



# HHH NEWS



**HORMEL HISTORIC HOME...where the past inspires the present**

Hospitality ~ Education ~ Music ~ History

**Spring 2022**

## *For the love of trees*

*Johnny Appleseed planted apple trees. Jay Hormel planted all trees within his reach. He was truly Austin's original keeper of the trees.*

*The son of the founder of Hormel Foods Corporation and its president and chairman of the board did have the resources, financial and other, to accomplish the amazing feat.*

*Walk the trails of the Jay C. Hormel Nature Center at the east edge of Austin and walk with a fortune measured, not in dollars and cents, but spruce and trees.*

*It took 30 years to plant 200,000 trees. With the assistance of Jay's three sons, Geordie, Thomas and James, along with Roy Anderson supervised a crew of workers while the beloved trees were planted.*

*The plantings began on the 40-acre Hormel estate (now Nexus Gerard Family Healing. When the estate was densely populated with spruce and trees, Hormel acquired more land to expand the plantings.*

*The plantings started in 1926 and continued into the 1950s. Silver poplar, Ohio buckeye and American maple came first. They were Hormel's favorite species.*

*After Hormel's death, the estate and its forest of trees passed on to The Hormel Foundation, which eventually turned it over to the city of Austin for a permanent nature preserve for the public.*

***Please join us on Thursday, April 28th as we pay tribute to the Hormel family by planting 3 new trees in our Peace Garden in memory of Jay's 3 sons, Geordie, Thomas and James.***

***4-6pm in the Peace Garden (alternate rain date is May 2nd)***

***Free to HHH Members. \$10 for not yet members***

***Your admission includes a brat with all the fixin's and a beer or beverage of your choice to celebrate the Hormel Family's German heritage.***

***A cash bar will be available throughout the event.***



Cindy Meany  
HHH Executive Director

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## ***What your membership means to us.***

Your generous support allows us to serve our mission to maintain and continue preserving the home and honor the Hormel family legacy of Hospitality, Music, Education and Community Service through meaningful programming. Your gift provides us with so many opportunities to serve the community of Austin. Thank you for your generosity in the past and in the future!

### ***Upcoming Member Events***

#### ***Thursday, April 28th: Arbor Day Eve Celebration:***

*(date was originally April 29th) Join us along with the “Spruce up Austin” folks as we plant 3 trees in remembrance of Geordie, Tom and Jim– beloved grandsons of George and Lillian. We will have a happy hour bar and brats on the grill. This event will be open to the public, however, members are privy to a free open bar and free food.*

#### ***Wednesday, June 1st from 3:00 to 5:00pm Summer Fun Party***

*Join us in the peace garden (in the house if weather is bad) as we kick off summer with some fun summer desserts and beverages. You know how much we love visiting with our members..... so, we hope you can make it!*

### ***Autism Programming***

The Hormel Historic Home created Autism Friendly Austin to help the community become more Autism Friendly and Sensory Sensitive. Mary Barinka, the Community Autism Resource Specialist, drives this mission and has accomplished much since her hiring. Autism Friendly Austin will make our community and region a more inclusive and accepting place that strives to provide increased opportunities and improved outcomes to those on the spectrum.

Since this mission began in 2010, we have served a remarkable number of families and have met some amazing kids through the various camps we offer. Several of our campers have attended numerous years of programming with us. Their families tell us “We don’t know what we’d do without these camps”!

To help combat the rising cost of our camps and ensure that every child who needs us is supported, we will be hosting our annual stepping out for autism walk/ run on May 1st. If you would like to donate our program or sponsor a child, please reach out to us.

**[May 1, 2022– Stepping out for Autism Walk & 5K run](#)**



# Arbor Day Eve

April 28, 2022\*  
4-6pm

Free to Members of the HHH  
\$10 per person Not-Yet Members  
RSVP required: 507-433-4243

Ticket includes:  
1 Brat & Fixin's  
& 1 Beer  
to celebrate the  
Hormel family's  
German heritage

Let's Celebrate Arbor Day "Eve" together  
with the planting of three trees at the  
Hormel Historic Home in honor of  
George & Lillian's Grandsons:  
Geordie, Thomas, and James

\*Alternate Weather Date: May 2



# Anita Ulwelling DAY



Anita Ulwelling  
Memorial  
Card/Game Playing  
Party

May 3, 2022  
\$7.50 per person 11:30am-3:30pm  
Luncheon + Card/Game Playing  
Parties of up to 6 welcome to bring  
card or board game of choice

## Burgers, Brats, & Barefoot Becky

May 3, 2022  
5:30-7pm Food Served  
7-9pm Music  
\$10 per person



Enjoy Anita's favorite polka band  
paired with burgers, bratwurst,  
sides and a whole lot of fun!

TICKETS FOR BOTH EVENTS CAN BE PURCHASED ON OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.HORMELHISTORICHOME.ORG](http://WWW.HORMELHISTORICHOME.ORG)  
THANK YOU TO AN ANONYMOUS DONOR WHO IS MATCHING TICKET SALES FOR BOTH EVENTS!

QUESTIONS: 507-433-4243  
OR [CINDY@HORMELHISTORICHOME.ORG](mailto:CINDY@HORMELHISTORICHOME.ORG)



## Hormel Historic Home Stepping Out for Autism Walk & 5K Run 2022



Programming for youth, programming for the community



Sunday, May 1, 2022

1-3:00 p.m.

208 4th Ave. NW, Austin, MN



Walk or Run to support and show acceptance for individuals with Autism

Light Lunch provided

Entertainment by The Bubble Man and his Lady!

Raffle Prizes!

Pre-register online at [www.hormelhistorichome.org](http://www.hormelhistorichome.org)  
or at the Hormel Historic Home

Deadline to register with a guaranteed T-shirt 4/20/22

Adults \$20; Children (under 18) \$15



Check-In/Onsite Registration Begins at 12:30 P.M.

Walk/5K Run Begins at 1 P.M.



Be a Superhero for someone with ASD

Themed dress up is optional but encouraged!!



## 11th Annual Foodie Throwdown "Backyard BBQ"

SIX CHEF TEAMS COMPETE FOR YOUR VOTE!

Sample an entrée and dessert from each team  
Vote for your favorite

May 21, 2022 | 6 PM  
Hormel Historic Home  
Austin, MN

Tickets Available: [www.hormelhistorichome.org](http://www.hormelhistorichome.org)

Questions? Contact us at  
507-433-4243  
or [cindy@hormelhistorichome.org](mailto:cindy@hormelhistorichome.org)



All proceeds support the  
mission and operations of the  
Hormel Historic Home.

***June 6th– Summer concert series, Music at the Mansion begins.***

*This year we will open the gates 1 hour prior to the concert and will be offering grilled foods for sale along with our bar and Monday night drink specials. The proceeds from these sales help with our general operating fund and various missions.  
Your support is always appreciated!*

***Keep an eye on your emails, our website and our social media as we share more details about this event.***

The Hormel family valued education and music and exuded a spirit of hospitality. Those values carried on through the work of the Y.W.C.A. and continue today as the mission of the Hormel Historic Home.

**Contact Us:**

**208 4th Ave. NW ~ Austin, MN 55912 ~ 507-433-4243**

**Office & Tour Hours: Monday–Friday 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**Self-guided tours are free for members; \$5 per person for non-members**

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208 4th Ave. NW  
Austin, MN 55912

**Open for walk in tours  
Monday–Friday  
10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.**

**Calendar**

April 28	Arbor Day Celebration
May 1	Autism walk/ run
May 3	Anita Ulwelling Day & events
May 9	History Happy Hour
May 21	Foodie Throwdown
May 25	Red Cross Blood Drive
June 1	Member only event
June 6	Music at the Mansion kicks off

Money collected from tours and events helps support our missions.

If your club or organization is looking for a place to host your meetings and events please let us know.... We would love to support you!

We have a need: We are in need of 2 stand up freezers. If you have one or knows someone who has one that they would like to sell or donate, please get in touch with us.

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