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TWG HEADS FOR THE X-C TRAILS FEB. 21

Coming to a stop after gliding for a good spell across new fallen snow, several cross country skiers pause in the still forest to listen to the wind whisper through the trees. Their frosty breath mingles with that of woodchucks, squirrels and fox.

Rosy cheeked and bright-eyed, the skiers share some oranges and bars of chocolate. Someone passes a flask of hot tea. No one speaks. Daily travails are far away.

The Washington Group is heading for the mountains of western Maryland on Saturday, Feb. 21, to achieve just such nirvana. A one-day outing has been planned to New Germany State Park--about a 2-1/2 hour drive from Washington. TWG members who have already skied there describe the park as a winter wonderland.

The beauty of cross-country skiing is that it is fun for all ages, even the first time out. It does not require lots of practice, expensive equipment or lift tickets, or long waits in line.

More than 10 miles of trails for beginners and experts crisscross the

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TWG MEMBERS ADMITTED TO U.S.S.R. EMBASSY

"If we had known that they would let us in, I don't know if we would have gone," is how TWG Member Larissa Fontana remembers her reaction when she and fellow TWG Member Natalie Gawdiak found themselves walking out of the Embassy of the U.S.S.R. on 16th Street Jan. 12. The admittance marked the first time in anyone's memory that a Ukrainian group had actually gained entrance to the building, and not been stopped at the gate.

The incident began when TWG Member George Honchar, of Stanley, Va., called Fontana to let her know that some children in Virginia's Winchester County had made Christmas cards for the children of Moscow. Apple Blossom Mall, near Front Royal, had invited a Soviet delegation from the embassy to come get the cards. Honchar didn't want the Soviets to get away with this free publicity, Fontana recalled.

She decided to take action. Together with Rev. Hryhorij Podhurec, TWG Special Projects Director Marta Pereyma and some children at the Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Subjects, the group produced Christmas cards to be delivered to the children of Chornobyl.

The Apple Blossom Mall exchange of cards was to take place on a Monday in early January. Honchar had arranged with the late Al Kapusta to be at the Mall with the cards for the Chornobyl children. For some reason, the Soviets didn't show up. So not only did the children of Moscow not receive their cards, but neither did the children of Chornobyl.

But Fontana was determined to make the delivery. After Kapusta returned with the cards, she thought that maybe Jan. 12, Solidarity Day with Ukrainian political prisoners, a commemoration sponsored by the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, would be the proper forum. The event was being held across the street from the Soviet embassy.

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New in town? For information on the most current happenings, call Pat Filipov, 301/622-0838.

Harvard Millennium Project Deserves Our Support

Putting aside the criticism that claims that the Harvard Project is esoteric and irrelevant in today's situation, let's examine the positives. The Project focuses on the origin of our modern Ukrainian culture, in particular on its roots in the heritage of Kievan Rus'. We face a world that is generally indifferent, ignorant or openly hostile to our existence as a people. Without solid evidence and careful scholarship, we Ukrainians have little ground to stand on, except our own convictions.

As Harvard's Ukrainian Studies Fund literature states, too little is known about our thousand-year-old legacy, too little is studied and still less is propagated--even among Ukrainians themselves.

The Millennium of Christianity in Kiev-Rus' is an opportunity to rediscover, manifest and safeguard our spiritual and cultural heritage. The Harvard Project's goal is to provide a solid base on which to build and expand our knowledge of the past. The Project's plans include:

- *publication of a fundamental corpus of pre-secular Ukrainian literature;
- *an encyclopedic reference work on Ukrainian Christianity;
- *sponsorship of an international conference;
- *endowment of a Chair of Ukrainian Religious Thought at the Harvard Divinity School.

All of this will not be possible without the support of the Ukrainian community, especially the professionals among us. Although our financial help is vital, we as a community must take an active interest and participate in making a permanent record of our primary sources. Such a record will provide continuity and a reliable basis for secondary education.

Most of us outside the academic world can support the Harvard Project by assuming the role of facilitator. Our skills, knowledge, experience and contacts must be put to their best use to promote and disseminate the results of this enduring scholarly effort by seeking opportunities to present the issue of Ukraine and the Millennium before various forums. With its far-reaching benefits, the Harvard Project is truly worthy of everyone's unique contribution.

For information on how you can contribute or help in other ways, contact Martha Mostovych, chair of the Washington Branch of the Harvard Millennium Project, 301/589-0411.

Guest editorial by Jurij Dobczansky, on behalf of the Washington Branch of the Harvard Millennium Project

A TRIBUTE TO ALVIN KAPUSTA 1930-1987

The news of his death was a shock. We expect and are better able to accept the death of an elderly, ill person who has lived a full life and awaits death calmly.

The death of Al Kapusta was unexpected and difficult to accept. He hadn't completed his life's work yet. He had just gotten his second wind and like an eagle perched high up on a tree, he was getting ready to soar again.

Al's roots were in the black soil of North Dakota, planted there by his ancestors from Kiev. These were Ukrainian roots that were planted, strong, robust, able to withstand the bitter cold, the prairie winds, the blazing sun. Instead of settling down to a comfortable life as a teacher in North Dakota, Al opted for adventure. He joined the U.S. Army, went to graduate school in California, and finally, joined the Foreign Service. He wanted to see the world, and that he did.

His assignments took him to the remote corners of the world, like Afghanistan and Burma. But the spirit of his ancestors remained strong. He became interested in geneology, compiled his own family tree and went on the road to talk about his Ukrainian heritage with pride. To know who you are, you must know where you came from, he would say.

Identifying his heritage was not enough. It was important to put it in its proper global and historical perspective. Al pushed for the creation of an office to study Soviet nationalities at the State Department. He eventually collected a vast amount of files and documents, and wrote a nationalities newsletter.

The Slavs are a significant group composed of many cultures. The Russians are but one of these groups. Each deserves to be recognized and have its place in the sun. This was Al's message to U.S. foreign policy makers.

Al immersed himself in the activities of the Ukrainian community nationwide. Although he had all the right ingredients to be a true Ukrainian, he had them in different proportions. He stood out. He could rationally approach problems, discuss issues, propose solutions. He was a moderator, a mediator, a negotiator, elder statesman, chief warrior, father, godfather--all in one. He counseled us, guided us, questioned us, challenged us. He was a follower, he was a leader.

Despite serious surgery, he undertook a new challenge to become a librarian and amassed a bibliography of Slavic publications hoping to create a documentation center for Soviet nationalities here in Washington. The Library of Congress has thousands of papers, books, beautiful original manuscripts on Slavic history and culture. Al would tackle them all. He would show the world what a splendid breed the Slavs are. It seems unreal to have this monumental task short-circuited and stopped.

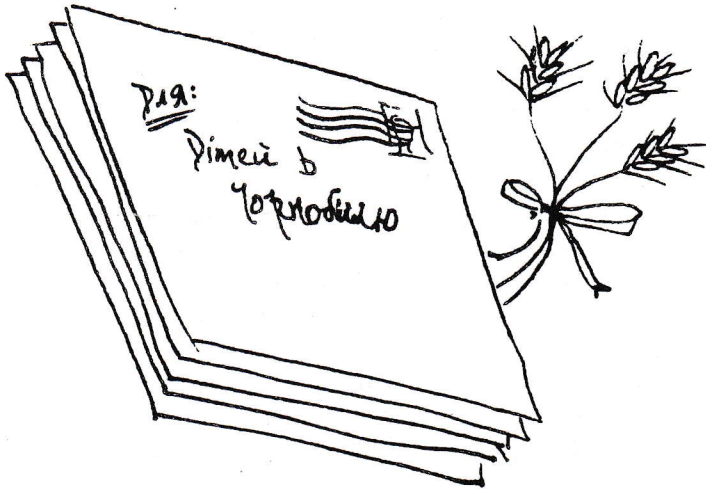
We will miss Al Kapusta, but we will follow his soul. An eagle awing cannot be stopped.

-- The Board and Members of
The Washington Group

MEMBERS VISIT EMBASSY

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A group of Ukrainian-Americans gathered there on the evening of Jan. 12. "It was a very unusual sight--no policemen, no guards, no nothing, neither Soviet nor American," Fontana recalled. No official seemed to be paying attention to the knot of people. As the program of Solidarity Day, led by UCCA's Myron Wasylyk, also a TWG member, concluded, Fontana and Gawdiak made their way across the street to deliver the cards.



The package of cards was wrapped in red paper with three stocks of wheat tied with a blue ribbon. Gawdiak also carried a large icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. This was to be perhaps the first time an icon has entered the Soviet embassy, the two thought later.

The pair rang one doorbell, were let in through the gate and then into the building. There, another bell was rung and not answered for some time. Finally, Fontana said, a young man ushered the two into the foyer of the embassy. Video cameras were rolling, and Gawdiak pointed the icon at them.

A gentleman came forward and asked the pair's business. "We asked to speak in Ukrainian, and he said that would be alright," Fontana said. The two stated their purpose, namely that they would like to leave the cards for delivery to Chornobyl. But either the gentleman didn't understand Ukrainian, or the message didn't register.

"We repeated our request in English--he said no problem," Fontana said. He said the cards would

be delivered. Fontana said later that had she known they would be admitted, she would have "prepared a whole long speech on Chornobyl."

But she and Gawdiak soon emerged, their mission accomplished. Even if the cards made their way straight to the trash, Fontana said, perhaps a few Soviets were made aware of the concern of Ukrainians in America towards the victims of Chornobyl.

SKI TRIP

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More than 10 miles of trails for beginners and experts crisscross the forests and rolling hills of New Germany. Equipment rental and lessons are available, but we must reserve ahead. If you are interested, please call Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (home) or 202/357-5478 (office) as soon as possible, but no later than Feb. 15. Please let Daria know if you would like equipment or lessons, or if you need or can offer a ride.

We will meet somewhere near the Beltway and I-270 for the 6:45 a.m. sharp departure. Please call Daria for the exact rendezvous point and further directions.

For lunch, TWG schussers can choose from several restaurants in the New Germany area or you can bring your own vittles. If anyone is still up to it after an invigorating day in the fresh air, we may stop for an early dinner before heading back on Saturday evening.

If you've wanted to enjoy the beauty and pleasure of the winter season--and we don't



U.S.I.A. SNUBS UKRAINIANS AGAIN

After a nine-year hiatus occasioned by the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan, the United States Information Agency is reviving its exhibits to the U.S.S.R. The exhibits, which generally portray some aspect of American life, will in this case focus on communications and technology. The project has been scheduled as part of the renewed U.S.-U.S.S.R. agreement on cultural exchanges.

The exhibits can last as long as 18 months and usually employ about 25 American exhibit guides. The Washington Group has learned from private sources that this six-month exhibit is to open in Moscow in May or early June, then travel to Kiev and Rostov-na-Donu.

Despite the exhibit's two-month stay in both Kiev and Rostov--a city in the Russian republic but close to Ukraine's border and with a large Ukrainian population--it appears that only two of the people selected as tour guides for this portion of the exhibit speak Ukrainian.

As the last exhibit was preparing to depart in 1978, Ukrainian-Americans learned at the last minute that only one Ukrainian-speaking guide had been selected to go to Kiev, and that President Carter's welcoming remarks--for distribution in Kiev--had been printed in Russian. After a barrage of letters from Ukrainian-American individuals and organizations, the U.S.I.A. added another Ukrainian-speaking guide and reprinted the President's remarks in Ukrainian.

Now, almost nine years later, when one would have expected a better understanding of the Ukrainian situation by U.S. officials, on the eve of the opening of the U.S. consulate in Kiev, and at a time when U.S.I.A. is encouraging direct cultural exchanges between Ukrainians and Ukrainian-Americans, U.S.I.A. appears to be still preparing to send only two Ukrainian-speaking guides as a token gesture.

Once again, Ukrainian-American individuals and organizations have an opportunity to protest. You may wish to let U.S.I.A. know what you think.

People from all over Ukraine will be travelling to Kiev at great personal inconvenience and risk to view the American exhibit. They will find only two guides who can communicate with them in their native Ukrainian language.

Comments should be addressed to Charles Z. Wick, Director, U.S. Information Agency, and the U.S.I.A. Office of Personnel, Special Services, both at 301 4th St., S.W., Washington, D.C., 20547 (with copies to William Courtney, U.S.-Consul General Designate to Kiev, at the State Dept., Office of Soviet Union Affairs, EUR/SOV, Room 4219, Washington, D.C., 20520). And please send TWG copies of all letters you write.

UKRAINIAN COMMUNITY NETWORK REORGANIZED

The Ukrainian Community Network, first used as a crisis-response mechanism when Miroslav Medvid sought political asylum, has been reorganized and will function as a two-pronged unit headed by Larissa Fontana, its founder. The Ukrainian Community Network, Virginia, will be led by TWG Special Projects Director Marta Pereyma. The Ukrainian Community Network, Maryland, will be led by TWG Member Walter Pechenuk. The groups will lobby on issues such as Medvid, Russification of the Millennium, Chernobyl and the Office of Special Investigations.

Monthly meetings will be held and news will be spread via The Ukrainian Weekly, TWG News and the Bulletin of Obyednannia, Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington.

Under circumstances where a quick response is necessary, the existing network structure will be utilized, involving phone calls among Network members and leaflets in the area's Ukrainian churches.

NOTES ON MEMBERS

BOHDAN FUTEY was nominated by President Reagan Jan. 30 to a 15-year term as a judge of the U.S. Claims Court. The position requires Senate confirmation, expected to be taken up soon by the Judiciary Committee. The 16-member Court handles cases in which the U.S. government is sued on matters arising out of the Constitution, a Congressional act, a regulation of an executive branch agency, and many other areas. Futey is chairman of the U.S. Foreign Claims Settlement Commission. Among other items in the White House press release announcing his nomination, it is noted that Futey was born in [the] Ukraine. Congratulations to our first United States judge of Ukrainian background!

PAULA DOBRIANSKY accompanied U.S. Deputy Secretary of State John Whitehead on his recent trip to Poland, an article in the Jan. 29 New York Times said. Paula serves on the staff of the National Security Council, where she is director of European and Soviet Affairs.

YARO BIHUN traveled throughout Africa in January as a member of the press corps accompanying Secretary of State George Shultz on his tour of the continent. Bihun is a senior editor at the U.S. Information Agency.

ANDREW RYLYK, TWG Auditing Committee Member, recently returned from a three-week trip to China with his wife, Camille. The couple toured Beijing, Xian, with its terracotta army figures, Dengseng, Nanjing, Suzhou, Shanghai, Guilin and the Li River, with its gorgeous mountains, Guangzhou (which used to be known as Canton), and Hong Kong, among other cities. For Camille, who was born in Hong Kong but had not seen it since she left 20 years ago at the age of 13, the trip had special significance, Andy said. She barely recognized the city that is now very cosmopolitan. The trip made Andy more aware than ever of the difference between American and Chinese society, and made him more appreciative of "all that we have."

OREST HAWRYLUK, M.D. has been named medical director for Michigan by Conrail. This means that Hawryluk will be retiring from active service in the U.S. Army, and will be moving with his family to Detroit. Because of the school schedule of son MARKIAN, also a TWG member, the family will probably not be joining Hawryluk until June, although he will be starting his new job sooner.

OREST DEYCHAKIWSKY was interviewed in the Dec. 29 New York City Tribune in his capacity as a staff member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Persistent exposure of Soviet human rights violations through the Helsinki process has brought no major shift in Kremlin policy, but has resulted in "gestures" aimed at satisfying worldwide public opinion, the Tribune reported Deychakiwsky as saying. Deychakiwsky was a member of the U.S. delegation to the recent Vienna Helsinki review conference.

TAMARA and Oleh HAVRYLYSHYN are the proud parents of Andre George Peter, born Dec. 29. The baby weighed in at 7 lbs., 7 oz. Tamara is a professor of economics at Towson State University and Oleh teaches economics at George Washington University. Congratulations!

ROMAN WOLCHUK, a principal with Weidlinger Associates, a engineering firm in New York City, recently had two letters to the editor published in Engineering News Record. In one, he berates the newspaper for using the term "Russian" to denote all persons from the countries now incorporated into the Soviet Union. In the other, he criticizes the publication for drawing a parallel between the Soviet handling of the Chornobyl nuclear disaster and the manner in which U. S. authorities handled the accident at Three Mile Island.

NEW MEMBERS

In January, the TWG Board of Directors approved the following people as members of TWG.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Raymond Badynskyj, Phoenix, Ariz.
Mykola Stepanenko, Silver Spring, Md.
Wolodymyra Taraszczuk, Minneapolis, Minn.

TWG Member Eugenia Osgood, Ph.D., is making a name for herself as one of the foremost authorities on Soviet military policy at the Federal Research Division of the Library of Congress. She is also undertaking fresh commitments as editor of the soon-to-be-released Bulletin published by Obyednannia, Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington.

FRD, as it is known to Washingtonians, may not be as familiar to the general public as the Congressional Research Service, which does

research for members of Congress. FRD performs similar digging and analysis for the agencies of the executive branch.

SPOTLIGHT on
Eugenia Osgood

In FRD's Warsaw Pact section, research analyst Osgood specializes in Soviet military policy and strategy, arms control, Soviet nuclear war and nuclear-free zones policy, NATO strategies and Soviet foreign policy in general.

Osgood earned her Ph.D. at Columbia University and is also a graduate of George Washington University's Security Policy Studies program. She is frequently called upon to present papers at government-sponsored conferences, as well as at meetings of the American Assn. for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, the International Studies Assn., and the Network of Women in Slavic Studies.

Eugenia's interest in Soviet arms control and military strategies began "on the job" at the Library of Congress. Thanks to her language abilities (besides Ukrainian, Osgood also speaks Russian and French, and has full professional reading competency in German and Spanish) she at first explored primary source open literature. Gradually, she became more focused in her research, and developed a base of interest in her present specialties.

In 1981, Osgood received a sabbatical under the Exceptional Analyst Program to do research on

the Soviet perception of arms control and on the strategic environment as a whole. In 1983, she spent three weeks in Moscow interviewing Soviet arms control and strategy specialists at the Institute for the Study of USA and Canada and at the Institute of World Economy and International Relations. She also spent time in Paris interviewing French defense and foreign policy specialists.

Osgood's assessment of the future of arms control and disarmament is not optimistic. Principally because the basic U.S.-U.S.S.R.

foreign policy aims are in conflict, she does not foresee "much progress" in arms control. The Soviets' objective of "world socialism" is still primary, she says, despite some containment of their adventurism of the 1970s. Soviet ideological domination of Third World countries also remains a key goal.

But it's too early to make assessments of new Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, Osgood says. Rebuilding the Soviet economy is one of his priorities, and perhaps he prefers to limit Soviet investment into the military, she speculates. Whether his goals will be realized under the existing Soviet system is another issue.

Osgood personally supports the recent "glasnost" in cultural, educational and other exchanges between America and the Soviet Union. During her stay in the U.S.S.R., in both the Ukrainian and Russian Republics, she spoke to many people through official and personal contacts. Most of them were very receptive to ideas from the U.S., Osgood reported, admiring America's freer, more open society.

Eugenia's involvement in the Ukrainian community has been gradually increasing, despite her busy family and career schedule. Last year, Eugenia, whose brother Wasyl Wasyliwskyj is also a TWG member, served on the Board of Obyednannia. She is a member of Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church. She and her husband, Charles, a mathematician at the Office of Naval Research, and teenage daughter, Vanessa, live in Washington.

The Harvest of Sorrow is the first full history of one of the most horrendous human and social tragedies of our century. As Robert Conquest shows in heartrending detail, Stalin's plan to collectivize Soviet agriculture amounted to an unparalleled assault on the Soviet peasantry and Ukrainian nation, resulting in a death toll higher than that suffered in World War I by all the belligerent nations combined. Millions of men, women, and children died in Arctic exile, while millions more perished in the terror-famine of 1932-33. When it was all over, the survivors had been forced into the new collective farms and were at

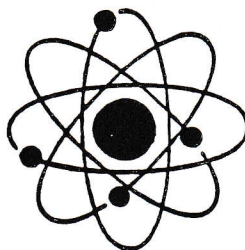
THE HARVEST OF SORROW

last with the products of their labors, under strict party and state control. In the Ukraine all centers of independent national feeling had been crushed. Conquest meticulously reconstructs the background of the tragic events: the lives and aspirations of the peasants, the Ukrainian national struggle, the motives and the methods of the Communist leadership. He carefully details the fate of the villages and individuals and seeks a true accounting of the death toll, suppressed in official Soviet statistics but deducible from other sources. He describes the desperate condition of the children who were left homeless and recounts the various cruelties and agonies of the man-made famine. He also shows how the West was to a large degree deceived about what was happening. Like *The Great Terror*, Conquest's classic account of the Soviet mass purges of the late 1930's. *The Harvest of Sorrow* is a powerful and moving story that is also a work of authoritative scholarship.

Robert Conquest is a Senior Research Fellow and Scholar-Curator of the East European Collection at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University. He has authored numerous books on Soviet studies and foreign policy.

Chernobyl and Nuclear Power in the USSR provides the first detailed account of the Soviet nuclear power industry and of the nature, impact and consequence of the Chernobyl disaster of late April 1986. It encompasses the first days after the accident and how Soviet authorities released the news to the West; Soviet energy problems that have led to a new and unprecedented commitment to nuclear power; the co-operation and links of the USSR

CHERNOBYL & NUCLEAR POWER IN THE USSR



and the Comecon countries in the current nuclear program (particularly with Soviet Ukraine); development in the USSR, including an analysis of the progress of individual stations in the Ukraine; construction and safety questions; the immediate aftermath of the disaster; and the political and economic consequences of the accident. The author raises the key questions: are Soviet nuclear power plants inherently unsafe? What impact will the Chernobyl disaster have on the Soviet nuclear energy program and on nuclear power development in the world as a whole?

David R. Marples is a Research Associate at the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, University of Alberta. He was educated at the Universities of London, Alberta and Sheffield, and has been a Research Analyst on Soviet energy questions with Radio Liberty, Munich. He is the author of over thirty articles in scholarly journals, and a specialist on Soviet Ukraine.

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From the **Boardroom**

To keep our members better informed, the TWG Board of Directors provides a brief summary of its activities at its monthly meetings.

The Jan. 13 meeting was attended by Daria Stec, Halyna Breslawec, Rostyk Chomiak, Al Kapusta, Marta Pereyma, Maria Rudensky, Andrew Rylyk, Natalie Sluzar and Julia Tereshchuk. Attending as observers were Andrij Bilyk, Peter Fedynsky and Bohdan Kantor.

Fedynsky spoke about the revived Open Houses. He urged the TWG Board to attend the functions, and the idea of a fundraiser to help pay TWG's costs of the events was discussed.

Bilyk spoke about the Christian Broadcasters' Conference Feb. 1-4 at the Sheraton and Shoreham hotels. Both the Harvard Millennium Project and the National Committee on the Millennium have sponsored a booth at the conference.

Breslawec reported that the number of TWG members has risen dramatically, and therefore, a new TWG Directory should be issued. A one-time notice in the February TWG News will alert members to send in corrections and revisions to the existing directory.

The TWG newsclipping service was discussed (see story, page 13).

An extensive discussion on how to commemorate the first anniversary of the Chernobyl tragedy took place. A follow-up symposium on various aspects of the event, a prayer vigil or ecumenical service were among the possibilities considered. Stec will contact Theodor Kostyuk of the Ukrainian Engineers' Society for his ideas and suggestions regarding a program. Kantor will bring back information from the upcoming Chicago conference of the American Assn. for the Advancement of Science, at which Robert Gale, M.D., will be a speaker.

The Board decided to donate \$100 to the Task

Force on ABA-Soviet Relations.

Rylyk provided papers necessary for the adoption of two Ukrainian students in South America. The Board agreed to sponsor one boy and one girl at \$500 each.

The next TWG Board meeting was set for February 11.

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WANTED: YOUR REVISIONS FOR TWG DIRECTORY

The Washington Group is getting ready to publish a revised Membership Directory. If anyone has any changes at all, either in personal or professional data, or in the information that appears at the front and back of the directory, please note it on the TWG application form at the back of this newsletter. Mark it "directory correction" and mail it to Halyna Breslawec, Membership Director, TWG, P.O. Box 11248, Washington, D.C., 20008.

This will be your only chance to make revisions and corrections. Please send your changes right away! The new directory is coming out soon.

Members who have not renewed: please be advised that if you do not renew your membership your name will not appear in the TWG directory.

KRAWCIW URGES UKRAINIANS TO DEVELOP IDEALS OF THE SOLDIERS OF 1918

Ukrainians in Ukraine and throughout the diaspora should set as their ideal the fighting forces that defended the fledgling Ukrainian nation in 1918, Brigadier General Nicholas S.H. Krawciw said at a dinner commemorating the 69th anniversary of Ukrainian Independence Day. Gen. Krawciw marveled at the soldiers of that time, and at their skill and courage in defending Ukraine against the invading enemy. An experienced combat soldier himself, Gen. Krawciw compared the fighting power of the relatively small number of Ukrainian soldiers against that of the enemy, and expressed amazement at the successes the Ukrainians were able to accomplish.

Gen. Krawciw's comments came in a Jan. 20 speech at the Ft. Myer Officers' Club in Arlington, Va. His talk was the highlight of the fifth annual dinner sponsored by the Ukrainian-American Army Officers commemorating the Jan. 22, 1918 proclamation of the Ukrainian National Republic as "an independent, free and sovereign state of the Ukrainian People." Gen. Krawciw provided a historical overview of the events leading up to the proclamation in the Fourth Universal, made by the Central Rada in Kiev.

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Semenec, Jr., led the program during the dinner, attended by more than 110 people. After the cocktail hour, the participants took their places and a color guard from the 30 U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard) posted the American flag and the U.S. Army flag with its full complement of battle streamers. The U.S. national anthem was played and the flags were retired. LTC Semenec said Grace and invited everyone to enjoy the dinner.

Gen. Krawciw opened his remarks by paying tribute to an old friend, Colonel Orest Hawryluk, M.D. TWG Member Hawryluk is retiring from active Army service in February. Gen. Krawciw's voice filled with emotion as he remembered all the times his career crossed paths with that of Col. Hawryluk's.

A native of Lviv, Ukraine, Gen. Krawciw graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at

West Point, received a M.S. in International Relations from George Washington University and completed numerous military courses, including several at the U.S. Army War College. He has held a variety of important command and staff positions, and is the recipient of many awards and decorations, including three Silver Stars.

Gen. Krawciw concluded his talk by encouraging all to begin within our own families to develop the ideals for which the Ukrainian soldiers of 1918 and later years fought. As these ideals flourish in the family, they will overflow into our society. By living according to these ideals we will become better Americans, Gen. Krawciw said, and we will be better able to contribute to maintaining the democracy upon which our adopted country was founded.

DANYLO CHORNOMORETS, JOURNALIST

If it weren't for the ineptitude of an immigration officer on Ellis Island, American journalism would have among its pundits a Danylo Chornomorets. Instead, there is Danniial Schorr--currently National Public Radio news analyst, and before that--electronic and print journalist with decades of experience.

On a recent NPR Weekend Edition program, Schorr recalled that his immigrant father was given the name Schorr by a bureaucrat who just could not handle "Chornomorets," and the senior Schorr could not spell it for him.

Perhaps the Plast "Chornomortsii" fraternity should consider adopting Daniel Schorr as their honorary member.



MOTYL AT FOREFRONT OF AIDS RESEARCH

Ukrainian microbiologist, epidemiologist and TWG Member Maria Motyl, Ph.D., recently added to her long list of accomplishments by playing a major role in the global battle against AIDS, the disease labeled the Black Plague of the 20th century.

She was part of a team that discovered that women are more prone than men to a certain infection associated with the disease, and eventually, to die from the infection.

As the term acquired immune deficiency syndrome implies, once a person has the AIDS virus, other viruses take advantage of the person's weak, debilitated condition and attack. The victim's natural immune system is no longer able to defend itself and succumbs to multiple infections, and ultimately death.

This past summer, Motyl and her colleagues presented a paper to an international AIDS conference in Paris. Through a study of AIDS patients at Montefiore Hospital, where Motyl is associate director of the Clinical Microbiology Laboratory, it was found that the rate of infection differs between men and women. Among the 50% of AIDS patients who contract infections from the mycoeacterium avium-intracellulare bacteria, 45% are men, but 75% are women.

The study demonstrated the need to more closely examine the female immune system. A separate study is planned to better identify the differences between the immune systems of the two sexes.

Another interesting study conducted by Motyl and her colleagues involves monitoring household contact of AIDS patients and their families and caregivers. The study aims to determine if AIDS can be transmitted by various casual contacts, such as kissing, hugging, shaking hands and even sharing eating utensils. After two years, the study has so far shown that AIDS is not transmitted through such ordinary, daily contacts.

About 29,000 Americans have contracted AIDS, according to the the National Centers for Disease

Control in Atlanta. Of those, 16,000 have died. But perhaps most alarming of all, another two million Americans are infected with the AIDS virus. Worldwide about five to 10 million people are infected but not yet exhibiting symptoms of the illness.

This has contributed to what some call a general hysteria about AIDS. Nevertheless, surveys have demonstrated that most Americans believe "it won't happen to me." Preventive measures should be taken to avoid situations conducive to contracting AIDS, Motyl advised.

As associate director of the Clinical Microbiology Lab, Motyl must divide her time between administrative and management duties, and her research work at Montefiore, a 900-bed facility in the North Bronx, New York. "The best of two worlds" is how she describes her job. She manages a staff of 45 technologists and other personnel, prepares budgets, and performs liaison duties with the hospital's administrators. In her research capacity, Motyl is part of the AIDS research team, comprised of physicians, nurses, technicians, AIDS patients and their families.

Originally from New York City, Motyl received her B.S. in biology from City College of New York, and her Ph.D. in microbiology from Cornell University. She did post-doctoral work in clinical microbiology at Mt. Sinai in New York. Besides her microbiology research, Motyl did extensive research in virology, completing her dissertation on a Venezuelan viral infection, that infects horses but not people.

In addition to her busy career, Maria still has time to become involved in various Ukrainian community and social organizations. Besides TWG, she also belongs to Club Suzy-Q and the Young Professionals at the Ukrainian Institute of America. Motyl makes a point of attending several activities of each group annually, especially in the summer when there is at least a little time for rest and relaxation. She continues to be active in Plast. TWG wishes Maria success in her research and in her career.

SUMMER SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Fund for American Studies (formerly the Charles Edison Memorial Youth Fund) is sponsoring two summer programs at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., from June 5 to July 18.

1. The Third Annual Institute on Political Journalism is a challenging six-week program for undergraduate students pursuing journalism careers. The Institute offers internships in the news media or media-related organizations; weekly dialogue sessions with Washington journalists; a Washington Politics Seminar and on-site briefings where news is made; and courses in Economics in Public Policy, and Ethics and the Media taught by Georgetown University faculty.

Internship sponsors include The New York Times, C-Span, USA Today, Voice of America, Newsweek, Time, Cable News Network, The White House, U.S. News & World Report, ABC News, The New Republic and others.

Students are housed on the Georgetown University campus and scholarships are available.

2. The 18th Annual Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems will be held also from June 5 to July 18. This fast-paced and demanding program offers undergraduate students daily afternoon internships in the offices of U.S. Congressmen and Senators, the Executive Branch, embassies and other Washington offices; evening lectures by government and foreign policy experts; visits and on-site briefings at places of interest; and courses in comparative political and economic systems at Georgetown University.

Internship sponsors include Rep. Jack Kemp (R-N.Y.), Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.), The White House, the Democratic National Committee, the Dept. of State, the Embassy of Italy, the law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour & Pease, and many others.

Application deadline for both programs is March 12. Contact:

The Fund for American Studies
Institute on Political Journalism
1000 16th St., N.W., Suite 401
Washington, D.C. 20036
202/293-5092

TWG President Daria Stec and TWG Member George Sierant are alumni of the Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems. They will be happy to talk about their experiences with interested students. Call Daria, 202/362-6862 or George, 202/232-8443, in the evenings.

KENNEDY CHORNOBYL HEARINGS INADEQUATE

Only two witnesses testified at a Jan. 20 hearing on the Chernobyl nuclear disaster before the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee, chaired by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) Not only was the scope of the hearing therefore very limited, but no transcript of the witnesses' testimony is available.

Dr. Yevgeny P. Velikhov, vice president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences and Robert Gale, M.D., the U.S. physician who performed bone marrow transplants on some Chernobyl victims, gave presentations.

The situation in Ukraine 10 months after the accident remains unclear and the search for objective answers still unsatisfying. TWG members are urged to press for fuller congressional inquiry.

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TWG CONSIDERS EXPANDING NEWSCLIPPING SERVICE

As one of its long-term projects, more than one year ago, the Washington Group started a newsclipping exchange service for its members. It was generated during the Medvid incident and was designed to inform members of what was being said about Medvid in newspapers throughout the country, wherever there were TWG members.

Such a service was essential: not only was there a need to know, but there was a need to take action. Letters to the editor, op-ed pieces, etc., had to be written, pressure had to be put on our elected legislators and on the executive branch, including the White House, to get Miroslav Medvid back.

The service worked on a simple model: articles from all over the country were submitted to one central place--TWG. They were sorted, reproduced and mailed to various interested people and organizations. Recipients were asked to make at least five copies of the packet and circulate them in their area to people who would, in turn, continue the dissemination process.

This simple "chain" worked very well. After Medvid came Chornobyl, the Demjanjuk deportation, and the PBS airing of "Harvest of Despair." We can safely say that hundreds of letters were written responding to the articles mailed by TWG.

Initially, about 30 entities participated in the service. A couple of months ago, the Ukrainian Community Network, headed by Larissa Fontana, asked TWG to combine its list with that of the Network, and continue mailings to both groups. TWG agreed to undertake this.

But ironically, because of the service's success, it has become very expensive and unmanageable. From TWG's end, the entire service has been done by one person, Natalie Sluzar, who found that the amount of time she could devote to it was severely drained by other commitments.

The TWG Board re-evaluated the service at its January meeting. If indeed the Ukrainian community continues to require such a service, the Board believes, those who participate in it

should be asked to pay for it--\$10 or \$15 annually for reproduction and mailing costs. Also, a person should be designated to take responsibility for the project. TWG is willing to continue the service on a monthly basis, plus more frequent mailings if special events require them.

We invite all TWG members to let us know their opinion about continuing the TWG newsclipping service. We are also looking for a volunteer to manage this project. Please contact Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (eves.) or write to TWG News with your comments and suggestions.

HARD-TO-FILL VACANCY: RUSSIAN CATALOGUER

The Library of Congress has an immediate opening for a descriptive cataloguer skilled in reading Russian and one of the following languages: Albanian, Bulgarian or Georgian. A M.L.S. or comparable library experience in cataloguing is required.

The position has promotion potential to the GS-12 grade level (\$21,804-\$28,347).

Interested candidates should submit a Standard Form 171 (application for federal employment) to:

Library of Congress
Vacancy Announcement 60677
Employment Office
LM-107
Washington, D.C. 20540

For more details or applications forms, call 202/287-5620.



U.S. CONSULATE IN KIEV STILL ON HOLD

A team from the U.S. Dept. of Energy conducted radiation tests in Kiev last October, and pronounced the area to be safe, according to an article in the Jan. 30 Washington Post. The article does not explain why these findings about the Chernobyl region were not made public earlier. The article goes on to report comments of a State Dept. official suggesting that the Soviet Union is not very interested in pursuing negotiations on the opening of the U.S. consulate in Kiev. The State Dept. recently lifted travel restrictions to the Kiev area.

C-O-R-R-E-C-T-I-O-N

An article in the January TWG News incorrectly characterized several aspects of TWG Member Daria Telizyn's concert series to benefit the American Cancer Society. The \$15,000 that must be raised is to cover the services of bookings and publicity, to be handled by Judith Finell Music Services, Inc. Telizyn does not yet know how she will secure living expenses for the year's worth of concerts. All income from the series is going to the American Cancer Society, in memory of the Chernobyl victims, through the Chernobyl Education Trust. The number of concerts conducted depends on how many halls can be booked.

REMINDER: Telizyn is performing at 2 p.m., Feb. 15, at Holy Family Parish Center. Her recital is a fundraiser for her concert tour, and is sponsored by The Washington Group. Holy Family Parish has donated use of the church hall for the concert.

HOUSE OF UKRAINE SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The House of Ukraine in San Diego, Calif., is once again conducting its annual membership drive. Any Ukrainian-Americans interested in joining, please call Vice President Bill Loznycky, 619/452-9759.

UKRAINIAN TRIVIA

The correct answer to last month's question--besides Chornobyl, what are the sites of the other existing nuclear power plants in Ukraine?--was not answered by anyone. The correct answer is: Rovno, South Ukraine on the S.Buh River near Prybuzhzhia, and Zaporizhzhia.

This month's question is: Name one part of speech that exists in English but not in Ukrainian.

The correct answer with the earliest postmark to TWG, P.O. Box 11248, Washington, D.C., 20008, wins a prize. Winner and answer will be announced in TWG News.

And we have an update on the trivia question for December, which was, what did William Dzus found in 1952? When TWG News went to press, we had not received any answers. But you've heard the one about the check being in the mail. Well, the answers were in the mail.

In that year, Dzus founded the Ukrainian Institute of America, in New York. We now declare Peter Lewkowicz of Canton, Ohio, the winner. Although Dzus did invent the Dzus screw, he did not do that in 1952, as another contestant wrote. To the winner and to others who wrote in, our thanks for your patience.

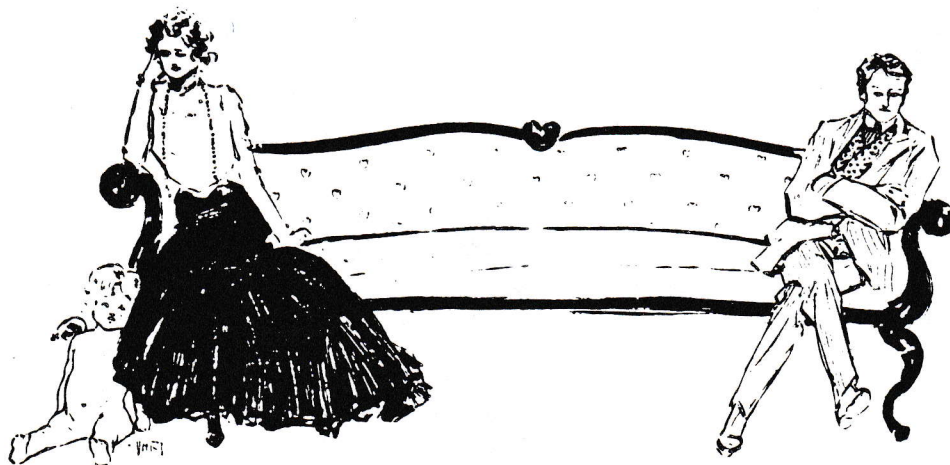
NOTE: THE HOLY FAMILY PARISH CENTER IS AT 4250 HAREWOOD RD., N.E. JUST NORTH OF THE SHRINE OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

ST. SOPHIA'S RELIGIOUS CENTER (ALSO LOCATION OF HOLY TRINITY SERVICES) IS AT 2615 30TH ST., N.W., NEAR WOODLEY PARK-ZOO METRO STOP.

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COMMUNITY _____ EVENTS

February



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COMMUNITY --- EVENTS

February


7 SATURDAY 6:30 p.m.
Skating Party, "Vechir na khovzankakh"
Wheaton Regional Ice Skating Rink
sponsored by Plast Troop No. 45 (Yunaky)
Andrij Bihun, Jr., 301/871-8086


17 TUESDAY 8 p.m.
Ukrainian Washington Federal Credit Union
monthly board meeting
Holy Family Parish Center
Maria Stransky, 301/779-1627


8 SUNDAY 1 p.m.
Ukrainian Congress Committee of America,
Washington branch, board meeting
Holy Family Parish Center
Myron Wasylyk, 202/638-0988

20 FRIDAY
monthly deadline for submitting calendar
events to Chrystia Oryshkevych
301/622-4488





10 TUESDAY 8 p.m. 
"Open House"; you do not have to be a TWG member
to attend. Free admission. BYOB.
St. Sophia's Religious Center
Peter Fedynsky, 202/484-8989 (eves.) or 202/234-
2330 on the evenings of the Open House at St. Sophia's

21 SATURDAY 6:45 a.m. 
One-day cross-country ski trip in the beauty of
Maryland's New Germany State Park; great fun and
exercise for beginners and experts alike; equipment rental
available. sponsored by TWG
Daria Stec, 202/357-5478 (days)
202/362-6862 (eves.)

11 WEDNESDAY 7 p.m. 
TWG Board of Directors' monthly board meeting
TWG members invited to attend as observers
St. Sophia's Religious Center
Daria Stec, 202/362-6862

22 SUNDAY 1:30 p.m.
Marika Helbig, director, STA, Newark, N.J.
Presents slide show of her trip to Rome and the Holy
Land in honor of the Millennium of the Christianity of
Ukraine-Rus.
Holy Family Parish Center
Teresa Ben, 301/935-5609

15 SUNDAY 2 p.m. 
Fundraiser for TWG Member Daria Telizyn so
that she may continue her piano concert series to benefit
the American Cancer Society ;
Daria will perform a recital.
Holy Family Parish Center
Marta Pereyma, 703/528-3075

26 THURSDAY 7:30 p.m. 
Harvard Millennium Project Committee meets at
the Mostovych home,
9321 Wire Ave., Silver Spring
Martha Mostovych, 301/589-0411

February

March

27 FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.
Michael Edwards, National Geographic senior editor, speaks at TWG Friday Evening Forum on "Recent Travels in Ukraine"
 refreshments will be served
 St. Sophia's Religious Center
 Julia Tereshchuk, 703/938-8719 (eves.)



28 SATURDAY 7:30 p.m.
 Mariyska Druzhyna and the Holy Family Parish Library Committee of the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine invite the Ukrainian community to Vyshyvani Vechornytsi, a Ukrainian embroidery evening social.
 7:30-9 p.m.--dinner and entertainment by the dance group "Lyman."
 9-11 p.m.--dancing to the music of the Roland Stransky Band
 11-11:30 p.m.--promenade of embroidered costumes
 11:30 p.m.-1 a.m.--continuation of dance and announcement of the judges' decisions on the best embroidered costumes
 Master of Ceremonies--Theophil Staruch
 Adults with dinner: \$15
 Adults, no dinner: \$10
 Retirees, students, dinner: \$10
 Retirees, students, no dinner: \$7
 Dinner tickets should be purchased by Sunday, Feb. 22.
All guests encouraged to come in embroidered costumes; you may also come in evening attire
 Holy Family Parish Center
 202/526-3737

Date to be announced
 TWG Fellowship Project Committee monthly meeting
 Contact Andrew Mostovych for more information and exact date 301/ 589-0411



1 SUNDAY 1 p.m.
Ukrainian Washington Federal Credit Union holds Annual Meeting.
 All members urged to attend.
 Maria Stransky, 301/779-1627

4 WEDNESDAY 7:30 p.m.
 TWG holds organizational meeting for **LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE II**
 St. Sophia's Religious Center
 Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (eves.)



7 SATURDAY 1 p.m.
Wreath-laying ceremony at Taras Shevchenko Monument,
 22nd and P Sts., N.W., Washington
 Sponsored by Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies
 Bohdan Yasinsky or Marion Bartoszyk, 301/559-4473

8 SUNDAY 1 p.m.
Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, Washington branch, holds monthly board meeting
 Holy Family Parish Center
 Myron Wasyluk, 202/638-0988

March

8 SUNDAY

Shevchenko concert
 sponsored by Obyednannia--Ukrainian Assn. of
 Metropolitan Washington
 Holy Family Parish Center
 Eugene Iwanciw, 703/237-0428

**Art exhibit of Mrs. Kateryna Krychevsky
 Rosandych from California**
 sponsored by Branch 78 of Ukrainian National Women's
 League of America
 Holy Family Parish Center
 Martha Terlecky, 703/521-3048

13 FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.



**Panel on mixed marriages (between Ukrainians
 and non-Ukrainians), moderated by Ihor and Natalka
 Gawdiak. Discussions on problems and issues in
 Ukrainian mixed marriages. A special Friday Evening
 Forum sponsored by TWG.
 Refreshments will be served.
 St. Sophia's Religious Center
 Julia Tereshchuk, 703/938-8719 (eves.), 703/359-
 7256 (days)**

15 SUNDAY 1 p.m.

**Ukrainian Community Network holds monthly
 meeting, EVERYONE WELCOME.**
 Holy Family Parish Center
 Larissa Fontana, 301/365-2491

27 FRIDAY

**Social get-together at the Birchmere in Alexandria,
 sponsored by TWG. Watch for details.**
 Julia Tereshchuk, 703/938-8719 (eves.), 703/359-
 7256 (days)
 28-29 SATURDAY 7:30-9 p.m.
 SUNDAY 12:30-2:30 p.m.

April

4 SATURDAY 7:30 p.m.

Vatra--sing-along
 Shouse Village Community Center in Vienna, Va.
 Beer and wine will be served.
 Watch for details.
 Sponsored by Obyednannia--Ukrainian Assn. of
 Metropolitan Washington
 Motria Koropecy, 703/281-5171

5 SUNDAY 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Fourth Annual Pysanka Easter Egg Workshop and Exhibit
 Holy Family Parish Center
 Jurij Dobczansky, 301/649-6558.

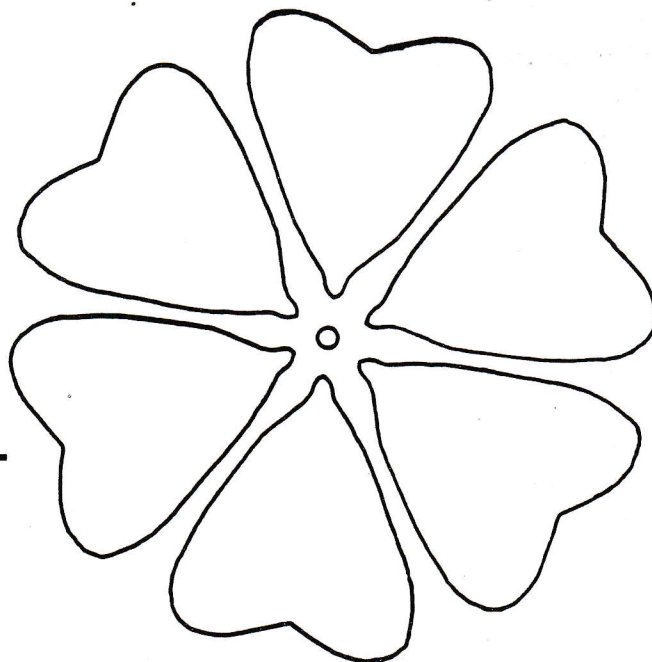
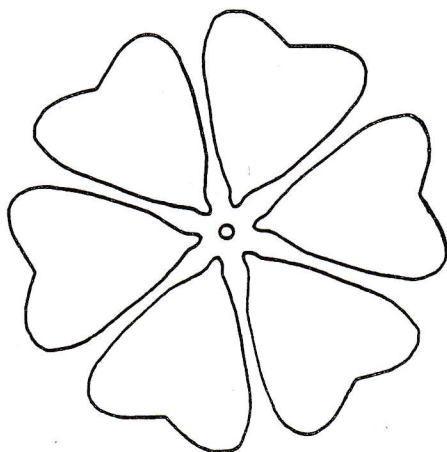
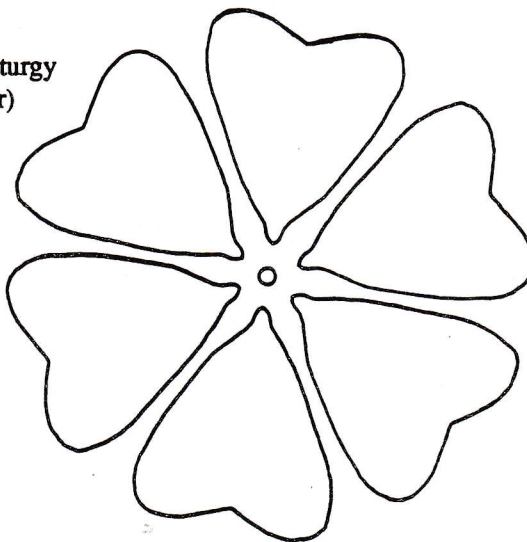
25-26 SATURDAY & SUNDAY

**First Anniversary Commemoration of the Chornobyl
 nuclear disaster in Ukraine. Watch for details.**

May

3 SUNDAY following 11:15 Divine Liturgy
Holy Family Parish Sviachene (Easter dinner)
Watch for details.
Mary Dubik, 202/526-3737

16 SATURDAY
Matural'na Zabava, sponsored by the Taras
Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies,
TEMPO Orchestra
Holy Family Parish Center
Marion Bartoszyk, 559-4473



June

14 SUNDAY
Picnic-Festyn to celebrate the end of the school year,
sponsored by the Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian
Studies. On the grounds of the future site of Holy Trinity
Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church, block of 16600
New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.
Marion Bartszyk, 559-4473.

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