



KANSAS SINGLES IN AGRICULTURE (SIA) AUGUST 3 – 6, 2017

Country Threshing Days, Goessel KS

This will be a fun weekend learning about the Mennonite impact on agriculture in central Kansas. We hope you can come join us.

Thursday, August 3 6-9:00 p.m. Check in at **Country Haven Inn**, along Highway 56 at Hillsboro KS.

Make your room reservations by calling 620-381-1689 by **July 15, 2017** – mention “SIA”.

Rates per night: Single (up to 2 in room) **\$71.00 + tax**. Double (up to 4 people in room) **\$73.00 + tax**.

Friday, August 4 6-9:00 a.m. Continental breakfast at Country Haven Inn or check out Norel Farms Bakery, 207 N Main St, Hillsboro KS

8:00-8:30 a.m. Registration. Meet at Country Haven Inn by 8:30 a.m. to car pool to Pilsen KS – 18 miles east.

9:00 a.m. – NOON Historical Tour of the beautiful St John Nepomucene Catholic Church (Intersection of Remington Rd and 275th Street). They will give the history on Father Emil Kapaun, a priest who was held prisoner and died during the Korean War. The church is trying to make him a saint. **COST: \$5.00 On your own.**

The church altar society will be serving us lunch. **COST: \$7.00 On your own**, but please indicate your intentions on the Registration form below.

NOON-1:00 p.m. Travel back to Hillsboro KS

1:00-4:00 p.m. Guided Tour of Peter Paul Loewen House and other Mennonite attractions in Hillsboro KS. **COST: \$5.00 on your own.**

5:00-6:00 p.m. Main Street Cafe, Durham KS, Friday Night Buffet, including low-German foods. **COST: On your own.**

6:30 p.m. Leave for Goessel KS

7:30 p.m. Mark Claassen, Ventriloquist, at Goessel High School, 100 E Main St, Goessel Ks.

Send Registration to: Emilie Wacker, 725 N 120th Rd, Lincoln KS 67455

.....CUT HERE AND SEND REGISTRATION AND ACTIVITY FEE BY JULY 15, 2017

To help with meal reservations and tour plans, Please CHECK which of the following you will be attending:

FRIDAY ___ Pilsen Catholic Church Tour ___ Altar Society Meal ___ Hillsboro Tour ___ Evening Meal ___ Entertainment

SATURDAY THRESHING DAY ___ Breakfast ___ Parade ___ Noon Meal ___ Guided tour/Goessel ___ Supper

SUNDAY ___ Church ___ The Breadbasket ___ Warkentin House ___ Kauffman Museum

_____ **\$5.00 ACTIVITY FEE enclosed** (If this is your first SIA event, you do not have to pay this fee.)

Saturday, August 5 **Cost to attend the All-Day Threshing Day - \$5.00 Button – on your own.** It will get you into everything, including the museum. Larry has arranged guided tours for most of the day. www.goesselmuseum.com Call Larry at 620-345-9879 if you need to catch up with the group. A more detailed tour schedule will be available at registration.

8:00-9:00 a.m. Breakfast at the Wheat Hall at show grounds in Goessel. **COST: On your own.**

9:30 a.m. Parade – Main Street, Goessel. Old tractors, cars, trucks, etc. Bring your lawn chair.

After the parade: we will have a guided tour of some of the buildings on the Museum grounds.

11:30-1:30 a.m. Low-German meal available. **COST: On your own.**

Ford is the featured equipment this year. During the day, there will be threshing, field demonstrations, big engines (the largest has a 10 ft. diameter flywheel), prairie tractor startup, Steam Traction Engine, Model T truck assembly demonstrations, sawmill and blacksmithing, trucks, toys, & more.

Larry has arranged guided tours of the demonstrations, and of the Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural museum buildings, including a talk on how the Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church immigrated to the Goessel area in 1874. The museum tells the story of a group of low-German speaking Mennonites who emigrated from Russia in 1974 and settled near the present-day Goessel KS. The agricultural part of the museum features artifacts in the Turkey Red Wheat Palace that relate to the progression of mechanization in farming from the 1800's to the mid 1960's.

5:00 p.m. Supper at Wheat Hall at show grounds. **COST: On your own.**

Saturday Evening – Plans are still being made.

Sunday, August 6 **9:00 a.m.** Meet at Motel Lobby for a short meeting. If you do not plan to go to other Sunday activities, we will also say good-byes at this time. Check out is by 11:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Worship Service at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church, 1304 K-15 Hwy, 1 mile N of Goessel.

12:30-1:30 p.m. Eat at The Breadbasket, Sunday Buffet. 219 Main St Main, Newton, KS. **COST: On your own.**

1:45-2:45 p.m. Warkentin House, 211 E First St., an 1884 Victorian house. Bernhard Warkentin was instrumental in making Kansas the Breadbasket of the World. <http://www.newtonkansas.com/visiting-newton/warkentin-house> **COST: \$4.00 On your own.**

3:00-4:30 p.m. On Kansas Highway 15, Kauffman Museum, North Newton KS, another Mennonite Museum, will be open to tour. **COST: \$4.00 On your own.** <https://kauffman.bethelks.edu/>

CONTACT: Jill 620-682-0079 OR Larry 620-345-9879 with questions.