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An Association of Ukrainian American Professionals

TWG To Showcase Ukrainian Culture

The Washington Group has established the TWG Cultural Fund, which, according to its director, Laryssa Chopivsky, is planning a program of events to bring Ukrainian art, music, dance, film, drama and literature into the cultural mainstream of the nation's capital.

The Fund is directed by a committee of 15 TWG members, with diverse interests in the arts who will participate as advisors, liaisons with other arts organizations and as organizers of the various events, Ms. Chopivsky said.

Among the events planned for the coming season are a music

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DON'T MISS IT!

**June 5, 1994
at the
Embassy of Ukraine
Poetry in Performance
with the
Young Theatre of Lviv
and
TWG Cultural Fund
Reception
(Details in Calendar, Page 11)**

TWG-SAIS Panel Looks at Impact of Ukrainian Parliament Elections



Dr. Oleh Havrylyshyn of IMF, former US ambassador to Ukraine Roman Popadiuk and Federal Judge Bohdan Futey discuss economic, political and constitutional ramifications of the recent parliamentary elections in Ukraine.

What are the implications of the recent parliamentary elections on the future of Ukraine?

To get an understanding of its ramifications, The Washington Group, in association with the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), organized a panel discussion featuring three leading experts on constitutional, political and economic developments in Ukraine.

The panel—Judge Bohdan Futey of the US Court of Federal Claims, who has worked on constitutional reform in Ukraine; Roman Popadiuk,

the first US ambassador to Ukraine; and Oleh Havrylyshyn, alternate executive director of the International Monetary Fund—was chaired by Orest Deychakiwsky, a staff member of the

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New Members



Notes on Members

- **Jane Kunka**, full member, Spec. Asst. to Chief PSD, Federal Communications Commission, Alexandria, VA.
- **Roman Lukasiewicz**, full member, Philadelphia, PA.
- **Lesia Mandzia**, full member, Program Evaluator, Government Accounting Office, Alexandria, VA.
- **Ernest I. Prokopovych**, associate member, Contract Administrator, Siemens Solar Industries, Calabasas, CA.
- **Polina Kotlyar Smith**, associate member, President, CISStar Inc., Jersey City, NJ.

CORRECTIONS

In the previous issue of TWG News, please make the following corrections in the Board of Directors listing on Page 11:

- ✓ Treasurer Roman Stelmach (not Stelmakh);
 - ✓ Laryssa Chopivsky chairs the TWG Cultural Fund (no longer referred to as Cultural Events);
 - ✓ Add Orysia Pylyshenko as at-large Board member.
- Also: on Page 10, in "Babiak Re-elected..." jump, Auditor Andrew Charchalis was mistakenly identified as Taras Charchalis.

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Do you know any interesting news about a TWG colleague—or about yourself? Share it with the rest of the TWG family; forward it to the TWG NEWS editor.

• **Orest Deychakiwsky, Bohdan Futey, Michael Kostiw, Richard Murphy, and Sonya Sluzar** were among a number of TWG members who traveled to Ukraine to serve as accredited international observers of the recent elections to the Ukrainian Parliament. In addition, already on site in Kiev and granted status as official observers were TWG-ies **Mykola Deychakiwsky, Victor Kytasty, Maria Rudensky, Wolodymyr Sulzynsky** and **Myron Wasylkyk**.

• Accompanying US Secretary of Defense William Perry as interpreters on his recent tour of Ukraine were TWG members **Yurij Holowinsky, Marta Pereyma** and **Marta Zielyk**. Coordinating the Secretary's visit from the US Embassy in Kiev was **Wolodymyr Sulzynsky**.

• Earlier, during President Kravchuk's visit to Washington, **Ms. Pereyma** and **Ms. Zielyk** again saw duty as official interpreters, along with **Zoya Hayuk** and **George Sajewych**, who has been translating for the past two presidents.

• In Washington recently to testify before a congressional hearing on the continuing effects of Chornobyl was **Alex Kuzma**, of the Children of Chornobyl Fund. April 26th marked the eighth anniversary of the nuclear explosion.

• Historian **Marta Bohachevsky-Chomiak** appeared on cable network television with Ukrainian Ambassador Oleh Bilorus, providing historical and cultural background to the ambassador's comments on the current situation in Ukraine.

• **Victoria Varvariv Markowicz** returned to the US from Bucharest for a short stay at the National Naval Medical Center, where she underwent emergency surgery.

• **Christine Korytnyk-Dulaney** has been named President of the Washington chapter of the American Library Association.

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Yaro Bihun: Pages 1, 5, 8, 9

From the President

Since the operations and the very existence of our organization depend upon the generosity of our volunteer members, I would like to take the opportunity to extend special thanks to all the members of the Board of Directors, the Auditing Committee, and all others who give generously of their time and energy.

Special thanks to **Orest Deychakiwsky**, who has chaired the Fellowship Fund for the last four years, and who continues to serve the Board with distinction, and to **Laryssa Chopivsky**, who has taken upon herself the responsibilities of heading the new TWG Cultural Fund.

TWG's Board of Directors would like to gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

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And a special thanks to **George Masiuk** (Alexandria, VA) for his donation to TWG of a Macintosh Classic computer; and to **Scott Goodhue** (Washington, DC) for his donation of an Apple Imagewriter LQ printer.

Mykola Babiak

Notes on Members... (Continued from Page 2)

• TWG Vice President **Andrew Bihun** has returned from Hong Kong, where he conducted training seminars on foreign market analysis for US Embassy commercial section personnel. He has held similar sessions in Ukraine, Mexico and will soon hold one in South Africa.

• **Yuriy Deychakiwsky** and **Irena Eva Mostovych-Deychakiwsky** in January were blessed with the birth of their third son, Dmytro.

Passing through Washington recently were: Ukrainian presidential candidate and newly-elected deputy to the Parliament **Leonid Kuchma**... **Mykola Mychalchenko**, President Kravchuk's principal domestic policy adviser... **Andrij Masiuk**, Director of the Kiev International Management Institute... and former TWG member **Stephan Wasylko**, senior commercial officer at the US Embassy in Kiev.

Chopivsky Fellowships Link National Cathedral School with 3 Ukrainian Schools

The Chopivsky Family Foundation, under the direction of TWG member George Chopivsky, Jr., has initiated a US-Ukraine exchange program, *The Chopivsky Fellowship*, linking the National Cathedral School for girls in Washington, D.C., with three schools in Ukraine.

The Foundation feels that this exchange program will help develop cross-cultural understanding. The Chopivsky Fellowship will afford the following opportunities for faculty as well as students:

- Each year, two rising seniors at the National Cathedral School will receive grants to travel to Ukraine for approximately one month on a proposed project to study an aspect of Ukrainian life and culture. Upon their return, Chopivsky Fellows are required to present to students and faculty a program on the findings of their project, which could address any aspect of Ukrainian life, and a more in-depth presentations to smaller classes.

- A student from Ukraine would be invited to spend a semester enrolled at National Cathedral School. The criteria for selection of that student is determined in joint consultation with the NCS administration.

- Three Ukrainian teachers from Ukraine will come to Washington, D.C., for three weeks and spend time with the National Cathedral School faculty, sit in on various classes at NCS, as well as meet with faculty from other DC private and public schools.

- Three National Cathedral School faculty members will participate in a 2-3 week program in which they will spend time in Ukraine with Ukrainian teachers visiting various schools.

The three Ukrainian schools chosen to participate in this year's program are: Middle School #41 in Kyiv, the middle school in the Village of Studeniki in Pereyaslav Khmelnytsk, and a middle school in Zhytomyr.

The NCS faculty and students will be going to Ukraine at various times in May-June 1994, and the Ukrainian faculty and student will come in September 1994.

For further information about this exchange program, please contact Lydia Chopivsky Benson on (202) 955-3990.

I recently had the opportunity to meet four young Ukrainians from Ukraine, pursuing advanced degrees in American universities in areas such as law, business and economics. It was yet another in what has become many recent opportunities to meet Ukrainians from Ukraine, a chance to ask and answer questions.

The students were Muskie Fellows, a Congressionally funded program, in which students from countries such as Ukraine could come here to study. I met them not long ago thanks to

Meridian International Center, which brought them to Washington from the various schools around the country where they were studying. The program included dinner at the homes of local Meridian Center volunteers. My friend Roberta, who is a volunteer, and her Uncle Jim entertained four Ukrainian students: Ihor, Valentyna, Oleksandr and Serhiy. I was lucky enough to be present as well.

Things got started in the afternoon when I met the four at Washington's Mayflower Hotel. We drove through town talking about American cities. They had already been in this country for a little while. We talked about Washington and New York, but not much about Ukraine. We wound our way on a scenic route past the monuments, past the Ukrainian Embassy, over the Potomac River and through the

park-like setting of Northern Virginia. Eventually, we ended up at the home of Roberta and her Uncle Jim.

Rather than this being a Ukrainian dinner of borshch, kovbasa, varenyky, and so forth, a delightful dinner with a Spanish accent was served. But even though

Columbia University. I'm from New York originally, so we ended up talking about Manhattan's Upper West Side. I discovered he knows that part of New York very well.

And so the evening went on, until it was time to drive the guests back to the hotel. On the way, we talked some more, and when we reached the hotel, I wished them well in their lives' endeavors.

I came away from this day with several impressions. First, I had always wondered what people who were actually from

Ukraine were like. What did they think? What did they do? Over the years there was a wall between Ukrainians in Ukraine and Ukrainians elsewhere. Since there was little if any communication, the worst fears were imagined: that Ukrainian culture was being stamped out, and that the Ukrainian language was dying. Certainly while the Russian language is very pervasive in Ukraine, it is encouraging that the Ukrainian essence has not been eradicated and has survived—albeit in a modified form—in its native country.

When you meet people like Oleksandr, Serhiy, Ihor, and Valentyna, they put a human face on the abstract of what people are like “over there.” I found them to be bright, ambitious people, and when I think of them, I have a little more confidence in Ukraine's future.

MEETING NEW FRIENDS FROM UKRAINE

By
MICHAEL R. DRABYK

“...it is encouraging that the Ukrainian essence has not been eradicated and has survived—albeit in a modified form—in its native country.”

this was not a Ukrainian meal, a bottle of vodka was available. In our conversations before and during the meal, none of us talked all that much about politics, or economics, though there was some of that. Instead, it seemed like we talked about smaller, more personal things. One of the students, Ihor, is attending Ohio State University, so we talked a little about the Buckeyes. Serhiy is attending New York's

HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN UKRAINE

By Maria Kulczycky

A trip to Ukraine will dispel the "onion dome fixation" that most architectural historians have, noted Arnold Berke.

The executive editor of *Historic Preservation News*, Mr. Berke traveled through Ukraine for two weeks in September 1992 as a guest of *Heritage of Ukraine Magazine*. His article on his impressions appeared in *Historic Preservation*, a publication of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

On April 22, he shared his observations with members of The Washington Group. Generally, Mr. Berke observed, Ukraine has been misnamed and misdescribed, though it is a distinctive nation, not a region or a province. Examples of its architecture, some dating back 1,000 years, show much Western influence, though they have an identifiable style.

On UNESCO list

The world heritage list maintained by UNESCO, a compendium of great structures around the world, Mr. Berke noted, lists two Ukrainian edifices: St. Sophia Sobor, a distinctly Byzantine structure, and Pecherska Lavra in Kyiv, both among Ukraine's oldest buildings.

Particularly notable for its architectural grace is St. Andrew's Cathedral in Kyiv, built in 1767 by Bartolomeo Rastrelli, the famous Italian architect who also built St. Petersburg's Winter Palace. He also designed the Mariinsky Palace in Kyiv, built in 1752 for the Russian Empress Elizabeth, which now houses

the offices of the Ukrainian president.

Another noteworthy structure undergoing renovation is the Rozumovsky Palace near Baturyn, whose style is strikingly classical. "When I saw it, I wondered if this Rozumovsky had anything to do with

the Savior, and St. Nicholas Church, a "brilliant example" of Ukrainian Baroque. Many of the structures in Hlukhiv had been recently refurbished, he said. Town officials showed Mr. Berke elaborate plans for preserving landmarks, the historic core and the surrounding landscape.

Stalinist destruction

Mr. Berke cited the destruction of architecture and misuse of landmarks during the Stalinist era. New construction, as on the Khreshchatyk in Kyiv, was "architecturally depressing." Many churches were used for a variety of purposes, ranging from concert halls and cinemas to museums and warehouses. One structure in particular, St. Michael of the Golden Domes, was leveled in a Soviet scheme to rebuild the central city as a model of Soviet architecture. The city center was never completed, but meanwhile, only the foundation remains of the immense church.

Mr. Berke also commented on the parks in several cities where examples of native Ukrainian architecture, from wood and thatch houses to churches, have been brought from various regions of the country. "It makes a good lesson for children, and at least we know these structures have been preserved," he noted.

At the time of his visit, Mr. Berke was "quite optimistic about the state of preservation" in Ukraine. He was guided through Ukraine by Anatoly Serikov, the editor of the popular history and historic preservation magazine, *Heritage of Ukraine*, published in Kiev.

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Arnold Berke responding to follow-up questioning by Marta Perema about preservation work in Ukraine.

the Beethoven quartets I enjoy so much. They told me he was the same one," Mr. Berke related.

Another highlight is Rynok Square in Lviv, "lined with magnificent town houses" ranging in style from Gothic to Art Nouveau. One structure, dating back to 1580 with an interior courtyard, is in the Italian renaissance style.

Visit to Hlukhiv

A memorable spot in Mr. Berke's trip was the town of Hlukhiv, which was celebrating its 1,000th year when he visited. "At one entrance to town, arching over the road, stood the stuccoed 1765 Kiev Gate, white and pristine," he related. The town also had an impressive cathedral, the Church of

TWG Hosts Dinner Meeting for Rep. Hinchey

By Natalie Sluzar

"I voted against NAFTA," said US Representative Maurice Hinchey. Although most of his district supported it, he added, "I thought it was a bad agreement."

NAFTA was just one of the many topics discussed at a unique TWG event on March 16, a dinner meeting with Congressman Maurice Hinchey of the 26th congressional district in New York. This district includes Kingston, Binghamton, and Ithaca as well as the favorite Ukrainian-Americans playgrounds in Kerhonkson and Ellenville, and Mr. Hinchey said he was proud of his Ukrainian-American ties.

As expected, a considerable amount of time was devoted to Ukraine and US policy, specifically on how Congress views Ukraine. Mr. Hinchey was invited by the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America to observe the second round of parliamentary elections in Ukraine.

Environmental champion

While only a first-term congressman, Mr. Hinchey has had many years of experience in state government. He was elected to the New York State Assembly in 1974. He served four years as chairman of the Assembly Environmental Conversation Committee, which passed, among other legislation, the nation's first law to control acid rain and earned him a reputation of being a champion of the environment. New York Governor Mario Cuomo called him "New York's environmental conscience."

Mr. Hinchey is also known for his



US Representative Maurice Hinchey (second from right) continues a discussion with some of the participants in the dinner meeting with him (from left): Theodore Kostiuk, Ukrainian Embassy Press Attaché Dmitro Markov, George Masiuk and TWG President Mykola Babiak.

efforts as a consumer advocate and for his work on agricultural issues.

Regional Whip

Elected to the House of Representatives in 1992, Mr. Hinchey serves on the Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee and on the Natural Resources Committee.

Mr. Hinchey was honored by his colleagues who selected him as one of two New York Regional Whips in the 103rd Congress.

Mr. Hinchey lives with his wife, Ilene Marder Hinchey, and their young daughter, Michelle, in Saugerties.

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recital series, a Ukrainian film festival, and theatrical performances.

Located in the cosmopolitan capital of the most influential country in the world, Ms. Chopivsky explained, the TWG Cultural Fund hopes to attract to its events members of the international diplomatic and political communities as well as local cultural leaders.

In order to achieve its goals and to take full advantage of these unique circumstances, she said, the Fund plans to feature events in a variety of prestigious locations, including the Embassy of Ukraine and the Kennedy Center as well as Washington-area universities,

theaters and churches.

Because of the importance and cost of this undertaking, she said, the Cultural Fund is appealing for financial and other support to TWG members and the community at large through a mailing campaign soliciting tax-deductible contributions.

Fund contributors will be invited as special guests of the Cultural Fund on Sunday, June 5, at 3:00 p.m. at the Embassy of Ukraine, where the renowned Young Theatre of Lviv will dramatize the poetry of Bohdan Ihor Antonych. A reception in the Embassy courtyard will follow.

Foundation Promotes Verkhovna Rada Reform

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Gets \$3-Million USAID Project

The US-Ukraine Foundation and Indiana University's School of Public and Environmental Affairs have launched a cooperative initiative to provide reform assistance to the Ukrainian Parliament.

The initiative was announced by Nadia Komarnyckyj McConnell, TWG member and president of the US-Ukraine Foundation.

Through a three-year, \$3.45-million grant from the US Agency for International Development, the project will promote the expansion of democratic institutions and assist Ukrainian policy makers in guiding the transition to a market economy.

Initial technical assistance to the Verkhovna Rada will be provided to five priority areas—legislative and executive relations, committee structure and operations, staffing, budget and appropriations activities, and citizen relations.

"The critical task confronting the Rada today is establishing itself as an authoritative democratic institution, capable of developing and implementing policies that re-define Ukraine's economic system and further enhance its citizens' economic and political liberty," Mrs. McConnell said. "Our role is to help the Rada broaden its expertise in analyzing policy problems and developing realistic policy solutions."

An initial request for project sup-

port was made by Ivan Pliushch, chairman of the Verkhovna Rada, who asked that technical assistance be provided to support a Task Force on Parliamentary Reform. Mrs. McConnell explained that part of this assistance will be in the form of parliamentary working groups that will focus on the five priority issues defined by members of Ukraine's legislature.

Strengthening the institutional capacity of the legislature is tied to strengthening the skills base and func-

Three-year project to promote democratic institutions and market economy

tional capabilities of its personnel as well as instituting reforms in its structure and management systems. Project activities will focus on the development of critical analytical capacities among deputies and staff of the Rada in such areas as legislative reform, program development and implementation, policy analysis and budgetary and fiscal administration.

An advisory panel of Western

democratic government officials and experts will be formed to provide direct and long-term assistance to working groups of parliamentarians and project staff members in Ukraine as they formulate options for reforming the Rada.

The US-Ukraine Foundation has had staff in Ukraine since 1991, when it established the US-Ukraine Biblioteka Resource Center and, later, the Pylyp Orlyk Institute for Democracy, a public policy research organization in Kyiv set up to provide critical materials directly to Ukrainian policy makers. The USUF also maintains an e-mail hotline, sending Washington-related information, testimony and press materials to Kyiv daily.

The US-Ukraine Foundation and Indiana University have previously hosted three parliamentary delegations to the United States. Mr. Pliushch, who headed two such delegations, cited them as being influential to the evolution of the Verkhovna Rada.

The objectives and activities of the USAID reform project are a direct result of these contacts and other extensive consultations between the Rada, the US-Ukraine Foundation and Indiana University over a three-year period, Mrs. McConnell said.

Looking for Volunteers

The US-Ukraine Foundation is seeking volunteers who can provide administrative assistance, grant writing expertise, communications experience or reporting skills. Work on a schedule convenient for you. Be part of a team that is ensuring that Ukrainian policy makers have the information and the resources necessary to create a rule of law and that establishes processes for an informed electorate in Ukraine.

For information call (202) 347-4264.

TWG-SAIS panel looks at elections...*(Continued from Page 1)*

CSCE (Helsinki Commission). The discussion, before a large audience, was held May 5 at SAIS.

The assessments were pessimistic, for the most part, including projections of continued governmental gridlock and a growing movement for regional separation.

Deychakiwsky

Opening the session, Mr. Deychakiwsky, who was an international monitor at the elections, said that "Ukraine, like most post-Soviet states, clearly still has a ways to go before democratic electoral procedures are fully assimilated."

He noted, however, that despite the irregularities and shortcomings, most monitors felt that the people, in general, were able to express their will in these first democratic, multi-party elections to Parliament in Ukraine.

Some 75% percent of those eligible to vote voted during the first round March 27, and 67% came back to vote in the second round April 10. The elections left 112 of the Parliament's 450 seats unfilled, but the elected 388 deputies are enough for a functioning Parliament (which opened a few days later, May 11). Only 56 members of the previous Parliament were re-elected, Deychakiwsky pointed out.

Futey

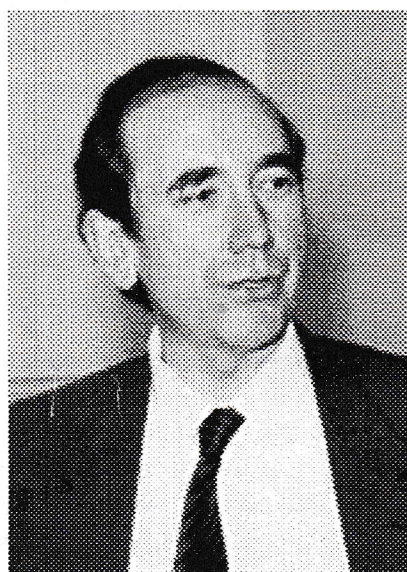
Judge Bohdan Futey, who has been advising the Ukrainian government on constitutional reform and has been active in a number of private-sector programs established by the American Bar Association and the International Foundation for Electoral Systems dealing with the rule of law and improving the electoral system in Ukraine, offered some observations in the form of "constructive criticism" of the electoral system.

Also having served as a monitor

during the first round, Mr. Futey noted that shortcomings stem from the election law itself, which was approved 244-6 in November 1993 (with the democratic bloc boycotting the vote). Now, it is being criticized by leaders from across the political spectrum.

He pointed out some of the elections law's major shortcomings:

- it undermines political parties and encourages the proliferation of



Roman Popadiuk

mostly non-party candidates;

- results in multiple run-off elections by demanding the winner get at least 50% of the vote and that the voter turnout be at least 50%;

- requires *negative* voting (crossing out the names of candidates you do not want elected—a tedious process when there can be more than 30 candidates);

- limiting campaign financing to 100 times the minimum salary—altogether about \$150—and then not enforcing the law;

- absence of training for electoral administrators; not allowing party representatives on the electoral com-

mission.

Among specific election problems Mr. Futey noted:

- multiple voting by an individual who brings along the passports of family, friends and colleagues;

- group voting, for example, by a family entering the voting booth together;

- early voting, especially in rural areas;



Orest Deychakiwsky

- the use of pre-stamped and pre-signed ballots;

- problems with accreditation of observers;

- verification of ballot boxes;

- mobile boxes;

- tables set up outside voting booths for filling in ballots;

- lack of instructions;

- inequitable media access;

- non-functioning adjudication process.

While many observers, indeed, felt that the election was, for the most part, fair, open and free, Mr. Futey said, he has some

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...Sees gridlock threat continuing on reform moves

reservation, especially after what happened in the second round. One must judge on that basis of the entire process, from the nominations to the casting of ballots, he said.

There is still a "long road ahead to democracy" in Ukraine, Mr. Futey said. The parliament needs to adopt a constitution that codifies the separation of powers on the national level and between the national, regional



Bohdan Futey

and local governments.

With their high turnout in the last elections, he said, the people of Ukraine expressed their "commitment and desire for the democratic process."

"I am optimistic that they will succeed," he added.

Popadiuk

Ambassador Popadiuk, who witnessed governmental "gridlock" when he served as the US ambassador to Ukraine in 1992-93, said he sees gridlock ahead with the new Parliament and, consequently, no movement toward economic reform.

He cited the following breakdown of the new Parliament: the commu-

nists and their agrarian and socialist supporters got 35% of the parliamentary seats; the reformers got 12%; the centrists (the Kuchma-Hryniiov bloc) got 5%; and the so-called "independents" just under 50%.

Noting that the views he was expressing were his own and not those of the State Department, for which he still works, Amb. Popadiuk said that of the "independent" bloc, 30-40%



Oleh Havrylyshyn

can be expected to side with the Kuchma centrists, while 60-70% are old party members who will vote with the communists on economic issues. This means, he added, that reformers and moderates, together, will control only 30% of the vote.

The current parliament requires 301 members to have a quorum, and that means that the communists, with 86 votes, can negate any attempt for constitutional reform.

Amb. Popadiuk said he sees this as a "prescription for inaction" and "gridlock" both within the Parliament and between the Parliament and the president; in the meantime, the re-

gions will grab more economic independence for themselves.

The people opted for conservatism, he said, adding that he probably would have opted for the same if he were living there. That development was not atypical in the part of the world, he said, pointing out that Poland and Lithuania did the same.

In the planned presidential election in June, if it occurs, Amb. Popadiuk said he expects President Kravchuk to beat out his former prime minister, Leonid Kuchma, even though Kuchma has a commanding lead in opinion polls. As President Kravchuk moves towards economic accommodation with Moscow, he will win over much of the eastern communist vote, he said.

Havrylyshyn

Oleh Havrylyshyn, who had served as special adviser to the deputy minister of finance of Ukraine before moving to the IMF, began his presentation by noting a Reuter's report that morning quoting Prime Minister Zvyahilsky as saying that there was no economic crisis in Ukraine.

"The economic implications of this are very clear," he said—that things will continue as they are, and if they continue, then the tendencies of delinking of some of Ukraine's regions will grow.

These regions struck a deal in 1991, commonly referred to as *kovbasna polityka*, that they will back Ukrainian independence so long as Ukraine remains a good place to live, he said.

"I don't believe in the tooth fairy, and there is an economic crisis in Ukraine," Mr. Havrylyshyn stressed. While it is too early to tell, he added, if it continues, he does not think that President Kravchuk can keep Ukraine

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Company profiles to be a new TWG News feature

By George Masiuk

The purpose of this new feature is to provide a description of a company or a government agency where a TWG member works so that other TWG members could contact the TWG member in order to:

1. obtain specific information about employment opportunities with the profiled company
2. obtain specific information if they want to explore teaming possibilities or other cooperative ventures between the company that they are working for and the profiled company.

All TWG members are encouraged to submit a profile on the company or government agency they are working for. The company profile should contain the following:

1. A description of what your company does.
2. An identification in general terms of your company's primary clients (e.g., commercial or government).
3. An identification of the types of professional skills your company is interested in.
4. A willingness on your part to deal with inquiries of fellow TWG members about your company.

Spotlight on ARINC

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ARINC provides the following services:

- communications services to the airlines by operating the Aircraft Communications Addressing and Reporting System, the ARINC Data Network Service, and GLOBALink, the first commercial satellite communication system available for use by the airline industry.
- engineering support for the development of Communications, Navigation, Surveillance/Air Traffic Management (CNS/ATM) concept which will form the basis for building the new infrastructure for air traffic management.
- transfer of GPS technology to commercial aviation.
- engineering and software development for Management Information and Decision Support Systems for the U.S. Air Force.
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- design, procurement, and integration of Command, Control, and Communications Systems
- design of communications network management systems.

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together.

Mr. Havrylyshyn characterized the new communists and socialists as those of the old nomenklatura who have not yet had a chance to share in the spoils, noting that they will cooperate with the ruling powers if they are given a share.

The so-called capitalists, he said, also do not have a stake in reforming the system, preferring to stick with the *polityka nakhapannya* (policy of grabbing).

Mr. Havrylyshyn says he sees two possibilities for a breakthrough:

- Because the situation is getting out of hand through runaway inflation, the "capitalists" and the *aparats* may finally realize that this threatens to "kill the goose that lays the golden egg."
- Those in power may decide to follow the Russian model and institute privatization, or, more precisely, "insider privatization," which is what is going on in Russia now, he said. The large amounts of money now stashed overseas will ultimately return to "privatize" the economy.

Asked during the question-and-answer session about what effect the "mafia" is having on the situation in Ukraine, Amb. Popadiuk said that corruption exists from the top down, but added that one should look at it in perspective, citing as an example the corruption of the

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The following year, however, he became more pessimistic. He had met individuals who were persevering, but, he added, "the central fact of preservation is money. In a period of inflation, forget indigenous money."

The first major law on historic preservation in Ukraine was passed in 1978, but it has not been carried out well, Mr. Berke said. A new law proposed by the Verkhovna Rada is mired in debate about whether to maintain the inherited centralized system or to adopt a more decentralized one.

Some 130,000 landmarks of culture were identified and registered by 1986, and a computerization of the national landmarks survey has been initiated at the State Research Institute of the History of Architecture and Planning.

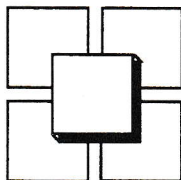
Mr. Berke recognized the restoration efforts of the Ukrainian diaspora, such as the refurbishing of the 1898 Grand Hotel in Lviv by Marta Fedoriw, owner of an Allentown, Pa., travel bureau, and the restoration of the Castle of Richard the Lionhearted into a hotel by three TWG members: Tamara Woroby, George Chopivsky and Vitaly Garber.

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robber barons in 19th century America.

Mr. Havrylyshyn differed, saying that post-colonial Africa would be a better comparison. He said it was "a very serious problem," but differentiated between the "petty mafia" on the street, the "new capitalists," and the "big-money mafia."

Asked about Mr. Kuchma, Amb. Popadiuk said that he made a favorable impression on him during their meetings in Kyiv. He said the former prime minister was willing to try to move things forward; he was realistic and willing to speak his mind. He "would make a wonderful president," willing to lead and take the heat, he said.



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U.S. premiere and benefit showing of *A Night of Questions*, a Ukrainian feature film starring Luba Demchuk. Reception follows.

American Film Institute, Kennedy Center

For advance tickets call Ms. Teresa Ben (301) 935-6033. No ticket sales at AFI box office.

Saturday, June 4, 5:00 p.m.

30th Anniversary of Taras Shevchenko School of Ukrainian Studies

Staged excerpts of Lesya Ukrainka's *Lisova Pisnya*. Dinner reception follows.

Holy Family Parish Hall

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Young Theatre of Lviv will dramatize the poetry of Bohdan Ihor Antonych.

English translations will be available.

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