



# Danish House Society



## Reports - News

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Winter 2019



*Glædelig jul og godt nytår!!*



“Christmas by the Fireside” - Sold Out!!



A quarterly newsletter from Danish House

## Calendar of Events: "What's on at the Centre"



### December 2019

<b>December 7 - 6:00pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Business Club Christmas Dinner/Dance	
<b>December 10 - 7:00pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Baking Class - Saffron Buns	
<b>December 13 - 12:00 Noon</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Seniors Lunch 55+	
<b>December 13 - 6:30 pm</b>	(DHS)
"Christmas by the Fireside"	
<b>December 16 - 7:00pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Baking Class - Kransekage	

### January 2020

<b>January 3 - 6:30pm</b>	(DHS)
"Kro Aften" Club Night	
<b>January 6 - 7:00pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Baking Class - Cinnamon Buns	
<b>January 10 - 12:00 Noon</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Seniors Lunch 55+	
<b>January 13 - 7:00pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Baking Class - Rosenbrod	
<b>January 20 - 7:00pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Baking Class - Semlor	
<b>January 26 -- 12:30pm</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Centre Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon	

### February 2020

<b>February 7 - 6:30pm</b>	(DHS)
"Kro Aften" Club Night	
<b>February 14 - 12:00 Noon</b>	(SCCS)
Scandinavian Seniors Lunch 55+	

## DONATIONS TO THE DANISH HOUSE SOCIETY

### August, September and October 2019

#### General Donations:

Bodil Nielsen; Kirsten Rasmussen; Fritz Dahl;  
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#### In Memory of Kate Praegel:

Linda Jorgensen; Carol Nielsen; Gunnar Rasmussen;  
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#### Scholarships: In Memory of Kate Praegel

Anne Woodsworth; Ron Stubbings

**Total Donations: \$ 2,630.00**

**THANK YOU!**

Respectfully submitted by:  
*Elsie Rollke, Treasurer*

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

All 2020 DHS MEMBERSHIP dues are due and payable by the deadline of December 31, 2019. If you have not already paid your 2019 dues, please do so ASAP. I will be in the Danish Room at the monthly Kroaften and available to process membership renewals for anyone who would like to renew their membership at that time. Any new memberships would also be welcomed.

You can also mail your cheque payable to:

Danish House Society  
6540 Thomas Street,  
Burnaby, B. C. V5B 4P9

Membership Dues are:

**One Year Family \$40.00**  
**One Year Individual \$25.00**  
**Lifetime \$300.00**

I am pleased to report that the following new memberships have been approved by the Board of Directors since the last newsletter:

#### Family Memberships

<b>Barry and Karen Donaldson,</b> daughter Carra	Surrey
<b>Ole and Pat Christiansen</b>	Vancouver
<b>Poul and Carol Simonsen</b>	Surrey
<b>Henning and Linda Jorgensen</b>	Vancouver
<b>Heather and Hans Pedersen</b>	Richmond
<b>Ian and Dana Collins, daughter Maren</b>	Burnaby
<b>Art and Joan Pullman</b>	Coquitlam
<b>Axel and Jonna Frischmuth</b>	Port Moody
<b>Ron and Karen Bews</b>	North Vancouver
<b>Pastor Ruth Wegeberg Christensen,</b> and Tom Soby	Surrey
<b>Jorgen and Inger Work</b>	Coquitlam
<b>Lena and Stuart Elrick,</b> children Reid, Lia, Erin, and Ian	West Vancouver

#### Individual Memberships

<b>Karen Elmberg</b>	Burnaby
<b>Christina Watson</b>	Surrey
<b>Jack Iversen</b>	Surrey
<b>Denis Simard</b>	Vancouver
<b>Ella Svendsen</b>	Abbotsford
<b>Bente Goyer</b>	Prince George

A Big Welcome to All!

Respectfully submitted by,  
*Ebba Grey, Membership Committee*

If you would like to Volunteer to help with any of our events, programs, or the Midsummer Festival, please contact Danish House Volunteer Co-ordinator Inge Lyth Nielsen, or DHS President, Ed Kuhlman

### President's Report



#### December 2019

Since the last newsletter in September there have been two Kroaftens, both of which were sold out, and the Leif Erikson Festival, the highlight of which was the presentation of the Ole Jappe film about the Jens Munk Expedition. You can read about the success of the Festival in my report on page 6 of this newsletter. So, let me say a few words about Kroaften in general. The original idea of the Kroaftens was to provide a relaxing night for members and their guests to enjoy each others company over dinner and a drink or two. If the guests in attendance enjoyed themselves then hopefully they too would become members. Profit was never a primary consideration as long as a loss was not part of the equation. It was therefore a way to expand the membership.

However, even though most of the Kroaftens are sold out our membership has remained fairly static. Yet members need to make their reservations earlier and earlier as the sellouts are occurring earlier and earlier. This is due to an increase in the percentage of non-members attending. With food costs also rising and the price of the sandwiches remaining the same, avoiding a loss is also becoming harder. The board therefore decided to increase the surcharge for non-members to \$5. The \$3 increase is an incentive for non-members to take out a membership and also helps with the bottom line allowing us to avoid a price increase for the sandwiches. If you look at the membership report on page 2, with 18 new memberships, I think you will conclude that our strategy is working.

Another highly successful event, Christmas by the Fireside, is coming up on Friday, December 13th and it was already sold out several weeks ago. A record number of kids (71) will be visiting Santa and dancing around the Christmas tree. Speaking of kids, the Scandinavian Centre Board is in the process of implementing an action plan to put in a new, and up to date with the times, kids playground to replace the playground that was removed to accommodate the handicap access ramp. These things cost money of course, so funds need to be raised and I encourage our members to donate what they can to this worthwhile endeavour.

It will be 2020 in a few short weeks and before we know it AGM time again. Reflecting on 2019, I would say it was a good year for Danish House. The Kroaftens are selling out earlier and earlier, Christmas by the Fireside is sold out, our Language Classes are popular and Midsummer also did well. So what can we do to add to that success in 2020? We will be co-hosting with the Royal Danish Guards a celebration of the 80th birthday of Queen Margrethe II in April. A mini-auction during a Kroaften night is also being considered. Look in future newsletters for further details and announcements.

Lastly, I offer congratulations to Scott Larsen for a job well done presenting an excellent and informative talk about the visit of the four Royal Families (British, Danish, Norwegian, Luxembourg) to North America in 1939. Also on behalf of Danish House, I offer best wishes to longtime volunteer Sonja Busch who is leaving us for Ontario

**Submitted by Ed Kuhlman, President of Danish House**

### **LONGTIME VOLUNTEER SONJA BUSCH IS MOVING TO ONTARIO**



After the Scandinavian Centre was purchased, we all helped to get it up and running. I remember John Hansen and I had Monday mornings to clean up and man the office. Soon Sonja Busch was one of the volunteers. She gave many hours of her time. She was very helpful and knew where everything was. If the Centre could not supply the items we needed, she always told us how to substitute, if possible or where to get what we needed. She always had a smile on her face and a very positive response. She was amazing, knowing how demanding some of the Scandinavians were. Between ourselves in the Swedish community we strew many roses her way and will always remember her helpfulness and positive disposition fondly.

Later Sonja was hired as the office manager. We both lived in New Westminster. After meetings or events at the Centre, that we both had attended, she had a ride with me home. She talked about the challenges she had as a caregiver in her mother's latter years, as they lived together. One of her joys was her son. She related some of his life choices and gave her opinion out of the view of a loving mother.

Sonja has many attributes, all of which she freely shared and gave to the Centre and its many events. She organized and did the cooking for the volunteer lunches for several years. She organized children's events. She helped constantly during the year in so many different programs.

Mother TOMBOLA was Sonja. She started and was running the Scandinavian Centre Midsummer Festival Tombola. Collecting all the prizes year after year and putting in hours and hours of work. She also served on the Norwegian House Board and with the Scandinavian Cultural Society and helped organize many different events.

Sonja Busch was and is an icon of the Scandinavian Community Centre. We will all miss her very much and we wish her all the best in her new endeavours.

**Submitted by Laila Axen on behalf of the Swedish Community**



**DANISH HOUSE SOCIETY  
& THE DANISH-CANADIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE OF BC  
AND  
THE ESTATE OF RUTH & JOHANNES PEDERSEN  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

**ATTENTION! STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS**

Ten \$1,200 scholarships will be awarded by the Danish House Society and the Danish-Canadian Community Centre of B. C. as well as two \$2,400 scholarships that have been designated in appreciation of funds willed to the Danish House Society by the Estate of Ruth and Johannes Pedersen. A total of twelve scholarships will be awarded to the top 12 students. To apply and subsequently qualify you must meet the following criteria:

- a) Be of Danish heritage *and* a member or connected through family to a member (*name please for verification*) of the Danish House Society or the Danish-Canadian Community Centre of B.C. If you are *not* of Danish heritage you may still qualify if you are a member or connected through family to a member of the Danish House Society or the Danish-Canadian Community Centre of B.C. **Please note: The membership must have taken effect at least one year prior to your application date.**
- b) Be a resident of British Columbia working towards a degree or diploma in an accredited post-secondary institution such as a college or university or at an institution certified by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) to get or improve skills in an occupation. Evidence of registration in such an institution is required along with a **transcript of latest marks and studies.**
- c) Be of good character and provide written references from a high school or college administrator, and at least **two current references** including an employer, if applicable.

Application *must* be made by a **hand-written letter** giving your reasons for requesting the scholarship and describing your personal interests, hobbies, goals, dreams, financial need, and volunteer experience. Participation as a volunteer in Danish House Society activities should be noted. All of the Scholarships will be awarded in September 2020.

To be considered for a 2020 DHS/DCCC, and Estate of Ruth and Johannes Pedersen Scholarship, your application and all relevant information (**including your phone number, postal and e-mail addresses**) must be submitted by **June 30th, 2020** to:

Danish House Society - Scholarships  
6540 Thomas Street  
Burnaby, BC V5B 4P9

Please note: Each applicant is limited to receiving no more than three DHS/DCCC or Estate of Ruth & Johannes Pedersen scholarships. **For further information please contact any of the DHS/DCCC scholarship committee members:**

**Dave Buchmann (604) 760-7705**  
**Ella Wolder (604) 530-5083**  
**Annette Lauridsen (604) 533-5719**  
**Margit Hansson (604) 574-8833**



## DOGWOOD LODGE 179

VANCOUVER - CANADA

**Join our Lodge.**

Danish Sisterhood Canadian Lodge 179 is a non-profit organization with the mission to strengthen, maintain and preserve the Danish heritage and traditions for future generations. If you like to socialize and participate in various events, we welcome not only Danes but all Nationalities as members.

Members meet at **Carl Mortensen Manor, 4035 Norland Avenue, Burnaby, V5G 4T7** (Entrance on Kincaid) every 3rd Thursday of the month at **5:30 p.m.** (except July, Aug. & Dec.) For more details visit: [www.danishsisterhood.ca](http://www.danishsisterhood.ca) or contact [lodge179@danishsisterhood.ca](mailto:lodge179@danishsisterhood.ca)

## JENS MUNK SERVICE IN HOLMENS KIRKE IN COPENHAGEN

According to Thorkild Hansen's bestselling book *Jens Munk*, there was a Church Service for Jens Munk and his crew in Holmens Kirke on Sunday, May 9, 1619. Hansen recounts that at this Service King Christian IV addressed the crew and wished them well on their journey in search of The Northwest Passage to the Orient. The crew then went down on their knees and the King prayed that the expedition into uncharted waters would be blessed. Pastor Rasmus Jensen who would be the chaplain on the voyage would undoubtedly also have been present. It is unknown what his role was at the Service. Pastor Jensen had just been ordained a ships chaplain the year before by the Bishop of Sjælland, Hans Resen Poulsen.

After the Service, Munk and his crew were rowed out to the expedition's two ships. The *Unicorn*, the larger of the two navy ships, flew the flag of the King's Navy on the main mast. This was after all an official expedition supported by the King. The two vessels were ready for the voyage and were appropriately weighed down with provisions for the long journey. Along the harbour people watched the two ships slowly sail out to sea. It was a beautiful day and consequently there was barely any wind.

Holmens Kirke was the Danish Navy's new Church. The building had originally been built as an anchor forge in 1563 by the previous king, but in 1619 it was converted into a Church for the Navy by King Christian. It is the only church in Denmark which lies directly out to the water. When the Service for Jens Munk and his crew was held, the Church had already begun to hold Services, but was not yet completed. It wasn't until September 5, 1619 that Holmens Kirke was officially inaugurated.

In addition to being the Church for the Navy, it is a regular parish church and it is a church which has been the backdrop for numerous national celebrations and anniversaries. Holmens Kirke also serves as the final resting place for naval heroes Niels Juel and Tordenskjold.

The Church, situated on Holmens Canal across from the old Stock Exchange and the Parliament Buildings, celebrated its 400th anniversary recently, on September 8, 2019. In attendance to celebrate the anniversary was naturally Queen Margrethe II. For the Queen the ceremony undoubtedly brought back many memories, as she was married to Prince Henrik in Holmens Kirke in 1967.

Copies of the Journal of Jens Munk 1619-1620 are available from the Danish Canadian Museum in Dickson, the Danish Canadian Club in Calgary, the Danish House Society in Burnaby, and at Sunset Villa in Puslinch. The price is \$15. The Journal makes for a great Christmas present.

**Submitted by Rolf Buschardt Christensen  
President, Federation of Danish Associations in Canada**

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## KNUD RASMUSSEN'S FIFTH THULE EXPEDITION

In less than two years from now, in 2021, it will be one-hundred years ago since Knud Rasmussen set out on his Fifth Thule Expedition, which focussed primarily on Arctic Canada. Perhaps you have read about it in his book *DEN STORE SLÆDEREJSE*, which was a best-seller in Denmark, and which has been re-issued in various editions over the years, due to popular demand. The book (which would be translated as *The Great Sled Journey*), is actually a short popular version of his official scientific Fifth Thule Report.

Between September 1921 and December 1924 the Fifth Thule Expedition explored vast areas of Arctic Canada, laying the foundations for many later explorations. The Expedition included Greenlanders as well as Peter Freuchen, next in command, and Therkel Mathiassen, an archaeologist and anthropologist. Mathiassen carried out excavations near Repulse Bay which eventually established that the roots of contemporary Inuit culture lay in an earlier Neo-Eskimo culture which he called Thule.

By sled Knud Rasmussen and a smaller team travelled by dog team across Northern Canada, following the shore of the Arctic Ocean to Alaska, en route collecting geographic and ethnographic information as well as artifacts. The findings of the Fifth Thule Expedition were compiled into the ten-volume series *Report of the Fifth Thule Expedition*, which still today is considered a treasure and an indispensable source for Arctic studies. The ethnographic reports are highly valued as they describe the culture, customs, habits and beliefs of the Inuit of the North. Knud Rasmussen, born in Greenland, spoke Greenlandic and was therefore able to communicate with the Inuit of Arctic Canada in their own language, as the languages of the Inuit up north are in many ways similar to Greenlandic.

In the time to come the Danish Federation will strive to disseminate information about Knud Rasmussen and his Fifth Thule Expedition to members of the Danish community and above all to the public at large. During the anniversary of the Expedition we must do our best to commemorate and celebrate this historic and ground-breaking exploration, bringing awareness of it to the general public. The contribution that the Danes and Greenlanders on this Expedition made to the history and knowledge of Arctic Canada is truly remarkable, and should be better known.

**Submitted by Rolf Buschardt Christensen  
President, Federation of Danish Associations in Canada**

## REPORT ON THE LEIF ERIKSON FESTIVAL: OCTOBER 5, 2019



The 2019 Leif Erikson Festival was held at the Scandinavian Centre on Saturday, October 5th. The festival was jointly sponsored by the Scandinavian Cultural Society and the Danish House Society with additional financial support from Festivals Burnaby and the Danish Canadian Community Centre of BC. The theme of the Festival was the 400th anniversary of the Jens Munk Expedition.

The doors opened at 12:00 noon to allow visitors an opportunity to review the information poster display detailing the various aspects of the Jens Munk Expedition as well as biographical information about Captain Munk. Additional panels featured a brief overview in photos with text regarding subsequent Danish expeditions of exploration to the Arctic and Greenland during the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries. These panels included paragraphs on the voyage of Vitus Bering leading to the discovery of Bering Strait and also covered the 5th Thule Expedition of Knud Rasmussen. In addition to these panels, exquisite sculptures by Inuit artist and Member of the Order of Canada, Abraham Ruben, were also on display.

Opening ceremonies commenced at 1:00pm and featured welcoming comments by Poul Erik Rasmussen, President of the Scandinavian Cultural Society and Ed Kuhlman, President of Danish House and a member of the Jens Munk Steering Committee, as well as Burnaby North MLA Janet Routledge. Honorary Danish Consul Ann-Britt Everett sent her greetings, as she was not able to attend due to illness.

The Festival program began with a lively and informative talk by Burnaby Danish Lutheran Church Pastor Susanne Ivalo Rasmussen about what it would have been like for Pastor Rasmus Jensen on the voyage, and about how the Lutheran Service would have differed from today. A description of the hymn books used at the time and the official dress, hygiene and drinking habits of Pastor Rasmus Jensen was also covered. The audience participated in singing one of the hymns found in the hymn book used at the time.



Inuit artist Abraham Ruben spoke about his life growing up in the 1950s as a member of the last nomadic tribe in the northern Arctic that followed the caribou migrations. Abraham also spoke about how the colonisation of the north and the long reach of the Hudson's Bay Company affected his people, culminating in the decimation of the Inuit population by the Spanish Flu after World War I, with only 156 survivors left from a population of more than 5 thousand. The population has since recovered to the pre-flu exposure level. He also talked about the similarities in the mythologies of the Vikings or "Norsemen" and the Inuit tale of creation and how both cultures had a different outlook on the environment from today's society. He spoke about the history of Norse/Inuit contact and trade, and gave an autobiographical overview of how and why he became an artist.

The featured speaker of the day, Otto Christensen of Gimli, Manitoba, presented an excellent, detailed, and informative slide presentation and talk. Otto spoke about Jens Munk and his family heritage, social status, and the challenges Munk and his crew faced on their expedition. Passages from the Journal of Jens Munk were read and a detailed review of the history of the Journal was also covered along with what transpired for Munk in the aftermath of the expedition. The interest in the subject generated by Otto's presentation was genuine, and resulted in the sale of 5 Jens Munk Journals and 3 of the 2019 Heritage Books.

After breaking for a social hour and dinner, what followed was the highlight of the Festival, the feature presentation of the Ole Jappe film, Nordvest Xpeditionen with English subtitles. The film was extremely well received and appreciated. The audience of about 65 guests commented on how well the film was made and how well it depicted the ordeals faced by Munk and his men and the tragedy that unfolded. The overall consensus was that it is an excellent movie that avoided the "Hollywood touch" and seemed almost like a documentary in style yet preserved the dramatic human element. This consensus is an interpretation and summarization of comments made to me regarding the movie.

The Scandinavian Cultural Society expressed their thanks and commented that this was a very successful Leif Erikson Festival. Attendance was excellent with a steady stream of guests throughout the day. Estimated attendance was approximately 150 for the festival, with 54 paid guests for dinner and 65 plus or minus one or two attending the movie presentation. Total may vary slightly as movie attendance was based on admission by donation and estimated count is based on seats filled during the showing.

Danish House thanks the Scandinavian Cultural Society, all of the speakers, volunteers and helpers, and everyone that attended the festival or just the movie for their patronage. The financial support of the Danish Canadian Community Centre and Festivals Burnaby is also very much appreciated. Your efforts and attendance made this a very successful Festival.

**Submitted by  
Ed Kuhlman, President of Danish House**

## BOXING DAY SKATE



Stop by 8 Rinks for the annual Boxing Day Skate

**Date:** Thursday, December 26, 2019

**Time:** 10:30 am to 11:30am

**Location:** 8 Rinks, Burnaby, Rink #2

**Cost:** Skating and skate rentals free for members and friends of the Scandinavian Centre, Merry Christmas from Scansports! Hockey nets will be set up at one end of the rink, and the rest of the ice is for family skating.

**Contact:** Karina [scansports@gmail.com](mailto:scansports@gmail.com) for more info.



## “KRO AFTEN” ! BRING YOUR FRIENDS

This fun-filled Danish House Event is held the **first Friday of every month, except August and December.**

Enjoy a fine selection of open-faced sandwiches (**\$5 each**), dessert and coffee or tea. Wash it down with snaps and Carlsberg beer on tap. Meet at about 6ish to get your meal tickets and table number - **smørrebrød is served at 7 p.m.**

### BY RESERVATION ONLY

Put your order in by Monday, the week of the Kro Aften Friday. This very popular event fills up quickly so be sure to book early!

### TO RESERVE

Send Ebba an e-mail at [ebba@shaw.ca](mailto:ebba@shaw.ca) and receive the menu a week in advance. Order must be e-mailed to Ebba by the Monday before the Kro Aften. Phone Ebba at 604-990-3550

**Please note that non-members will be charged a \$5.00 per person surcharge to attend.**

## JENS MUNK BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

The recent and excellent Leif Erikson Day Festival may have sparked an interest in learning more about Jens Munk. We have a number of books in both Danish and English for further reading.

**Hansen, Thorkild.** Jens Munk. 919.8 H24j2 DR (parts 1-4)

**Hansen, Thorkild.** Jens Munk. 919.8 H24j DR (parts 1-2)

**Hansen, Thorkild.** Jens Munk. 919.8 H24j1 DR (parts 3-4)

**Hansen, Thorkild.** Vinterhavn. 919.8 H24v DR

**Knudsen, Johannes.** Den Danske Ishavsfarer : Jens Munk. 919.8 K74d DR

**Note :** DR in call numbers means the book is in the Denmark Room, and is in Danish.

The following books are in English, and are in the Library upstairs:

**Carlsen, Jørn.** Jens Munk's Search for the North West Passage in 1619-20 and his Wintering at Nova Dania, Churchill, Manitoba.

In Northern Studies : the Journal of the Scottish Society for Northern Studies. Vol 28, 1992, pages 14-24. 919.8 C28j

**Editor C.C.A. Gosch.** Danish Arctic Expeditions, 1605-1620. Volume 2 : the Expedition of Captain Jens Munk to Hudson's Bay in Search of a North-West Passage in 1619-20. 910.02 G67d

**Hansen, Thorkild.** The Way to Hudson Bay ; the Life and Times of Jens Munk. 910.9248 H24

**Knox, John** (Danish ambassador in Ottawa). Danish Explorer of the Canadian North. 919.8 K74d

**Editor W. A. Kenyon.** The Journal of Jens Munk, 1619-20. 919.8 M96j

**Kenyon, Walter.** Arctic Argonauts. 919.8 K37a (The section on Jens Munk is pages 77-81)

**Mowat, Farley.** Ordeal by Ice. 919.8 M93o (The chapter on Jens Munk is pages 83-104)

**McGoogan, Ken.** Dead Reckoning : the Untold Story of the Northwest Passage. 919.8 M14d (The chapter on Jens Munk is pages 23-31)

On another topic we sometimes have very nice Danish donated books, which are not needed for the library. They are free for the taking! As there just isn't room for them in the Denmark Room; they are on top of the cabinets just outside the upstairs Library. Come up and have a look - you may just find something of interest.

Submitted by Pia Christensen, Scandinavian Centre Librarian



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**Deadlines for submissions of quarterly ads are February 1, May 15, August 15, and November 15.** If you wish to place an ad in the newsletter, payment requested is in the form of a donated gift item to Danish House Kroaften or a cash donation to DHS. **If you would like your newsletter by e-mail instead of print, please let us know ..... Thank You.**

## **DANISH LANGUAGE CLASSES**

### **Time to Register for Danish Lessons starting in January**

**Hi everyone,**

I like to give preference to Danish language students who are already attending our classes at the Scandinavian Centre.

I am ready to take your registrations any time. I have already posted this information with the dates on the Danish House website. Four students have already registered for the intermediate class.

**Annette Lauridsen, Language Classes Co-ordinator**

**Adult:** Beginners' Danish language lessons will start **Tuesday, Jan. 14th and end March 17th.** This class is open to anyone of any level. The curriculum is adjusted to the needs and wishes of the students. There is very little homework: typically students will write a sentence or two about their weekend and read it to the class. This vocabulary will be the basis of the lesson for the evening. There are exams. Kim West will be the teacher.

**Adult:** Advanced Danish language lessons will start **Monday, Jan. 6th and end March 19th.** This class is mostly in Danish, and the content is adjusted to the needs and wishes of the students. There are no exams. Elisabeth Carstensen will be the teacher.

**Adult:** Intermediate Danish language lessons will start **Thursday, Jan. 16th and end March 19th.** Students should have some knowledge of Danish and be working towards fluency. Content is adjusted to the needs and wishes of the students. There are no exams. Kim West will be the teacher.

The cost is \$100 for ten lessons, payable on the first day of your class. A cheque made out to Danish House Society is preferred.

**All classes start at 6:30 pm and end at 8:30 pm in the Danish Room at the Scandinavian Centre.**

**Please register or inquire by e-mail indicating your level to Annette Lauridsen: [annette.h.lauridsen@gmail.com](mailto:annette.h.lauridsen@gmail.com)**

**Next "Kroaften" Club Nights - January 3rd and February 7th, 2020**