

Calendar / Atterdag*
Meetings, events at Danish Home 855 New Durham Rd.
Edison, NJ unless noted otherwise

Sunday, October 21 2pm
Genealogy Meeting
Making Danish Pastry
A delicious hands-on demonstration
by President Wendy Hansen Hudson

Sunday, November 18 2pm
Genealogy Meeting
To Be Announced

Saturday, December 1
10 am to 4pm
Danish candy, tree ornaments, gifts,
books, paper cutouts, candles, house
decorations and wrapping paper

Sunday, December 2
18th Annual Festival of Trees
American Hungarian Foundation,
Somerset Street, New Brunswick, NJ

Sunday, December 9
2:30 pm to 5:30 pm
Jul Fest

Sunday, January 20, 2008
Genealogy Meeting
To be announced

Sunday, February 17, 2008
Genealogy Meeting
Children's Fastelavn
A traditional Danish Celebration

If you need further information,
please call **DANE** 732-287-6445

Spring/Summer/Fall Issues of Øst Three for the Price of One

Our quarterly newsletter in 2007 has combined the spring, summer and fall issues into one. This is because the editor also was the producer of a DVD, Perth Amboy Neighborhoods: The Danish Cycle 1860-1935.

This 44.5-minute production was funded in part by the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission, by Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the New Jersey Historical Commission/ Department of State and by DANE

Tivoli Too

Another in a series of investigating Danish place names in the United States: Tivoli, or what a donation can activate

Some months ago DANE was offered a poster of Tivoli. The owner, a young woman, E'lise Christensen living in a small apartment, preparing to move and did not have room for the dramatic black, red poster of one of the carousel horses at Tivoli Gardens in Copenhagen. If we would pick it up in Jersey City it was DANE's.

In a torrential downpour on a September Sunday, Agnes Hagsmueller and I drove to Hoboken, met E'lise and took the poster back to DANE's offices at New Durham Road where Agnes quickly created a display with the poster as its centerpiece.

Several weeks later in a search for a tasty lunch away from the NY Thruway food vendors I found Tivoli, New York on the Hudson River. A new quest was born — how did Tivoli, New York get its name? That's not all. I was enmeshed with finding Tivolis all over the world — a Tivoli Trivia.

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Fireworks at Tivoli Gardens in Copenhagen

Initially intended as a traveling exhibit, the grant was amended as a result of the Commission panel's suggestions. The DVD will not require a staff member to physically set-up the exhibit or to maintain it. It can be played on a DVD player.

It uses a 1914 bicycle to travel back in time to the Perth Amboy between 1860 and 1935. The photographic documentation has an introduction and five chapters: the Clay Connection, Businesses, Neighborhoods, Churches and. Organizations

The sound track includes Danish

folk music and narration written by Joan Seguine-LeVine.

The grant enabled DANE to obtain the services of photographer, Douglas Hall. DANE's researchers, Joan Seguine-LeVine and Jack Kjersgaard had identified sites using the 1900 and 1920 census, City Directories, newspaper accounts, and other historic archives.

The DVD will be sent to educational, historical and civic organizations in Middlesex County.

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Here are the findings so far.

A Frenchman developed Tivoli, New York. Peter de Labigarre hired Charles Balthazar Julien de Saint-Memin to design a plan for the town featuring 60 foot-wide streets. This was not successful, the lots did not sell and only two streets remain to this day — Flora Street and Diana Street. Peter de Labigarre called his home there the Chateau de Tivoli, named for Tivoli, Italy.

Tivoli, Italy is not far from Rome, an ancient town whose historical beginnings go back to the 13th century BC. The name evolved from Tibur to Tiburi, to Tibori and finally to Tivoli.

During the Renaissance and from the 16th century popes and cardinals built castles and villas. The Villa d'Este is the most famous of all the Renaissance and Mannerist residences in Europe. It was built by the son of Lucrezia Borgia, Cardinal Ippolito d'Este. Franz Liszt stayed there in the 19th century. Excellent artists worked at the Villa d'Este and the fabulous Mannerist gardens were created by the Cardinal while he was imprisoned there for the last twenty years of his life from 1550 until he died in 1572.

Tivoli became known as a stylish resort and inspired other sites also named Tivoli.

⇒ The Tivoli Theatre in Washington, DC Thomas W. Lamb was a famous theatre architect who designed the Strand in New York, the Orpheum in Boston, the State in St. Louis, the Fox in San Francisco and the Ohio in Columbus.

The Tivoli was the first theatre in this country to have an orchestra elevator. It also had a Wurlitzer triple manual pipe organ mounted on an elevator platform In 1926 the Tivoli projection system was updated and the Tivoli became the first theatre to show talking movies.

The theatre was closed in 1976, empty, a survivor of the 1968 riots. The DC Preservation League and other preservation agencies tried to rehabilitate it as a performing arts building.

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They were successful. The former landmark movie palace has been renovated and its mezzanine and is now the home of GALA Hispanic Theatre. It reopened January 7, 2005 with a gala hosted by Rita Moreno, actress and former board member, The theater is part of a mixed-use restoration and redevelopment project, Tivoli Square in the Columbia Heights section of Washington, DC.

⇒ The Tivoli Theatre in Downers Grove, Illinois opened on Christmas Day 1928 with 4,000 people waiting in line to get in. Admission was 15 cents for children and 40 cents for adults. It was one of the first theatres in this country to show the "talkies." The architects were Van Guten and Van Guten of Chicago.

Today the Tivoli Theatre is still open and shows recent films seven days a week at bargain prices. Various arts groups also use the same performance space.

⇒ The Chateau Tivoli, a Victorian Bed and Breakfast Inn in San Francisco's historic Alamo Square District. It was built in 1892 as a private home and holds the California Heritage Council's 1989 Award for The Best Restoration of a Victorian House in California.

⇒ The Chateau Tivoli East in Normandy can be rented for \$2000/week or \$7000/month. It is a restored apple-pressoir with all conveniences including a heated swimming pool.

⇒ The Tivoli gardens of Paris 1766-1842 were located near the present Saint-Lazare station. They were named after Rome's Tivoli Gardens.

⇒ Tivoli Garden is a housing estate in Hong Kong.

⇒ Tivoli, Aachen is the stadium of a soccer team, Alemannia Aachen.

⇒ Tivoli, Minnesota is a former Sioux reservation and missionary town near Mankato, Minnesota.

⇒ There is a Tivoli, Texas.

⇒ In Belarus a village near Minsk is Tivoli.

⇒ Tivoli, Ljubjana is a garden and a park in Slovenia.

⇒ In 19th century Denver, Colorado there was the Tivoli Club, a gambling saloon owned by Soapy Smith.

⇒ There is a Tivoli Restaurant of the Hilton Munich Park.

⇒ A brewery in Denver, Colorado is the Tivoli Brewing Company.

⇒ Tivoli Hall is a site for basketball, ice hockey in Ljubjana, Slovenia.

⇒ Tivoli, Bmo are houses built in the decorative style on Veverj Street previously called Tivoli Square in Bmo, Czech Republic.

⇒ Tivoli Theatre at University City is another landmark theater located in St. Louis, Missouri.

⇒ In Chattanooga, Tennessee a restored Beaux-Arts auditorium built in 1921 is the Tivoli Theatre, operated by the City of Chattanooga.

⇒ Tivoli Theatre, Wimborne Minster, Dorset, UK is a restored Art Nouveau auditorium in Wimborne Manor.

⇒ Tivoli, Cork is a suburb of Cork City in the Republic of Ireland.

And

⇒ Tivoli Software, a division of IBM is known for management software.

⇒ Tivoli Audio is a high-end audio equipment manufacturer and reseller.

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Here's the \$2000 big question.

How did Tivoli Gardens in Copenhagen get its name? We have to return once more to the past. Tivoli Gardens in Copenhagen was first "Tivoli and Vauxhall." The "Tivoli" for the Jardin de Tivoli in Paris which had been name for — Tivoli near Rome — and Vauxhall Gardens in London.

Georg Carstensen who was born in 1812 and died in 1857 founded Tivoli Gardens. He obtained a five-year charter to create Tivoli by telling King Christian VIII that "when people are amusing themselves, they do not think about politics."

The park opened August 15th, 1843 and except for Dyrehavsbakken, nearby in Klampenborg, is the oldest amusement park which has survived totally to this day.

Readers are invited to contribute to Tivoli Trivia.

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The poster that started this inquiry

A Truly Hygge Home Have You Stopped In at the Danish Home Recently?

Inside and now outside, 855 New Durham Avenue has taken on a new lease on life. Thanks to the efforts of Dick Feltus, now called the Danish Rembrandt and Joe Billich, now called the Transformer (not the electrical connection) and the efforts of numerous others, the rooms have a new coat of paint, the kitchen has two new sparkling white stoves, gleaming cabinets, new sink, and all are cheerful and bright and clean. The gardens make a lovely welcoming statement. The exterior is being repaired and repainted. Thanks to all for creating the comfortable, friendly atmosphere where all can have a good time together.

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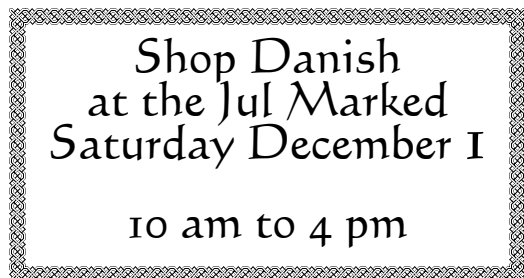
Saturday, December 1

10 am to 4 pm

A bazaar of Danish candy, tree ornaments, house decorations, wrapping paper, gifts, candles, books, nisse, paper cutouts and cookies.

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The President's Letter

Kære Alle, (Dear All),

We hope that everyone had a great summer! At DANE and in our lives, the busy fall season is well underway. The activity at our DANE website has picked up significantly recently and we are fast approaching 10,000 visitors to the site since we started it almost five years ago. A number of kind people are sharing the pictures of their families with us and it is wonderful to see these wonderful family mementos.

This issue of Øst has a wonderful article on Tivoli. I was first at Tivoli Gardens in Copenhagen when I was in college and had a wonderful time. Through the years, I always remembered that visit and was constantly reminded of it by two postcards that I had framed and have always displayed in my home. It was always difficult to explain Tivoli to friends and family through the years. Its mixture of amusement park, garden, cultural center, etc. that appeals to both young and old is hard to capture in words. Last year, I had to opportunity to visit Tivoli again - this time with my husband on his first trip there. We had a terrific time and I now have more wonderful memories of this magical place.

This month is the five-year anniversary of starting the DANE genealogy group. Many people have been active with the group for that entire time and many new members and friends have joined. We have collected a lot of information and helped a lot of people find their family history during this time. We have had a lot of fun learning about our Danish heritage and look forward to many more years of exploring our heritage with both new and old friends.

Hilsen,

Wendy

We Have Not Lost Our Census
The 2000 Census

Perth Amboy had 86 individuals who self-reported their ancestries as Danish. Edison had 565.