



**34<sup>th</sup> Annual GRHS Convention**  
**July 22-25, 2004**  
**Ramkota Hotel Best Western , Bismarck, ND**



**Hosted By : GRHS Board of Directors**

***Theme: Cherishing Their Memories***

***Tentative Convention Program***

***Check GRHS Website at <http://www.grhs.com> for changes/updates***

***Wednesday, July 21, 2004***

3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.      Registration (Cloakroom)  
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.      Bookstore Open

***Thursday, July 22, 2004***

8:00 a.m.                      Breakfast on your own  
8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.      Registration (Cloakroom)  
9:00 a.m.                      Official Convention Opening Ceremony  
10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.      Registration (Cloakroom)  
10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.      Bookstore Open  
10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.      Library/Research Room Open – Village Coordinators Available

***Times and places for workshops will be published in the Convention Booklet, which will be included in your registration packet.***

***Thursday's Workshops:***

- “Village Group – Bessarabian Research Part 1 & 2” by Dale Wahl
- “Village Group – Kutschurgan Research” by Robert Schuh
- “Village Group – Crimean Research” by Wanda Hopkins
- “Village Group – Beresan Research” by Valerie Ingram
- “Village Group – Gluckstal Research” by Margaret Freeman
- “Village Group – Grossliebental Research” by Jim Helfenstein
- “Village Group – North & South Caucasus” by Mylo Bauder
- “Creating a Treasure – Family Book” by Lucy Simpson
- “Search for Family in the Odessa Library” by Roger Ehrich
- “Germans from Russia Genealogy Research” by Gwen Pritzkau
- “Quilting and Pioneers” by Carol Gwyer
- Serge Yelizarov , Odessa Archives Researcher
- Lilia Belousova , Odessa Archives Director

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.      **Workshops**  
12:00 Noon                      Lunch on your own  
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.        **Workshops**  
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.        **Workshops**  
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.        **Workshops**  
4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.        Sing-a-long - Leaders, Mabel Kusler & Del Beck, Accompanied by Sharon Beck  
5:00 p.m.                      Board of Directors Meeting  
6:30 p.m.                      Buffet /Entertainment  
8:00 p.m.                      Social/Maistube  
8:00 p.m.                      “Colonies in the South Caucasus” slide show by Mylo Bauder  
8:00 p.m.                      Village Coordinators/Area Coordinators Library Research Time

**Remember – Friday is Designated as Chapter Day so Wear Your Chapter Vest  
Bring your Chapter Scrapbook & Banner – Leave Scrapbook at Registration Desk or on  
Scrapbook Table**

## Friday, July 23, 2004

Breakfast on your own

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Registration (Cloakroom)

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Bookstore Open

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Library/Research Room Open – Village Coordinators Available

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### Friday's Workshops:

- "The Basics – Using Computers in Genealogical Research" by Marty McMahon
- "Your Life Story: Tips on How to Write It and Happily Publish It" by Ken Goetz
- "Lost in Russia" slide show by Valerie Ingram & David Kilwein
- "Finding Ourselves with Video and Story" by Leland Elhardt
- "Breathing Life Into Your Ancestors: Turning a Family Tree Into a Family Story" by Tove Bormes
- "Lost in Translation: Background to the Memoir 'Though My Soul More Bent'" by Jim Gesssele and Carol Just
- "Through Grandfather's Eyes: Post Cards are a Window to the Past" by Duane Stabler
- "Memory Links: Object-Based Memoir Writing" by Cindy Miller
- "Searching for Family in the Odessa Library" by Roger Ehrich
- "What's Happening With the Clearing House Project" by Dale Wahl
- "Germans from Russia Genealogy Research" by Gwen Pritzkau
- "Creating a Treasure – Family Book" by Lucy Simpson
- Serge Yelizarov, Odessa Archives Researcher
- Lilia Belousova, Odessa Archives Director

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Workshops**

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Workshops**

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch - Entertainment – Dick and Mary Lorenz

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. **Workshops**

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Kuchen and Coffee

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. **Workshops**

3:30 p.m. **"Boosting our Membership: A New Idea for Adding New Chapters"** by Del Beck & Val Wangler

4:30 p.m. Sing-a-long - Leaders, Del Beck & Mabel Kusler, Accompanied by Sharon Beck

4:30 p.m. Social Hour

6:30 p.m. Dinner – Speaker - Homer Rudolf "The Glückstal Colonies Bicentennial Project: What we learned – How it can help you."

Awards: Life Membership Certificates

8:00 p.m. Social/Maistube/Entertainment

8:00 p.m. **"Where Have All the Old Songs Gone? Authentic Music of the Germans from Russia"** by Lew & Dona Marquardt

## Saturday, July 24, 2004

8:00 a.m. Breakfast on your own

8:00 a.m. Chapter Officers Breakfast

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Registration (Cloakroom)

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Bookstore Open

Library/Research Room Open – Village Coordinators Available

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- "Breathing Life Into Your Ancestors: Turning a Family Tree Into a Family Story" by Tove Bormes
- "Germans from Russia Genealogy Research" by Gwen Pritzkau
- "How the Lewis & Clark Experience Had an Effect on Our Lives" by Todd Hanson
- "Archival Acquisitions" by Dale Wahl
- "Your Life Story: Tips on How to Write It and Happily Publish It" by Ken Goetz
- "Finding Ourselves with Video and Story" by Leland Elhardt
- "Searching for Family in the Odessa Library" by Roger Ehrich
- "The Basics – Using Computers in Genealogical Research" by Marty McMahon
- "Lost in Russia" slide show by Valerie Ingram and David Kilwein
- "Through Grandfather's Eyes: Post Cards are a Window to the Past" by Duane Stabler
- "Memory Links: Object-Based Memoir Writing" by Cindy Miller
- "Village Group -- Hoffnungstal Odessa Parish" by Dale Wahl

## Saturday, July 24, 2004

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	<b>Workshops:</b>
10:00 a.m.	Annual Business Meeting
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch – Entertainment – Robert & Danielle Hanna Awards: Youth Discover Your Roots Essay Contest Lane Alton Nusz Award
1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	<b>Workshops</b>
1:15	<b>“Keys Steps to Better Asset Management”</b> by Vern Neff, Ted Becker, and Walter H. Rehling
3:00 - 3:30 p.m.	Kuchen and Coffee
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Workshops:</b>
4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Sing-A-Long - Leaders, Mabel Kusler & Del Beck accompanied by Sharon Beck
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Social Hour
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Dinner - Speaker, Tim Klobberdanz Entertainment – St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church Centennial Choir Installation of Board of Directors Awards: Joseph S. Height Literary Award and Family History Book Awards
8:30 p.m.	<b>“Lost in Translation: Background to the Memoir ‘Though My Soul More Bent’”</b> by Jim Gessele & Carol Just More questions & answers: Oskar & Helma Seefried Eberle & Helmut Mayer – survivors of Stalin’s slave camps.
9:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Dance - Music by the Royal Melody Band

***Sunday, August 11, 2002***

9:15 a.m.	Prelude Music by St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church Centennial Choir
9:30 a.m.	Non-denominational Memorial Service Passing of the Convention Torch to the GRHS Die Deutsche Glieder Chapter, Pierre, SD Hosts of the 2005 GRHS International Convention Closing Remarks by GRHS President

### Local Points of Interest

*Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park  
Dakota Zoo  
North Dakota State Capitol*

*Lewis & Clark Riverboat  
North Dakota Heritage Center  
Pioneer Village (Buckstop Junction)*

**Thursday, July 22, 2004:**

**Deli Buffet**  
Vegetable Soup  
Potato Salad  
Assorted Meat & Cheese  
Bread  
Coffee & Tea  
\$10.00

**Friday, July 23, 2004:**

**Dinner Menu**  
Tossed Salad  
Sausage  
Sauerkraut  
Knoephla Soup  
Rolls & Butter  
Black Forest Cake  
Coffee & Tea  
\$12.00

**Saturday, July 24, 2004:**

**Dinner Menu**  
Caesar Salad  
Popover  
Roast Sirloin of Beef  
Baked Potato  
Vegetable  
Carrot Cake  
Coffee & Tea  
\$14.00

**Friday, July 23, 2004:**

**Lunch Menu**  
Tossed Salad  
Baked Pork Chop Marinated in  
Jack Daniels Sauce  
Roasted Red Potatoes  
Garden Vegetable  
Coffee & Tea  
\$10.00

**Saturday, July 24, 2004:**

**Lunch Menu**  
Tossed Salad  
Chicken Breast over Alfredo Sauce  
Linguini  
Garden Vegetables  
Coffee & Tea  
\$10.00

**Saturday, July 24, 2004:  
Chapter Officers Breakfast**

Fruit  
Rolls  
Juice  
Coffee  
\$6.50

***Bismarck Hotel/Motel Listing***

<b>Lodging</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone#</b>
Ramkota Hotel Best Western	800 South 3 Street	701-258-7700

**(Convention Headquarters)** Special rate of \$76.00 per room at the Ramkota Hotel--when making reservations, please indicate you will be attending the GRHS Convention. **A block of rooms will be held until June 20, 2004.**

Americinn	3235 State Street	800-634-3444
Comfort Inn	1030 East Interstate Avenue	800-228-5150
Comfort Suites	929 Gateway Avenue	800-228-5150
Country Inns & Suites	3205 N 14 Street	701-258-4200
Days Inn	1300 Capitol Avenue East	701-223-9151
Doublewood Best Western	1400 E. Interchange Avenue	701-258-7000
Expressway Inn*	3 <sup>rd</sup> Street & Bismarck Expressway	800-456-6388
Expressway Suites*	180 E. Bismarck Expressway	888-774-5566
Fairfield Inn North	1120 Century Avenue	800-228-2800
Fairfield Inn South*	135 Ivy Avenue	800-228-2800
Radisson	6th and Broadway	800-333-3333
Kelly Inn	1800 N. 12th Street	800-635-3559
Motel 6	2433 State Street	800-466-8354
Ramada Limited Suites	3808 E. Divide Avenue	800-272-6232
Select Inn	1505 Interchange Avenue	800-641-1000
Super 8 Motel	1124 E. Capitol Avenue	800-800-8000

***\* Located near convention headquarters***

***Campgrounds:***

Bismarck KOA Campground -North of Bismarck	701-222-2662
Gen. Sibley Campground - 4 miles south of Bismarck	701-222-1844
Hillcrest Campground - 1½ miles east of Bismarck on County Rd. 10	701-255-4334
Ft. Lincoln State Park - 8 miles south of Mandan, ND	701-663-9571

***Parking of self-contained campers is available in the Ramkota Hotel NW parking lot. There is a daily charge for hookup. Check in at desk for more information upon arrival.***

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### Registration Form

*Please complete and mail the entire form along with your check to cover registration and meals to:*

GRHS 2004 Convention  
Kathy Ellig, Registration  
368 Telstar Drive  
Bismarck, ND 58503

Make checks payable to:  
**GRHS 2004 Convention**  
(US Funds only, please)

	Per Person	Number	Total Amount
Pre-registration (Members)	\$30.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Late registration (Members)	\$35.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Pre-registration (Non-members)	\$40.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Late registration (Non-members)	\$45.00	x _____	= \$ _____
One Day Registration (Thursday)	\$ 20.00	x _____	= \$ _____
One Day Registration (Friday)	\$ 20.00	x _____	= \$ _____
One Day Registration (Saturday)	\$ 20.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Thursday Evening Buffet	\$10.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Friday Luncheon	\$10.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Friday Dinner	\$12.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Saturday Chapter Officers Breakfast	\$6.50	x _____	= \$ _____
Saturday Luncheon	\$10.00	x _____	= \$ _____
Saturday Banquet	\$14.00	x _____	= \$ _____

**Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Pre-registration deadline is July 5, 2004.** Meals cannot be guaranteed for late registrants after 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 15, 2004. No refunds will be given after July 19, 2004. No registration fee is required for youth age 18 and under. Meals for youth are the same price as listed above.

Please list each person separately. All children attending must also be listed (please use reverse side for additional names. This information is needed for **Name Badges.** **Please Print Clearly**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Ancestral Village: \_\_\_\_\_

Ancestral Village: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

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Check if a Life Member: ☐

**Volunteers:** Please indicate where you would like to volunteer: ☐ Registration ☐ Bookstore ☐ Other

**We will post a work schedule in the Registration area.**

May we include your name & address on a list of convention attendees, which we will print and sell (at cost) to others attending the convention? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Please check your completed registration form for accuracy and make a copy for your records.**