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Summer Fun in the Sun #1

Join us for a fun day trip as our annual summer general meeting will travel to Beatrice and take in the living history of Homestead National Monument. Nebraska history and genealogy enthusiasts alike will be traveling to learn about Nebraska's past and the homesteading of our nation's 37th state.



We will be leaving Lincoln on the morning of Saturday, June 9th in an air-conditioned luxury chartered coach. The coach leaves Lincoln at 8:00 a.m. Our tour of Homestead is from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Return to Lincoln is expected at 1:00 p.m.

When we arrive at Homestead we will be treated to events led by a park ranger. Exhibits that are available to us include; viewing the feature film Land of Dreams – Homesteading America; roaming the interactive exhibits at the Homestead Heritage Center; visiting the Homestead Education Center with farm implements and special exhibits; exploring a homesteader cabin; and browsing the bookstore and gift shop.

We are coordinating with the Lincoln-Lancaster County Genealogical Society on this project and many of them should be joining us on our trip. Sign up early as seats are first come-first served. The fee for the entire trip is only \$20 per seat.

Come join us for what promises to be a fun and informative early summer morning. Please find a registration form on page 5 of this publication. See you on June 9th.

Summer Fun in the Sun #2

Take me out to the ballpark! Come join us on Saturday, June 17th when the Lincoln Chapter spends a relaxing evening celebrating the Lincoln Saltdogs American Association baseball club as they take on the Chicago Dogs at Haymarket Park.

Our group will once again be in the shade at the top of section 106 in the lower deck, right off the mezzanine. Our seats are ADA accessible.

Hear the Chapter's name announced and see it up in lights on the scoreboard. Come for the fun, camaraderie, excitement, and special surprises that only the 'Dogs and the Lincoln Chapter can dish up.

Our seats are at a special rate of only \$12 per person. Opening pitch is at 7:05 p.m. In years past we have received free hats and free jerseys just for attending. What's in store this year?

Find a registration form as an insert to this newsletter. Reservations should be received by Saturday, June 9 to assure a spot with our group.



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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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North Bottoms Memories

- - Life as I Remember It

Submitted by Becky Schenaman

Today is April 3 and the wind chill factor is way down. It is cloudy and gloomy out so my sister Donna and I thought about going to a 1:00 p.m. movie out at the Edgewood shopping center. It was \$5 senior day.

The picture we saw, "I Can Only Imagine," was the best movie I had seen in some time. The theatre was crowded with mostly seniors and when the show ended I do not think there was a dry eye in the house. If you like a good all-around story with a deep message you will love this movie.

I have to tell you about a movie event from my early teen years. My best friend as a child was a girl named Linda. She lived a half block from us. We were close friends, loved paper dolls, and writing notes to each other.

We were 7th grade students at Whittier Junior High that summer. We both came from families of modest means and together we only went to the 10 cent shows at the Capitol or Husker theatres here in Lincoln.

However, this summer break from school we went to the morning activities at Peter Pan Park's summer recreation program that was run by the Lincoln Parks & Recreation Department. Most city parks had such a program.

The two councilors at Peter Pan's program were University of Nebraska sorority girls. They took a liking to Linda and myself and asked us if we would like to go to a movie at the Stuart Theatre in downtown Lincoln. Not only did they invite us to a movie, but gave us the opportunity to stay overnight at their sorority house with their other sorority sisters.

Of course we said yes – but had to ask our mother's permission. So the sorority girls walked us home and both of our mothers said we could. We made a date to go the next week.

Both Linda and myself were excited and thrilled about this big event, but I had forgotten my cousin was scheduled to stay at our house for a couple of days that same week. She was a cousin

we seldom saw and I did not know how naughty she could be.

The next week arrived and we took her to the playground program with us. Our cousin got on top of a ping pong table and started cussing at the top of her lungs and being a real jerk.

Needless to say our invitation was quickly taken back and it was extended to the twin daughters of a Lincoln police detective. Oh how Linda and I cried when we never got to see the movie "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers."

It was a hard thing for two 7th grade girls to endure. The sorority girls seemed to shun us for the rest of the summer.

Lessons learned the hard way are never forgotten, but we can laugh about it today. Movies are still a wonderful way to spend an afternoon.

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Frohlich Juhrestag "Happy Anniversary"



MAY

Cristen & Scott Bridegam
Linda Mae & Norman Helzer
Jolene & Jerry McInnis

JUNE

Barb & Doug Hellerich
Esther & Raymond Hogrefe
Corinne & Jay Jacox
Dean & Sheryl Pawelko
Norma & Larry Schenkel
Linda & Jack Schrieber
Karen & Allen Scribner
Chananne & Kevin Slepicka
Marilyn & Bob Wagner
Ruby & John Weber

Garage Sale Gearing Up

Who doesn't love a garage sale? The 2018 Lincoln Chapter garage sale will be held on Thursday and Friday, June 7th and 8th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at 1000 North 81st Street.



We will be coordinating with the Meadowlane Area Residents Association's event the same weekend. That usually guarantees a good crowd. Help is always appreciated sitting in the shade, talking, and helping folks with their purchases.

All proceeds go towards running other chapter events, securing quality speakers, and the like. If you have anything you would like to donate to the garage sale or even have just a couple of hours you can spare to help out, please contact Corinne or Jay Jacox at 402-327-8962.

Unsere Leute Erinnyng "Our People in Memory"

John Dietz, Jr.

Miriam C. (Loos) Hughes

Your Help is Needed

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

Stars Struck Down Y-town

It's arguably the best time in sports, when a real underdog beats a heavy favorite – and on the last play of the game. That's what happened in March 24th when the high-flying Youngstown Phantoms came to town to take on our own Lincoln Stars in hockey. And the Lincoln Chapter was there to take it all in.

Our annual trek to the Ice Box proved to be a memorable one as the Stars upset the Phantoms to secure 5th place in their conference, and a spot in the playoffs in front of 3,745 excited fans.



The Stars broke a scoreless tie with just one minute and 23 seconds to play. It looked as though it would be a done-deal for the home-town guys. Then Youngstown roared back to tie the game just 38 seconds later to send the match into overtime.

After a scoreless overtime the game proceeded into a very rare "shootout." A shootout is used to decide the winner with players from each team one-by-one getting to try and shoot the puck past the other team's goalie. Lincoln finally broke the tie on the last shot to win – and the ice box went crazy. Needless to say, so did the Germans from Russia.



Also included in the entertaining night was our name being announced over the public address system, the laser light show, and a between-period game of hockey by various team mascots.

What a fun night. At this publication's press time the Stars were still in the playoffs, fighting for the championship. **Go Lincoln! Bring home the championship trophy!**

2018 Spring Meeting Recap

The annual spring general meeting was held at International Headquarters on April 8th. A solid crowd was on hand for the event. President Paul Loos led a brief meeting and then it was on to the main attraction of the afternoon.



The recently completed (2017) AHSGR International film, *John Biel Returns: A Visit to the Volga Villages* was screened. The 28-minute film tells the story of an American man's return to his ancestral village of Enders, Russia, and other nearby villages in 1930.



Mr. Biel was allowed to visit and film in the Soviet Union (a rarity at the time) and was escorted by Soviet government officials. Potentially sympathetic to the Soviet cause, Mr. Biel witnessed first-hand the living and working conditions of the German-Russians living in the Volga region at the time. It is reported he was not as sympathetic after his trip.



The film combines real-life film footage made by Mr. Biel along with explanatory narration by Dr. Peter Reinkordt. Dr. Reinkordt has spoken to the Lincoln Chapter on ancestral names at another of our meetings. The film is available for purchase by contacting International Headquarters.

Thank you to International Headquarters for providing background information necessary to complete this article.

Herzlichen Glukwunsch

Zum Geburtstag

"Happy Birthday"



MARCH

Geri Debus

John Weber

MAY

Bill Gettman

Dean Pawelko

Sheryl Pawelko

Linda Schrieber

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JUNE

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Homestead National Monument 2018 tour registration form

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I can't pass up seeing Homestead National Monument with AHSGR.

DEADLINE: June 1, 2018

Contact (1st) person: _____ Phone: _____

2nd person: _____ 3rd person: _____

4th person: _____ 5th person: _____

SINGLE SEAT RESERVATION (\$20) X _____ seats = _____

Mail registration form and payment to: Jay Jacox, 1000 North 81st Street, Lincoln, NE 68505.

50th AHSGR Convention

Did you know that next year the “Golden Jubilee” annual AHSGR Convention will be back home in Lincoln, Nebraska? It may seem too soon to plan ahead for 2019, but it will be an exciting time. The convention is scheduled for July 21-27, 2019 at the Embassy Suites, with the meat of the festivities beginning with the opening general session on Tuesday, July 23 through the final banquet on Saturday, July 27.

Many things are being planned such as tours, speakers, the banquet, promotions, vendors, and the like. Your local board is beginning to put together the pieces for this event and invite input.

Do you have any special skills or ideas for activities and events; or just have an interest in helping put the pieces together? The board can always use your help and invite the input of all. For information on how you may be able to help, contact one of your board members today.

UNL History Project

This past spring the University of Nebraska-Lincoln contacted your local board asking to interview a representative. The University was putting together information concerning immigrant groups settling in the Capitol City and the cultural impact they have left on the area.

The University was collecting input on groups like ours, Czechs, Native tribes, and others that make ours such a varied and diverse mixing of cultures. A video is planned for the future.

Jay Jacox was selected to speak to the University representatives. They spoke of what German-Russians brought to the table in the Lincoln area. Topics of conversation included the North and South Bottoms, the rich GR culture of quilting, the game of bunnock, beet farming, and of course, a GR’s favorite food stuff, Runzas (or Runsa, since the spelling of “Runza” is a trade name). Our legacy lives on in Nebraska’s history.

Lincoln Stars Hockey Photos




April General Meeting Photos



2018 Calendar of Upcoming Events

AHSGR Lincoln Chapter


*** additional events added as dates are finalized***

MAY									
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Tuesday	8 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	21 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.

JUNE									
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Thurs/Fri	7 th /8 th	GR Garage Sale	1000 North 81 st Street	TBD
Saturday	9 th	General Membership Meeting	Homestead National Monument, Beatrice	8:00 am-1:00 pm
Tuesday	12 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	18 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	23 rd	Lincoln Saltdogs Baseball	Haymarket Park	7:05 p.m.

JULY									
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Tuesday	10 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	16 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Mon-Wed	30 th -1 st	AHSGR International Convention	Hays, Kansas	

AUGUST									
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Tuesday	14 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	20 st	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER									
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Tuesday	11 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	16 th	General Membership Meeting & Picnic	Antelope Park Shelter	4:00 p.m.
Monday	17 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.

OCTOBER									
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Date	TBD	Arbor Lodge Ethnic Festival	ROAD TRIP to Nebraska City	TBD
Tuesday	9 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	15 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.
Friday	27 th	Annual Broda Dinner	WSI Hall, 1430 North 10 th St.	5:00-7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	31 st	Trunk or Treat	Norwood Park Elementary	TBD

NOVEMBER									
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Tuesday	13 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
Monday	19 th	Board Meeting	631 "D" Street	7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER									
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Tuesday	11 th	Coffee Club	Stauffer's, 48 th & Hwy 2	9:00 a.m.
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AHSGR Lincoln Chapter activities of 2018:



Winter Meeting



Stars Hockey



Spring Meeting



Soup Supper



Scheduled:
Garage Sale



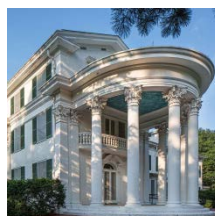
Scheduled:
Summer Field Trip



Scheduled:
Saltdogs Baseball



Scheduled:
Fall Carnival



Scheduled:
Arbor Lodge



Scheduled:
Broda Dinner



Scheduled:
Trunk or Treat



Scheduled:
Christmas Open House