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Come One, Come All - -

It's Fall Carnival Time Again!

One of the Lincoln Chapter's signature fun events is right around the corner. Make time to attend the Fall General Meeting on Sunday, September 17th at Antelope Park Shelter, right next to Auld Pavilion, 1650 Memorial Drive, at 4:00 p.m.

Of course all of the chapter's general meetings are free but the fall meeting's always a doozy. As usual we will have our customary brief quarterly meeting, but then the fun really begins.

Country Pines will be catering the event. They will provide fried chicken, tossed salad, potato salad, and macaroni salad. Refreshments of water or soft drinks will also be provided.

After the hearty meal, our annual fall carnival will be held. Try your hand at the bean bag toss, basketball shoot, disc drop game, ring toss, spin the wheel game, and duck pond, for example. Participants can win tickets to enter into drawings for prizes. The more tickets you win, the greater your chance to win a prize.

At press time, prizes include wines from Country Pines, Fireworks restaurant gift cards, Lincoln Saltdogs baseball merchandise, Lincoln ChapterWear apparel, one year's membership to the Lincoln Chapter, and merchandise from the International Headquarters store.

Come one, come all for a wonderful afternoon of fun and a chance to catch up with friends.

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GR's in the Community

Germans from Russia are a hands-on, get involved type and this fall provides many opportunities. The Lincoln Chapter is making several appearances in September and October.

Arbor Lodge Pioneer Days Arbor Lodge in Nebraska City has asked us to be a part of their Pioneer Days on Saturday, September 23. We will play Bunnock with visitors as well as have our interactive quilting demonstration. There will be time to enjoy and explore the Arbor Lodge grounds.

Meadow Lane Neighborhood Picnic We have been invited to introduce Bunnock to Lincolmites at the neighborhood's annual picnic. Many local connections can be made at this event scheduled for 4-6 p.m. on Sunday, September 24.

AHSGR Heritage Days International Headquarters is having their fall event on Saturday, September 30 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at 631 "D" Street. We will be helping by once again running Bunnock, having our quilting booth, and possibly making grebbel for visitors to taste.

Trunk or Treat Norwood Park Elementary School at 4710 North 72nd Street has their annual fun and safe Halloween event for kids on Tuesday, October 31. This will be our fourth consecutive year of playing indoor table games with the kids.

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If there is anything you would like to see in future issues please contact Jay or Corinne at 402-327-8962. We welcome comments and suggestions.

North Bottoms Memories

--School Days

Submitted by Becky Schenaman

This seemed like a very hot summer to me. The cool air of the fall will feel good. It also brings back memories for me of going to school. I started school at the age of not yet five. I would not turn five until November. (Ed. Note: Today children must turn five by July 31 to enter Kindergarten by Nebraska state law.)

When I first went to school I did not know how to tie my shoes and I was very shy. We had bought a big old house out of the North Bottoms. My older sister stayed in the North Bottoms with our Gramparents. She attended Hayward School at 1225 North 9th Street with our cousins. (Ed. Note: Hayward School closed its doors as an elementary school in 1968. The building still stands today as multiple condominiums.) I had a long walk to Elliott School at 225 South 25th Street. I had to cross "R" Street and 27th and "O" Streets.

My mom walked with me the first few days of school. She had to bring my younger brother and baby sister along so after a few days she decided I should learn how to get there on my own. While being a scared child I had no clue of how to cross those busy streets or remember how to get home.

When Kindergarten let out that first day I walked by myself, I sat and cried. My teacher, Miss Cecil Hocking, listened to my story and said she would walk me home. And that is what she did every day until she was sure I knew my way home.

She would walk me to my corner so I could run home on my own. She did all of this on her lunch hour, as she also taught an afternoon class. How many of you reading this can remember a special teacher you will never forget?

When we look back on our lives, our early years in school play a very important role in who and what we become as adults. I am glad I was raised before television and computers. Life was simple and children played outside and felt safe in their neighborhoods – and we had teachers who listened and helped us.

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Summer Meeting Recap

Many people enjoyed our annual summer general meeting this past June 25 at International Headquarters.

The main event of the afternoon was a presentation of the PBS American Experience film *The Great Famine*. This film documents the Russian famine of 1920-24 and the American Relief Administration's (headed by Herbert Hoover) attempt to help by sending untold tons of food to the country. In all, the United States donated approximately \$20 million (over \$286 million in 2017 dollars) to help end the famine.

One of the hardest areas of Russia hit by the famine was the Volga River valley, home to many German-Russians. Estimates of approximately five million people in Russia perished from the famine before it subsided. There is a period in the film where a survivor described his family resorting to "eating camels, cats, dogs, anything" just to stay alive. There were also some disturbing images in the film of persons suffering and conditions during the famine.

Afterwards, the film spurred some thought-provoking conversation and discussion among the members present. One of the survivors during the film described how they called the food given to them as "America," they were handed out part of "America." His father used to say to him, "See, the Americans did the right thing."

Thank you to Jane Harrison for contributing to this article.

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"Happy Anniversary"



SEPTEMBER

Marian E. and Wallace N. Bender (69 years)
Ampone and Kevin Hergenrader (35 years)

OCTOBER

Sandra F. and Ronald R. Bridegam
Renaë and Austen Jacox (7 years)

Annual Broda Dinner Set

Mark your calendars. The Lincoln Chapter's annual Broda dinner has been set for Friday, November 3rd from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Once again it will be held at the WSI Hall, 1430 North 10th Street in Lincoln.

This tasty and popular beef dinner is always a fan favorite. Master Chef Paul Loos tantalizes the senses with beef, potatoes and carrots, and creamy green beans. Of course, delicious breads and desserts are readily available for all. Wash it down with coffee or water.

Once again our community partners, the Norwood Park Elementary Citizenship Club children, will be there to help clear tables, refill water, and generally wait on tables. Our Broda dinner is a community service project for them. In return, we help with games and activities at the school's annual "Trunk or Treat" Halloween event earlier in the week.

This fall we will have a quilt to be raffled off at the event. Quilt raffle tickets may be purchased from any board member or at the door the evening of the event. The lucky winner will be drawn that evening.

Prices for the dinner are \$12 for adults and \$6 for those under 12 years of age. Of course the Broda dinner is "all you can eat." Take-out will also be available, as long as quantities last.

See you there.

Herzlichen Glukwunsch

Zum Geburstagl
 "Happy Birthday"



AUGUST

Lillian Bauer

SEPTEMBER

Nancy Borrell

Donna Day

Barb Hellerich

Raymond H. Hogrefe

Renae Jacox

Mike Kapeller

Peg Kapeller

Theodore Edward Maser

Jerry McInnis

Rick Rekart

Judy Runion

OCTOBER

Sandra F. Bridegam

Jane Harrison

Paul Loos

Delores Schwartz

Norma Somerheiser

John Stuertz

Don Zurawski

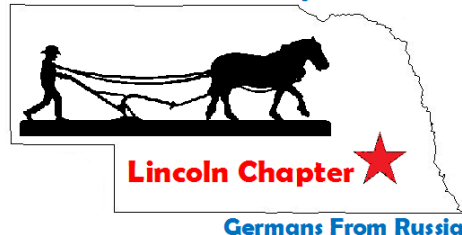
Unsere Leute Erinnyng "Our People in Memory"

Happily –
 None to report for
 July and August 2017.

Your Help is Needed

If you are aware of the passing of someone who is a German from Russia, please give Judy Lawson, Corresponding Secretary, a call at: 402-420-9580.

American Historical Society of



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PHOTO GALLERY



2017 Summer General Meeting Film



2016 Arbor Lodge Pioneer Days



People Enjoying Bunnock



2015 German-Russian Youth Heritage Day

2017 Calendar of Upcoming Events

AHSGR Lincoln Chapter

additional events added as dates are finalized



= **community engagement event**

SEPTEMBER



Tuesday	12 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	17 th	General Membership Mtg. & Picnic	Antelope Park Shelter	4:00 p.m.
Monday	18 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	23 rd	Arbor Lodge Pioneer Days	ROAD TRIP to Nebraska City	12:00-5:00 p.m.
Sunday	24 th	Meadow Lane Neighborhood Picnic	Herbert Park, 81 st & Trail Ridge Rd.	4:00-6:00 p.m.
Saturday	30 th	International Heritage Days	631 "D" Street	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

OCTOBER



Tuesday	10 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	16 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	31 st	Trunk or Treat	Norwood Park Elementary	TBD

NOVEMBER



Friday	3 rd	Annul Broda Dinner	WSI Hall, 1430 North 10 th St.	5:00-7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	14 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	20 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER



Sunday	10 th	Christmas Open House	631 "D" Street	1:00-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	12 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	18 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.

PHOTO GALLERY



2016 "Trunk or Treat" Halloween Event



2016 Annual Broda Dinner

AHSGR Lincoln Chapter
1000 North 81st Street
Lincoln, NE 68505

AHSGR Lincoln Chapter activities of 2017:



Feeding the Hungry



Winter Speaker



Children's Museum



Stars Hockey



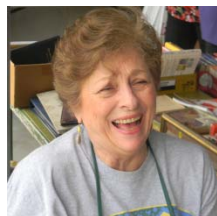
NE 150 Celebration



Spring Meeting



Soup Supper



Garage Sale



Saltdogs Baseball



Summer Meeting



Scheduled:
Fall Carnival



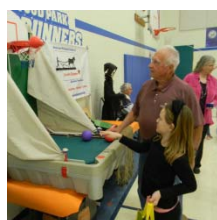
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Arbor Lodge



Scheduled:
Meadow Lane Picnic



Scheduled:
Heritage Days



Scheduled:
Trunk or Treat



Scheduled:
Broda Dinner



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Christmas Open House

