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Lincoln Chapter

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Scheduled Coming Events

Program Chairman - Dale Dinges Genealogy Chairman - Shirley Robertson

March 29, 1996 Vegetable Beef and Chicken Noodle Soup Dinner

4:30 to 7:00 P.M.

WSI Hall 1430 N. 19th St.

Corresponding Secretary -Delores Schwartz

April 9, 1996 LLCGS (Lincoln Lancaster County Genealogical Society)

7:00 P.M.

President - John Stuertz

Secretary - Glades Herstein

Dick Administration Building (Lower Level) Union College Campus

April 15, 1996 AHSGR Board Meeting

7:00 P.M.

AHSGR Headquarters Building

April 20, 1996 PAF-LUG (Personal Ancestral File-Lincoln Users Group)

7:00 P.M.

Family Service Center 3100 Old Cheney Road

May 17-18,1996 Garage\Bake Sale

601 D St. (Garage at rear of home)

From the Executive Director:

Many thanks to the members of the Lincoln Chapter who assembled the Minneapolis Convention packets. This hard-working crew assembled over 5500 packets in less than four hours. In addition to the Convention mailing, they process all the *Journals*, *Clues* and *Newsletter* mailing throughout the year. We couldn't do it without your help!

Our very own Anna Baker beat out the competition and registered first for the Minneapolis Convention. This is the third year in a row. Her bags have been packed since she came home from the 1995 Calgary Convention. Thank you Anna!

You won't want to miss the Minneapolis Convention. The Minneapolis Convention Committee has outdone themselves, with speakers, tours, and other activities. Headquarters has received many registrations. Have you registered yet?

This is the time of year when headquarters has many requests for tours from surrounding schools. If you can help give tours (on a limited basis) please call Kay so she can put you on the list. Thanks!

Kathy Schultz

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

"Some folks see so many thorns, they scarce can see one rose, While others count two blossoms for every thorn that grows" Garrison

President's Letter:

From April 15 to 20 a photo exhibition will be on display at AHSGR headquarters in Lincoln, NE. The theme of the exhibition will be the sufferings of the Russian Germans in Russia and the former Soviet Union, mainly covering the persecutions beginning in 1917, the 1921 and 1933 famines which were created by the government in Russia as part of a plan of genocide against the "kulak" farming population, and the 1941 deportation which was another act of genocide perpetrated against the Russian Germans.

On April 21 Mr. Samuel Sinner (member of board of directors and 2nd vice-president of the Lincoln chapter of AHSGR) will deliver a lecture at AHSGR headquarters entitled, "The Genocide of German Ethnic Nationalities in Russia and the Former Soviet Union." The exhibition and lecture are designed to coincide with April 22, the birthdate of Vladimir Lenin, under whose rule the Russian German's greatest sufferings began in 1917.

It would be good if we could generate interest amongst our members if they were to loan AHSGR any letters they might have in their possession from relatives in Russia telling of the sufferings of our people during the persecutions, famines and deportations. Some of these letters could be put on display in the exhibition. All the letters could be used to document the suffering of our people as part of the research project that Samuel Sinner is conducting. The display of these letters and their use in furthering research would be an ideal way to honor the memory of our relatives and people who suffered under the terror of communism.

The Lincoln Chapter will have a Garage\Bake sale on May 17-18, 1996 at 601 D St. If you have any items that you want to donate, please contact Mary Wunder at 489-8734 or John Stuertz at 421-7416. Remember we are a non-profit osrganization and you donation is fully tax deductible

John Stuertz, President

DER JAHRSTAG (HAPPY ANNIVERSARY)

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

April 2, 1951 Anna and Robert Baker 45 years
April 6, 1952 Dorothy and Richard Pearce 44 years
April 6, 1927 Mary (Hardt) and Alex Schneider 69 years
April 23, 1955 Carol and Jim Sommers. 41 years
April 24, 1955 Lucille and Richard Hedges 41 years

UNSER LEUTE GEBURTSTAG (HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April	2	Sheri Ertl	April 4	Clara Wertz
April	6	John Schneider	April 8	Leah Rebensdorf
April	14	F. Wendell Groth	April 16	Judith Sader
April	18	Gerald (Jerry) Harris	April 21	Henry Grenemeier
April	28	Donald A. Yost	April 30	Victor Weber

Don't forget to send in your names for inclusion of the birthdays and anniversary section each month

Send all communications to Hugh Dobler 3747 Woods Ave. Lincoln, NE. 68510

" Handle them carefully, for words have more power than atom bombs." Pearl Stacham Hurd

Favorite Brisket:

4 lb. fresh beef brisket

2 tsp. salt

2 tsp. dry mustard

2 tsp. paprika

1/8 tsp. pepper

1/2 to 1 tsp. garlic powder

Trim all excess fat from brisket. Combine seasonings until well blended; rub into brisket. Place meat in Crock Pot with fat side up, cutting to fit if necessary. Cover and cook on low setting for 8 to 12 hours. Remove brisket from liquid and cut across the grain into thin slices. Serve au jus. 6 to 8 servings.

Broccoli Salad:

1 bunch broccoli

10 bacon strips browned and diced

1/2 purple onion diced

Mix: 1/2 cup raisins, 1/4 cup sugar, 1 cup mayonnaise, 2 Tbs. vinegar.

Combine and chill. Marinate 5 hours before serving.

Sauerkraut with a different flavor

For a quart of sauerkraut, use about 1/2 pound of bacon.

Dice the bacon and brown until crisp. Leave some of the bacon fat in skillet after removing the bacon and then add a medium sized onion which has been chopped up. Sauté the onion until it is done.

Remove most of the juice from the sauerkraut, add bacon and onion and simmer for about an hour. Be sure to add pepper, as much as you wish. You'll find the pepper really adds something.

This dish is piled on mashed potatoes and devoured with gusto.

This sauerkraut recipes can also be used when making Runza. (Known as the German version or Russian Runza. In making Runza, prepare the yeast dough and after it is ready to use, prepare your Runza as you would but instead of ground meat and cabbage, try the above sauerkraut mixture. Brush the dough with butter and bake until golden. After taking them out of the oven, brush again with butter.

Potato Soup Recipe

by Elsa Unterschultz

(taken from the Calgary Chapter Newsletter)

2 quarts of water more for thinner soup)

4 diced potatoes

1/2 diced onion

Salt to taste

2 Tbs. Flour

3 Tbs. Butter

3/4 cup sweet or sour cream

Boil until potatoes are done. Brown the flour in the butter. Add the potatoes. Bring to a boil. Remove from heat. Add the sweet or sour cream (a bay leave may be added when cooking if desired).

For celery soup, add 1-1/4 cup diced celery to potatoes; for carrot soup, add 2 cups grated carrots to potatoes.



GENOCIDE

1915-1945 Lenin and Stalin's Elimination of Soviet Germans

- Extermination In Soviet Concentration Camps
- Deportation to Siberia and Central Asia
- Mass Execution of Men, Women and Children
- Murder of Intellectual and Religious Leaders
- Deliberate Mass Starvation under Communism

Genocide Photo Exhibition and Lecture

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American Historical Society of Germans from Russia
G31 D Street
Lincoln, Nebraska
April 15-20, 1996
Exhibition Hours: April 15-19, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, 1:00 - 4:00 PM
April 20, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The Genocide of German Ethnic Groups in the Soviet Union"
by Samuel Sinner
April 21 at 2:00 PM

STEPHANIE OSBORNE-RODGERS

Stephanie was born May 8, 1967 in Covington, Kentucky ("the skyline view") just across the river from Cincinnati, Ohio to Roger and Donna (Burke) Osborne.

During Stephanie's early years in school, the family lived in the greater Cincinnati area, living there until Stephanie was 13.

The family then moved to Madisonville, Kentucky (southwestern Kentucky), where Stephanie continued her schooling, graduating from high school there.

Upon graduation, she enrolled at the University of Kentucky, graduating in 1989 with a BA degree in Political Science and Philosophy. She continued her schooling at the University of Kentucky receiving her Master's Degree in Political Science in 1991.

The young man she had met and dated during her high school years, also joined her when she started at the University of Kentucky, graduating with an English degree. On June 1, 1991, Stephanie and DG Rodgers were married.

With DG's graduation, he decided to enlist in the Army as a Russian linguist. He received a year's training in Russian at Monterey, California. Leaving their they were transferred to Fort Hood, Texas, where they remained for the balance of his enlistment.

During the time they were at Fort Hood, Stephanie taught American government at Central Texas College. After enlistment, DG decided he would like to attend law school, which brought the couple to the University of Nebraska - Lincoln. He is interested in pursuing Russian, taking two Russian courses. His studies are geared to International Law, and International Contracts.

Stephanie has one sister, 2 1/2 years younger than she, who just graduated from college.

Now that these two southerners have bravely spent their first year in Nebraska, they have become some what accustomed to that changing Nebraska weather. At first that was quite a shock, after having lived in California and Texas for the past three years.

Stephanie duties at Headquarters are working in the library with the main emphasis on trying to update the holdings of histories and other cataloging family projects.



DON'T FORGET!!

AHSGR SOUP SUPPER
WSI HALL 1430 NORTH 10TH
MARCH 29, 1996
4:30 TO 7:00 P.M.
TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE
FROM ANY BOARD MEMBER

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