



# Danish House Society

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### Royal Danish Guards Association & Danish House Society

*Invite you to join in celebrating the birthday of her*

***Majesty Queen Margrethe II***

***On Saturday, April 16, 2022***

*At the Scandinavian Centre*



*Bar Opens: 6:00 pm    Dinner Served: 6:30 pm featuring*



#### **MENU:**

##### **Salad**

Kale Salad

##### **Main Course**

Beef Burgundy

Whipped buttery potatoes

Fresh Seasonal Vegetables

*(Seafood gluten free option available)*

##### **Dessert**

Pavlova with berry coulis and cream

*Dinner includes buns, butter, coffee and tea*

*Tickets: \$50.00/person*

*Deadline: Monday, April 11, 2022*

*For Reservations call or e-mail:*

*Else Rollke 604-620-1632 [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com)*

*Dance the night away to the live golden sounds of S-Bahn*



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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been a long time since we have been able to meet face-to-face at the Scandinavian Centre. The Centre is now fully open with restrictions including being fully vaccinated and wearing of masks. Hopefully in the very near future these restrictions will be removed. As the Danish House Society is a member of the Scandinavian Centre, we must follow the mandates from the Centre Covid Committee.

It is with regret that I need to let you all know that Ed Kuhlman has stepped down as President of Danish House. Ed Has spent countless hours volunteering for the Danish House Society and we thank him for that. His 12 years plus of hard work and dedication is truly appreciated. He has successfully spearheaded any number of events including Midsummer Festival, Kroaften, Christmas By The Fireside, the Danish Guard Queen's Dinner, Summer BBQ, and so many more. We thank him for his dedication to maintaining such high standards for the Newsletter. His shoes will be difficult, if not impossible to fill.

Looking ahead, we had our first Kroaften of 2022 with 130 in attendance. The kitchen again presented fabulous open-faced sandwiches which were made by Tina Taylor and her crew. We are now planning for the Queen's Birthday Dinner/Dance which will be held on Saturday, April 16 (see ad within Newsletter). After 2 years, the Midsummer will be held on the weekend of June 25 and 26; volunteers will be needed and we hope our memberships will help us.

We look forward to see you again at our AGM which will be held in-person at the Centre on March 21, 2022, starting at 7pm (doors open at 6pm). Coffee and kringle will be served.

**Peter Praegel**  
President

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### TAKE NOTICE:

The 26th Annual General Meeting of the Danish House Society will be held at the Scandinavian Community Centre, 6540 Thomas Street, Burnaby, B.C. The meeting will be in person and on ZOOM. On: Monday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at 19:00 (7:00pm), to:

- 1) Consider the reports of the Directors to the members.
- 2) Consider the Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021
- 3) Resolutions:
- 4) Elect Directors for the coming year.
- 5) Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Register for the Zoom meeting by contacting  
Danish House Society  
[danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com)

Covid 19 protocol must be followed if you come to the Scandinavian Centre: Wear a mask and be prepared to show proof of vaccination.

Dated the 22, February 2022.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Danish House Society,  
Tina Taylor, Secretary.

Note: E-mailed Minutes of DHS AGM 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and Financial Statements 2021 available on request from Tina Taylor [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com)



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### Calendar of Events

#### March 2022

**March 4 - 6:00pm** (DHS)

Kro Aften Club Night

**March 11 - 12:00 Noon**

Scandinavian Seniors Lunch 55+

**March 20 - 6:30pm**

Clean Up day

**March 21 - 6pm**

AGM



#### April 2022

**April 1 - 6:00pm** (DHS)

Kro Aften Club Night

**April 8 - 12:00 Noon** (SCCS)

Scandinavian Seniors Lunch 55+

**April 16<sup>th</sup> - 6pm** (DHS)

Queen Margrethe II Birthday Celebration

*For more events at the SCC check out  
<https://scancentre.org/events-calendar/>*

### Membership Committee Report

The 2022 DHS MEMBERSHIP dues were due and payable by the deadline of December 31, 2021. If you have not renewed your membership for this year, please do so. Contact via email to: [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com) or phone Else Rollke at 604-620-1632.

#### Membership Dues are:

**One Year Individual \$25.00, One Year Family \$40.00,  
Corporate/Organization \$100, and Lifetime \$300.00**

No new members since November 2021:

Respectfully submitted by:  
Else Rollke, Membership Committee

### 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 (**\$6 each**), dessert (\$3 each) and coffee or tea (n/c). Wash it down with snaps and Carlsberg beer on tap (no host bar). Meet at about 6pm to get your meal tickets and table number - **smørrebrød is served at 7 p.m.**

#### BY RESERVATION ONLY

An email with the menu and order form will be sent out the week before the Kro Aften.

Put your order in by the Monday, before the Kro Aften, by sending an e-mail to [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com) or phone Tina Taylor at 604-461-3358.

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

### DONATIONS TO THE DANISH HOUSE SOCIETY

December 2021 to February 2022

#### Names of Donors:

Anna Margrethe

**Total Donations: \$300.00**



Respectfully submitted by:  
Else Rollke, Treasurer

**Next Kro Aften Club Nights – April 1st, & May 6<sup>th</sup> 2022**



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The Scandinavian Cultural Society  
*presents*

### **Nordic Spirit — Scandinavian Immigrant Women** *photos and stories of struggle and achievement*

April 23 & 24, 2022, 11am—5 pm

Opening Reception Saturday April 23, 12:00

Scandinavian Community Centre

6540 Thomas St., Burnaby, BC



Feed hens. Dig, water, hoe, pick, can...

Join us as we celebrate the lives of Nordic women who created new homes in Canada.

- Heritage photos
- Stories
- Presentations

*Free admission*

*Info: [scandinavianculturalsociety.org](http://scandinavianculturalsociety.org)*



Mind kids. Sew clothes. Hang laundry...



Entertain Minister and Congregation...





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**Volunteers are needed for the**

**Midsummer Festival**

**June 25-26, 2022**

contact the Scandinavian Centre Office at:

info@scancentre.org

### DANISH LANGUAGE CLASSES



The current language classes will be ending the last week in April. Thank you to Louise for being our instructor.

We have had two classes, a beginner/lower intermediate one and an intermediate/advanced one. They started the second week of January: Beginner/lower intermediate classes 'met' 5:30 – 7:30pm on Wednesdays, (started Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>) and the intermediate/advanced class 'met' on Mondays 6-8pm (started Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>). This semester, the classes are running for 12 weeks, and the fee was **\$125.00**.

Future plans for language classes will be posted on the SCC's web [scancentre.org](http://scancentre.org) under the DHS banner. Inquires can be emailed to [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com). Enrollment is on a first come first serve basis. If you know of anyone else who might be interested, feel free to pass on the information. If you know of someone who would like to be our next instructor, also email the DHS.

Many thanks to our current instructor: Louise Krog, she will be returning to Denmark this July.

### **DANISH HOUSE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:**

Thank you for your interest in joining and supporting DHS. Please make your cheques payable to: "Danish House Society", 6540 Thomas St., Burnaby, BC V5B 4P9

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to receive my newsletter by: Email ☐ Canada Post ☐ New Membership ☐ or Renewal

#### Membership Dues

- ☐ \$25.00 Individual Membership (per year)  
☐ \$40.00 Family Membership (per year)  
☐ \$100.00 Corporate/Organization Membership (per year)  
☐ \$300.00 Lifetime (individual) Membership (one time payment)

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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**DANISH HOUSE SOCIETY  
AND  
THE ESTATE OF RUTH & JOHANNES PEDERSEN SCHOLARSHIPS**

**ATTENTION! STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS**

To qualify for any of the twelve scholarships: ten \$1,500 scholarships from the DHS and two \$2,400 scholarships from the estate of Ruth and Johannes Pedersen (\$2400 paid to each of the two top qualifying students), you must meet the following criteria:

- a) Be of Danish heritage and/or family member of a past or present member (name please for verification) of the Danish House Society. 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. **Please note: The membership in the Danish House Society must have taken effect at least one year prior to your scholarship application.**
- b) Be a resident of British Columbia working towards a degree or diploma in an accredited post-secondary institution\*. Evidence of registration in such an institution is required along with an **official transcript of latest marks** and studies. (\*Post-secondary institution does not have to be in BC, so current residence could be for that institution. Do include your BC residence address!)
- c) Be of good character and provide **3 current written references**: at least one from a high school or college administrator, and the remainder from current reference(s) including an employer, if applicable. **References are to be current, dated and signed.**

Application should be made by a **hand-written or hand printed letter** (*NO computer handwriting/print fonts*) 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 are to be awarded at the September Kro Aften at the Scandinavian Community Centre dependent upon the current government COVID mandates and restrictions on gatherings.

To be considered for a DHS scholarship or Estate of Ruth and Johannes Pedersen Scholarships, your application and relevant information e.g. letter of application, transcript(s), and references (**include your phone number, postal and e-mail addresses**) must be mailed or submitted for receipt by **June 30th, 2022** to:

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

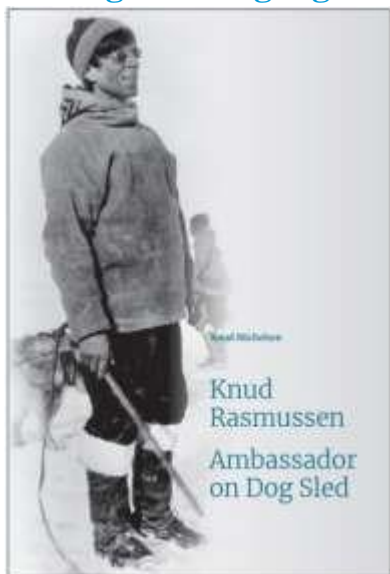
Please **note that each applicant is limited to receiving a total of no more than three DHS scholarships**. For further information please contact any of the DHS scholarship committee members:

Dexada Jorgensen  
Margit Hansson  
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### KNUD RASMUSSEN: Ambassador on Dog Sled English Language Book by Knud Michelsen



This book was written on the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 5<sup>th</sup> Thule Expedition. It was produced in collaboration with the Federation of Danish Associations in Canada.

It is a short, popular and captivating book with about one-hundred illustrations. It is available through Danish House for \$20.00.

If you would like to purchase this book  
KNUD RASMUSSEN – AMBASSADOR ON DOG SLED  
or a copy of the 2021 Danish Federation Heritage Book, please contact:

**danishhousesociety@gmail.com**

*(The original article "Knud Rasmussen Visited Erik Poulsen's Grandfather on Herschel Island" was published in the DHS Newsletter Volume XXII, Issue 3 Fall edition,)*

### 2022 Olympics in Beijing, China Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup>:

It was reported that **Denmark** sent 62 athletes to the games. They participated in Alpine Skiing, the Biathlon, Curling, Ice Hockey (men's and women's teams), and Speed Skating. Flag bearers for the opening ceremonies were Madeleine Dupont (curling) and Frans Nielsen (hockey); the flag bearer for the closing ceremonies was Stefan Due Schmidt (speed skating). The best placement was 7<sup>th</sup> in Men's Ice Hockey.

**Canada** sent 215 athletes, 32 were from BC. Total medal count was 26 including 4 gold; sitting 4<sup>th</sup> in the medals ranking. The medal count may increase should a Russian athlete be disqualified due to a doping infraction. Charles Hamelin (short track speed skater) and, Marie-Philip Poulin (women's hockey team captain) carried the maple leaf for the opening ceremonies. Isabelle Weidemann (long track speed skater) was the flag bearer for the closing ceremonies.

Kudos to the athletes, their achievements, and their supporters!!!!



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### DANES – Did you know?

The **Out of Africa** movie was based on a book. The book was written by Dane – **Karen Blixen** under the pseudonym Isak Dinesen [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Out\\_of\\_Africa\\_\(film\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Out_of_Africa_(film))

The architect for the **Sydney Opera House** in Sydney, Australia was a DANE: **Jørn Utzon**. He was born in Copenhagen in 1918 and lived until 2008. Jørn won the competition for the design of the building in 1957. The building was completed in 1973 and in 2017 it was included in UNESCO's World Heritage list. His portfolio includes many buildings including the Bagsværd Church, Bagsværd, Denmark, 1968–76. For more information about some of his work:

<https://www.scandinaviastandard.com/six-important-buildings-to-know-by-danish-architect-jorn-utzon/>

**PLEASE NOTE THAT AT THIS TIME, DUE TO THE PROVINCIAL MANDATES, PROOF OF VACCINATION AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ATTENDANCE AT EVENTS AT THE SCANDINAVIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**When you look at what is happening in the UKRAINE – we are very fortunate here. Our hearts and prayers go out for those impacted by this awful war. We pray for peace.**

If you have not received an email from us the last month please send us your new email address, so we can update our records. Send to our new email address [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com)

Any errors or omissions to the newsletter please also send feedback to [danishhousesociety@gmail.com](mailto:danishhousesociety@gmail.com). Proposed publications times for 2022 are May, August and November, if there is something you would like to have included also please send to our new email address. Thank you.