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Catherine II, the Great
Empress of Russia
From the Editor

Welcome to this edition of Chronicle Unserer Leute.

Our newsletter continues this year without a permanent editor. If you’d like to help the Oregon Chapter AHSGR resume providing a more thorough and expansive newsletter as we have in the past, we’d love to bring you on board. Just send us an email at oregonahsgr@gmail.com.

If you’d like to just contribute an article or story for a future newsletter, you can also send that along to the same address.

Looking For Volunteers

Take a quick peek at the back page of this newsletter. You see all the “Vacant” positions on the board? There’s plenty of room for you to join in on the nuts and bolts of keeping the chapter together. The chapter board mainly plans and organizes our programs. We need more people on the board providing their ideas and energy to keep us going.

We’ve even made it easier by moving board meetings to occur immediately following the monthly programs—so there’s only one day a month of commitment.

If you are interested in joining us, please let any of us on the board know, or send us an email at oregonahsgr@gmail.com. We’d love to see new faces—especially yours!

Special thanks to Marilyn Schultz who has graciously decided to join the board. But we need more!
Upcoming Events

The Oregon Chapter takes the summer off from having programs so we can enjoy the nice weather with our families. But that doesn’t mean there’s NOTHING to do!

Hopefully many of you have plans already for the AHSGR annual convention in Lincoln. If that’s not in the cards for you this year, we’ll give you a heads up that NEXT year’s convention (2020) will be in eastern Washington. Watch for more information and get it on your calendar!

Also, be sure to check out Oktoberfest at the German American Society (see info below).

We’ll be back in October for our next chapter program. Details will be in the next newsletter.

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**July**

50th International Convention of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia

*Embassy Suites*
*Lincoln, Nebraska*

The Golden Jubilee!

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**September**

**Oktoberfest at German American Society**

*Saturday, September 7th, 2019, 12 noon—10 pm*
*German American Society*
*5626 NE Alameda Street (NE Sandy Blvd & NE 57th Ave), Portland*

The German American Society puts on a great Oktoberfest. Food & beverages available for purchase. Live music performed by local artists. Bring friends and family!
New Board Member: Marilyn Schultz

The board would like to welcome Marilyn Schultz to the Oregon Chapter AHSGR board!

Marilyn fills one of the many vacant positions that exist. If you’d like to join her and the rest of the board, please let us know! We’d love others to contribute their ideas and precious time to keeping the chapter running.

You can talk to any one of us or email the chapter at oregonahsgr@gmail.com

April: Denmark and Online Videos

April Chapter Meeting

In April, we screened a video donated to the chapter by the Plaggenhacke (http://www.plaggenhacke.de) association in Germany. They are a group similar to AHSGR but focused on the settlers to Schleswig around 1761, many of whom went on to the Volga a few years later. The video is in German, alternating between a speaker discussing the migration of the colonists and a folk music duo performing songs about the colonists.

After the video, Carole Hayden provided a walkthrough of accessing German-Russian related video resources online through PBS (mainly Prairie Public Broadcasting productions).

The short version of the presentation is that you can go to the PBS website and search for “Germans from Russia” in the search box at http://www.pbslearningmedia.org
May: Interview Archive

May Chapter Meeting

In May, we reviewed some of the interviews that were captured decades ago. The main attraction was a video interview of Katherine Weber Rudolph from 1985. She was a delight to watch.

We also listened to David Schultheiss at the 1986 chapter Christmas program talk about Christmas in Kraft, Russia.

June: Erhart Bauer (GROW Program)

June Program

We did not have a chapter program in June, but our members were graciously invited to the GROW (Germans from Russia Oregon and Washington) program at the German American Society.

Bill and Thelma Wiest’s new neighbor, Rev. Erhart Bauer, talked about discovering his German Russian roots.
50th International Convention
of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia

Our Golden Jubilee

An Enduring Legacy
Come join us as we celebrate the 50th annual convention
of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia

July 22-27, 2019
Embassy Suites Hotel
Lincoln, Nebraska

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of Germans from Russia
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Membership fees are for a calendar year that renews each January 1st. Annual dues for the AHSGR Oregon Chapter membership are $25.

Membership Year 20___

Name(s) ____________________________________________________________

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Annual Donation: $

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