The birthplace of Lawrence Welk in Strasburg is one of the stops planned on the Dakota Heritage Memories Tour, set for Sept. 18-20. The tour is set to cover some of the state’s most treasured German-Russian sites.

Dakota Memories Heritage Tour to explore history around the region

Michael M. Miller, director of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection, will host a three-day bus tour through some of the state's most treasured German-Russian sites in south-central North Dakota, including Streeter, Linton and Strasburg. Planned for Sept. 18-20, the tour will depart from Fargo on Friday morning. Members also can join the tour at Jamestown and Streeter.

Travelers must register by Aug. 15. The cost for the tour is $250 per person based on double-occupancy. If you want your own room, the cost is $275 per person. The cost includes all meals and lodging. Should a reservation need to be canceled, a full refund less a $50 administrative fee will be made if received on or before Aug. 1.

Participants will enjoy strudel, borscht, kuchen, plachenda, knoephla soup, homemade sausage, German potato salad and kase knoephla.

Allan Ashworth, NDSU Distinguished Professor of geosciences and paleoclimatologist; Thomas Isen, NDSU distinguished professor of history and great plains historian; Bob Dambach, director of television at Prairie Public Broadcasting; and Jessica Clark, Dakota Memories Oral History Project coordinator and childhood historian, will give special presentations on the tour.

The Dakota Memories Heritage Tour mission is to organize educational tours in North Dakota in order to provide participants with direct cultural heritage and learning experiences. The tour is sponsored by the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection, NDSU Extension Service, Center for Community Vitality, Center for Heritage Renewal, Prairie Public and NDSU Libraries.

To register for the tour or for more information, contact Acacia (Jonas) Stuckle at 231-6596 or by e-mail at acacia.stuckle@nds.edu. Those interested can also log on at (www.ndsu.edu/grh/dakotamemories).

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Delicious homestyle kuchen is on the menu as part of the Dakota Memories Heritage Tour.