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Chicago's Lakefront

# Good news from Lincoln Log Cabin



The front page of the brochure about the Joint Museum Cooperation in the Rebild Municipality shows Hanne and Jens Peter on the cover outside the Lincoln Log Cabin Museum.

After some years of decline in visitor numbers at Lincoln Log Cabin, it now seems that we can reverse this unfortunate trend. The museum has seen an impressive growth in visitor numbers, partly because of the many groups of visitors, but also because we this year have had the possibility to keep the museum open over the summer season, when many guests are visiting "Rebild Bakker". These visitors come primarily to enjoy the fantastic scenery, but if the door is open, some will find their way into Lincoln Log Cabin. Due to this year's cooperation with Mrs. Elisabeth Pedersen, a newcomer in Rebild surroundings, the Lincoln Log Cabin has been open more or less 6 days a week during June, July and August.

We do thank Elisabeth for a fine effort. The many group visits, we collected partly through cooperation with local accommodations, partly through cooperation with the Fiddler's, Hunting and Forestry Museum and "Thingbæk Kalkminer" as a result a so-called museum package, which can be booked through Rebild Tourist Office.

After a fantastic autumn holiday which brought many visitors passed the museum, we have now closed down for 2011.

A collaboration with the aforementioned museums with discount on the admission and a free participation in a small booklet (widely distributed to the area's tourism industry) with holiday activities have contributed very positively to the number of visitors. The outdoor Indian activities, completed by our faithful volunteers Hanne and Jens Peter - several of you will know them from "Little Rebild" - the first weekend of the holiday drew many children and young at heart, so another of our volunteers, Marianne Qvistorff, had plenty to do by servicing the guests indoors. We heartily thank Marianne, Hanne and Jens Peter for their commitment. The rest of the autumn holidays our new secretariat employee, Hanne Vestergaard, took care of the museum guests.

One of the biggest challenges in the future is to keep the Lincoln Log Cabin open a larger part of the year, one other to renew the existing exhibition, which has now been going for years.

*The Secretariat*



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# Punctual Precision!



## Dear Friends of Rebild

It was our Honorary President, Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller, who several years ago launched the expression "Punctual Precision" as an expression for the philosophy which is the basis of the running of the society. And as we see – it works! The good thing about the statement is that it can be practiced by everybody. It is about planning in time – and in such good time that it can be changed, if reality changes.

In the Rebild Society Punctual Precision is also valid. We are celebrating our 100 year anniversary next year, and we are already far ahead with planning of the most important activities – from the size of the tent, and how the stage and platform for the seating in front of the stage can be enlarged to agreements with the artists, who will take care of the entertainment. Without unveiling anything yet or saying too much I can promise that it is shaping up really well.

Plan your holiday with July 4 in mind. I hope that our members in both Denmark and the US will show punctual precision –

and already now start considering, how July 4 in the Rebild Hills can be incorporated in your holiday plans. It goes especially for our American friends, because even if it has become both easier and cheaper to travel to Denmark, it still calls for some preparations. A suggestion could be that every chapter try to create an interest in a group trip, which at the same time might be a tour round Denmark. Including Copenhagen, Aalborg, Aarhus, the scenery of Jutland, the archipelago of southern Funen, Tivoli, the free city of Christiania, H.C. Andersen, Frederiksborg Castle, Kronborg Castle, etc. enough ideas for a lovely trip.

## Don't forget Chicago in April

Before meeting in the hills we shall hopefully see each other in Chicago at the end of April for the Annual Membership Meeting. The meeting will of course also bear the stamp that more than 100 years ago some artisans, just from the Chicago area – with Max Henius as the prime mover – decided to buy a piece of land in Denmark in order to have a place, where every year

they could meet family and friends, both from other parts of the US and those who remained in the old country. This place was the Rebild Hills, which since then have been a beautiful setting of the Rebild Celebration.

We used to be 25-30 participants from Denmark for the Annual Membership Meeting (which is also the general assembly of the Rebild Society) most of whom also participate in the common trip – before or after the annual membership meeting – which Martha and I have arranged during the past years. They have been fantastic trips, which have given us marvelous experiences. In all ways the US is a great country for travelling.

## The Punctual Precision

As said before, it is now the time to decide, whether you go to Chicago or to the Rebild Hills – or preferably to both places – in 2012. There is something to go for – there is something to celebrate.

Start planning already now. That will be punctual precision.



Karl K. Nielsen  
President of the Rebild Society

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Welcome to the Centennial in  
Chicago April 25 – 29, 2012



2012 brings a new focus to Rebuild National Park Society and the arrival of a landmark anniversary for our special Danish-American friendship organization.

2012 allows us to reflect on 100 years of history, 100 years of friendship and 100 years of festivals.

# Celebrating a Century of Friendship

1912 - 2012

Imagine the people, the smiles and the laughter over the past century. Imagine the meetings, the gatherings, the galas, the fireworks and the reunions. Imagine the crowds, the guest speakers, the entertainers and the heather-covered hills of Rebuild throughout the years.

How have the styles changed? How has transportation changed? How has the world changed during the past 100 years? The passage of time allows us to reflect on and to thank the past leaders, board members, employees, volunteers and members and to look to the future with a new perspective. Let the celebrations begin!

## **The 100th Anniversary Year Arrives**

Rebuild Society's Centennial Anniversary Celebration and Annual Membership Meeting will be hosted by the Chicago Midwest Rebuild Chapter on April 25 - 29, 2012 in the northwest suburbs of Chicago. Tours, receptions, luncheons, dinners and meetings are planned. The celebration culminates with Rebuild's Centennial Banquet & Danish Royal Guards' Queen's Gala Ball, which encompasses the support of the entire Danish-American community.

## **The Hyatt Regency Woodfield Hotel**

The Hyatt Regency Woodfield, 1800 East Golf Road, Schaumburg, IL 60173 will be the official site for the Centennial Anniversary Celebration & Annual Membership Meeting. Visit the Chicago Midwest Rebuild Chapter's new website [www.rebuildchicago.org](http://www.rebuildchicago.org) for details. A welcome reception starts the celebration on Wednesday evening, April 25, 2012.

## **About the Chicago City Bus Tour**

Thursday, April 26, 2012 will offer guests the opportunity to see Chicago's magnificent downtown. See the skyscrapers, the bustling streets and the breathtaking lakefront. The Chicago City Bus Tour will include lunch at the famous Signature Room at the 95th® located atop the John Hancock Center. The Signature Room offers diners exquisite food, superb service, and a dazzling skyline view. The elegant wood designs and art deco interior create an inviting and intimate atmosphere, while the floor-to-ceiling windows exhibit the stunning Chicago skyline and 360° degree views of the entire city.

### **About The Danish Home**

In the afternoon, there will be a visit to The Danish Home of Chicago for coffee & kringle. The Danish Home, founded in 1891 in the Danish tradition of caring for its elderly, is one of the proud landmarks for the Chicago Danish-American community. Come enjoy an afternoon visit with The Danish Home's new executive director Scott Swanson and The Danish Home's residents and staff.

### **About Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament**

The evening will present a light and fun-filled evening at Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament near the hotel in Schaumburg, IL. Medieval Times is an exciting, family-friendly dinner attraction inspired by an 11th century feast and tournament. Guests are served a four-course banquet and cheer for one of six Knights competing in the joust and other tests of skill. Expect almost two hours of jousting, swordsmanship, thrilling hand-to-hand combat, displays of extraordinary horsemanship and falconry as part of an exciting yet touching story set in Medieval Spain. Medieval Times' noble guests feast on garlic bread, tomato bisque soup, roasted chicken, spare rib, herb-basted potatoes, pastry of the Castle and more. Guests eat with their hands, but utensils can be requested. Remember eating utensils were not used in the 11th century!

### **About the Western Suburban Tour**

Friday, April 27, 2012 will offer the opportunity for an All Day & Evening Western Suburban Tour. This will be your chance to see Cantigny Gardens, McCormick Mansion and the First Division Army Museum, enjoy a box lunch, go on a Viking Ship tour and end the evening with a festive tent dinner & tour of Midwest Groundcovers in St. Charles, IL. Please note that the bus will not return to hotel until after the tent dinner. For those not participating in the All Day Tour, there will be a separate bus taking people from the hotel to the Tent Dinner only.

Located in Wheaton, IL, Cantigny Gardens is a sprawling, 500-acre park where families wander through nature, get lost in history and enjoy special programs and events. In addition to vast formal gardens and picnic and camping grounds, Cantigny offers two history-rich museums: the Robert R. McCormick Museum and the Cantigny First Division Museum, fascinating for families and researchers alike.

During the next stop on the tour, you will venture to see The Viking, located at Good Templar Park in Geneva, IL. The Viking is a replica of the Gokstad ship. In 1893, under Captain Magnus Andersen, she sailed across the Atlantic (from Bergen, Norway to New York) and on to



the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago (via the Erie Canal and Great Lakes). Declared one of the 10 most endangered landmarks in Illinois, The Viking is an important, irreplaceable piece of this nation's and region's history. Local Scandinavians and Americans are working to preserve The Viking.

Finally, the evening ends with a festival tent dinner & tour on the property of Peter and Irma Orum's Midwest Groundcovers in St. Charles, IL. Come and enjoy this beautiful setting. Midwest Groundcovers grows and propagates over twenty million of the finest plants in the Midwest for landscape contractors, garden centers and the landscape trade every year.

### **About the Centennial Gala**

The Chicago Midwest Rebild Chapter, The Danish Royal Guards' Society and the entire Danish-American community in the Chicagoland area are going all-out to make a memorable Centennial Gala for the evening of Saturday, April 28, 2012. "Rebild's Centennial Banquet & Danish Royal Guards' Queen's Gala Ball" is an undertaking made possible by countless members, volunteers and sponsors. The evening will include a four-course gala dinner including wine and non-stop entertainment.

### **About the Commemorative Rebild Polo Shirt**

You have the opportunity to pre-order a special Rebild Polo Shirt.



### **About the Cancellation Policy**

Please note the cancellation policy for tours and meals: Fully refundable before February 15, 2012, 75% refundable after February 15, 2012, but NO REFUNDS after April 1, 2012

### **About the Event Registration**

Rebild Chicago Midwest Chapter member Nora Boegehn is the Event Treasurer for this 100th Anniversary Celebration in Illinois. She can be reached at 503 Crest Avenue, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 USA, Phone 847-439-4549 or e-mail: [RebildChicago@gmail.com](mailto:RebildChicago@gmail.com). It is preferable that you send checks, money orders or travelers checks in U.S. Dollars payable to Rebuild Chicago Midwest Chapter. However, there is also an option to pay by credit card. Please visit [www.rebildchicago.org](http://www.rebildchicago.org) for details. Due to the potential for special honored guests and security restrictions, please specifically list all names and titles of attendees when you register. Please make your reservations as soon as possible.

### **About Hotel and Reservations**

Located just nine miles northwest from O'Hare airport, the Hyatt Regency Woodfield is right across the street from Woodfield Shopping Center. Second only to Mall of America, Woodfield is the Midwest's largest shopping mall, featuring over 400 stores. Legoland Discovery Center and a huge IKEA Store are also nearby. After a long day of meetings or exploring, you'll instantly be able to relax in the organic, natural atmosphere of the hotel, from the open atrium style lobby to the spacious guestrooms with Portico bath amenities

and sleek rainfall shower heads. Meals at the Fresh 1800 restaurant feature close-to-the-farm foods including fresh vegetables and herbs grown in the hotel's on-site garden.

### **Please contact the**

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### **About Flights and Ground Transportation**

If you need help with airline tickets or pre/post tours, please contact Tor Jensen at 1-800-TJENSEN or 1-847-256-5550, [www.jensenworldtravel.com](http://www.jensenworldtravel.com) or your local travel agent. For Ground Transportation from O'Hare Airport, please see [www.rebildchicago.org](http://www.rebildchicago.org) for information.

Reservation form at page 18.

## MEETING SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 25 - 29, 2012 IN CHICAGO

### **Wednesday, April 25, 2012**

Arrival at Hyatt Regency Woodfield, 1800 East Golf Road, Schaumburg, IL  
5:00 PM to 8:00 PM: Registration & Welcoming Reception

### **Thursday, April 26, 2012**

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM: National Board Members' Meeting (Separate Room)  
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM: Chapter Presidents' Meeting (Separate Room)  
9:15 AM - 5:00 PM: Chicago City Bus Tour  
6:30 PM: Bus From Hotel To Special Evening Program at Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament

### **Friday, April 27, 2012**

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM: Combined Meeting of National Board Members & Chapter Presidents  
10:15 AM: All Day & Evening Western Suburban Tour: (Bus will not return to the hotel until after the tent dinner)  
5:00 PM: Separate Bus To Midwest Groundcovers for Those Individuals NOT on All Day Tour  
6:00 PM: Tent Dinner at Midwest Groundcovers

### **Saturday, April 28, 2012**

MORNING: Available for Shopping for Those Not In Meetings (Woodfield Mall opens at 10 AM)  
8:00 AM - NOON: National Board Members' Meeting  
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM: New Rebuild Workshops. open to all. More information will follow.  
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM: Rebuild's Annual Membership Meeting (For All Members)  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM: Organizational Board Meeting for Newly-Elected Board Members  
6:15 - 7:15 P.M.: Cocktail Reception (Cash Bar)  
7:15 PM - MIDNIGHT: Rebuild's Centennial Banquet & Danish Royal Guards' Queen's GALA BALL



# Reflections on the life and extraordinary times of Max Henius

As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Rebild Society, I find it fascinating to look at the lives of its builders in the context of their times. It is hard to imagine a more dynamic time of porous borders and explosive growth than the late 19th century. Probably the name most closely associated with the founding of the Rebild Society is Max Henius. I had the good fortune to come across a biography of Henius written by his associates shortly after his death, and much of what I have written of Henius is largely based on that biography.



By Nicolai Schousboe, Chicago Midwest Rebild Chapter Member

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The first Europeans to come to Chicago were Pere Marquette and Louis Joliet in 1673 when they claimed Midwestern North America for Nouvelle France. Marquette and Joliet traveled up the Illinois River and portaged to the Chicago River and down to Lake Michigan. Joliet called for a canal to be built to connect the Illinois and Chicago rivers to stimulate trade and help France establish an economic empire in the New World. It was a prescient recommendation. Such a canal would indeed be built almost 200 years later, and an economic empire was ignited. Chicago would become the transport hub for a new nation, and not for New France.

In 1838, ten years before the canal was built connecting the Great Lakes and Mississippi watersheds, Max Henius' father immigrated to Denmark from an impoverished Jewish family in Torun, Poland, traveling on foot to Aarhus, where his brother Jacob lived. The journey took six weeks. The elder Henius rose quickly in the distillery business first in Aarhus and then in København. He launched his own

his distillery, Spritfabrikken in Aalborg in 1846, with money loaned from partners. In 1854 he returned to Torun to find a bride.

Born in 1859, Max was educated at the Aalborg Latin School and went on to study at the Polytechnic Institute in Hanover before matriculating at the University of Marburg, Germany. 1881 was a pivotal year for Max Henius. His father sold the distillery that Max had hoped to take over, and he had fallen in love with Johanne Heiberg. Both families disapproved of the relationship and Max Henius decided to immigrate to the US and subsequently send for his fiancée to come and marry him. Interestingly, a contemporary who would also become a very famous Danish-American, Jens Jensen, would immigrate to the US three years later partly because his prospective partner also did not meet family approval. A fellow student from Hannover and Warburg, Robert Wahl, told Max of the multiple opportunities available in the US, and later would partner with Henius in a very successful business.

Already in 1870 immigrants made up a larger proportion of the city's population (48 percent) than any other place in North America. Chicago was quickly rebuilding after its massive destruction by fire in 1871 and Danish immigration was beginning to swell. Max Henius arrived in Chicago in October of 1881. Although he was a well educated and degreed chemist, his first jobs were as a door to door book salesman, errand boy for a pharmacy, and as a coal trimmer. Two years later he was employed by the Northern Pacific Railway to test the waters between Fargo, North Dakota and Bozeman, Montana but returned to Chicago to marry Johanne on June 4, 1883. With his savings he opened a drug store and subsequently formed Wahl & Henius, Analytical and Consulting Chemists with a lab at the back of the store. They established themselves as authorities on yeast culture and brewing.

Chicago was at this time one of the most rapidly growing cities in the world, the Shanghai of the late 19th century. Population growth was meteoric, fueled by decade after decade of immigration. But it was a wide open and divided city and hardly immune to the controversies of its time. May 1, 1886 saw a massive demonstration by workers (well advertised in the immigrant press) in favor of the eight-hour working day. Three days later the conflict culminated in a violent confrontation. The 1886 Haymarket Massacre took place in Chicago when an unknown person threw a dynamite bomb at police as they dispersed a public meeting. Chicago police fired on workers during a general strike for the eight-hour workday, killing

several demonstrators and resulting in the deaths of several police officers. International Workers' Day is the commemoration of the Haymarket Massacre. Ironically this would become a holiday officially celebrated throughout the Soviet bloc in the next century.

Henius did become involved in some of the public issues of this time. In 1892 a typhoid epidemic broke out in Chicago. Sewage was discharged into the Chicago River and subsequently found its way into Lake Michigan where Chicago's water supply was tapped. Henius examined milk samples that were watered down and publicly spoke out on his findings. The waters of Lake Michigan were mapped bacteriologically so the water cribs were moved farther out in Lake Michigan.

Henius was very active in various Danish immigrant organizations, including the Danish-American Association, formed in Chicago in 1906. The idea for a Danish-American festival to be held in Denmark actually came from Ivar Kirkegaard, a Danish-American poet and editor. The first Danish-American rally was held in 1908 at Krabbesholm Folk High School on Skive Fjord. En route to the Krabbesholm festival, Henius was visiting Aarhus, when he learned of the planning for a national exposition to be held in Aarhus the following summer. He proposed to his fellow association members that they organize a Danish-American meeting for July 4, 1909. They filled an auditorium and persuaded the crown prince, later King

Christian X, Georg Brandes and other noted Danes to speak at the event. Three years later Rebild Park was purchased by Danish Americans and set aside as a park, with the understanding that the site would be used to celebrate the 4th of July. Rebild Park was dedicated in 1912, and the first festival in Rebild was held on August 5, 1912.

Later Henius would found and head the Jacob A. Riis League of Patriotic Service to act as a clearing house for patriotic activities for Danish Americans during the First World War. The League grew out of a committee that managed the 3rd Liberty Loan drive in Chicago among Danish-Americans. It also had among its objectives the preservation of Danish culture in America. Its influence was used with President Woodrow Wilson to include the question of the Danish border with Germany in the post war peace settlement. Henius would also be instrumental in establishing and supporting the Danes Worldwide Archives in Aalborg, initially housed in his childhood home of Sohngårdsholm.

Immigration has always been a controversial subject and resisted with varying degrees of success throughout history. But looking backwards one can only conclude it has been to our good fortune, and that our societies have been quite enriched and rejuvenated by the dynamism that immigrants have brought to us.

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Plan the trip to the Rebild Society's 100 year-anniversary ahead of time. It is possible to reserve rooms at the following hotels:

#### **Radisson BLU Limfjord**

Adresse: Hotel, Ved Stranden 14-16 Aalborg

Phone +45 98164333 – e-mail: Reservations.Limfjord@RadissonBLU.Com

Daily rate (including breakfast): Double room DKK 1,005 – Single room DKK 905

#### **Comwell Rebild Bakker**

Adresse: Rebildvej 36, 9520 Skørping

Phone +45 98391222 – e-mail: hotel.rebildbakker@comwell.com - www.comwell.dk

Daily rate (including breakfast): Double Room DKK 825 – Single room DKK 625

#### **Hotel Hvide Hus**

Adresse: Vesterbro 2, 9000 Aalborg

Phone +45 98138400 – e-mail: hhh-aalborg@helnan.dk – www.booking.com/Hotel-Hvide-Hus

Daily rate (including breakfast): Double room DKK 995 – Single room DKK 795

#### **Rold Storkro**

Adresse: Vælderskoven 13, 9520 Skørping

Phone +45 98375100 – e-mail: roldstorkro@rold.dk – www.Rold.dk

Rold Storkro is arranging a special program for the days July 2-5, 2012, and the rate per person in a double room is DKK 2,675.00. This program can later be seen at the website of the hotel

#### **Rebild Vandrerhjem**

Adresse: CIMBRERGÅRDEN, Rebildvej 23, 9520 Skørping

Phone +45 98391340 – e-mail: info@rebild-vandrerhjem.dk – www.vandrerhjem.net

Daily rate (excl. breakfast): Double room with bath and toilet DKK 450 – Single room with bath and toilet DKK 375

Room for 4 persons with bath and toilet DKK 550. Breakfast DKK 55 per person

Reduction for groups in connection with room rate and breakfast



# Election to the Board 2012

On the back of this Newsletter you will find a ballot to be used in connection with the election to the Board in 2011. The whole back page (note: incl. the portion with your address) must be returned. In Denmark ballots should be sent to the Secretary General Ketty Bisgaard, while members residing in the US should send their ballots to the Corporate Secretary Pia Ringheim Jensen.

Secretary General Ketty Bisgaard and Corporate Secretary Pia Ringheim Jensen will then verify the validity of the ballot, by ensuring that a member's name and address appear at the envelope, in which the ballot has been forwarded, and whether the membership permits voting as a single person or as a household.

When the individual ballot has been approved, the top with name and address will be cut off. The anonymous ballot will then be submitted to "Tellers Committee". When the ballots have been counted the President will announce the result at the Annual Membership Meeting 2012. Thank you to our two Nominating Committees having for done an important job.

As always, if you have any questions, the Secretariat is, of course, at your disposal. Finally we wish a good election campaign to the candidates having accepted to do a job on the Board of the Rebild Society. Please forward your ballot no later than March 1, 2012. Thank you!

*The Secretariat November, 2011*

## CONNIE HANSON - REELECTION, USA

Born in Odense, Denmark, August 13, 1950. Graduated from "Copenhagen Business School" as English and German "Correspondent". Worked four years as a secretary for the European Commission in Brussels, Belgium, and the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg. Immigrated to the United States of America in 1980 and settled in the Pasadena area of California. Worked several years as Administrative Assistant for the Los Angeles Branch of the Danish bank "Handelsbanken". For almost 25 years I have been an active Realtor working exclusively in the residential real estate market. I am the Branch Training Director for new Realtors and a member of the Realtor Board's Education Committee.



I have been a member of the Danish Lutheran Church in Los Angeles since 1980 and I am especially proud to be a Board Member of the Danish Cheer Committee. I am also a Board Member of the Danish National Committee which arranges the annual celebration of the Danish Constitution Day (Grundlovsfest). Together with my husband of over 30 years, Kent Hanson, I am an active member of numerous Danish clubs and organizations in Southern California.

### **Statement**

Friendships between nations and cultures are more important now than ever. It's a wonderful feeling to be proud of one's heritage and it is especially gratifying to tell people that you are Danish, because Danes are liked and appreciated in most of the world. I constantly enjoy the fruits of my forefathers' reputation of being hard workers, industrious, and honest and just to all people. It is my responsibility to carry on that spirit by being a good ambassador for everything that is Danish. I see the Rebild Society as a wonderful vehicle to embrace and expand the friendship between Denmark and the United States. If I am elected to the Rebild Board I promise to serve as an active and involved member.

## JØRGEN K. ANDERSEN - REELECTION, USA

My name is Jorgen K. Andersen. I grew up on a small farm in Denmark and worked on farms until the winter of 1958-59, when I attended the language program at Kalo Landboskole. In the spring of 1959 I emigrated to Canada where I stayed for 1½ year in Ontario and Saskatchewan. Late in 1960 I moved to Illinois where I worked in construction. In 1962 I came to California, where I have worked in the dairy industry, most of the time at Knudsen Creamery in Los Angeles. In 1967 I married Donna, we have 2 sons and 2 grandchildren. –We have lived in Arcadia for many years, and before that in Siera Madre. Since I retired 9 years ago I have been active in many Danish-American organisations and hold office in most of them.



### **Statement**

I have been on the Rebild Board for the past few years and have been asked to run again for re-election. If elected I will work with the president and other board members to acquire new members and help the Rebild National Park Society grow and prosper.



## EDWARD BLADT - NEW CANDIDATE, USA

I was born on September 24, 1947 in Hackensack, NJ. My wife Bente and I live in Lumberton, NJ. I am probably one of very few native born Americans who speak Danish. I learned the Danish language during the summers of 1963 and 1966 while visiting a friend in Bjerringbro. I joined the U.S. Army in 1966 and they gave me a test for the Danish language. My knowledge of Denmark and the Danish language is why Uncle Sam stationed me in Denmark. I enjoyed extraterritorial status as a staff member of the American Embassy while serving in the U.S. Army 1967 - 1969. In 1976 I married Bente Konge Laursen.



I have held management positions in the U.S. Army, Bell Telephone Laboratories, RCA, General Electric, Martin Marietta and Lockheed Martin. My education background includes a Computer Programming Management Diploma, a Degree in Business Administration from Bergen Community College, and a Bachelors Degree in Economic Analysis from Rutgers University.

### **Statement**

My volunteer career in education started in 1990 and ended in 2009. I believe that many years of leadership responsibilities have prepared me for a position on the Board of Directors for the Rebild National Park Society. I have held many Board of Education positions, including: Local President, County President, Commission Chair, State Board of Directors and Federal Relations Network Representative. As a RNPS Board Member I will continue working to increase membership, especially with young adults. I believe that my leadership background and vision for the Society's future will be an asset to the Rebild Board of Directors.



## KIRSTEN KANE - REELECTION, USA

I was born in Randers in 1942 and graduated from Randers Statsskole as "nysproglig student" in 1961. I spent the next year in Paris as an au pair while taking courses at Sorbonne University. I completed my education in 1965, graduating from Marselisborg College. I have been a member of Rebild since 1988 and on the Board since 2008. In 2004 I was Mayor for a Day in Aalborg. My late husband, Walter served for many years as the American attorney for Rebild. Now that I am retired I try to stay involved in my community. Recently I have taught ESL and currently I volunteer for Meals on Wheels.



### Statement

I have tried to maintain the spirit of Rebild in my generation and my children's generation. I have had dozens of Americans visit me at my house in Jutland, many several times after forming deep attachments to the country and its people. My three children have memories of their many visits to our summer house, maintaining friendships with the children of my friends, and my son studied and traveled for a year in Denmark, learning the language, the country and its people. I treasure my frequent visits to my friends and family in Denmark, and enjoy having them visit my home in the U.S. Through such efforts I hope the spirit of Rebild can endure and I believe that I can contribute to this spirit.



## OVE JENSEN - REELECTION, DENMARK

I was born in Herning on July 26, 1942, as the son of manufacturers Helga and Harry Jensen. I have been a member of Rebild for 3 years. I have 4 children and 7 grandchildren, of which 2 children and 4 grandchildren live in Hot Spring, Arkansas as American citizens. I completed my business education in 1961 and completed my military service in Dronningens – Prinsens Livregiment. Until 2006 I was employed in a variety of leading positions in the textile industry, including being a designer at Sweki A/S in Herning and establishing Mette Mode in Herning in 1968. Since 1968 I have been a member of and served as chairman of several different associations, mainly in Herning to include being a member of City Foreningens board from 1973-2004, a board member of Midtjydsk Textilhandlerforening from 1971-2004 and chairman from 1982-2005. I served as board member of Herning Handelsstandsforening from 1989-1997, chairman from 1991-1997. I was a member of A/S Herning Hallerne's board from 1994-1997 and a board member of LINDON, Herning from 2005-2007. Today I am only part time retired as I continue to operate a property company and an investment firm. Since 2000 I continue to be a member of the board of Mr. Dohn A/S, Herning and, since 2007, chairman of Herning Kapital. I have also been chairman of Ove Jensen ApS since 2006. Since 2009 Board Member of the Rebild Society.



### Statement

As I previously mentioned I have 2 children and 4 grandchildren in the US. Therefore I feel that it is important to maintain a good relationship between Denmark and the US. I am convinced that The Rebild National Park Society is an important link in that connection, and that we must do all we can to preserve the Rebild Society. I believe that we must try to consider possible ways to modernize the Rebild Celebrations, in order to attract more young people. In so doing we must, however, ensure that we remain connected to the existing concept. We must do all we can to get competent and well known speakers in the Rebild Hills. Most recently the prime minister brought spotlight to the celebrations.



## LARS ERIK ANDERSEN - NEW CANDIDATE, DENMARK

I have discharged the duties as chairman of the Board of Chapter Midt-Vest for almost 5 years, and the pleasure I have had by cooperating with other members of the Rebild Society, made me want to make an effort on the national board. I was educated at Copenhagen University in 1966 as a lawyer. After military service within the signal corps and as a legal collaborator among the judge advocates I worked at a law office and was later admitted to the bar. However, my work has primarily been within the civil service, where I have been engaged within regional state authorities dealing primarily with issues concerning family law, after which I was appointed head of department within this authority in Funen. I was especially dealing with legal matters within municipalities as well as family matters.



Having retired I continued my studies at the University of Southern Denmark, and this year I graduated as MA within the Danish language and literature. I have two grown up children and am a happy grandfather of many grandchildren. I am married to Else-Kathrine Egeskov Woideemann, who for many years has worked as a teacher at a private school in Odense. I have been a member of the Rebild Society since 2004.

### **Statement**

I concur in the mission statement of the Rebild Society, namely to tie up and develop friendship relations between Denmark and the US. It is my hope that in a changing world the Rebild Society can be a proof of the strength of the ideas of freedom and democracy, uniting our two countries. I shall continue to spread the knowledge of the Rebild Society as a friendship association in order that membership can be increased and secure the further existence of the Society. I support all initiatives contributing to the younger generation taking an interest in the Rebild Society and its work, and here the possibility of communicating via the internet, Facebook and Skype is of major importance, just as we have to support the virtual youth chapter.

## VIBEKE HEINRICHSEN - REELECTION DENMARK

I was born in Herning in 1947. In 1967 I graduated from Niels Brock (Højere Handelseksamen), and in 1969 I graduated as a trilingual secretary from Copenhagen Business School. The same year I was hired by SAS Catering, where I was employed until 1986. Thereafter I spent a year in New York working for Sara Hotels, and in 1988 I created Ad Hoc Business Services, which completes administrative work for small Danish and foreign businesses. Since 2005 I have worked as secretary for Den Danske Publicistklub, and furthermore from 2009 Secretary for The American Club in Copenhagen. Since Rebild Chapter East was established in 1995 I have served as member of its board.



### **Statement**

Participation in the annual membership meetings in the Rebild Hills and the US have, over the years, provided me with many valuable friendships, and as a board member of The Rebild National Park Society I shall work to spread the knowledge of and the interest in the society in Denmark and the US, just as I shall work to ensure that our 100 year anniversary in the Rebild Hills in 2012 is celebrated properly. Furthermore I am a member of the Festival Committee for the anniversary next summer in the Rebild Hills.

# From the U.S. Vice President

In my last writings I told you that there would be things to tell you from the U.S. Leadership Meeting, but since the meeting isn't before October, we will wait with that, and instead give you a little reality check on our situation.

At our U.S. Leadership meeting we are going to work on the Rebild Society's future – 2013 and after. We know that if we change everything we will die and we also know if we don't change anything we will die. If President Karl Nielsen had not changed anything after he took over in 2007, we would have been dead long ago!

Last year we developed a Mission Statement - why we are here, what we see as our purpose. We also developed a Vision Statement -what we see or want to see happen in the future. And we developed some plans of which a couple are in the process of being carried out, most noticeably the Virtual Chapter (Young Rebild Society). So our task is to develop a strategy for a prosperous future without losing our past. To achieve a prosperous future we need more members, more attendance on the 4th of July and more charitable support.

In our business we would conclude that we need more customers, happy customers that would come back next week, month and year. Again, if this was for a business we would, besides reading coffee grounds, our brains, statistics or whatever else we could find to read, go out and ask the customers what we needed to do to get them to buy more, take better care of them and make them happier.

*“So, I am asking you, my Rebild sisters and brothers: How can we keep you as customers / members and how can we get many more, both as members and as participants in the 4th of July?”*

We do not have the resources to hire a fancy company to do market research, but I will ask you my member friends to do a little thinking about this – then sit down and send me a note or an email with your thoughts.

Thank you for your Rebild membership and for your support of Danish American friendship and cooperation.

Very truly yours,  
Peter Orum - U.S. Vice President  
E-mail: [petero@midwestgroundcovers.com](mailto:petero@midwestgroundcovers.com)

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## Chapter East invites to Thanksgiving Luncheon

Together with the American Club, Chapter East invites everyone to a festive Thanksgiving Luncheon in the most beautiful surroundings at Sølyst in Klampenborg. The event takes place on Thursday, November 24 from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The menu of course is very traditional: Squash Soup, Turkey Breast and Pecan Pie, accompanied with appropriate wines. The cost is DK 500 per person for members, and DKK 550 for guests, who are always welcome.

Reply (latest Nov 15) and further information to Chapter East on 39 62 00 09.

## REBILD NATIONAL PARK SOCIETY'S MISSIONS AND VISION

### Mission

To strengthen and support the friendship and the cultural ties between the people of Denmark and the people of the United States.

### Vision

We see the Rebild National Park Society continue as the premier Danish American friendship organization that it has been for more than 100 years.

We promote enriching our cultures by sharing American ideals of freedom and opportunity together with Denmark's unique concerns for the welfare of its citizens and environment from a background of hundreds of years of culture.

We see growing Rebild National Park Society membership, especially the younger generation, by offering the ability to communicate and socialize online using state-of-the-art technology and internet tools.

We see the Rebild National Park Society continue to celebrate the American Independence Day each year on the 4th of July in the hills of Rebild.

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## Tour in connection with the Meeting in Chicago in April 2012

Next year there will be no special tour in connection with the Annual Membership Meeting as previously arranged by our presidential couple, Martha and Karl K. Nielsen. Instead Jensen World Travel Ltd. in Chicago is planning to arrange a tour, which will be of interest to our members. Further details will appear in the next issue of Rebild Newsletter.

# Friends of the Rebild Celebration

The association got a good start by arranging the festive and popular party in Rebild on Friday July 1 with a versatile program with airborne vintage planes, vintage cars at the tent, upcoming youth bands, performance by gold and silver winners from the world championship in circus clowns, Irish folk music, dance music, raffle with fine prizes, rodeo bull and not to forget delicious food, beautifully decorated tables and a really good atmosphere. M.C. through the whole evening was Erik Eriksen, vice-chairman of the Friends of the Rebild Celebration and Top Karen's great grandchild.

The evening was a great success – especially considering the fact that 120 tickets were sold in advance, and at the end of the evening there were more than 260 participants. In spite of the many people in the tent, queue at the buffet, the dancing floor being smaller than planned, the many participants put up with it cheerfully.

At the beginning of the evening two board members from the Rebild Society were present and provided information about the Society, gave out Newsletters and invited everybody to become members of the society. Also vice-president Peter Ørum participated, and he asked permission to say a few words. He was very satisfied with the work, already started by the Friends of the Rebild Celebration, and he commented: "such a festive and popular evening is expressing what the Rebild Society stands for."

At present the Friends of the Rebild Celebration have put on their thinking cap regarding date and contents of a party in Rebild in 2012. Interested readers and hopefully future participants may keep up to date this development – and other future initiatives from the association – in the next issues of Rebild Newsletter.

On behalf of the Friends of the Rebild Celebration  
*Poul Erik Brander – chairman*



## What is Friends of the Rebild Celebration?

The Friends of the Rebild Celebration is a group of local fiery souls – consisting of local citizens and representatives from the tourist trade, who in March 2011 founded the association The Friends of the Rebild Celebration. An item of the association's objects clause is to develop initiatives, which anchor and strengthen a wider local interest in the Rebild Celebrations, the Rebild idea, and increase focus on and knowledge of the Rebild Society – also between the Rebild Celebrations.

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## Apple Jack arranged by Chapter Nord



On September 10, 2011 Mr. Ove Høegh-Guldberg opened his home at the estate Thygeslund for the first Apple Jack of Chapter Nord. We had a very successful harvest party with 47 participants, and from the beginning to the end a very cozy atmosphere could be felt.

This good atmosphere was enhanced even more when Mr. Høegh-Guldberg took us for a tour of the main building and told us the history of the place.

Later we had a delicious dinner from "Kokken og Jomfruen" and a couple of songs were sung. Finally it was time for the apple cake competition. Four apple cakes had been handed in and the first prize was obtained by Mrs Christel M. Selling. The second prize ended in a draw between Jytte Agerbak Lyngaa and Sieglinde Hedegaard.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Hanne and Ove, who placed tables, chairs, dinner sets and much more at our disposal. Also thanks to everyone who helped through the evening.

On our homepage: [www.Chapternord.dk](http://www.Chapternord.dk) you will find pictures from the impressive evening. Keep an eye on our homepage, where future activities will be announced. The board had decorated the barn in the best harvest style with corn, hay, fruit, vegetables and lots of lighted candles.

*Helle Søborg, President Chapter Nord*



## Chapter Midt-Vest visited Egebjerggård

On Saturday, September 3, 41 happy members of the Midt-Vest Chapter convened in Northern Funen, where Grethe and Vagn Larsen had provided extremely fine weather and arranged a magnificent visit to Mads Eg's private domicile

The main building, which is to-day used by Ege Tæpper for entertaining of and meeting with clients from all over the world appears exactly as it was, when Mads Eg and his wife lived there, and really exudes history and memories of an exciting life.

After a tour of the fine main building the "family photo" was taken on the main staircase, after which two phaetons pulled by two big tractors took us on a tour of the area of the estate, situated beautifully towards the northern coast of Funen. We passed large areas of woodland, the coastal area towards the north past areas suffering from the big amount of water, caused by the heavy rain this summer. A woodland area was preserved on account of a very rare type of moth, which had not been seen for many years. We made a stop at the meadows with a view to Æbelø and felt the many mosquitos, which suddenly turned up, before the end of the tour.

We inspected the farm buildings, which throughout the years have been gently adapted to modern agriculture and forestry without disfiguring the beautiful buildings worthy of preservation, and today they appear beautiful and well preserved.

A story for reflection was told about the time, when Mads Eg took over the estate. At that time the stable contained more than 100 milking cows, but there were six empty stalls. When Mads Eg asked the cowman, why they were empty, the answer was that times were not good for cattle breeding. Mads Eg then asked: "Why then are there more than 100 filled stalls?" – After that the herd was sold, and since then there have been no animals at Egebjerggård, but only agriculture and forestry. This is a success, which can be seen from both buildings, land and woodland. An impressive sight was the big straw fire of the farm, which provides heat to both the main building, the farm houses, and for drying the grain, and which contributes to saving a lot of money in the budget of a modern agriculture.

We also visited the museum with old horse-drawn vehicles, and ended up in the hunting room for coffee and the traditional apple cake. Among the many trophies in the hunting room was a stuffed rhinoceros, and Vagn gave us the cheerful story, how he and Mads Eg killed this rhinoceros. Ketty Bisgaard and Vibeke Henrichsen gave a short briefing of the Rebild Society's 100 anniversary in 2012, before we - also in fine sunshine - left Egebjerggård. - A lovely day with fantastic weather, happy members and an exciting visit to Egebjerggård. Thank you very much to Grethe and Vagn for arranging this visit.

*Jørgen Jeppesen Chapter Midt-Vest*



# Solvang 100 Years

1911 - 2011

**Danish and US flags lined the streets, when thousands of residents and visitors from all over the country in the days September the 16 – 18, 2011 participated in Solvang's celebration of its 100 years anniversary. Besides the "Danish Day's" Festival had its 75th anniversary, so it was the party of the year in "America's Danish Capital".**



Saturday morning Copenhagen Drive was completely closed to traffic. Instead the place was prepared for the big traditional Danish breakfast with rolls, breakfast pastries, "æbleskiver", and even sausages (medisterpølse). Probably not what we usually have for breakfast in Denmark, but maybe an idea for an enterprising butcher to make a new brunch sausage. Even an "æbleskive" contest was held this morning: who could eat the most in 5 minutes. Unfortunately we haven't got the name of the winner.

Later Saturday afternoon, the traditional "Danish Day Parade" took place. Thousands of residents and visiting guests had lined up along the route and enjoyed the amazing spectacle of many fancifully decorated vehicles, costumed people, various bands and not forgetting Solvang and Aalborg mayors in high spirits.

Entertaining both Saturday and Sunday was the Aalborg Police Orchestra, who visited Solvang for the second time in the band's career. One of the places they played was in Solvang Park, where also a group of Vikings camped. The Elverhøj Museum held its annual "Living History Festival", where craftspeople were dressed in original costumes demonstrating the old handicrafts as woodcarving, spinning and weaving, bobbin lace making, Viking knitting, and paper cutting. Storyteller Randall McGee acted as HC Andersen during the entire festival and costumed stewards guided guests around the Danish Art and History Museum.

Saturday evening Rebild Solvang Chapter again hosted the great traditional "Rebild Gala Dinner Dance Party" which drew a full house with all 265 participants. This celebration is really a crowd puller, and you should almost guarantee a ticket from one year to the next. The evening's toastmaster was President of the local Rebild Solvang Chapter Erik Pedersen from whom we have received the following:

## **Solvang Centennial Danish Days 2011!**

Solvang just finished a very successful centennial Danish Days celebration from September 16 thru the 18 with 265 attending the Gala Dinner Dance. Our Veterans Hall was decorated with large live trees, colorful flowers; pictures of Solvang from the past, tables were decorated in red/white colors. The famous Aalborg Police Band provided the music for our listening and dancing pleasure. This is the second time the Band has been in Solvang, 2003, and each time they have stayed with local host families.

The Mayor of Aalborg Henning G. Jensen and his wife Birgit were the guests of honor and brought a nice greeting from our Sister City Aalborg. The Mayor of Solvang Jim Richardson and wife were also present. Special introductions were the Danish Maid for 2011 miss Kylie Lund Petersen, the parade Marshals Bent and Inge Lisa Pedersen. Also many previous Danish Maids were present and recognized. A special greeting from the Danish American Club in Aalborg by way of Karsten Bendixen.

The traditional Danish Dinner, "Roast Pork with Svær" was prepared by our chef Mogens Mortensen and his capable helpers. Dessert was Danish Layer cake by Bent Olsen. It was rewarding for those of us who volunteer to arrange for this party to see such a great turnout.

The Rebild Solvang Chapter is the host of this celebration each year; this is our contribution to the Danish community in helping carry on our Danish traditions. We hope to see all of you next year when we, Rebild, will also celebrate our 100 anniversary.

Greetings  
Erik Pedersen,  
President Rebild Solvang Chapter



## New employee at the secretariat



On August the 19th, 2011 we said hello to a new employee, Hanne Vestergaard, at our secretariat in Rebild.

Hanne lives in the town of Hadsund (25 km from Rebild) and has a career as Manager of Tourism in

the former Hadsund Municipality, executive secretary for a Business Club in Århus and Department Manager in the Department Store "Salling" in Århus.

Hanne is going to take part in the daily tasks of the Secretariat, and among the primary tasks will be marketing, fund applications, member and benefactor recruitment and development of the Lincoln Log Cabin and the existing cooperation with other local museums and local actors in general. Hanne has a large network both locally and nationally, and we from the secretariat and the board have a lot of expectations for this new cooperation.

It is with great pleasure, that we welcome Hanne in the little yellow house at the entrance of "Nationalpark Rebild Bakker".

*Ketty Bisgaard*

## Proposal for the 100 year anniversary?

A 100 year anniversary can be celebrated in many ways, and within the Rebild Society several committees are already discussing the many topics, which are already standing high in the agenda, for example speakers, entertainment and what possibly should be published on the occasion, etc. In short – during the autumn many important decisions have to be made, but we will not omit asking the members' advice before that.

If you have proposals and ideas, which may contribute to the 100 year anniversary, we are ready to meet possible wishes, and to make it easy we have set up a special E-mail address for good ideas, thoughts, proposals etc.

Write to: [4juli@rebild2012.dk](mailto:4juli@rebild2012.dk)



## Welcome to new members in The Rebild National Park Society Inc.

### **Denmark**

Jan Heilskov Andersen, 7870 Roslev. Prop. Peter Ørum

Chris Ryttergaard Andersen, 7840 Højslev. Prop. Peter Ørum

Thorbjørn U. Hansen & frue, 6400 Sønderborg

Birte Jexen, 2840 Holte

Mette Lethan & Sebastian Trolle, 2400 København NV

Elinor Lind-Andersen, 9000 Aalborg

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Nicole Haydt, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Jonathan Haydt, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Christopher Haydt, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

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Arne A. Brinkland, Orange, CA 92865



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**RESERVATION FORM: April 25 – 29, 2012**  
**Rebild National Park Society's Centennial Anniversary Celebration**  
**& Annual Membership Meeting**

**NAMES OF ALL ATTENDEES IN YOUR PARTY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please specifically list ALL names & titles): \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK ONE:** ( ) Rebild Member – List Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Royal Guard ( ) Club/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Guest  
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| Convention Registration Fee (Non-Refundable*)             | Number Attending x | \$ Per Person | = TOTAL (USD) |
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| \$20.00 per person (Received before February 15, 2012)    | _____ x            | \$20.00       | = _____       |
| \$35.00 per person (Received February 15 – April 1, 2012) | _____ x            | \$35.00       | = _____       |

**PLEASE NOTE: Reservations MUST BE received latest by April 1, 2012 (\*NO Registration Fee Required if ONLY attending the Gala Dinner)**

**Wednesday, April 25, 2012**

Arrival at Hyatt Regency Woodfield, 1800 East Golf Road, Schaumburg, IL (Registration desk opens at 3 p.m.)

**5:00 PM to 8:00 PM:** Registration & Welcoming Reception  
 with cash bar, gourmet cheeses & crudités stations \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$10.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, April 26, 2012 (Tour Space Limited to 112 People)**

**9:15 AM – 5:00 PM:** Chicago City Bus Tour including Lunch at the 95<sup>th</sup> Fl. John Hancock  
 Signature Room, Visit to The Danish Home for coffee & kringle \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$75.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**6:30 PM:** Bus To/From Hotel Plus Special Evening Program at Medieval  
 Times Dinner & Tournament (1 non-alcoholic beverage included) \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$65.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, April 27, 2012 (All Day & Evening Tour – Bus will NOT return to hotel until AFTER the tent dinner)**

**10:15 AM: Western Suburban Tour:** Cantigny Gardens, McCormick Mansion,  
 1<sup>st</sup> Div. Army Museum, Box Lunch, Viking Ship Tour and INCLUDING  
 Festive Evening Tent Dinner & Tour of Midwest Groundcovers \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$75.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**Indicate Your Choice of Cantigny Box Lunch:** \_\_\_ Ham \_\_\_ Turkey \_\_\_ Vegetarian

**(Sign-Up Here For Those NOT Participating in the All Day Tour – Please Note That The Evening Tent Dinner Program Is Open to Everyone)**

**5:00 PM:** Bus To/From Hotel for Those NOT on All Day Tour \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$15.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**6:00 PM:** Tent Dinner ONLY at Midwest Groundcovers \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$25.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, April 28, 2012 (NOTE: NO Registration Fee If You Are Only Attending the GALA – Please RSVP by April 1, 2012)**

**6:15 – 7:15 P.M.:** Cocktail Reception (Cash Bar), **7:15 PM - MIDNIGHT:** Rebild's Centennial Banquet & Danish Royal Guards'

Queen's GALA BALL (Guests are welcome at the Gala, NO Walk-Ins – Pick-up Placecards at the Registration Desk)

Four-course gala dinner including wine & entertainment. **Indicate Entrée Choice(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Filet Mignon** \_\_\_\_\_ **White Sea Bass** \_\_\_\_\_ **Vegetarian**  
**GALA** \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$85.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**PRE-ORDER: Commemorative Rebild Polo Shirt (Circle Size: see list) and (Circle Color: Red or White)**

Men: S – M – L - XL Women: S – M – L - XL \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$25.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

Men: 2X- 3X Women: 2X – 3X \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$30.00** = \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Cancellation policy for tours and meals: Fully refundable before February 15, 2012, 75% refundable after February 15, 2012, but NO REFUNDS after April 1, 2012*

**PAYMENT:** Please mail form and payment (Checks/Money Orders/Travelers Checks in U.S. Dollars) to: **Rebild Chicago Midwest Chapter**  
**c/o Nora Boegehegn, Event Treasurer, 503 Crest Avenue, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 USA,** Phone 847-439-4549 or  
 e-mail: RebildChicago@gmail.com. To pay by Credit Card, please visit [www.rebildchicago.org](http://www.rebildchicago.org) for details.

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# Ballot

To be used for the election of Board Members to serve from 2012-2015

## USA

Vote for maximum 4

|                               | A     | B     |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Candidates seeking reelection |       |       |
| Jørgen K. Andersen            | _____ | _____ |
| Kirsten Juul Kane             | _____ | _____ |
| Connie Hanson                 | _____ | _____ |
| New Candidate                 |       |       |
| Edward Bladt                  | _____ | _____ |

## Denmark

Vote for maximum 3

|                               | A     | B     |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Candidates seeking reelection |       |       |
| Vibeke Henrichsen             | _____ | _____ |
| Ove Jensen                    | _____ | _____ |
| New Candidate                 |       |       |
| Lars Erik Andersen            | _____ | _____ |

- All members of the Society may vote for candidates residing in both Denmark and the US.
- Members may cast max. 4 votes for candidates residing in the US.
- Members may cast max. 3 votes for candidates residing in Denmark.
- Members may cast 4 votes for candidates in the US and 3 for candidates in Denmark in each of the columns (A+B) if they have a household membership.
- All other members are using only column A.
- To be valid the ballot must be returned not later than March 1, 2012. In cases of doubt the post stamp on the envelope will be decisive. Ballots cannot be handed over personally.
- Reference is made to detailed description in this Newsletter.

USA ballots must have a name and return address on the envelope you send the ballot in, since US magazines are sent in envelopes, and names are not printed on the magazine and in the US the ballot is returned to:

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