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### CBS-TV TO AIR ANTI-UKRAINIAN MOVIE IN APRIL

The Ukrainian Anti-Libel Fund, based in South Orange, N.J., is spearheading an effort to counter the negative publicity that is sure to result with the scheduled airing of an anti-Ukrainian film on CBS-TV.

According to a Feb. 17 Fund release, a virulently anti-Ukrainian, made-for-TV movie, "Escape from Sobibor," will be shown in April. It deals with a mass escape of Jewish prisoners from the Nazi death camp located in Poland during World War II.

The Jan. 20 Edmonton Journal says that the movie "emphasizes Ukrainian complicity in the running of a Nazi death camp at Sobibor in Eastern Poland....Ukrainian involvement is stressed so repeatedly...that the movie is likely to stir some controversy."

TWG supports the Fund's effort to preview the film, or to enable representatives of the Ukrainian, as well as non-Ukrainian, communities to see the film before airing. Write to CBS, 524 W. 57th St., N.Y., N.Y., 10019, or call 212/975-3247. Please send copies to the Fund, P.O. Box 221, S. Orange, N.J., 07079, 201/762-9490.

### TWG FELLOWSHIP PROJECT TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS

In the near future, grant applications are expected to begin flowing to the Washington Group from various Ukrainian students and from various students of subjects of importance to Ukrainians--past, present and future, in Ukraine or in the diaspora. These individuals will be offering proposals for unique projects and will be competing for a soon-to-be-unveiled fellowship given by TWG.

The Washington Group's Fellowship Project will consist of grants to deserving individuals who carry out research or work projects in Washington. The awards will be designed to help the winners take advantage of the city's vast resources outside the academic community.

One or more awards will be made and the total amount disbursed will be up to \$5,000.

The Fellowship program originated in the second year of TWG's existence when TWG members realized that there was a vacuum in certain kinds of assistance to those in Ukrainian studies.

"There was a need to assist young people in pursuing prestigious careers as well as to offer financial help to any person of any ethnic background or nationality regardless of age, who would do research on a topic of interest to Ukrainian Americans," said Andrew Mostovych, chair of the TWG Fellowship Committee.

The immense wealth of resources in Washington--human, organizational, documentary--has been underused in the interests of Ukrainian Americans, the Committee believes, and this program is TWG's plan to encourage their utilization.

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## UKRAINIAN TRIVIA

The correct answer to last month's question--name one part of speech that exists in English but not in Ukrainian--was answered correctly by Ksenia Antypiv. The answer is: THE, the definite article. Congratulations!

This month's question is: Who was the architect of the bell tower built between 1735 and 1745 at Pecherska Lavra in Kiev?

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

## TWG and N.J. Bs & Ps ON THE DIAMOND

The New Jersey Assn. of Ukrainian Professionals and Businesspersons has challenged the Washington Group to a softball game. The Bs & Ps have threatened to whip TWG--but they be wrong! Watch this space for details about time and place. Come prepared to play or cheer. The showdown will be sometime between now and June. Interested? Call Natalie Sluzar, 703/821-4377 (days).

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## YASINSKY HONORED AS WASHINGTON UKRAINIAN OF THE YEAR

During the traditional Malanka, held Jan. 24 at Indian Springs Country Club in Silver Spring, Md., and sponsored by Obyednannia, the Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington, Bohdan Yasinsky was named Washington Ukrainian of the Year. His many years of community service include heading the Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies. The award was presented by Obyednannia President and TWG Member Eugene Iwanciw. Congratulations!

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## UKRAINIAN NAMED HOUSTONIAN OF THE YEAR

A Ukrainian Texan, Robert Cizik, has been named one of three Houstonians of the Year by the Houston City magazine.

This information comes from The Texas Trident, a publication of the city's Ukrainian American Cultural Club.

The recognition of Cizik, chairman and president of Cooper Industries, resulted from his efforts to build a home for the Houston Grand Opera and the Houston Ballet. He is co-chairman of the Wortham Theater Foundation, a job he took on "when the project was faltering badly and some feared the theater would never be built. Always a patron of the arts, Cizik outdid even himself in generating interest and funding for the planned opera house," TTT says.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

The entrance by TWG members on Jan. 12 was not the first time that a Ukrainian protest group had entered the [Soviet embassy] building. In 1974, while on the Moroz hunger strike, our group entered the embassy to demand the release of Mr. Moroz and to deliver a formal protest. I believe TWG member Orest Petrenko was among our group.

After we entered, we waited in a lobby/salon, and after some time, we were escorted out of the building, with a Soviet diplomat assuring us that he had no knowledge of a Valentyn Moroz.

Three cheers for Larissa Fontana and Natalka Gawdiak!

Sincerely,  
Yuriy Deychakiwsky  
Virginia Beach, Va.

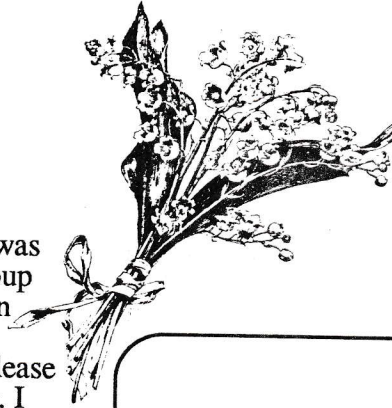
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### GROUP OPPOSES SOVIET LAWYERS

The Task Force on ABA-Soviet Relations, which works for the removal of a "declaration of cooperation" that the American Bar Assn. signed with the Assn. of Soviet Lawyers, protested Feb. 15-16 in New Orleans during ABA's mid-year meeting. The Washington Group, with Obyednannia, the Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington, and the Washington branch of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, contributed \$1,000 to aid the Task Force.

The Task Force objects to the agreement because the Soviet lawyers' group is a Soviet-government controlled entity that has published anti-Semitic, libelous literature defaming members of the Helsinki monitoring groups and other human rights activities. Jewish groups also demonstrated in New Orleans.

The Washington organizations' gift was used by about 30 members of the Ukrainian-American Justice Committee to travel to New Orleans. TWG invites its members to help pay off the approximately \$350 share of the donation.



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## UKRAINIANS MEET, BY CHANCE, IN KENYA

The author of this article, TWG Secretary Darian Diachok, spent 1984-85 in Kenya working on an international development project sponsored by the United Nations. He now lives in Arlington, Va.

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What's this I was hearing? Slavic words, sentences, clearly spoken by women in the depths of an African tavern in Nairobi?! Two tables away I could see the Slavic profiles of two young women gesticulating to one another in some passionate discussion. I had just arrived in Kenya to begin a two-year contract with the United Nations.

Kenya. The name conjured up lions, Mau-Mau, ivory, Masai warriors. Nairobi. Quite frankly, the word connoted African squalor, urban dangers, street gangs. And stories of muggings circulated among the newly arrived. Many an American expatriate, this one included, trembled a bit on his first solo stroll in the crowded streets. The fears were largely unjustified. But back then, courage was not to be measured by the actual danger, but rather by the perception of danger.

So I was stunned. Two pretty blonde women in a crowded, dimly lit, African speakeasy. Speaking Ukrainian. They and I--the only whites. Of course I introduced myself. They were equally stunned. What?! A Ukrainian man--from the United States--in Kenya?! The women were both from Kiev, both dentists. One had taught the other in dental school. Unknown to each other, both had married Kenyans studying in the Soviet Union, and had just days earlier discovered each other in Kenya.

And now for better or for worse, Oksana Mwnairua and Daria Murage had made Kenya their home, and since their families weren't merely Kenyan, but Embu and Kikuyu, had made Kenyan tribal politics their politics. They threw in their lots with their husbands. Ukraine and the Soviet Union were now distant though poignant memories. How did they feel about the choices they had made? What was African family life like? Could they raise their

children with, well, with Ukrainian values? Daria started to laugh, so hard, in fact, that the table began shaking. Oksana embraced Daria and, in between gasps of laughter, repeated my questions, as if they had been clever punch lines. Daria looked at me with sudden seriousness, and said, "When I met my husband in Kiev, he was the model of a considerate, dedicated suitor." She glanced about the restaurant and said, "But after being back in Africa for only two months, he forgot Europe, European conventions. You know what he wanted? You know what?" she demanded. "A second wife. And why not? African men have up to four. 'You won't be as lonely if there's a second wife in the house'," she concluded.

It was obvious to me by the held-back tears that Daria had married for love and was wounded. (The polygamy crisis eventually blew over...sort of.) They invited me home for dinner for the next week.

Dinner had a distinctively old European character: fresh linen, fine silverware, a procession of savory dishes. The mulatto children were well-behaved and often reprimanded by their mothers--in Ukrainian--for such offenses as not resting their Cokes on coasters. The husbands, despite "reverting" to their more comfortable African ways, were demanding conversationalists, politically astute (wanted details on Gary Hart's foreign policy), and openly contemptuous of their own governments, which they considered primitive.

The evening had an African finale, with "Nyama Choma." Well beyond midnight, we roasted a goat, Kenyan-style, under the Eucalyptus trees in the backyard. And drank beer. Ah, yes, THIS was the good life.

In my two years in Africa, I met Soviet women married to Somalis, Nigerians, Ugandans. Tens of thousands of them in Africa, hundreds in Kenya. White Russians. Ukrainians. Russians. Why do they marry? Ostensibly for love. But also, one young Russian woman confided, to get out of the Soviet Union. The backfiring, anti-Western propaganda has created a big demand

for the forbidden fruit.

For the women whose marriages work out, life probably does have something of a Cinderella quality. The men they marry are generally the elite of their countries. There are servants. Comfortable homes with breezy yards. The mystery and wild beauty of Africa. A new life.

But for the ones whose marriages fail, life is doubly tragic: unable to return to their lives in the Soviet Union, many fear the vengeance that awaits "turncoats;" and, mistrusted and often unemployable in Africa, some turn to prostitution. What proportion of the marriages succeed? Perhaps a half.

And what's it like to befriend a Ukrainian woman in Africa? A bit like meeting your sister on the Moon. At the dinner, I had put on a cassette of Ivasiuk's songs, and watch Oksana Mwanirua's expression. Her features softened, then abruptly hardened. I could see that in listening to "Chervona Ruta," she wouldn't, couldn't, allow herself the luxury of reminiscing.

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### RELIGION GAINING STRENGTH IN UKRAINE: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

Religion is growing stronger in Ukraine, Michael Edwards, a senior editor of the National Geographic told a packed house at St. Sophia's Religious Center Feb. 27. Edwards spoke at a Friday Evening Forum sponsored by the Washington Group about his recent travels to Ukraine in preparation for two articles to appear in the magazine in May. About 40% of the editorial content of May's issue will be devoted to Ukraine, Edwards said. One article is about Ukraine in general, and the second, about the nuclear disaster at Chornobyl and its aftermath.

Edwards requested that his talk not be reported on extensively prior to the appearance of the Geographic articles.

### UKRAINIANS ACTIVE AT RELIGIOUS CONVENTION

This year for the first time, the annual convention of the National Religious Broadcasters of the U.S. featured a booth with information about the state of religion in Ukraine, as well as consciousness-raising about the upcoming Millennium of Christianity in Ukraine-Rus'.

The convention, held in early February at the Sheraton Washington Hotel, has lectures, workshops, symposia, prayer meeting, musical presentations, and hundreds of exhibitors' booths.

On his own initiative, TWG Member Andrij Bilyk bought a booth for the Ukrainian display--funds were provided by the National Millennium Committee. Materials on religion in Ukraine, for distribution and sale, were contributed by the Ukrainian Studies Fund at Harvard University. Decorations for the booth--Ukrainian embroideries, icons and a beautifully decorated Bible--were provided by members of the Washington Group and other Ukrainians in the Washington area.

The product of the cooperative effort was an attractive and informative display that attracted about 1,000 of the 5,000 participants at the convention. In addition to noted Ukrainian spiritual leaders and broadcasters such as the Rev. Olexa Harbuziuk, president of the All-Ukrainian Evangelical Baptist Fellowship, non-Ukrainians such as the president of the broadcasters association and three members of its board of directors visited the booth. Several volunteers at the booth were interviewed by radio and newspaper reporters.

TWG thanks all who provided their Ukrainian treasures and helped in decorating and manning the booth. These included: Roksolana Armstrong, Andrij Bilyk, Markian Bilynskyj, Mykhajlo Bokhno, R.L. Chomiak, Yuri Dobczansky, Larissa Fontana, Andrew Futey, Ihor Gawdiak, Natalka Gawdiak, Theodosia Kichorowsky, Sonya Krul, Rev. Taras Lonchyna, Olha Masnyk, Martha Mostovych, Ihor Mychkowsky, Walter Pechenuk, Marta Pereyma, Rev. Hryhoriy Podhurec, George Powstenko, George Sierant, Daria Stec, Ihor Vitkovitsky, Myron Wasyluk, Gloria y'Edynak and others who may be inadvertently omitted.

Due to the success of this initial effort, a larger booth is already being planned for the 1988 convention, also set for the Sheraton Washington.

## NOTES ON MEMBERS

**MYRON WASYLYK** was heard on radio, 7-10 a.m., Feb. 18. Washington News Talk Radio, WNTR 1050-AM, aired a weeklong series on Captive Nations: Ukraine, Cuba, Estonia, Lithuania and others, during morning "drive time," which also features news, weather, sports and traffic. The programs compared actual conditions in the countries, and the images presented by the TV series, "Amerika." Wasylyk traced the occupations of Ukraine in this century: 1921 by the Soviet Union; 1939, again by the Soviets; 1941 by Nazi Germany and 1944 by the Soviets. He described the resistance of the 1950s and early 1960s, the dissidents of the 1970s and today's religious movement. He also outlined the tragedies of the Famine and collectivization. The host of the program, Dolf Droge, asked well thought-out questions and Wasylyk also fielded a number of listener calls. During the Medvid incident and right after Chornobyl, Wasylyk appeared on radio shows in Albany, N.Y. and San Francisco.

**KAREN and OREST DEYCHAKIWSKY** are the parents of Natalka Christina, born Feb. 19. Natalka weighed in at 8 lbs., 11 oz., reports Orest, who says he is "thoroughly enjoying being a Daddy." Our congratulations to the very proud parents!

**LIDIA BOYDUY and IVAN SHANDOR** were married Feb. 14 in Philadelphia at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Metropolitan Sulyk officiated. The reception was held at the Union Club. Congratulations!

**WALTER PECHENUK** has been chosen for the newly created position of TWG business manager. In this capacity, he will be responsible for ordering books, records and other materials TWG sells, and exploring other long-term business ventures, such as a real estate acquisition.

**THEODOSIA KICHOROWSKY's** article on St. Sophia's Assn. of Ukrainian Catholics appeared in the Feb. 24 *Svoboda*.

## NEW MEMBERS

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

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### STUDENT MEMBERS

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Adrian Sawczuk, Washington, D.C.

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## UNIS SPONSORS RECEPTION

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America and the Ukrainian National Information Service sponsored a Ukrainian Independence Day reception on Capitol Hill Jan. 21, in honor of the 69th anniversary of the proclamation of Ukrainian independence Jan. 22, 1918. Numerous legislators, members of the Ukrainian community and friends attended. In addition, UNIS, headed by TWG Member Myron Wasylyk, was able to obtain an appointment with Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs Richard Schifter. The meeting, held Jan. 23, included Wasylyk and other UCCA officials. Among the topics discussed, Wasylyk reported, was the struggle and persecution of Ukrainian political prisoners, in particular those who are intimidated and imprisoned because of their faith. The Ukrainians also brought up the issue of the continued harassment of the Ukrainian community in Poland.

Among the Washington Group's members is one of the few people to have traveled to both the North and South Poles. Simon Roman, a retired meteorologist, went to the ends of the Earth during his career, but never forgot his Ukrainian roots. At the South Pole, he raised the Ukrainian flag.

Simon Roman is the first to acknowledge that his name may not sound authentically Ukrainian, "unless you reverse" the order, he says. His Father assured him that the family name was not shortened or changed. The elder Roman was born in Western Ukraine and came to northeastern Pennsylvania at an early age.

**SPOTLIGHT on**  
*Simon Roman*

Sy, as his friends know him, was born Jan. 5, 1929 and raised in Peckville, Pa., near Scranton. With his birthday so close to Ukrainian Christmas, and being the youngest of a large family, Roman admits that "perhaps I was a little pampered. I expected presents for both events. Sometimes I only found a lump of anthracite coal in my stocking."

The family attended St. Cyril and Methodius Church in Olyphant, Pa. There, Roman sang tenor in the choir and learned to love the beautiful Ukrainian liturgical music. He fondly remembers caroling in the falling snow, visiting homes with the wonderful aroma of baking breads and cakes on coal stoves. Now, 40 years later, Roman sings in the Choir of the Holy Family Ukrainian Catholic Church, where he is a parishioner.

As a boy, clouds, rainbows, lightning and thunderstorms fascinated Roman. In 1947, after graduating from high school, he joined the U.S. Air Force's Air Weather Service and spent three years in the Caribbean observing tropical storms and hurricanes. After military service and more meteorological training, he joined the Weather Service of the Department of Commerce and settled in Washington in 1952. He served in various positions until his retirement in 1985.

"During those years, I witnessed many

advancements in meteorology--from simple weather balloons and early computers to the latest satellites and space laboratories," Sy recalls.

While in the Office of Climatology, he compiled many bibliographies on the climate of various European and Southeast Asian countries. Roman traveled on many assignments, but his most memorable voyages were to the Poles. The father of three children--Christine, 28, Kenneth, 26 and Alicia, 22--he went to the North Pole in 1971. He traveled to the South Pole in 1963-64 when he was "on loan" to the National Science Foundation as it conducted "Operation Deep Freeze" in Antarctica. At Amundsen/Scott Station at the exact geographic South Pole (90° S. latitude, 0° longitude), he studied the ozone layer in the upper atmosphere and analyzed weather reports for aircraft supplying the Station.

"Anywhere from there is North," Roman laughed. He noted that while the altitude at the Station is about 9,000 ft., scientists have used seismic explosions to calculate that the ground in fact is only at about 1,000 ft. The rest is never-melting snow and ice.

The altitude took some getting used to. "You couldn't do anything strenuous," Roman remembered. "That's where I gave up smoking."

Among the visitors to the Station who had to occasionally use oxygen during his stay was the late Cardinal Spellman of New York City. He celebrated Mass at the Station on Christmas Day 1963. The Cardinal was then Vicar General of the U.S. Armed Forces. He said Mass in the camp's mess hall, and Roman proudly displays photos of himself and the Cardinal.

Generally, Roman said, "it's quite pleasant at the South Pole--especially if there's no wind." Snow doesn't fall that much at the Pole, most of it is blown in.

Most activity at the Station takes place during the six months of light. The camp has about 30 full-time summer (our winter) residents--divided almost evenly between military and civilian

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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 childrendied in Artic 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

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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 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

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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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**TWG plans Leadership Conference II**

The Board is already planning the 1987 Leadership Conference for Oct. 9-11, 1987. The first meeting to lay groundwork was March 4. Suggestions for topics and themes will be very welcome. Volunteers are needed.

Please contact Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (eves.) or Marta Pereyma, 703/528-3075 (eves.) with your comments and assistance. Do attend the next planning session for the Conference at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 13, at St. Sophia's. The success of this Conference depends on YOU!

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**CHORNOBYL COMMEMORATION  
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A symposium with David Marples, Ph.D., author of "Chernobyl and Soviet Nuclear Power," and other experts, a lecture in Ukrainian by noted physicist Olexa Bilaniuk, Ph.D., an ecumenical memorial service, widespread contacts with the media and possible Congressional hearings are all planned as part of the first anniversary commemoration of the Chornobyl nuclear disaster.

Members of the ad hoc group of Washington-area organizations that are joining forces on the effort, in addition to the Washington Group, which initiated the project, are Obyednannia, the Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington, the Washington branch of the Ukrainian Engineers' Society of America, the Ukrainian Community Network and the Chornobyl Education Trust. Other groups are joining the effort daily.

Two organizational meetings have been held thus far, and from now until the events take place during the weekend of April 25-26, meetings will be held weekly.

This project will require financial resources, ideas and manpower. You can help in many ways. Interested organizations and individuals are invited to the meetings.

For more information on meeting dates and locations, contact Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (eves.) Financial contributions, to be used in the preparation of all the events, may be sent to Chornobyl Commemoration, c/o TWG P.O. Box. Groups are also urged to write to members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, asking them to sponsor hearings on Chornobyl.

Members of this Committee are, Democrats: Brock Adams (Wash.), Joseph Biden (Del.), Alan Cranston (Calif.), Christopher Dodd (Conn.), John Kerry (Mass.), Daniel Moynihan, (N.Y.), Claiborne Pell (R.I.), Terry Sanford (N.C.), Paul Sarbanes (Md.), Paul Simon (Ill.)

The Republicans are: Rudy Boschwitz (Minn.), Daniel Evans (Wash.), Jesse Helms (N.C.), Nancy Kassebaum (Kan.), Richard Lugar (Ind.), Mitch McConnell (Ky.), Frank Murkowski (Alaska), Larry Pressler (S.D.), Paul Trible (Va.).

The Senators' mailing address is: The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.

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personnel. Most of the facilities are underground, where it's warmer and windless. Ropes are strung along the paths between buildings outside and the staffers must hold on to them when they go outside "so they don't get lost and wander off."

Fresh fruit and vegetables are flown in regularly from New Zealand. Psychologists often study the Station personnel, particularly those who "winter over." During those months, the only contact with the outside world, at least in the 1960s, was via radio. No planes or other transport came in.

At the South Pole, Roman also raised the flag of the state of Pennsylvania. He obtained it from Rep. Joseph McDade, a Republican. The flag was returned to McDade after the trip and presented to the Pennsylvania State Historical Society.

But perhaps the event of greatest personal significance to Roman during his four-month stay at the South Pole was the raising of the Ukrainian flag. Simon had been given little time to prepare for the trip, he recalled. Getting a Ukrainian flag on such short notice was not easy. But a fellow Holy Family parishioner, the late Ivan Malinowsky, had one made in time for Simon's departure. Malinowsky's "last words as he presented it to me were 'remember fly the flag with the blue side up to the sky'."

This Roman did twice--in November 1963 after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and again on Jan. 22, 1964, Ukrainian Independence Day.

(see photo, page 12)

## FELLOWSHIP GRANTS OPENED

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The inception and first year's award(s) of the Fellowship program are dedicated to the memory and honor of the late Al Kapusta. One of TWG's most influential and moving forces, Al passed away Jan. 25. He was a veteran State Department official, Slavic scholar and expert on Ukrainian Baptists. Al was an enthusiastic supporter of the Fellowship Project.

The Fellowship Committee put in long hours to delineate the scope, timetable and rules for Fellowship recipients. Its members are:  
Bohdan Balahutrak  
Orest Deychakiwsky  
Truvor Kuzmovych  
Andrew Mostovych, chair  
Martha Mostovych  
Walter Pechenuk  
Anna Worobij

After much deliberation, the committee decided that the Fellowship program should complement, not supplement, existing Ukrainian American fellowship and scholarship programs. The Fellowship awards are aimed at sponsoring research outside university settings or helping Ukrainian Americans who need aid to pursue government, association or journalism internships.

Anyone currently working toward a degree at an accredited college or university, or already a holder of such a degree may apply for an award through the Fellowship program. Applications will be judged by:

- \*what the candidate's proposal can contribute to Ukrainian American interests or to his/her career in the interests of the Ukrainian community in the United States;
- \*the feasibility of completing the project;
- \*the extent to which the applicant will make use of Washington's unique facilities and resources.

Upon completing their work, the fellows will be required to submit a brief written report to the TWG Board outlining the results of their work. Also, recipients of a TWG Fellowship may be asked to make an oral presentation before the organization's members.

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The deadline for submitting applications for this

first year of the Fellowship project is June 30. Candidates will be notified by Aug. 31. Fellowship awards may begin any time between Sept. 1, 1987 and Aug. 31, 1988. All work must be complete by Dec. 31, 1988.

Fellowship applications and a brochure about the Fellowship program may be obtained by writing the TWG P.O. box.

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## KOVBASA AT YOUR DOORSTEP

Living far from a Ukrainian butcher shop--delicatessen no longer is a problem because one of them has acquired the facilities to deliver its kovbasa to your doorstep.

Pierpoint & Co. (sounds like a broker, but it's your friendly myasarnya dressed up for the 1980s) is somewhere in New Jersey. It maintains a toll-free telephone number and is a client of United Parcel Service. Its kovbasas have names like "Poltava," "Bunchuk," "Pidkova," and its Canadian bacon (smoked pork loin) is called "Kalyna." The products--very lean, made from selected cuts--come sealed in plastic and carry labels with short histories of traditional Ukrainian meat products. Some are heavy on the garlic, some light, and some are hot and spicy.

A call to Pierpoint brings a UPS package with your order to your door two or three days later. Call 800/526-2928. In New Jersey, call 201/460-1364. Smachnoho.

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## UKRAINIAN GOURMET

This month's recipe is from Maria's Kitchen, a recipe book by Maria P. Stec, mother of TWG President Daria Stec, and Isidore E. Picho. The book is available for \$6.50, including postage and handling, through Ukrainian Cuisine Cookbook, P.O. Box 10189, Minneapolis, Minn., 55440.

### EASTER BREAD (Parena Babka)

A traditional, rich Ukrainian Easter bread that can be prepared ahead of time and frozen.  
**Warning:** this is not instant Babka.

4 1/2 cups milk  
11-12 cups sifted, all-purpose flour  
24 eggs, separated  
1 1/2 cups, plus 3 tbsps., sugar (or more)  
4 packages dry yeast  
1 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. vanilla  
4 tsps. rum

rind of 1 lemon, grated  
1/2 lb. clarified, melted butter  
1 cup golden raisins (optional)

1. Scald 2 cups of the milk. In a large, non-metal bowl (app. 12-quart size), place 2 cups sifted flour. Pour boiling milk over flour and stir quickly with wooden spoon (or dough mixer) until mixture is smooth and lump-free. Set aside to cool.

2. Separate eggs. Warm another 1/2 cup milk. Add yeast and 3 tbs. sugar to milk and stir well. Add yeast mixture to dough, which should be cooled. Add rest of milk and 2 cups flour. Mix well by hand. When smooth, cover dough with dish towel and put in warm place.

3. When dough starter has risen to almost double, beat egg yolks with sugar well in electric mixer and add to dough. Add salt and rest of flour gradually and knead for about 40 minutes.

4. Add flavorings. Knead some more.

5. Add butter. Knead 20 minutes more.

6. Wash raisins, squeeze out water, add to dough. Knead until smooth. Cover and put in warm place, again letting rise to almost double.

7. Babkas should be baked in tall containers. 1- or 2-lb. coffee cans are excellent. Grease the baking dishes well, sprinkle with flour. When dough is ready, pick up about a handful, place on dough board and work gently into round shape. Drop into baking dish. Dough should fill about 1/3 of dish. Put dish in warm place, cover with cloth until dough rises to fill 3/4 of dish. Brush top of dough with beaten egg.

8. Bake, 375o, 10 minutes; then 350o for 50 minutes. Do not check for at least 1/2 hour or the babka will drop.

9. Gently remove babkas from oven, cool for about 5 minutes. Tip baking container gently to the side and turn babka over on a table well padded with dish or paper towels. Handle babkas very gently. Turn often to speed cooling. When cooled, stand them up.

10. You may want to decorate the babkas with powdered sugar frosting and colored candies or fruit. Before freezing, babkas should be completely cooled and doubled bagged.

**Yield: at least 4 babkas.**

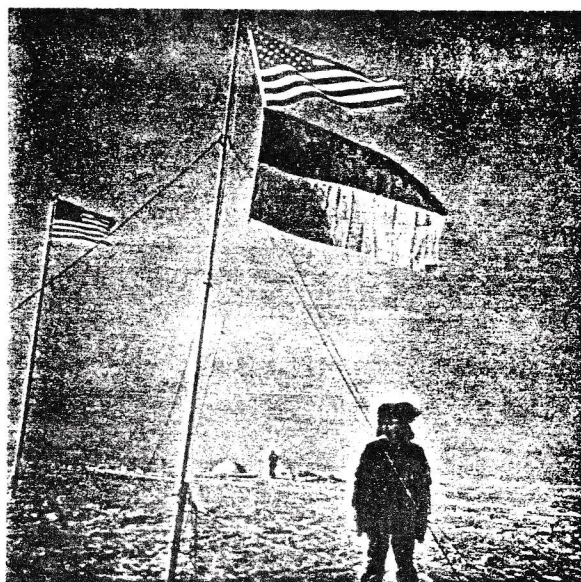
## NETWORK LOBBIES FOR MEDVID

The Ukrainian Community Network, led by Larissa Fontana, is concentrating its lobbying efforts during March on a thorough Congressional investigation of the Miroslav Medvid case.

The Ukrainian community and others who were concerned about the United States government's treatment of Medvid, the Ukrainian sailor who tried to defect in October 1985, undertook a monumental effort to have Congress conduct an exhaustive and complete inquiry into all aspects of the episode.

As it turned out, the Helsinki Commission was allocated the budget and personnel to carry out the probe. The effort is headed by Bruce Lambert.

The Network encourages all concerned Ukrainians to let their legislators know that they are paying attention to this case. Ukrainians should ask their lawmakers to check on the progress Lambert is making, and to assure that all possible avenues of inquiry will have been pursued by the time the funds for the investigation run out.



Simon Roman, geographical South Pole,

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**March****7** SATURDAY 1 p.m.

**Wreath-laying ceremony at Taras Shevchenko Monument, 22nd and P Stts., N.W.**  
 sponsored by Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies  
 Bohdan Yasinsky or Marion Bartoszyk, 301/559-4473

**8** SUNDAY 1 p.m.

Monthly board meeting of Washington branch of **Ukrainian Congress Committee of America**  
 Holy Family Parish Center  
 Myron Wasyluk, 202/638-0988

**8** SUNDAY 4 p.m.

**Shevchenko concert**  
 sponsored by Obyednannia--Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington  
 members: \$5  
 non-members: \$7  
 retirees: \$3  
 children free  
 Holy Family Parish Center  
 Eugene Iwanciw, 703/237-0428

**10** TUESDAY 7 p.m.

**TWG Board of Directors'** monthly meeting. TWG members invited to attend as observers.  
 St. Sophia's Religious Center  
 Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (eves.)

**14** SATURDAY 7 p.m.

**Dr. Oksana Dray-Khmara Asher speaks about her father, Mykhajlo Dray-Khmara, and his works, with poetry reading by Mykola Francuzenko.**  
 sponsored by Obyednannia-Ukrainian Assn. of Metropolitan Washington  
 A social follows the lecture, with refreshments.  
 donation -- members: \$5  
 non-members: \$10  
 St. Sophia's Religious Center  
 Irene Kost, 703/534-1465 (eves.)

**15** SUNDAY 9:30 & 11:15 a.m. Liturgies

**Canonical Visitation -- Metropolitan Archbishop Stephen Sulyk** delivers the homily. He would like to meet with all parishioners following both Divine Liturgies  
 Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family  
 Mary Dubik, 202/526-3737

**15** SUNDAY 1 p.m.

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

**15** SUNDAY 4 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE and TIME  
**Panel on mixed marriages (between Ukrainians and non-Ukrainians)**, moderated by Ihor and Natalka Gawdiak. Discussions on problems and issues in Ukrainian mixed marriages.  
 Refreshments will be served.  
 St. Sophia's Religious Center  
 Julia Tereshchuk, 703/938-8719 (eves.)

**20** FRIDAY

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

## March

**21** SATURDAY 7:30 p.m.

Bohdan Tymyc, Ukrainian record producer from Montreal, Que., gives audio-visual presentation on the **Ukrainian folk song, from past to future.**

Reception follows.

suggested donation: \$5

Ukrainian Institute of America, New York

212/288-8660

**22** SUNDAY 2 p.m.

Airing of **historical tapes of selected poetry of Taras Shevchenko**, recited by stars of Ukrainian theatre: N. Kropyznytsky, I. Maryanenko and J. Himiak. Stefan Maksymjuk will MC the program.

sponsored by St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, at the parish center

Slava Francuzenko, 301/774-9656

**26** THURSDAY 7:30 p.m.

**TWG Fellowship Project Committee** monthly meeting at the Mostovych home, 9321 Wire Ave., Silver Spring, Md.

Andrew Mostovych, 301/589-0411

**28-29** SATURDAY 7:30-9 p.m.  
SUNDAY 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Art exhibit of **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

**29** SUNDAY 3 p.m.

recital by **Tatiana Hrynyszyn-Beskyd, mezzo-soprano**, who performs works by Lazarenko, Dankevych, Strauss and Ives, among others. Reception follows.

sponsored by Young Professionals of UIA

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## April

**3** FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.

Screening of "**Strongest Man in the World**" (1980), by **Halyna Kuchmij**, Canadian film producer and director, who will discuss this and others works by her afterwards.

Reception follows.

sponsored by Young Professionals of UIA

Ukrainian Institute of America, 212/288-8660

**3** FRIDAY 8 p.m.

**Friday Open House**

Admission FREE-bring beverages & snacks.

St. Sophia's Religious Center

Peter Fedynsky, 202/484-8989

**4** SATURDAY 7:30 p.m.

**Vatra**-sing-along

Shouse Village Community Center,

Vienna, Virginia

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**

registration limited to 25 applicants

fee: \$5, \$15 for kit

**5-26 Exhibit of Pysanky**

Holy Family Parish Center

Jurij Dobczansky, 301/649-6558.

call Mary Dubik to reserve your place in class,

202/526-3737

**5** SUNDAY time to be announced

Kateryna Kochno speaks on **unpublished facts about Taras Shevchenko's** life and literary works

sponsored by St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church

St. Andrew's Parish Hall, 301/384-9192

**April**

**8** WEDNESDAY 8 p.m.

Ambassador **Stephen Rhinesmith**, who heads the President's US-Soviet Exchange Initiative, will speak on inter-relationships as they pertain to Ukraine, participation of Ukrainian-Americans in these programs, and obstacles to such participation.

sponsored by TWG

St. Sophia's Religious Center

Julia Tereshchuk, 703/938-8719 (eves.)

**9** THURSDAY 7:30 p.m.

**Harvard Millennium Project Committee** meeting  
Mostovych home, 9321 Wire Ave., Silver Spring, Md.  
Martha Mostovych, 301/589-0411

**10** FRIDAY time to be announced

**TWG semi-annual meeting**

place to be announced

Julia Tereshchuk, 703/938-9719 (eves.)

**11** SATURDAY 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

E. Brooke Lee Jr. High School, site of Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies

**Easter Bazaar** -- baked goods, pysanky, jewelry, etc.

sponsored by Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church

Natalka Gawdiak, 301/622-2338

**13** MONDAY 7:30 p.m.

organizational meeting for **TWG Leadership**

**Conference II**

St. Sophia's Religious Center

Daria Stec, 202/362-6862 (eves.)

**25-26** SATURDAY-SUNDAY

First anniversary commemoration of the Chornobyl nuclear disaster in Ukraine. Watch for details.

**28** TUESDAY 7 p.m.

**Photography exhibit featuring works by recent photographers-tourists-travelers to the Soviet Union.**

Reception follows.

Donation suggested.

Ukrainian Institute of America, 212/288-8660

**May**

**1** FRIDAY 10-11 a.m.

**Demonstration-rally in support of Christians persecuted for their faith in the Soviet Union.**

Recently released Soviet dissident Irina Ratushinska will speak.

U.S. Capitol steps

Kent Hill, Institute for Religion and Democracy, 202/393-3200

**1** FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.

**"Taras Bulba" (1962) screened, and TWG Member ZENON KOHUT will give a**

**persepective on the Kozak era.** Also shown will be Yuri Kaminsky's comic short titled "Ukrainian Gigolo." Kozak-style revelry will follow.

Donation: \$5

Ukrainian Institute of America, 212/288-8660

**3** SUNDAY following 11:15 a.m. 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

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**May****29-31** FRIDAY-SUNDAY

SUSTA annual Congress, with banquet and dance to the tunes of "Myakhkyj Znak"  
Holiday Inn, Bridgewater, N.J.  
Andrew Futey, 202/966-9155

**31** SUNDAY after Divine Liturgy

Spring picnic and fashion show of historical swimsuits  
parish grounds of St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church  
Sonia Krawec, 202/882-3346 or  
Olha Masnyk, 301/299-4397

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**June****5** FRIDAY 7:30 p.m.

Dovzhenko's "Ukraine in Flames" (1945)  
screened, featuring footage from cameramen along the Red Army line during World War I.  
Reception follows.  
Donation: \$5  
Ukrainian Institute of America, 212/288-8660

**14** SUNDAY time to be announced

Picnic-Festyn to celebrate the end of the school year, sponsored by the Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies. On the ground of the future site of Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church, 16600 block of New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, Md.  
Marion Bartoszyk, 301/559-4473

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**September**

**20** SUNDAY after Divine Liturgy  
**St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church**  
autumn picnic on parish grounds. Everyone invited.  
Olha Masnyk, 301/299-4397

**26-27** SATURDAY-SUNDAY time to be announced  
Art exhibit of works by Aristida Virsty, from Paris.  
sponsored by St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church.  
Olha Masnyk, 301/299-4397

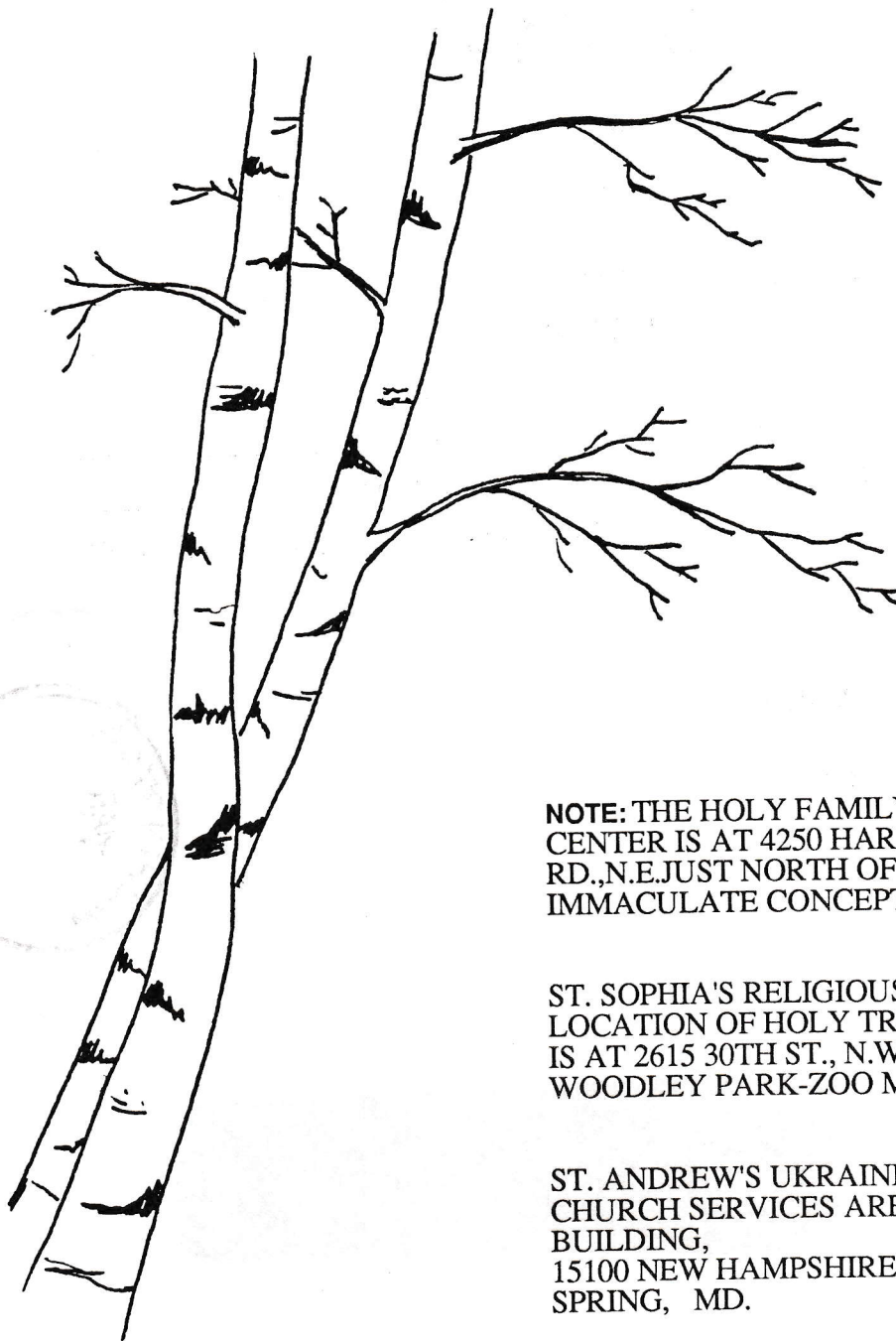
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**October**

**2,3,4** FRI., SAT., SUN. time to be announced  
**Blessing of St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church**--entire weekend celebration. Details to follow.  
Olha Masnyk, 301/299-4397

**9-11** FRIDAY-SUNDAY  
Leadership Conference II, sponsored by TWG  
location to be announced  
Daria Stec, 202/362-6862





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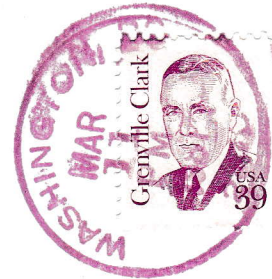
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