



Lincoln Chapter The American Historical Society of Germans From Russia NEWSLETTER

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Notes from Ruth

by Ruth White, President

Jan T. Roth has been selected as the new Executive Director of AHSGR after a lengthy and careful search process. She has been acting director for the last several months, and we welcome her to this leadership position on a permanent basis.

Nicholas Bretz, the Society president, will describe the search process in the next AHSGR newsletter.

The Spring Board Meeting in Hays, Kansas, was very productive. Following that meeting, the vice president, Robert Benson, and his wife, Marge, came to Lincoln from Hays to work on **digitizing our obituary card file**. Ken Leffler also came to Lincoln bringing with him the California District Council's Kodak machine. He stayed several days and the Bensons were here almost two weeks. All of these records will be easily accessible, and in the future, the obituary cards will not be transported to the convention. Our Lincoln volunteers put in many hours per day and the Bensons worked from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. every day. The Lincoln Chapter provided for several meals for the volunteers.

The **Lincoln Chapter Soup Supper** will be held **Friday evening, April 20, from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.** at the **WSI Hall**. Adult tickets are \$5 and can be purchased from **Larry Schenkel (438-3814)** or from several Board members.

The Lincoln Chapter Board approved Larry Schenkel's request to serve three soups at the soup

Supper – chicken noodle, vegetable beef, and chili, with optional butterballs to be placed in the chicken noodle soup by attendees. Several of our faithful have been asked to make butterballs.

The **General Meeting** of the Lincoln Chapter was held on Sunday, April 1, in the AHSGR Chapel. The program was the video on "Beet Workers," which portrays the life that many of our people had when they left Lincoln in the summertime to work in the sugar beet fields in Western Nebraska, Wyoming, and Colorado.

Last year a **garden** was planted and tended in back of the Headquarter's building. It was designed as an educational device to show the kinds of plants grown in Russia and settlements in the United States – sugar beets, watermelon, tomatoes, etc. The garden and its fruits were enjoyed by many. Should another garden be planted this

year? If so, who would do the work? Give your ideas to any Board member. Planting time will be here before long!

The Garage Sale will be held in August, and it will be held at 631 D Street. Be thinking about it as you clean your house and garage. But do not bring items until the week of the sale.

You have probably received the publicity on the **International Convention of AHSGR** to be held in Denver, Colorado, June 5-10, 2001. We hosted the Convention in Lincoln last year and many of our people attended and worked. Now comes your chance to work less and attend more! A silent auction is planned and they are asking for items to be contributed to that. The whole program promises to be informative and to offer many ways to renew old friendships and meet new people.

**Lincoln Chapter AHSGR
Soup Supper
Friday, April 20, 2001
4:30-7:00 p.m.
WSI Hall**

Adults: \$5.00 each
Children (12 and Under): \$2.50 each

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JUNE 5-10, 2001

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