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DANA COLLEGE BICENTENNIAL COMMENCEMENT Thursday, May 20, 1976 Blair, Nebraska



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She had married the former Count Henri de Laborde de Monpezat five years earlier, in 1967. He is known in Denmark as Prince Henrik. They have two children, Crown Prince Frederik, born in 1968, and Prince Joachim, born in 1969.

Queen Margrethe is the best-educated monarch Denmark has had. As a princess she studied constitutional law and administrative law at the University of Copenhagen; constitutional law, politics and international organization at the University of Aarhus; international law and archaeology at Cambridge University; social policy and youth welfare at London University; and jurisprudence at the Sorbonne in Paris. She speaks English, French, Swedish, and German. As a princess, she also trained in the Danish Women's Royal Air Force.

The Royal Visits

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On April 19, 1939, Crown Prince Frederik — who, a few years later, became King Frederik IX of Denmark — and Crown Princess Ingrid visited the Dana campus. The headline in the next day's edition of the Blair newspaper reads, "Huge Crowds Welcome Royal Pair; Two Thousand Jam Vicinity of Dana Auditorium to See Royal Danes."

During the afternoon program the Crown Prince delivered a greeting to the audience, reading in English from a prepared manuscript. But, as he warmed to his subject, he crushed the manuscript and spoke in Danish, expressing satisfaction and admiration for the work being done at Dana. "Dana College has been and is," he said, "one of the strongholds of Danish Americanism. We are happy to know how great and sincere your devotion and loyalty is to America and at the same time how you still remember your old country and its people with feelings of gratitude and love."

Later in the afternoon the Crown Prince was asked to turn a symbolic spadeful of earth in a tree-planting ceremony. To everyone's delight, he turned the first spadeful and then continued digging until the hole was large enough for the oak sapling.



1976

When it was announced some months ago that Her Majesty Queen Margrethe II and His Highness Prince Henrik would visit the United States in celebration of our Bicentennial year, several thousand American communities responded with invitations to the royal couple. Dana is honored to have been selected as one of the 16 places in America the Queen and Prince will visit. During their brief stay in Nebraska they will also visit the headquarters of Strategic Air Command and be guests of the Danish Brotherhood at a banquet in Omaha.

Queen Margrethe has been described as "a working wife" and as such has a great deal in common with large numbers of Denmark's women inhabitants. Her normal day is much like other women with jobs outside the home; almost every moment is occupied. She is a voracious reader, enjoys theatre and music, and is especially interested in archeology. The Queen is a worthy bridge player and keeps in good physical condition by participating in gymnastics and other sports such as fencing and swimming. She is devoted to her family and reserves a period of time each day for her children. The family speaks both Danish and French.

Prince Henrik's interests range from social problems to artistic, humanitarian and sporting fields. He has a sound knowledge and liking for the Vietnamese and Chinese languages and cultivates an interest in classical music, both as listener and player. His fascination with painting and sculpture stems from childhood and he frequently works in his studio located in a pavilion at Amalienborg Palace. Prince Henrik is also a Commissioner with the Danish Red Cross and travels considerably to Danish Red Cross institutions in Europe and Africa. He also serves as president of the Danish division of the World Wildlife Fund whose purpose it is to protect and conserve nature and its animal species. On the sporting front he prefers tennis, sailing, skiing and riding his favorite horse "Santo."



DANA COLLEGE BICENTENNIAL COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Thursday, May 20, 1976, 2:30 p.m.
Viking Field, Blair, Nebraska

THE QUEEN'S CONCERT

Beginning at 1:45 p.m., the Blair High School Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Mr. Gerald M. Kinney, will present a Pre-Commencement Concert for your enjoyment.

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

"Ceremonial Processional" (March Pontificale) Charles Gounod
Arranged by James D. Ployhar
The Blair High School Wind Ensemble

ARRIVAL OF THE QUEEN'S MOTORCADE

When the motorcade arrives on the Field, President Mezoff will leave the platform and escort Her Majesty, His Highness, and the members of the official party to their places. The audience is asked to stand at the arrival of the motorcade and remain standing for the national anthems.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEMS

"Kong Kristian" Denmark
"The Star Spangled Banner" United States
The Dana College Choir and the Blair High School Wind Ensemble

THE INVOCATION Dr. C. Clifford Madsen, K.D.
President Emeritus, Dana College

WELCOME Dr. Earl R. Mezoff, K.D.
President, Dana College

THE VALEDICTORY Alan Kent Hanson

MUSICAL SELECTION

"Obey the Spirit of the Lord" Spiritual, Arranged by Robert DeCormier
The Dana College Choir, Dr. Paul E. Neve, Director
Miss Jeanmarie Nielsen, Soprano

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER President Earl R. Mezoff

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Her Majesty, Queen Margrethe II of Denmark

THE CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE

The degree, Doctor of Letters, *Honoris Causa*, will be conferred by Dr. Erwin Goldenstein, Chairman of the Dana College Board of Regents; President Earl R. Mezoff; and Dr. Robert J. Glass, Dean of the College.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFICIAL GIFT

The Queen Margrethe II Scholarship Mr. Norman C. Bansen, K.D.
Professor of English and Danish, Dana College

THE PRESENTATION OF THE CLASS OF 1976 Dr. Robert J. Glass
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THE BENEDICTION Dr. Paul C. Nyholm, K.D.
Professor Emeritus, Dana College

THE ALMA MATER Christiansen-Nielsen
The audience is invited to stand and join in singing "Hail Dana"

While yet our land was wilderness
And sturdy pilgrim reared
With brawny arm his lowly home,
A flow'r divine appeared:
O hail, fair Dana, hail to thee!
Our song to thee we sing:
May always we thy name revere
While truth to us be dear.

To all who would thy truths embrace
Thy message true impart;
Be thou their guiding star throughout
To manhood mold each heart.

O hail, fair Dana, hail to thee!
Thy children guide aright;
May they in faith and hope and love,
Praise Him who dwells above.

And when we launch our little barks
On Destiny's deep sea,
As ivies to thy walls do cling,
Our hearts will cling to thee.
O hail, fair Dana, hail to thee!
Though time thy walls may claim
Thy spirit live, another throng
Rise up and sing our song.

THE RECESSIONAL
"Trumpet Voluntary" (The Prince of Denmark's March) Jeremiah Clarke
Arranged by Robert Cray

The Blair High School Wind Ensemble

THE AUDIENCE IS ASKED TO REMAIN STANDING AND IN PLACE
UNTIL THE RECESSIONAL HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

Commencement Notes

Before proceeding to the Dana campus the Queen's motorcade will make a brief stop at the corner of 17th and Washington Streets in downtown Blair. Serving as a welcoming party will be the members of the Blair Danish Dancers, a group of elementary school children who perform Danish folk dances in colorful native costumes. The group is directed by Mrs. Gloria Weinman, former Director of the Dana Dancers. Also at this point, Miss Becky Hanson, Nebraska's reigning "Junior Miss" of Blair, will present Her Majesty with a welcoming bouquet.

The traditional Commencement "kaffebord" will be served to all guests immediately following the close of this afternoon's program on the lawn between the Campus Center and Mickelsen Hall. In case of inclement weather, the Commencement Ceremony will be held in Borup Coliseum and the "kaffebord" in Alumni Memorial Auditorium.

A private reception honoring Queen Margrethe and Prince Henrik will be held in the Campus Center immediately following the Commencement program. Due to the limitation of space, attendance at this reception is by invitation only. Members of the senior class, the faculty and staff, the board of regents, and representatives of groups closely associated with the Queen's visit have been invited. Members of the senior class are to enter the dining room by the north stairs; members of the faculty, staff, and the regents by the south stairs; and all other invited guests by the central stairs.

The reception in the Campus Center will last approximately thirty minutes, after which members of the senior class and faculty may wish to join relatives and friends at the "kaffebord" outdoors. Following the reception Her Majesty, His Highness, and the members of the official party will pay a private visit to the Melchior Memorial and the Heritage Room in the C. A. Dana-LIFE Library.

The official party is expected to leave the Campus Center at approximately 4:15 p.m., walk to the Library, and then depart from the campus by motorcade. Time permitting, Her Majesty and His Highness have been invited to visit the site of the Queen Margrethe II Bicentennial Rose Garden as they leave the campus.

Although the official College gift, The Queen Margrethe II Scholarship, is the only presentation scheduled to be made during the Commencement Ceremony, several other presentations will be made during the course of the afternoon. Representing the City of Blair, the Honorable Mayor Alfred O. Sick will present Her Majesty with honorary citizenship and a key to the City; Mrs. Joyce Sutton, Washington County Bicentennial Chairman, will present Her Majesty with a Bicentennial memento and Mr. Allen Beerman, Nebraska Secretary of State, will make a presentation on behalf of the people of Nebraska. A special edition of the Bing & Grondahl Bicentennial plate will be presented to Her Majesty by President Mezoff. Although made in Denmark, the plate is not available there and, at the suggestion of Bing & Grondahl, Her Majesty will receive her personal copy of the plate during her visit to Dana College.

We extend a special Dana welcome to all families and friends of today's graduates as well as to the following members of the Queen's party: His Excellency, the Danish Ambassador to the United States, Mr. Otto Borch, and Mrs. Borch; Count Kield Knuth-Winterfeldt, Danish Lord Chamberlain; Mr. Bengt Johns, Royal Danish Consul General of Chicago, and Mrs. Johns; Mr. Kenneth Holm, Royal Danish Consul of Omaha, and Mrs. Holm; Mrs. Alette Bardenfleth, Lady-in-Waiting; Lieutenant Colonel U. Gabel-Jorgensen, Chamberlain; Colonel Palle S. Sorensen, Defense and Armed Force Attache, Embassy of Denmark, and Mrs. Sorensen; Major Henrik Fogh Andersen, Aide-de-Camp; Commander Tom Holst-Christensen, Aide-de-Camp; Dr. Troels Warming, M.D.; Mr. Bent Skou, Counselor and Press Officer, Embassy of Denmark; Mr. Erik Jorgensen, Commercial Counselor, Danish Consulate General, Chicago, and Mrs. Jorgensen; Mr. Christopher Bo Bramsen, First Secretary, Embassy of Denmark; Mr. Niels Peter Albertsen, Press Attache, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Mr. Hugo Petersen, Vice Consul, Danish Consulate General, Chicago; and the twenty-four representatives of the Danish press.

The initials K.D. following the names of several of the program participants indicate that they are holders of the Cross of the Knight Order of Dannebrog. Instituted in 1671 by Christian V of Denmark, the order was originally limited to a maximum membership of 50, and expressly reserved for nobles. In 1808, Frederik VI ruled that the order might be bestowed on any subject in one of four classes: grand commander; commander, grand cross; commander; and knight. The decoration consists of a white enameled gold Latin cross (a silver cross in the case of knights) with a red border, surmounted by a royal crown over the reigning sovereign's monogram. The four members of the Dana staff who hold the Cross of the Knight Order of Dannebrog are Dr. Paul C. Nyholm, Professor Emeritus; Dr. C. C. Madsen, President Emeritus; Mr. Norman C. Bansen, Professor of English and Danish; and President Earl R. Mezoff.

Instrumental music for today's program will be presented by the Blair High School Band, Mr. Gerald M. Kinney, Director. We congratulate the Band at having been selected to represent Nebraska in the Bicentennial Fourth of July Celebration in Philadelphia.

The Queen Margrethe II Bicentennial Rose Garden

To commemorate permanently the visit by Her Majesty and to honor the nation's Bicentennial year, the Queen Margrethe II Bicentennial Rose Garden has been created at Dana College.

Located at the entrance to the campus, on the corner of College Drive and 27th Street, the rose garden contains 200 rose bushes - all of the 1977 AARS variety "Prominent." The roses are the gift of Jackson & Perkins Company, Medford, Oregon, and were flown to Nebraska through the courtesy of United Airlines. A grant from the Nebraska Bicentennial Commission has made it possible to include an underground watering system in the rose garden, and a gift from the Blair Rotary Club will soon provide a permanent marker for the area.

We invite you to visit the Queen Margrethe II Bicentennial Rose Garden during your stay on campus.

The Queen Margrethe II Scholarship

In keeping with the American tradition of gift-giving on the occasion of Commencement, several official gifts will be presented today to Queen Margrethe. The official College gift is an endowed scholarship, named in Her Majesty's honor, to be awarded annually to students attending Dana College.

The Queen Margrethe II Scholarship has been made possible through the generous contributions of several individuals, including Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Parmalee. Mr. Parmalee is the Danish Consul for the State of Kansas. Additional gifts to this special scholarship fund are welcome and may be sent directly to the Development Office at Dana College.

The gift will be presented to Queen Margrethe during the Commencement ceremony by Mr. Norman C. Bansen, Knight of Dannebrog and Professor of English and Danish at Dana.

The Academic Procession

The academic procession is a relic of medievalism in modern university life. The somber gowns and the colorful hoods are not unlike those worn by scholars and churchmen perhaps as early as the twelfth century. The garb in those times had an element of utility: the robes were warm, the hoods could be drawn up to protect against drafts in unheated buildings, and the deep, closed sleeves of the masters' gowns made capacious pockets.

Traditionally, the hood's silken lining has been in the color of the wearer's university and the color of the bordering velvet indicates his special area of study. White velvet represents arts and letters; dark blue, philosophy; light blue, education; yellow, science; brown, fine arts; mustard, business; scarlet, theology; purple, law; dark green, medicine; lilac, dentistry; olive, pharmacy; pink, music. Tassels on the caps of candidates for degrees correspond in color to the velvet borders of the hoods.



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Special thanks are extended to the numerous groups and individuals who have assisted in making the Bicentennial Commencement Ceremony a meaningful and significant occasion for all of us. Specifically, we extend grateful appreciation to the following committee members:

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Today's seniors and members of the faculty and Board of Regents are wearing a special medallion commemorating this Bicentennial Commencement Ceremony and the visit by Her Majesty Queen Margrethe. The medallion bears the Dana seal and the Queen's own monogram, designed by her at the time she ascended the throne. The medallions have been presented as gifts to the seniors, faculty, and regents by Dana College. Souvenir medallions will also be presented to Her Majesty and His Highness.

Medallions are available to guests and visitors who wish to purchase them. Cost is \$10.00 each; they are available in the Campus Bookstore or by mail from the Public Relations Office, Dana College, Blair, Nebraska 68008.