it as Trick or Treat.
The Danish Sisterhood Marketplace Butikken

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Frame has dual fastening holes at the top of the frame. White with red DSS logo.
$4.00 each or 2 for $6.00

Coral Pendant with Silver Filigree
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$45.00

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2018 Denmark Island Tour

Thursday: 9/20/18 - 9:30 am Copenhagen - Tour start, welcome meeting at Hotel WakeUp in Borgergade near Kgl. Nytorv and Nyhavn. Load the bus and start for Jutland. Overnight at Hotel Jutlandia, Frederikshavn. Dinner at 7 pm.

Friday: 9/21/18 - 9:00 am - Depart for ferry to Laeso. Tour Laeso Spa, Laeso Salt production. Overnight at Hotel Laerkely and Østergaards B&B.

Saturday: 9/22/18 - Island tour; Museum of Laeso. Island history/life presentation at dinner by Laeso residents.

Sunday: 9/23/18 - Travel by ferry to Frederikshavn; on to the island of Samsoe, which is 100% self-sufficient by renewable energy. Overnight at Hotel Isle Made and summerhouses close to hotel. Dinner at Hotel Ilse Made.

Monday: 9/24/18 - Tour north side of Samsoe and towns of Nordby, Ballbjerg, Mårup and Langør. Visit Samsoe Vinyard. Dinner at 6 pm.

Tuesday: 9/25/18 - Tour Samsoe Energy Academy; visit a lighthouse, the Manor Vadstrup 1771 and towns of Tranebjerg and Balle.

Wednesday: 9/26/18 - Depart for 7 am ferry to Kalundborg, on to Copenhagen; over the bridge to Malmö, Sweden. Tour Malmö and Ystad. Ferry from Ystad to Rønne, Bornholm arriving 7:50 pm (dinner on the ferry). Stay four nights at Hotel Siemsens Gaard on the Baltic Sea.

Thursday: 9/27/18 - Free Day on Bornholm! Dinner at 6 pm at Hotel Siemsens.


Saturday: 9/29/18 - Bornholm tour (Tegn, Sandvig, Allinge, Hammershus, Ronne, Østerlars, Østermarie and the south side of Bornholm). Dinner at 6:30 pm, Hotel Siemsens restaurant.

Sunday: 9/30/18 - depart Bornholm, 2 pm arrival in Copenhagen at Wake Up Hotel.

Price Includes:
11-day guided tour; Transportation in 4/5 star coach bus; 10 nights lodging; Ferries, bridges, island ticket fees; all breakfasts and dinners; Entrance fees to exhibits and more.

Pricing
• $2,460 per person (Sisterhood Member, double occupancy rate)
• $2,660 per person (Non-Member, double occupancy rate)
• Single Room additional fee $800 (names and contact info will be provided for those requesting a roommate, but you are responsible for finding your own roommate if you do not wish to pay the single room price)

Deposit, Payments and Refunds
Deposit $1,000 prior to May 15, 2018
Final payment due July 20, 2018
Refund prior to April 1, 2018: $750.00
Refund April 1, 2018 - June 1, 2018: $500.00
No refund after June 1, 2018 (If your place can be filled from wait list, full refund less $150)

Reservations, Payments, More Info
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Phone: 518-358-4686 Cell: 518-651-1789
**Requesting/processing a funeral benefit for a certificate holding member.**

We felt it would be helpful to the Lodge secretaries and member’s families if I posted the instructions for requesting a funeral benefit. When one of our certificate holding members passes away, their beneficiaries are entitled to their funeral benefit. The member must have been a current/active member (dues paid) at the time of their death for the benefit to be valid. The funds will be issued to the beneficiary noted in the member’s record with the National Secretary. If the noted beneficiary passed away prior to the member, the check will be issued to the Estate of…

Many lodge secretaries/treasurers manage the request to process a funeral benefit for the family.

The process:

- Send a certified copy of the member’s death certificate
- Provide contact information of the beneficiary or executor of the estate
- National Secretary verifies valid membership and records the members’ passing
- National Treasurer then issues payment to the beneficiary

Please mail the death certificate and contact information to me at the following address:

Glenda Madrid
National Secretary
1555 Oak St
Solvang, CA 93463

Note… If your listed beneficiary is deceased or is inappropriate to receive your funeral benefit, you may also request a certificate beneficiary change form from me as well.

If you have any questions, you may also contact me through my email: glenda_madrid@hotmail.com

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**Submissions Guidelines**

- Submissions should be received by the Editor by the 1st of the month previous to the month published (Deadlines can be found on page 2).
- Please submit captions for pictures, including names of people in the picture.
- Text for submissions should be less than 600 words (one typed page).
- Mail or electronic submissions are welcomed
- The Editor will proofread for spelling and grammatical errors and will edit for clarity.

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November 2017 issue........Submit by October 1
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