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The American Historical Society of Germans From Russia  
**NEWSLETTER**

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## Notes from Ruth

by Ruth White, President

The year has flown and we are at the end of the year. We have accomplished much. Perhaps we could do more. The majority of the members are growing older and we are losing more and more. A "thank you" is due to all who have helped to make the organization live during the past year.

The Broda was a success. This was a membership-only dinner years ago and then it was opened to all who were interested. These dinners allow us to tell the public about our organization and encourage them to join. Our problem is that our volunteers have been doing this for many years. Some of them are tired. This year we had to go to an outside source for additional workers.

### January Dates to Remember:

**January 13, 2002: Annual Membership Meeting with potluck and elections; 1:00p.m., St. John's Church, 26th and D Streets**

**January 25, 2002: Soup Supper at W.S.I.**

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as president this past year. If all of us work together, we can make a strong organization.

## In Memory

Terry Schafer  
John "Pete" Maul  
Dennis Booth  
John Bauer  
Lydia Greenwald  
Rose Lambert  
Helen Raymer  
Ted Kahler  
Marilyn Gooding  
Samuel Hergert  
Marie Ferzely  
Andrew Beltz  
Delores "Susie" Barowski

## Garage Sale

by Larry Schenkel

As usual, I want to start out by thanking all of the volunteers who helped make the garage sale such a success. As always, I want to thank them by name. If I miss anyone, attribute that omission to failing memory, not the act of omission on purpose.

Also, let me wander off of volunteers, and explain why I list the names and risk offending someone because I left a name off of the list. I think it is very important to let you know who is doing the work of your chapter. Many times, it's the same names over and over. Sometimes there are new names. Sometimes, some of the old names are gone because of illness, prior commitments, just can't do it any more because of age, and unfortunately, death.

Happily, the names missing this year are not because of the latter. Helen and Herman Reifschneider were with us in spirit, but aches, pains, and illness kept them away in body. President Ruth was there Tuesday but had out-of-state commitments from the rest of the days. Bud and Virginia Dietrich were out of state and weren't able to help. Phil Sorenson was going to help, but I forgot to call him to give him the dates. As I said, the memory is the first thing to go and I don't remember the second. Mary Wunder was missed also.

I am going to list the volunteers a bit different this time; I'm going to list them by days. One reason is so everyone sees that it takes three days to get ready and two more for the sale, not just two days. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were spent cleaning the garage, setting up and arranging the tables, etc., testing electrical appliances, cleaning some things before putting them

out for sale, and pricing, pricing, pricing.

The sale was very successful and we raised just over \$800. Thank you, volunteers, and thank you all friends and members who donated items for the garage sale. We use this money to print and send the newsletter, pay churches and headquarters for using their buildings for our functions, and make donations to the Foundation, etc.

Please, if you see any of the people who have been volunteering, take the time to thank them for their dedication. Also, thank our newest cohort in crime, Nancy Borrell.

One to the reasons we keep getting volunteers is because of the fellowship, ties, storytelling, and fun we have together. Nancy fit in like she had been helping since the beginning of our garage sales. It was a lot of fun getting to know her. I hope you all get a chance to know her, too.

Volunteers by days: Tuesday: Norma Somerheiser, Ed and Gladys Herstein, Phil Dinges, John Schneider, Nancy Borrell, Barb Schmidt, Suzy Stoehr, Ruth White, Allison Rye, Delores Schwartz, Larry Schenkel. Wednesday: Allison Rye, Delores Schwartz, Nancy Borrell, Phil Dinges, Ed and Gladys Herstein, John Schneider, Larry Schenkel. Thursday: Nancy Borell, Phil and Irene Dinges, Ed and Gladys Herstein, Allison Rye, Norma Somerheiser, Larry Schenkel. Friday: Ed and Gladys Herstein, Nancy Borrell, Ann Reitz, Larry and Norma Schenkel, Norma Somerheiser, Allison Rye, John Schneider, Delores Schwartz, Barb Schmidt, Suzy Stoehr. Saturday: Ann Reitz, Lucille Hedges, Nancy Borrell, LeRoy Butherus, Ed and Gladys Herstein, Norma Somerheiser, Delores Schwartz, John Schneider, Barb Schmidt, Suzy Stoehr, Ed Schwartzkopf, Larry and Norma Schenkel.



A Happy New Year  
to All!

**Remember the Annual Membership Meeting  
January 13, 2002 – 1:00p.m. – Potluck and Elections  
St. John's Church, 26th and D Streets**



## SOUP SUPPER

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2002

5:00 - 7:00 P.M.

WSI HALL, 1430 N. 10TH STREET

**Adults: \$5; Children under 12: \$2.50**

**At least three kinds of Soup:**

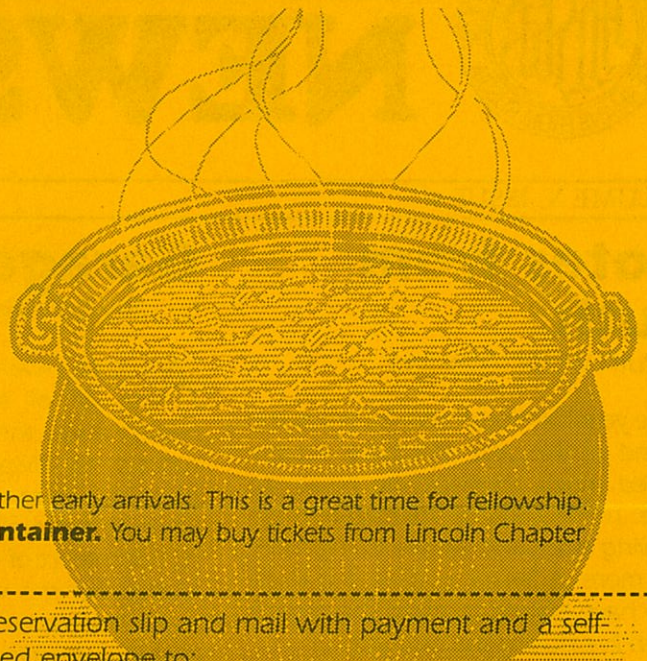
**Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Beef, Chili**

**Coffee or Iced Tea**

**Rye Bread and Butter**

**Dessert**

If you get there early, come on in, sit down, and visit with other early arrivals. This is a great time for fellowship. We will have soup for **take-out at \$3.00 per 32-oz. container.** You may buy tickets from Lincoln Chapter Board Members, or send the reservation slip:



To order tickets for the Soup Supper, tear off this reservation slip and mail with payment and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

**Larry Schenkel, 2111 Kingswood Cr., Lincoln, NE 68521**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets: Adult \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

## BRODA DINNER

by Larry Schenkel

I'm not going to start with thanking the volunteers first. Instead I am going to apologize for your having to stand and wait so long to get in. There is no one to blame but me and I promise, if we have another Broda dinner, we won't keep you waiting.

I think President Ruth's idea to have reserved tables was an excellent one and there were ten such tables this time. It worked very well.

Please, if you have any suggestions how to do things better, call me at 438-3814 or e-mail: gnorka@aol.com.

Again, thank you all for coming (we fed 268), and I apologize once more.

I now want to thank all of those who volunteered. Preparing the food and serving it family-style takes a lot of dedicated volunteers and hard work. Without our volunteers we couldn't have these dinners.

## BRODA COMMITTEE AND VOLUNTEERS

Dinner Committee Chair:

Larry Schenkel

Quilt and Raffle Committee:

Gladys Herstein

Social Committee:

Helen Schwartz, Mary Froscheiser, Mary Schwartz

Centerpiece Committee:

Gladys Herstein, Delores Schwartz, Judy Runion, Ruth White

Cooks, Servers and Preparers:

Alex Dietrich, Norma Schenkel, Henry Sader, Phil Dinges, Virginia Dietrich, Ken Hardt, Jewel Hardt, Ed Herstein, Gladys Herstein, Barb Schmidt, Susan Stoehr, Norma Somerheiser, Roger Runion, Judy Runion, Leroy Butherus, Diane Butherus, Ann Reitz and Jack, Lucille Hedges, Nancy Borrell, Henry Grenemeier, Mollie Grenemeier, Delores Schwartz, Ruth White, Dale Dinges, Irene Dinges, Leonard Schneider, Larry Schenkel, Marian Mueller, Annie Settell, Al Druse, Helen Schwartz, Mary Schwartz, Phil Schenkel, Roger Peterson, John Novak.

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