

AHSGR CHAPTER ONE NEWS

Lincoln, Nebraska

January, 1978

COMING UP--AN IMPORTANT MEETING

We hope all of you will circle January 15, on your calendars. That is the date for our meeting. The place is the American Forward Building at 745 D Street. The time is 1:30 in the afternoon.

We are hoping for a good turnout as this is an important meeting when we will be electing members to the Lincoln Chapter Board of Directors. There will also be an interesting program--a slide presentation by one of our members, Richard Wink, telling us about his experiences in Germany last summer. Dick took an extended trip through the state of Hesse searching in the villages for descendants of his ancestors.

Refreshments? Of course. We are asking that you bring some of your favorite cookies, grebel, kuche--something to go with a good cup of coffee--to enjoy during the visiting time after the meeting.

LINCOLN CHAPTER PLANS FUND RAISING PROJECT FOR THE AHSGR FOUNDATION

Our quilters have completed work on a beautiful hand made quilt for the International AHSGR Foundation. Information is to be sent to all chapters giving everyone in the society an opportunity to donate to the cause. Those who are not in chapters will hear about the quilt through the Newsletter that is sent to every member. The drawing for the quilt will take place during the convention next June.

1978 DUES ARE DUE

Have you paid your membership dues for 1978? If you haven't mailed them to headquarters, please do so without delay. Or, you may make the payment at our meeting on January 15.

And, a thank you to each and every one of you for making 1977 a good year for our Lincoln Chapter from the Board of Directors.

DANKE SHOEN

A big thank you to all our members who participated in preparing the food, decorating the tables, and serving the meal at the annual "Broda Dinner" on November 3, 1977. It was a huge success. Our thanks, too, to all who donated prizes for this event.

FIVE LINCOLN CHAPTER MEMBERS TO ATTEND FESTIVITIES IN ARGENTINA

Five Lincoln Chapter members will be going on the tour to South America. The Lincoln Chapter Board has decided to give the delegation copies of the reproduction of the Lord's Prayer and Ten Commandments to give to their host families. The group will be attending the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the arrival of the first German Russians in Argentina.

Members going from Lincoln are Mr. and Mrs. John Welch, Edward Klein, Barbara Amen, and Ruth M. Amen.

SCHMECKFEST DATES ARE SET

The annual Schmeckfest in Freeman, S.D. is set for March 30, 31 and April 1. If you are interested in attending we need to send reservations to Reuben Goertz, a board member, by January 16. We suggest going to Freeman on Friday March 31, in time to get settled and have dinner together.

On Saturday morning, April 1, we will visit a Hutterite Colony. That afternoon we will attend the folklore exhibits and in the evening the special dinner. Tickets are \$7.50. There is a musical pageant on Saturday evening put on by the college students. Those wishing to, may stay over in Freeman on Saturday evening and attend services at the Mennonite Church on Sunday morning.

Please call Mary Froscheiser at 466-3716 if you wish to go. Also let her know if you can drive and take others. Motels are scarce in Freeman so early reservations are needed.

CONVENTION COMING UP FAST

Will you help? We need volunteers to:

- *Help at the registration desk.
- *Work in the book store.
- *Serve on the decorations committee.
- *Sing in a choir for a special program.
- *Arrange exhibits at the folk festival.
- *Supervise the youth program.
- *Prepare packets before the convention.
- *Act as hosts and hostesses in the lobby at the information desk.

REMEMBER THE MEETING ON JANUARY 15

HAPPY NEW YEAR!