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TWG Night at the Opera

Tuesday, November 24
Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov's
"The Tsar's Bride"

Presented by the Washington Opera at the Kennedy Center and directed by Roman Terleckyj. Voldemar Nelsson, a native of Kiev, will be conducting and Vladimir Grischko, a leading member of Kiev's Shevchenko opera and a winner of the Placido Domingo Grand Prize, will play Lykov.

In addition, an insight lecture will be delivered by Roman Terleckyj at 6:30 PM, immediately preceding the performance at 8:00 PM.

Tickets are: \$81.00 Orchestra; \$61.00 first tier; \$46.00 second tier.

You may purchase tickets for the insight lecture for only a \$4 additional charge. There will also be an opportunity to meet the artists at a reception immediately following the performance.

Seating for the opera is very limited.
Order now !!!!

A block of tickets has been reserved for TWG members. For tickets and information call Laryssa Chopivsky at (202) 363-3964. **Deadline is October 5.**

Developing a New Democracy The Role of U. S. - Ukraine Relations

The Washington Group Leadership Conference
October 9-11, 1992
Washington Court Hotel on Capitol Hill

The Washington Group is holding its sixth annual Leadership Conference on October 9-11, 1992 at the Washington Court Hotel.

The theme of this year's conference is *Developing a New Democracy, The Role of U. S. - Ukraine Relations*. Participants in the conference include Ukrainian and US government officials, and leading experts in business, engineering, medicine and law. Featured speakers who have to date accepted invitations include Ukrainian Ambassador Oleh Bilorus, Dr. Michael Mandelbaum, a principal foreign policy advisor to the Clinton campaign and Director of East-West studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, and Robert McConnell, a former Assistant Attorney General and Vice-President of the Coordinating Committee to Aid Ukraine.

In addition, individual sessions will cover a wide spectrum of the current Ukrainian nation-building experience. The first session includes a panel on domestic issues — an overview of the "situation on the ground" in Ukraine with the participation of Adrian Karatnycky,

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Membership surveys are being tabulated

Thanks to the TWG members who returned their survey, although that number was quite small. The results are being tabulated, and we hope to have the findings reported in the next issues of TWG NEWS.

Leadership Conference Invitations were mailed out

A brochure containing the program and conference registration form was sent out the first week of September. Remember you must return your registration form by September 20th to get the discounts.



Notice



TWG U

Are you knowledgeable in a special field of Ukrainian history, literature, culture, music, art, religion? Have the quick changing events in Ukraine got you baffled? You need not be a bona fide professor, but if you have some information you want to share, or if there are some topics you want more information on, here's your chance to teach and to learn.

TWG would like to set up a workshop/lecture series beginning in the fall. It will be similar to that great Washington institution "Open University" where a series of informal classes on all types of subjects are conducted throughout the city for a modest fee. It is a great way to meet interesting people and learn something new. We are looking for topics members would be interested in and speakers who love talking about their field of interest.

Please call Lydia Chopivsky-Benson with your suggestions: (202)686-6975.

Special Thanks to:

- Igor Lissy for a generous contribution of \$200 for the Embassy of Ukraine Fund — responding to the Wynnyczok Challenge.
- Stephan Olynyk for contributing books to the US Embassy in Kiev.

Reminder:

Books are still needed by the US Embassy in Kiev. Books can be either in English or Ukrainian on many topics. Please send the books to TWG post office box, attention "Books for Kiev".

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AFTER INDEPENDENCE: BUILDING A NATION

THE WASHINGTON GROUP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
October 9-11, 1992
Washington, DC

Conference Program:

Friday 7:30 PM:

Welcoming Reception at the Embassy of Hungary
3910 Shoemaker Street, NW
(Tilden Street and Rock Creek Park, off of Connecticut
Avenue)

Saturday:

8:00 AM Registration

9:00 Opening Remarks

Lydia Chopivsky Benson - President, The Washington
Group
Roman Goy - Chairman, The Washington Group Leadership
Conference

9:15 Opening Address

His Excellency Oleh Bilorus
Ambassador of Ukraine to the United States

9:45 Session One — Domestic Issues in Ukraine

Political Developments — Adrian Karatnycky, Assistant to
the President, AFL-CIO
National Security — Gen.(Ret) Nicholas Krawciw, Council
of Advisors to the Ukrainian Parliament
Economic Reforms — speaker to be confirmed

11:00 Session Two - "Town Meeting" on International Trade, Investment and Technical Assistance

Moderator — Andrew Bihun, US Dept of Commerce
Panelists: Serhiy Koulyk (Embassy of Ukraine); Anthony
Richter (Soros Foundation); John Brougher (US Department
of Commerce); Michael Oxman (OPIC).

12:45 PM Lunch and Keynote Address

2:30 Breakout Session One
Topic 1: Ukrainian Infrastructure and
U. S. Opportunities

Panelists: Zenon Stakhiv, Moderator (US Army Corps of
Engineers) — Public Works Infrastructure; John Boland

(Johns Hopkins University) - Organization, Management
and Finance; Ihor Kunash (Cypress Mining) — Joint
Ventures

Topic 2: Health and Environment
Speakers to be confirmed

3:30

Breakout Session Two

Topic 1: Science and Technology Base for a
modern infrastructure

Panelists: George Gamota, Moderator - (Mitre Corp) U. S.
— Ukraine Science and Technology Cooperation; Dr.
Andriy Demidenko (Head, Department of Environmental
Education, Information and Public Relations)— Computer
Networks: Ukraine's Science and Technology Requirements

Topic 2: Legal Infrastructure of Ukraine

Panelists: Myron Smorodsky, Moderator (Smorodsky and
Stawnychy); Honorable Bohdan Futey (US Foreign Claims
Court); Maureen O'Brien, Helen Kryshtalovych (Squires,
Sanders and Dempsey).

6:30

Cocktails

7:30

Dinner

9:00

Special Guest Speakers

Michael Mandelbaum (Johns Hopkins
University, School of Advanced International Studies)
Leonid Kistersky (National Center on
the Realization of Technical Assistance to Ukraine, Cabinet
of Ministers

9:30

Dancing

Sunday

10:30 Continental Breakfast

Speaker: Robert McConnell (Gibson,
Dunn and Crutcher)
Vice-President, Coordinating Committee
to Aid Ukraine
"Development of a U. S. Political Power
Base"

Noon

Panel Discussion

"Focusing on Ourselves: What We Are
Doing and What We Need to Do".

Speakers: Eugene Iwanciw (Ukrainian National Associa-
tion); Oleksander Chernyk (Ukrainian Federation of Greater
Philadelphia; Slava Johnson (Ukrainian-American Business
Council of Chicago)

1:30

Reception for co-sponsoring
organizations (see page 5)

3:00

Conference Adjournment

TWG JOB BANK

TWG is creating a job bank for individuals interested in working in Ukraine. This application will be forwarded to private and public organizations and agencies in Ukraine who are looking for individuals with particular interests and skills. Please submit a resumé along with this application.

1. **Name** _____
Address _____

Phone (day) _____ **(evening)** _____
Work Experience _____

Education _____

2. List languages (other than English) you know and check each row that applies to you:

Language(s) 1 _____ Language 2 _____
Can speak/interpret:
Fluently _____
Moderately _____
Can read/write/translate:
Fluently _____
Moderately _____

3. List areas of primary interest: (i.e. media/communications, translation, education, business, health/social services, legal/policy, engineering/construction, agriculture, transportation/distribution)

4. Have you previously worked/lived in Ukraine? Yes _____ No _____
If Yes, state purpose _____

5. How long will you be available to work in Ukraine?

_____ 1-4 weeks _____ 1-6 months _____
_____ 6-12 months _____ flexible _____

6. When are you available to work in Ukraine? _____

7. Compensation you would accept:

_____ travel to/from Ukraine
_____ living expenses in Ukraine
_____ volunteer - personally paying all expenses

Note: The information you provide is confidential. By providing this information you are consenting to the release of this information to organizations and agencies in Ukraine.

Signature _____ Date _____

Mail this application along with your resumé to: TWG Job Bank, P. O. Box 11248, Washington, DC 20008. For further information call: Lydia Chopivsky-Benson (202)686-6975.

Notes on Members

Honorary TWG member **David Marples** has left the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies and has taken up a new position as associate professor of history at the University of Alberta. He has recently published two new books: *Ukraine Under Perestroika* (St. Martin's Press, 1991); and *Stalinism in Ukraine in the 1940s* (St. Martin's Press, September 1992). He was a plenary session speaker at the International Chernobyl Congress held in Minsk, Belarus' in April, 1992; and presented a paper at the First International Ukrainian Economics Association Congress in Kiev in May 1992.

David's new address and phone number are:

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Roman A. Skypakewych has announced that he is now engaged in the practice of law with the law offices of Roy N. Gruenburg.

Roman can be reached at:

25501 Van Dyke Avenue
Center Line, Michigan, 48015
(313) 757-6070 or (313) 264-6152
FAX (313) 757-6152

Martha Bohachevsky-Chomiak has been awarded a Fulbright grant to teach in Ukraine for one year. Martha will be at the University of Kiev, History Department. She will be teaching a seminar on community organizations and the development of society in Ukraine in the 19th and 20th centuries. This is Martha's second Fulbright. On her previous grant she did extensive research in Eastern Europe. (See story on Fulbright grants page 10.)

Dr. James Mace received a nine-month fellowship at the University of Illinois to continue his research on the 1933 famine in Ukraine. This fellowship is supported by the Chicago-based Foundation for the Advancement of Ukrainian Studies at the University of Illinois. Prior to this, Dr. Mace was Director of the US Commission on the Ukraine Famine, and in 1990 co-edited the commission's three-volume "Oral History Project." Jim spent this past summer in Kiev expanding on his extensive research on this topic, and previous to that he was a senior fellow at the Harriman Institute for Advanced Study of the Soviet Union at Columbia University.



Mary Bazylak (Full)
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Art Collector
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Attorney
Cherry Hill, NJ

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Nurse
Pt. St. Lucie, FL

Kristina Zwarycz (Student)
Cleveland, OH

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Ukrainian Engineers Society
Ukrainian Graduates of Detroit and Windsor
Ukrainian Medical Association of Greater Wash-
ington
Ukrainian National Association
Ukrainian Professionals Association of Boston
Ukrainian Professional Society of Philadelphia
Ukrainian Technological Association of Pitts-
burgh

TWG Fellowship Fund Needs Your Support

Since April 1991, the TWG Fellowship committee has awarded seven grants totaling \$8512 for candidates from Ukraine. All candidates/projects met a key criterion of the Fellowship Program: utilizing Washington area resources. The recipients were:

— Halyna Teodorovych, a 32-year-old philologist from Lviv, awarded \$2,000 for a three-month (June-August, 1991) internship at the Library of Congress. Ms. Teodorovych assisted the Library of Congress Ukrainian Area Specialist in the compilation of bibliographies on various Ukrainian topics and learned about the workings of the Library.

— The second award, for \$1,000, was to assist in the funding of the highly successful April, 1991 seminar for Ukrainian legislators. Fourteen leading Ukrainian parliamentarians participated in the two week program under the auspices of the United States Information Agency and NKM Associates/Ukraine 2000.

— Yuri Pryhornytsky, then Washington correspondent for "Literaturna Ukraina" who during his 8-month stay in Washington had articles published on various aspects of life in Washington was awarded \$1,000.

— Valentina Bilokhovska, a doctor from Ukraine, received a grant for \$1,112 to cover her tuition for a nine-week (July-August, 1991) course in Nephropathology at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

— Oleksander Nechiporenko and Andriy Mostysky, two Ukrainian parliamentarians who are members of the Ukrainian Supreme Rada's Foreign Affairs Committee, received a grant of \$1,500 which helped defray the costs of their May 10-16, 1992, visit to Washington. The UNA Washington Office and several TWG members helped arrange their visit and meetings with Congress, State Department, Helsinki Commission, Library of Congress and various think-tanks.

— Yuny Ruban, a Professor of Data Management at the Kiev Polytechnical Institute, was provided a scholarship of \$1,200 for his April 1 - May 15, 1992, internship at the Library of Congress, where he was studying the operations of a parliamentary library. Following his return to Kiev, Dr. Ruban will establish a Library/Resource Center for use by members of the Ukrainian parliament. This library will also serve as a reference source for the Pylyp Orlyk Institute for Democracy, which is being established by the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation.

— Ivan Zayets, Chairman of Ukrainian Parliament's Administrative Reform Committee and Member of the Economic

Reform Committee, and a leading Rukh member, received \$700, to help defray the costs of his August 1992 visit to Washington. In addition to meetings with US officials and non-government organizations, Zayets attended an intensive English language course at Georgetown University.

The Fellowship Fund relies exclusively on contributions. If TWG is to continue to support these worthwhile projects to concretely assist qualified Ukrainians and thus help the nation-building in Ukraine, the Fund needs your continued support.

To contribute to the TWG Fellowship Fund, please make checks out to: TWG Fellowship Fund. Address: The Washington Group, TWG Fellowship Fund, P.O. Box 11248, Washington, D.C. 20008.

The Fellowship Committee welcomes questions or suggestions. Please feel free to contact Orest Deychakiwsky, Fellowship Fund Chairman: (301) 937-0492 after 8 pm weekdays.

TWG Leadership Conference

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Assistant to the President, AFL-CIO, and General (Ret) Nicholas Krawciw of the Council of Advisors to the Ukrainian parliament.

The second morning session, *International Trade, Investment and Technical Assistance* will have an innovative, "town meeting" approach. Experts from several US government agencies which deal directly with these issues, the Ukrainian Embassy, and non-governmental organizations such as the Soros Foundation, that provide technical assistance to Ukraine, will participate.

Following the Saturday luncheon, there will be four separate workshops on the nuts and bolts aspects of assisting Ukraine in its transformation to a democratic, market-oriented state: *Infrastructure, Health and Environment, Technology and Science, and Legal Issues*. These "break-out" sessions will include leading experts in their respective fields from both the United States and Ukraine.

Sunday's session will focus on Ukrainian-American community efforts and directions, and will consist of panelists from Washington, Philadelphia, and Chicago to discuss the topic: *Focusing on Ourselves: What We are Doing and What We Need to Do*.

Besides the formal part of the Leadership Conference, conference participants will enjoy social events. On Friday evening,
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Position Available at European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

EBRD is seeking a Resident Representative and an assistant resident representative in Kiev. We are looking for people with an interest in career positions with the European Bank. The stay at the duty station in Kiev would be normally for a period of three years.

The following is a description of experience required and the responsibilities of the resident representative:

- Represent the European Bank; develop and maintain regular contact with senior government officials; keep headquarters informed of political, economic and social changes; assist headquarters staff with official business in the country; identify possible activities for the bank.
- At least 15 years of career experience. Education to at least first degree level. A general economic or financial background will be appropriate, preferably with development banking experience or similar. Fluency in the local language.

The following is a description of experience required and the responsibilities of the assistant resident representative:

- Reports to the resident representative and assists with the above activities.
- Education to at least first degree level. 3-5 years' experience, preferably in development banking or similar. Fluency in the local language.
- Not a citizen of the country to which the candidate will be sent.

For further information, please contact the Personnel Department (Sam Goldenberg) — Tel: 07-338-6338 or Joe Landriault, Adviser — Tel: 07-338-6317.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church
Divine Liturgy Schedule
11:15 AM Sundays
16631 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, MD
(2 miles north of St. Andrew)

Celebrating Ukraine's First Independence Day in Washington

Over 400 people gathered at the plush Ritz Carlton hotel to celebrate the first anniversary of Ukraine's independence. The Embassy of Ukraine hosted this reception for the diplomatic corps, representatives of the United States government, and various non-governmental organizations, including Ukrainian-American organizations.

The diplomatic representation was diverse, including ambassadors, consuls, attachés. Many countries of Europe, Asia, and Africa were represented, including France, Poland, Finland, Denmark, Spain, China, Kenya, and Afghanistan.

Representation from the United States included representatives from the White House, State Department, and other executive agencies. Several journalists from the national and international press corps also came. It was interesting to see staff members from the Soviet Union now representing different countries, like Armenia, Belarus, Tadjikistan.

Among the special guests were Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick, Ambassador Lev Dobriansky, Ambassador Sam Wise, Staff Director of the Helsinki Commission, Paul Goble from the Carnegie Endowment, and Kevin Klose, managing editor of the Washington Post.

Guests from Ukraine included Vasyl Kozoriz, Vice Minister of Education, his wife Dr. Halyna Kozoriz, Academy of Sciences, and Dr. Andriy Demydenko, from the Ministry of Environmental Protection.

In the receiving line, Ambassador Bilorus and his wife Laryssa graciously welcomed the guests as they entered the ballroom. It became obvious from the warm reception given by many of the members of the diplomatic corps that Ambassador Bilorus has already established himself within the Washington diplomatic community.

Once inside the ballroom, there were several elegant buffet tables set up, and bars well stocked with an assortment of liquors, wines and other refreshments. For a sample of some traditional Ukrainian foods, there were varieties of kovbasa, kapusta.

A bandurist from Ukraine, V. Horbatiuk, played for the guests and sang a few songs appropriate for this momentous occasion.

Georgetown University to Offer Ukrainian Language Courses

With the collapse of the Soviet Union, interest in the newly independent republics continues to grow. These dramatic changes have underlined the importance of establishing a Ukrainian program in the nation's capital and have spurred the Committee for Ukrainian Studies at Georgetown University to raise this issue with the university. The response was favorable.

Beginning in the fall of 1992, Georgetown will offer a two-semester language course, Intensive Basic Ukrainian, every year. In the fall of 1993 a two-semester sequence of Intensive Intermediate Ukrainian will also be introduced. For the latter course a young, promising scholar from Ukraine will be invited to teach along with Georgetown's own faculty. Each semester course is worth 6 credit hours.

In addition to being available to students of Georgetown University, the courses may also be taken by students currently enrolled in any Consortium University (American University, Catholic University, Gallaudet University, George Mason University, George Washington University, Howard University, Marymount University, Mount Vernon College, Trinity College, University of the District of Columbia and the University of Maryland at College Park). Students of Consortium Universities may apply through their home university.

All others interested in the Ukrainian courses may apply as Special Students through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions by writing and requesting an application from:

Stephanie Lamboley
Office of Undergraduate Admissions,
Georgetown University
Washington, DC 20057

A completed application, transcript and application fee of \$45 should be sent to:

Dr. Sara Hager, Assistant Dean
School of Languages and Linguistics
ICC 303
Georgetown University
Washington, DC 20057.

For further information please call the Department of Russian Studies at (202) 687-6147 or the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at (202) 687-3600.

Plans are also being made to further expand the program to include courses on Ukrainian history, culture and literature.

The development of the Ukrainian program at Georgetown will require financial support. The university has committed itself to providing a certain sum annually. The remainder, however, must be raised through outside sources: government agencies and institutions, foundations, and private donors.

The Committee for Ukrainian Studies at Georgetown University is appealing to the Ukrainian community for help in supporting the only Ukrainian program at a university in the Washington area. The growing interest in Ukrainian politics, business and culture is convincing proof of Ukraine's increasing importance in the world. The Ukrainian program at Georgetown will ensure that interest in Ukraine continues to develop.

Donations may be sent to:
The Ukrainian Program
SLL
Georgetown university,
Washington, DC 20057-0990

TWG Leadership Conference

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a welcoming reception will be held at the Hungarian Embassy. A gala dinner and dance will be held Saturday night, with music provided by the Oles Kuzyszyn Trio. The dinner will feature a special guest speaker, along with presentation of awards for "Outstanding Journalist" and "Friend of Ukraine".

For information about The Washington Group Leadership Conference and reservation forms call 1-800-929-1989 or write to TWG, P. O. Box 11248, Washington, DC 20008.

Contributions welcomed for the completion of the Hutzul style wooden church.

Send your checks to:

Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church
P.O. Box 4214
Colesville Branch
Silver Spring, MD 20904

National Forum Foundation Is Looking For Volunteers To Work in Ukraine

Responding to the training needs of the emerging democracies in Central and Eastern Europe, the National Forum Foundation recently launched a new program, American Volunteers for International Development (AVID). Through AVID, the NFF identifies and sponsors qualified American professionals to travel to Ukraine to work with their counterparts in government, media and economic reform. This collaboration is designed to advance the democratic and economic transition by providing technical and managerial expertise, as well as to build bridges between the U. S. and Ukraine.

The AVID program is driven by the applications submitted by perspective host organizations in Ukraine. These applications outline their organization's specific training needs, as well as the skills they require of the American Volunteers. Priority is given to those organizations whose activities have a disproportionately great impact on the region's political and economic transition.

The foundation is seeking qualified AVID volunteers who can meet the needs as addressed in the Host Organizations' applications. In order to participate, the American Volunteer should have a minimum of two years of professional work experience and commit to 3-12 months of service. Priority is given to American participants who speak Ukrainian.

All AVID assignments are in media management, governance, or business management (with an emphasis on financial and strategic planning). The Foundation provides AVID Volunteers with most, if not all, of their transportation and housing costs. In addition, volunteers are provided a living expense allowance based on the local standard.

President Vaclav Havel of Czechoslovakia serves as the AVID Chairman. AVID Volunteers are currently or will soon be working in Czechoslovakia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Russia and Ukraine.

The NFF is a non-profit 501(e) (3) organization dedicated to promoting political and economic freedom. For an application or more information on AVID, contact Orysia Pylyshenko, Program Director (202) 543-3515 or FAX (202) 547-4101. All interested individuals are encouraged to apply to the AVID program.

Specific positions for which NFF is seeking individuals with knowledge of Ukrainian or Russian:

- Individual with a theoretical and practical background in economics, statistics and survey design.
- Attorney experienced in drafting legislation related to economics or business.
- Individual with experience in management of government organizations which relate to economic reform. Public-sector experience helpful, though not required.
- Economist experienced in appraising and forecasting the liquidity of banks and enterprises as well as familiarity with privatization and demonopolization.
- Attorney to work in area of demonopolization and privatization of agriculture.
- Experienced political analyst to perform research on political, social, economic, and ecological issues, and to assist in the formulation of Ukraine's international and foreign policies based on the analyses of these issues. Experience in the public sector preferable.
- Individuals with experience in local and city government in a wide variety of areas including financial and strategic planning, press relations, law and management.

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407 Church Street, NE, Suite 1
Vienna, VA 22180
(703) 281-4778

Plast Needs You

At last, the dream that so many of us grew up with, the powerful dream that kindled a fire in our hearts and created a special bond between so many of us growing up in the diaspora has been achieved. Ukraine is free. And now the real work of building a nation begins.

In the coming months, many of us will look for how we can make a contribution, each in our own way, to the building of our country. Some will move to Kiev, others may consult, and still others will focus on Ukrainian-American projects here. Whatever we chose, let us not forget that invaluable contribution of the previous generation in the diaspora. Those who kept "the home fires burning", who preserved the culture, the heritage, the language and the dream". We have new dreams to focus on now, both here and in Ukraine.

Amidst all the turmoil and change, let us not forget that there's a new generation, behind us, of Ukrainian-Americans to whom one day we must pass the torch, but now with Ukraine's freedom, may not necessarily grow up with the powerful "quest for freedom for the underdog," dream that we had.

Along with other organizations Plast may have played an important role in developing your love for Ukraine and your sense of patriotism. Who of us, who experienced this, can forget warm summer nights by a *vatra*, singing about *pro voliu shcho prijde kolis*. If you are grateful to Plast, and to those who took the time to pass on to you your heritage, this year may be the year you want to repay them by passing the same onto the youngest Washington Ukrainians. In short, Plast, like many diaspora organizations is in transition and could use your help. Why not volunteer for an administrative position (we need a *pysar*), a leadership role (the *yunaky* need a leader) or to work on a particular project (the picnic, caroling, fund raising, etc.)

Plast succeeded because the older generation gave to the next. It's our turn now to take on this same responsibility in a very different world. Think about whether this is the year you might like to get involved (even having a *hurtok* with your best buddy). If so, please contact Tamara Woroby at (301) 622-05456 or Darka Nebash at (410) 997-5382.

And if you don't have time this year, put this down on your list of "how I might contribute to the Ukrainian cause in the future".

Either way you chose, why don't you please join us at the official opening and PLAST PICNIC on Sunday, September 17, from 1 to 4 pm on the ground of the Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church, at 16631 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring.

Fulbright Scholars Head To Ukraine

This September a group of 15 scholars from all across the United States will travel to Ukraine as Fulbright scholars. They will teach and do research in various cities of Ukraine, including Kiev, Lviv, Odessa and Kharkiv.

This is also a momentous year for the Fulbright program, since it is the first time that Fulbright program has dealt directly with the government of Ukraine rather than through Moscow.

The Fulbright program is open to all U. S. citizens who are qualified to teach at some institution, regardless of the level — high school through college. The process for applying for a Fulbright grant is not complicated, requiring only a written proposal. Each proposal is then reviewed by a committee of American scholars and recommendations are made. The host institution identifies institutions where the recipients can be accommodated, and also gives its approval of the grant recipients.

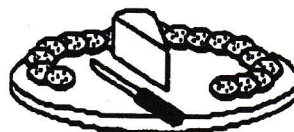
There are several advantages to receiving a Fulbright grant. The first is that it is an official institutionalized program. This means, in effect, that you are sponsored by the two governments, and they are then aware of your presence in the host country and are concerned about your welfare. Secondly, the stipend is paid in U. S. dollars plus a living allowance in the local currency. Since the U. S. subsidizes part of the stay abroad, you are not entirely dependent on the local currency.

The Fulbright grant funding comes from the US government through agencies such as the US Information Agency. Mary Kruger, currently the USIA rep in Kiev, has been instrumental in preparing various materials and programs for the new arriving Fulbright scholars in Kiev, including a 3 day orientation session.

Anyone interested in applying for a Fulbright should contact the following:

Council for International Exchange of Scholars
3400 International Drive
Washington, DC 20008-3092

or call Andy Reiss at (202) 686-6247.



Community Calendar

September 10 — Thursday

Reception for Parliamentarians from Ukraine

Sponsored by US-Ukraine Foundation

For information call: Nick Babiak (202) 347-4264

September 12 — Saturday — 9:00 AM

Registration and first day of classes

Taras Shevchenko Ukrainian School

Westland International School

5511 Massachusetts Avenue

Bethesda, MD

For information call: Marika Yurach (703)765-0445

September 14 — Monday — 7:30 PM

“The Cherkasski Kozaks”

Kennedy High School

1901 Randolph Rd

Silver Spring, MD

Dedicated to the memory of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army (UPA) and the 1st anniversary of Ukrainian Independence, this two-hour extravaganza includes dancers, singers and musicians from Ukraine

Tickets: \$18.00 adults, youth to 18 years of age free.

For information call:

Marta Pereyma (703) 998-8570

September 20 — Sunday — noon

Church Picnic

St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church

15100 New Hampshire Avenue

For information call: Mrs. Varvariw (301)589-7877

September 27 — Sunday — 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Plast Picnic

Holy Trinity Particular Ukrainian Catholic Church

16631 New Hampshire Avenue

Silver Spring, MD

For information call:

Stephan Rapawy (301) 770-6911

September 30 — Wednesday

Ukraine 2000 Annual Meeting

For information call:

Nick Babiak (202) 347-4264

October 9-11 — Friday to Sunday

TWG Leadership Conference

Washington Court Hotel

Washington, DC

For information call: 1-800-929-1989

(see story pages 1 and 3)

October 16-18 — Friday to Sunday

16th Congress of Ukrainians in America

East Hanover, NJ

For Information call: (201) 228-6840

October 31 — Saturday — noon

Children's Mascarade Party

Taras Shevchenko Ukrainian School

For information call:

Zirka Harabach (301) 916-0978

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To coordinate community activities and avoid scheduling several events on the same day, Danusia Wasyliwskyj has agreed to be the Community Calendar Coordinator.

Organization leaders are requested to notify Danusia of their upcoming events, prior to the 15th of each month. This schedule will be published in the TWG NEWS calendar. Danusia's phone number is (301) 652-3938.

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