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Soup Supper Is Back

The date of our popular annual spring soup supper has been set, so mark your calendars. It will be held on Friday, April 26 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the WSI Hall, 1430 North 10th Street, here in Lincoln. The cost is only \$8 for adults and \$4 for youth, 12 and under.

Last year's event drew quite a crowd, and with good reason! All-you-can-eat selections of chili, vegetable beef, and chicken noodle soups are always GR favorites. Master chef Paul Loos and his staff will once again be working their magic in the kitchen, tantalizing our taste buds. Of course there will be breads, drinks, and desserts.

Proceeds from ticket sales go towards providing quality programming for our membership such as the meal at the fall picnic and carnival, as well as quality educational speakers and additional special activities in the works. Tickets can be purchased in advance from board members or at the door, as long as supplies last. Scheduled to help clear tables again is the fun and energetic 3rd through 5th grade Leadership Club of students from Norwood Park Elementary School.

Longtime Editor Passes

Longtime Lincoln Chapter newsletter editor Larry Schenkel recently passed away. Larry and Norma lovingly took the reins of the newsletter years ago and put their heart and soul into it's publication. A couple of years ago they passed along publication to the current editors. Since then Larry and Norma have been a constant wealth of information and insight concerning this publication. Larry will be greatly missed.

Don't Forget Your Membership

Everyone forgets something. In 2018 the Lincoln Chapter had over 100 members. However, while we already have new members for 2019 not every member from 2018 has renewed. If you find a renewal form included in this publication the membership chair has not yet received your renewal as of this newsletter's publication date. The inserted 2019 renewal form has been included for your convenience.

Don't miss out on exciting speakers, like Kay Logan-Peters at our last meeting, fun social events, thought-provoking film screenings, community outreach programs, and of course, this award-winning newsletter. This year the International Convention is also coming back home to Lincoln.

If you ever have any questions concerning your membership please contact Corinne Jacox, AHSGR Lincoln Chapter Membership Chair at (402) 327-8962.

Thank you for helping make the Lincoln Chapter one of the best. Don't delay!

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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.

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Good GR Home Cooking

Submitted by Becky Schenaman

This has been a cold and snowy March. I remember being a grade-schooler in the late 1940's. We had a lot of snow then also. Trains were stuck in the deep snow and the air force had to drop supplies and hay onto farm and ranch fields. People were stuck in their cars on un-drivable roads. Thankfully, diners and farm homes took in stranded travelers.

I even remember the National Guard delivering mail. Winters of my youth seemed colder and had more snow then. My grampa Bridegam walked miles cleaning the ice off the train tracks.

But I also remember the hot homemade pots of soup we had for our dinners at home. Our mother, Hilda Bridegam, could make the best foods. They were simple and delicious. Her fried chicken was better than any restaurant in Lincoln. She used an old cast iron skillet and lard to fry it in. It was golden brown and crispy.

She made mashed potatoes, with a hand masher, that were fluffy without lumps. She also had the best gravies that were thick, also without lumps. She used just hot potato water and flour, which she had mixed with water to smooth it into her hot chicken drippings and grease. She would put her stove fire on low and keep adding her flour and hot water until she had the skillet almost full. She then added her salt. We had enough gravy for dinner and had enough left over for the next day with toast or plain bread for our lunch.

Us kids all loved gravy and toast. She made this with any left-over meats and gravy. I think I make good gravy but my mom's was delicious.

She liked to try new recipes. She listened to station KFOR on her kitchen radio and would try meals that sounded good to her. On Sundays we always had a dessert with our big meal of the day.

I remember this one Sunday my mother had bought a watermelon and when she cut into it, it had gone bad so she sent my dad to the basement to get some canned peaches. Those peaches had popped their lid, so her last choice was a cake she had baked.

Now, my mom baked from scratch and always made two-layered cakes. For some unknown reason one of the layers would always crack. Us kids did not care as this meant more frosting was used to glue it together, but my dad would always call them "Hilda's Grand Canyon Cakes."

The cakes would not win a blue ribbon at the state fair but they tasted good. What would win a ribbon were her oatmeal cookies and chocolate drop cookies. Also special were her cream pies with black cherries, and her banana cream pies. Ummm . . . good.

My mother's soups were really good, as well. She rolled out her own noodles and dried them on white tea towels on the dining room table. She used an old hen chicken for her broth and then stuffed it with dressing. After her broth was made she baked the chicken with potatoes, carrots, and onion slices in the oven until it was golden brown. She served this with bowls of her noodle soup.

We ate good, simple food at Hilda's table. We also never ate a meal where we did not have guests to share it with. Family and friends came – and never left hungry. We did not have a phone for years so our guests just knew we ate at 5:00 sharp.

Those were sweet days.

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"Happy Anniversary"



MARCH

Sandra and Bill Gettman

APRIL

Gloria Johnson Phillips & Jerry Phillips

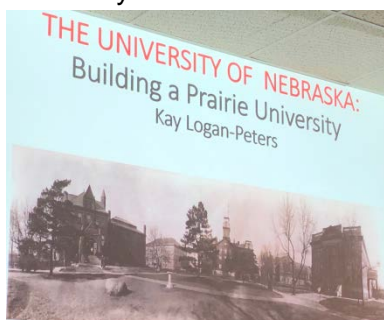
Winter Membership & Business Meeting Update

The annual membership and business meeting was held this past January 13 in the Immanuel Church Fellowship Hall at 10th and Charleston Streets.

After the meal and a short business meeting the real meat of the meeting began. This time Kay Logan-Peters made a presentation for our continuing Speaker Series of lectures. Ms. Logan-Peters is a librarian at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Her presentation was entitled “The University of Nebraska: Building a Prairie University.”



Pre-Event Meal



The University of Nebraska started as one infamous building on eleven acres of land north of downtown Lincoln. Today, the campuses cover over 600 acres. Ms. Logan-Peters’ captivating lecture focused on the buildings, grounds, and physical growth of the university as well as the administrators and faculty who played a role in shaping the campuses during the university’s first century.



Attendees Ponder and Take Notes



Kay Logan-Peters

Spring Meeting Upon Us

Don’t miss out on our spring General Meeting coming this Sunday, April 7 at International Headquarters, 631 “D” Street, at 2:00 p.m.

We will be watching the film, “Waiting for Waldemar.” It is the story of Germans fleeing Ukraine during World War II to escape persecution. Halfway during their journey, their father disappears. Seventy years later, a brother and sister try to put together the pieces of who he was with their imaginations and third-hand stories. It’s a good and thought-provoking film. See you there!

Herzlichen Glukwunsch

Zum Geburstagl
"Happy Birthday"



MARCH

Cris Bridegam
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Geri Debus
Shannon Bridegam Fennell
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Unsere Leute Zur Erinnerung
"Our People in Memory"

Thelma Fagler
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Judith Irene Sader
Larry D. Schenkel
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Delores K. Schwartz
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Your Help is Needed

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

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2019 Calendar of Upcoming Events

MARCH 				
Monday	18 th	Convention Planning Meeting	631 "D" Street	6:00 p.m.
		Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	19 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
APRIL 				
Sunday	7 th	General Membership Meeting	631 "D" Street	2:00 p.m.
Monday	15 th	Convention Planning Meeting	631 "D" Street	6:00 p.m.
		Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	16 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Friday	26 th	Annual Soup Supper	WSI Hall, 1430 North 10 th	5:00-7:00 p.m.
MAY 				
Monday	20 th	Convention Planning Meeting	631 "D" Street	6:00 p.m.
		Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	21 st	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
JUNE 				
Sunday	9 th	General Membership Meeting	631 "D" Street	2:00 p.m.
Monday	17 th	Convention Planning Meeting	631 "D" Street	6:00 p.m.
		Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	18 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
JULY 				
Monday	15 th	Convention Planning Meeting	631 "D" Street	6:00 p.m.
		Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	16 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Mon-Sat	22 nd -27 th	AHSGR International Convention	Embassy Suites, Lincoln, Nebraska	
AUGUST 				
Monday	19 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	20 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
SEPTEMBER 				
Sunday	15 th	General Membership Meeting	site TBD	TBD
Monday	16 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	17 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
OCTOBER 				
Monday	21 st	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	22 nd	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
NOVEMBER 				
Monday	18 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	19 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
DECEMBER 				
Sunday	8 th	Christmas Open House	631 "D" Street	1:00-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	17 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.

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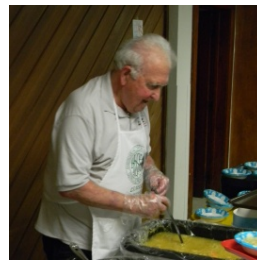
AHSGR Lincoln Chapter activities of 2019:



Winter Meeting



Spring Meeting



Soup Supper



Summer Meeting

Our Golden Jubilee



50th Anniversary International Convention



Fall Carnival



Christmas Open House