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Future


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of Chicago
A Boutique Senior Community



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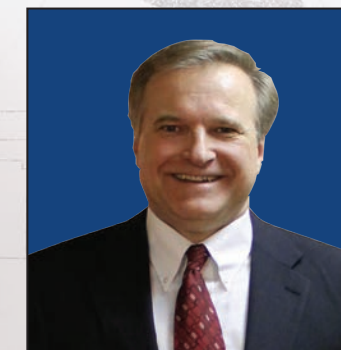
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Dear Friends and Family of The Danish Home of Chicago:

Now us!

These are the words of Peter Ørum, longtime supporter of The Danish Home of Chicago. They could not more aptly capture the spirit with which we seek support of our \$10.5 million capital campaign to finance capital needs, add to our charity care fund and augment our endowment, if additional resources allow.

"When we look in the mirror, we must ask ourselves how much we could possibly do, not how little we could get by with," encouraged Peter in his Essence Award acceptance speech at our annual benefit last September. That evening, we launched "Our Future in Focus" campaign.

“When we look in the mirror, we must ask ourselves how much we could possibly do, not how little we could get by with.”

Indeed, now is the time.

It is time to bring the plans for physical improvements to The Danish Home to life, including a new dining room, new kitchen, remodeled ground floor gathering room, living space, and garden augmentations. For those in health care, we endeavor to provide private rooms and an additional dining room.

It is also the time to mobilize plans for greater charitable care for those who have exhausted their financial resources and to build our endowment as well as provide funding for any contingencies we encounter.

And it is now that we look to you, our loyal friends and family, to help ensure the long-term continuance of The Danish Home's legacy, steeped in nearly 130 year of loving care for older adults. It is time to ask ourselves, as Peter did, "How much can I possibly do?"

Thank you for your faithful support.

Scott L. Swanson
 President/CEO

Campaign Chair Knows Joy of The Danish Home's History



"Joy" is a word Kristie Hansen-Mendez uses generously to describe the unique living experience at The Danish Home of Chicago. "My mother truly loved living here in her last months. The joy of friendship that she experienced in this boutique environment is truly special and was so important to her well-being. It gave her such a great quality of life," Kristie says. "As my husband and I think about our own retirement decisions, all signs are pointing to The Danish Home."

The Danish Home of Chicago is fortunate that Kristie has agreed to chair its \$10.5 million capital campaign for physical updates and improvements, as well as increased funding for charitable care. Kristie is the only child of a cabinet maker who emigrated from Denmark to America in his mid-20s, and she is deeply connected to her Danish heritage. Her late mother was of German-Cherokee Indian descent, but "fell in love with all things Danish."

Kristie was raised in Rockford, Illinois, where she joined the Danish Sisterhood of America as a teenager. She also belongs to the Danish-American Rebuild Society, Museum of Danish America, and is an active member of The Danish Home's Women's Auxiliary and the Danish Association.

"We always knew about The Danish Home," says Kristie. "My mother, Lydia, was a nurse at a retirement community in Rockford, so we knew how important the right location is for senior living. Everything just came together. When my mother needed care, The Danish Home opened its doors to her. It was a godsend."

As campaign chair, Kristie shares with potential donors her profoundly personal reasons for championing the continued well-being of the senior community that has served older adults for nearly 130 years.

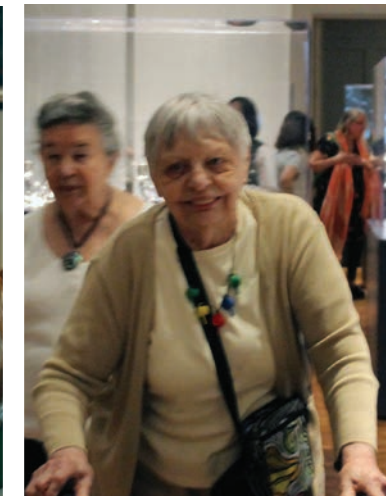
"The Danish Home provides lovely living now and will continue to for generations far into the future. The Danish Home is more than a retirement community; it is a Danish-American institution, a community cultural center and gathering space for friends and family across the generations," Kristie stresses. "It must keep going, and that's what this campaign is all about."



BEAMS OF SUNSHINE
We "Chased the Blues Away" at Summerfest



GARDEN VIEWS
Our "Cuisine and Corks" annual benefit wined and dined guests under the stars



BLUEPRINT FOR FUN
The Danish Home engages residents in enjoyable, enriching activities all year long



DECK THE HALLS
Lillejuleaften, our "Little Christmas Eve," warmed the hearts of young and old

The Danish Home Foundation

FIRM SUPPORT

Established in 2013, The Danish Home Foundation is the fundraising arm through which our generous donors can offer their financial and volunteer support not only of The Danish Home, but of Scandinavian communities, customs and traditions in the Chicagoland area.

The Foundation spearheads fundraising efforts as well as identifies and solicits gifts, bequests and opportunities for estate planning. Especially this year, your gifts will subsidize major capital improvements to The Danish Home and provide charitable care for residents whose own financial resources have been exhausted.

The Foundation communicates our mission and carries out our founders' foresight to ensure The Danish Home's tradition of caring for seniors in the love, comfort and security of a real home. It is crucial to the community as it moves into the future, and your support is invaluable.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We depend on the generosity of our donors to help sustain our mission to provide quality care for seniors. Please consider the following ways in which you can support The Danish Home Foundation:

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN/ CHARITABLE CARE

Our campaign seeks gifts specifically earmarked for our \$10.5 million goal in support of building improvements, charitable care and endowment growth.

ANNUAL GIVING AND PLEDGES

We ask that these be fulfilled by the close of our fiscal year on September 20th. Pledges may be made over several years.

MATCHING GIFTS

These permit doubling or even tripling the dollar value of your annual gift. Please check to see if you or your spouse are affiliated with a matching gift company or organization.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This supports charitable care of our residents.

SECURITIES

Gifts of appreciated securities are always welcome and may offer significant tax advantages.

PLANNED GIFTS

We welcome the opportunity to review different planned giving alternatives with you.

Donations can be made at www.DanishHomeOfChicago.org.

The Danish Association Selective Financial Statement

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION:

Current assets	\$691,802
Investments - Foundation	8,208,264
Interest in donor controlled perpetual trust	5,321,091
Property and equipment with other assets	3,803,615
Current liabilities	407,301
Reserve for Life Care costs	1,574,717
Equity	16,042,754

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES:

Operating revenue from residents' services	\$2,486,249
Operating expenses	3,096,361
Operating - net loss	(610,112)
Revenues from Foundation activities (net)	616,902
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$6,790

CENSUS:

Independent living	12
Catered living	14
Healthcare	8
TOTAL	34

Note: Our operating fund's net loss is a measure of The Danish Home's historic charitable mission, and is covered by our Foundation's investment earnings, contributions and bequests.

Scout's Honor Comes to The Danish Home



Annette Cameron was the first woman in Chicago to receive a pin for over 70 years of service to the Girl Scouts. No one had ever served that long in this city.

A resident of The Danish Home since August 2018, Annette is a delightful woman brimming with wit and easy laughter. Throughout her long service to the Girl Scouts, "Auntie Net" has filled just about every role. But it's

her passion for the children that has kept her entrenched for so long. "Some of them are in their 70s and 80s now!"

Widowed in 2011, Annette came to The Danish Home on the advice of her daughter. The two looked at several communities, but when they noticed the much friendlier, homier atmosphere of The Danish Home, they agreed, "This is the place."

Annette is enjoying the engaging lifestyle offered at The Danish Home and is also contributing to its activity calendar. She arranged for her troop to sing Christmas carols and play bingo with residents.

"I try to live by the Girl Scout motto," said Annette. "Be prepared and do a good turn daily."



2018 Essence Award

Peter Ørum and his family gratefully received the 2018 Essence Award for exceptional service at our elegant "Cuisine and Corks" annual benefit on September 15th.

In a moving acceptance speech, Peter reminded guests of the importance of giving to The Danish Home's capital campaign, "Our Future in Focus," now. "Now us!" were his impassioned words. "When we look in the mirror, we must ask ourselves how much we could possibly do, not how little we could get by with," said the Danish-born entrepreneur, innovator and long-time friend and supporter of The Danish Home.

In honor of Peter and his family, a video presentation showed guests key moments in the Ørums' lives as well as the many ways in which they have supported not only The Danish Home and other Danish-American organizations, but the Chicagoland community at large.



The family demonstrated the ultimate faith in The Danish Home when Irma moved into the boutique community five years ago.

Said Peter, "The Danish Home has been a godsend to many of us. May we lift together to make sure it is prepared for the future."



Our Community Impact

The Danish Home has a long-time commitment to the Norwood Park community of Chicago, which has been our treasured home for 127 years. We demonstrate our dedication to having a positive impact on our community in the following ways:

CHARITABLE CARE

In Fiscal Year 2018, The Danish Home and The Danish Home Foundation paid in excess of \$303,000 in charitable care for residents who have outlived their financial resources.

In 2018, The Danish Home paid a long-term care provider assessment fee of over \$24,500 to the State of Illinois. These funds are used to support the Illinois Medicaid program, which provides healthcare coverage to low-income families lacking health insurance, children who are wards of the State, low-income senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, and elderly people receiving care in skilled nursing facilities.

COMMUNITY CARE AND BEAUTIFICATION

The Danish Home's elegant campus has graced our community for generations and strives to be a good neighbor to the community it serves. The grounds and facilities are meticulously maintained so that neighbors and visitors can enjoy our beautifully landscaped, park-like atmosphere. Once our capital campaign is fulfilled and improvements are made to our building and grounds, our campus will be even more lovely.

VOLUNTEER DESTINATION

Many groups and individuals are drawn to The Danish Home to work among our warm and welcoming residents. Volunteer opportunities include coordinating special events, serving on the Women's Auxiliary and Board of Directors, and more. The Danish Home facilitates almost 3,200 volunteer hours/year. We are proud of our community and welcome Scandinavian and other not-for-profit organizations to have meetings and gatherings in our home.

Our Generous Donors

FOCUS ON THE FUTURE (Pledges and Donations)

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Nielsen, Eric and Ruth
Orum, Peter and Irma
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In honor of Harvey Hoyer's 80th birthday
In Honor of Jerry and Shirley Andersen
Birthday Andy and June Frostholm 100th

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In Memory of Alice Petersen
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In Memory of Dora and Jens Hansen
In memory of Dorothy Christensen
In Memory of Edith Jorgensen
In Memory of Elfrida Jacobsen
In Memory of Ellen Andersen
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and Gerri (Knudsen) Guerino
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In Memory of Tova Craig
In Memory of Tove J. Swanson
In Memory of William Westphal

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\$100,000 AND OVER	1	\$500 TO \$999	40
\$10,000 TO \$99,999	2	\$200 TO \$499	49
\$5,000 TO \$9,999	9	\$100 TO \$199	69
\$1,000 TO \$4,999	26	\$99 AND BELOW	129

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Anderson, Joy
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