AHSGR CHAPTER ONE NEWS

Lincoln, Nebraska

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MEMBERSHIP MEETING--SEPTEMBER 18

Mark your calendar now for the next membership meeting to be held at the American Forward at 8th and D Streets at 2 P.M. on September 18, 1977. It's the time to hear about the conventions—the one just past and the one coming up in June of 1978.

You'll want to see the moving picture film taken in some of the villages on the Wiesenseite of the Volga River in the early 1930's. If you want to see what those villages looked like, you won't want to miss this. AHSGR is very fortunate to have these films through the courtesy of John Biel of Chicago, a member who passed away recently.

We'll also hear highlights of the convention held this past June in San Francisco. Our chapter had a big delegation in attendance.

To finish the afternoon we're having an old-fashioned ice cream social. So come! And, bring a prospective member. Have you asked that friend or relative of German Russian heritage to join lately? Usually, that is all it takes to sign them up.

Come on September 18 for gemutlichkeit, a look at some of our ancestral villages and refreshments.

POLKA DANCE A BIG SUCCESS

Our first Polka Dance held on June 4, 1977 was attended by 156 members and guests. The night was the first hot night of the summer season so liquid refreshments hit the spot and everyone enjoyed the good food. "Thank you" to all members, guests, and friends who made this dance a success. We hope to have another one at a later date.

ATTENTION, ALL MEMBERS LET'S GO BOWLING

Are you interested in joining a mixed bowling league for the coming season? For quite some time I have had the opinion that one or two teams in a league would help keep the AHSGR organization before the public and might also help us to gain many new members. Teams would consist of two men and two women, bowling in a Sunday night league, starting right after fair week in September. If you don't bowl now or haven't tried it don't let that stop you as I will help you to get a good start in this healthful and rewarding pastime. Send a note or card or call me if interested. At this writing we have one team in the 6:30 league at the Bowlmor. There are spots for 4 to 6 teams open in the 8:30 league.

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THANK YOU!!

- ** To Hugh Dobler who arranged for staffing at the museum during the week of the convention in June. And our sincere appreciation to all who volunteered.
- ** To Phil Kehling, a Lincoln Chapter member, who donated a large wicker trunk and clothing that was brought from Russia by members of his family when they came to the United States in 1923. These items will all be a part of the museum collection.
- ** To Phil Kruse, Lefty Grenemeier, and Rudy Amen who took books and other items to the convention in San Francisco. This saved the society a lot of money.
- ** To Jake Sinner who furnishes the truck and manpower to take large mailings to the post office.
- ** To Jack Lofink and Harold Bauer who help pack up many of the book orders.

Would you like to see what makes AHSGR tick and have a share in the progress? Could you volunteer an afternoon from 1:30 to 4 P.M. on a regular basis—like once a month, every other week, every week. We have need for help to:

- ** File record cards.
- ** Organize that steady flow of information that come to headquarters.
- ** Prepare special mailings.
- ** Mount obituaries on cards for future genealogical research.
- ** Work on the picture file.
- ** Serve as guides for people who want to visit the museum.

We need you!

If you can help even one afternoon a month, call Mary Froscheiser and suggest a time. Then, come to headquarters at the appointed time. It's a big help to your society, it's a chance to learn more about your heritage and it's fun. We hope you will sign up today.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN LINCOLN

The dates are set—June 20-25, 1978—for the next convention. We're pleased to say that the invitation from our Lincoln Chapter to have this very important convention here in our fair city was accepted, It's our Tenth Anniversary and will be the Ninth International AHSGR Convention.

We need ideas for special and exciting events to celebrate our first decade of success. What can we do that is different, yet relates to our rich heritage. Mary Froscheiser, our Chapter President, is Convention Chairman. She will welcome suggestions.

We need workers, too, so we hope everyone will volunteer help.

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SEE YOU ON SEPTEMBER 18

- ** That AHSGR has almost 3,000 memberships.
- ** That Lincoln Chapter has 277 memberships but could have 3 times that number if each of us would sign up 2 more.
- ** We now have 23 chapters with four in Nebraska.
- ** 14 Lincoln Chapter members gave 55 hours of service at international headquarters during July. We can still use more help. Give us a call.
- ** Mrs. Margaret Roh donated a quilt top to the Lincoln Chapter? Some of our other members have done the quilting and the finished work of art will be raffled at the Broda Dinner on November 3, 1977.
- ** We have 65 life members in International AHSGR. 15 signed up at the San Francisco convention. Lincoln Chapter has a total of 12.

SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER

We're enclosing an enrollment form which we hope you will use to sign up a new member. We'd like to report Lincoln No. 1 Chapter as having the largest membership when the convention meets here next June.

CIRCLE YOUR CALENDAR

