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Slovenian-American Heritage Foundation's year in review

On Friday, December 9th at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe, Ohio, the Slovenian-American Heritage Foundation wrapped up its schedule of events for 1994. Almost 300 people attended the annual Feast of St. Nicholas Mass with the Most Reverend Bishop A. Edward Pevec as celebrant.

Resurrection Chapel was filled to capacity as the Bishop delivered his homily. Readers of the liturgy were S.A.H.F. Trustees Dr. Sonja Glavina and Edward Jerse. Joseph Baskovic, of K.S.K.J., served as Eucharistic Minister, and S.A.H.F. Executive Committee members Ann Opeka and Dr. Karl Bonutti brought the gifts to the altar.

During the Mass, Glasbena Matica sang beautifully under the direction of Tom Weiss. Glasbena Matica President Olga Klancher, along with all of the dedicated members of the chorus, rehearsed for several weeks for this occasion. Immediately following the Mass, the congregation enjoyed a selection of songs. Later, the bishop commented on the beauty of "Češena si Marija" which brought tears to his eyes, as well as to the eyes of many others in the chapel.

Following the Mass, a reception was held in the Rappe Center where S.A.H.F. officers Jim Logar and Dana Leonard, along with many of our friends, worked hard to organize the refreshments, delicious hors d'oeuvres and desserts provided by many in attendance and by S.A.H.F. A brief program included S.A.H.F. Vice-President Anthony J. Hiti's presentation of the "1994 Year in Review" following which Edward Jerse recognized the Foundation's 20th anniversary and summarized 20 years of its commitment to promoting cultural awareness of our Slovenian heritage.

Current S.A.H.F. President, Joyce Ann Hribar, recognized the past presidents, namely, Dr. Karl B. Bonutti, Frederick E. Krizman, Esq., Honorable August Pryatel, Dr. Vladimir J. Rus, and Edmund J. Turk, Esq.

The evening concluded with remarks from Bishop Pevec who told a charming Christmas story and wished all in attendance a very happy Christmas season.

The Beginning

The year 1994 began with the



Astronaut Ron Sega, left, accepts picture from Slovenian-American Heritage Foundation President, Joyce Ann Hribar. At right is Dr. Karl Bonutti, foundation trustee and former president.

(Photo by Tony Grdina)

Foundation's participation in the visit of Allan Wendt, Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia. In conjunction with the Council for World Affairs, S.A.H.F. co-sponsored the Ambassador's speech at the Cleveland City Club on January 11th. The standing room only crowd was very impressed with the Ambassador's enthusiasm for Slovenia's future.

On May 24th, Euclid's Shore Cultural Centre was the site of a lecture given by Professor Tišlar, President of the University of Ljubljana. The professor, along with two other distinguished members of the faculty, provided much insight into the current educational status of the university.

Next on the S.A.H.F. agenda was the celebration of the 3rd anniversary of the independence of the Republic of Slovenia. Our Foundation was very proud to present Dr. Ronald Šega, United States Astronaut at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair. Over 250 people attended this event on June 26th. The Slovenian-American astronaut

thrilled the audience with captivating pictures of earth from space — including a picture of Slovenia! Long after the program ended, many people crowded around Dr. Šega who is a remarkably pleasant and (please excuse the pun) down-to-earth guy.

Mayor Strgar was the featured speaker at our next event on October 17th which was co-sponsored with the Cleveland Sister Cities Committee headed by Vladimir Rus. More than 75 people attended a lecture at Slovenian Society Home - Recher Hall, where Mayor Strgar informed us that the City of Ljubljana is debt free.

Later in the year plans were in the works for "Slovenski Večer 1994." Unfortunately, this event had to be postponed due to our speaker's change in schedule. Please stay posted for a spring re-scheduling.

The Slovenian-American Heritage Foundation thanks all who supported our activities this past year and wishes everyone a wonderful Christmas season and a happy and healthy New Year!



(Photo by Tony Grdina)

99 Words; More or Less

Do You Believe In Santa Claus?

I recall an article a few years past, written by Mr. Mercina, that posed the same question. "Do you believe in Santa Claus?" The reply, no doubt, entailed a story of a truly munificent individual who added spirit to the season. This year, I witnessed first hand the good deeds of Santa Claus.

The location was an old age home on the East side of Cleveland. Santa Claus arrived last Tuesday evening unexpectedly, carrying sacks full of goodies. For the staff, Santa had holiday candy and ornaments. For the residents, Santa carried cute teddy bears and stuffed puppy dogs that were guaranteed to put a smile on everyone's face. I watched Santa breeze down the corridors, magically touching each and every individual. I watched Santa place a teddy bear in the elderly's outstretched hands or in the crook of their arms if they happened to already be asleep. I watched Santa Claus brighten faces when he jingled his sleigh bells and bellowed "HOHO". I watched the elderly, as if they were children again, magically awaken as Santa entered their dark rooms. They wondered aloud, "Santa Claus?" I watched Santa speak different languages to those who only knew Croatian, Slovenian and Italian. I watched Santa wipe away a tear at the sight of an elderly man sitting patiently by his wife's bedside. I watched Santa walk out the back door, leaving Christmas joy in the air and removing his hat and beard to reveal my dad, Mr. Mercina.

Thank you for showing me the true meaning of Christmas.

Merry Christmas Dad!



New Mass Schedule

St. Mary's (Collinwood) Church announces a new Mass schedule beginning on Sunday, January 8th:

- 8:00 a.m.: English
- 10:00 a.m.: Slovenian
- 12 noon: English

For the time being, there will no longer be Mass at 7:00 a.m.

SHA Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following residents of the Slovene Home for the Aged who were born in January:

- 1-01, Mary Jeraj, 89
- 1-01, Rose Komochar, 91
- 1-01, Josephine Lustic, 93
- 1-02, Frances Novak, 84
- 1-06, Stanley Belevice, 79
- 1-06, Mary Sadar, 98
- 1-06, Joseph Semick, 79
- 1-09, Frances Tomsic, 83
- 1-09, Paul Trentel, 88
- 1-11, Veronica Kovach, 101
- 1-17, Anna Carnish, 93
- 1-17, Antoinette Simcic, 89
- 1-19, Paula Bevcic, 95
- 1-20, Mary Terlep, 95
- 1-20, Paul Timco, 87
- 1-27, Jennie Sedey, 86
- 1-28, Sigmund Matesky, 84

Christmas Greetings

The American Home received a religious Christmas Card greetings from Peter Vencl, Minister for Slovenians living Abroad.

2 The Great Sounds of the Christmas Concert

by STANE KUHAR

The St. Vitus Youth Choir, under the direction of John Sršen, performed "A Concert of Sacred Christmas Music" on December 26 (at St. Vitus Church) and December 30 (at St. Mary's in Collinwood).

For those who did not have the opportunity to attend either concert you missed perhaps one of the best singing performances ever heard in northeast Ohio.

The concert's opening song was "Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming." The next set of songs included "O, Holy Night," "In the bleak mid-winter," "The First Noel," and the Latin and English song, "In Dulci Jubilo."

The four-part harmonies of soprano, alto, tenor, and bass voices from both male and female were in perfect pitch and resounded throughout the church for the entire concert.

The singing continued with "O Little One Sweet," "Christmas Lullaby," "Carol of the Bells," "Do You Hear What I hear" and the concluding song of "Coventry Carol."

The first set of songs centered around known English, or what is also referred to as "Old English" originating mainly from Great Britain.

The second set focused on various Slovenian Christmas music starting with "Noč božična sveta noč" (Christmas Night, Holy Night), "Dete Rajska" (Heavenly Child), "Počivaj, milo Detece" (Oh Rest, Sweet Child), "Angelsko Petje" (The Angels Sing), "Polnočni Zvon" (Midnight Bells), and "Božji nam je rojen Sin" (Born Unto Us is a Child).

The final set reflected on Sacred Christmas music familiar in the U.S.A.

These songs were in a variety of styles.

—Lord."

The conclusion of the program was Handel's famous "Hallelujah Chorus," a most difficult four-part harmony. It is interesting to note the 300 attendees at St. Vitus Church stood in unison during this song in deep appreciation for the concert offered by the choir to the community.

The choir concluded the program by singing the world-famous and best known and loved Christmas song, "Sveta Noč" — Silent Night.

It can be said without a moment's thought or feeling that we in northeast Ohio have a true treasure in the St. Vitus Youth Choir. To have the choir members and accompanying musicians perform during this hectic holiday season was one of the best Christmas gifts extended to the community-at-large. Perhaps one or more persons in the general community could enable the St. Vitus Choir to record this set of songs and have it made available around the world; and if the possibility exists to allow the choir to perform in other cities and states.

As one person commented to me after the performance, it was great, just great to hear such beautiful singing.

It must be noted that the early role models and persons who initially inspired the idea of a youth choir are to be commended for their foresight and guidance. To Jerry Zupan, Tony Sršen, and Martin Košnik, we simply say thanks for your patience and guidance.

And we also say thank you to John Sršen who has for so many years directed the youth

choir.

The participants of the St. Vitus Nine-Eleven Choir for the 1994 Christmas were: director John Sršen; organist, William Cunningham; soprano: Jeanne Cunningham, Martina Jakomin, Christy Snyder-Mihelich, Sue Snyder, Kristen Sršen, and Louise Strauss; alto: Joanne Celestina, Josie Cerer, Margie Rihtar-Lavrisha, Toni Sršen, Vida Potočnik-Thorkelson, and Mary Ann Vogel; tenor: John Grubach, Karl Klesin, Stan Kodrin, Tony Mihelich, John Sršen, and Tom Stepeč; bass: Mark Celestina, Joe Cerer, Ron Jaksic, Bart Slak, Tony Sršen, Tom Sršen, and Ivan Zupan.

The string quartet consisted of David Klein (violin), Sherrie Lee (violin), Norma Jean Stanford (viola), and Robert Rist (cello).

Refreshments and pastries were served afterward in the lower church hall to the delight of all.

As they say in Latin, "Ad Multos Annos" (And For Many More Years).

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Diary of submariner

(Continued)

by JANKO MAJNIK
Cooma, N.S.W., Australia

There was no respite. Wave after wave of planes were dropping the bombs indiscriminately. Most of the bombs were exploding on the hill behind the fuel storage tanks and the nearby anchored oil tanker Perun. The church bells stopped tolling as a bomb damaged the steeple. Only one home in the village was slightly damaged.

The next two formations of high flying planes commenced to drop incendiary bombs onto the fuel storage tanks. They too missed the target, falling into the sea where they fizzled out. The mountain batteries seemed to be giving the attackers severe discomfort. Their constant firing forced the planes to fly high above the mountains.

But the true hell broke out at 1600 hours when the sky became so full of planes that it was impossible to make even an estimated guess. And the bombs — it virtually "rained" bombs. They were all of a very small size but just as deadly, I suppose.

Nearby, the moaning and wailing of women and children could be heard. I persuaded Petrovic and Marusic (we had become inseparable by now) to come down with me and try to soothe and pacify them. They were all huddled in a hollow all looking numb with fear. The constant explosions and the incessant sounds of the bomber's motors bringing with them death became too much for them to bear. We stayed with them until there were no planes left.

At 1700 hours a reconnaissance plane arrived and flew so high and so silently that to a naked eye it could have easily been mistaken for an eagle. And that was the last plane over Boka Kotorska today.

The air in the submarine was stale. Outside, the evening was beautiful without a cloud in the sky. The three of us decided to spend the night in the fresh air, under the stars.

Armed with blankets and a pillow we found a suitable spot where we made our beds. We talked about the amazing speed, maneuvering and luck of the destroyer "Dubrovnik," of the incessant bombing, wondering how

long before the oil tanker or our submarine would get hit. How long will this war last? How is its progress? Are we winning or losing the war? What will the three of us do with the submarine if it ever comes to handing it over to the enemy? Of one thing we were positive — no enemy would lay hands on her! Not our "Nebojsa," ever. The night soon ended in a sleep that lasted until sun-up.

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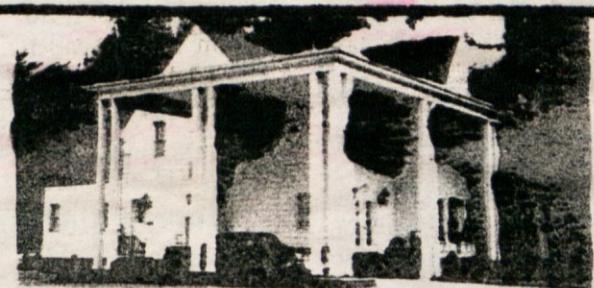
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4 DEATH NOTICES

LJUBA D. FURLICH

Services for Ljuba D. Furlich (Dolinar); 83 of Cleveland, a homemaker, were at 9:30 Wednesday, Dec. 28 at St. Mary's Church, 15519 Holmes Ave., Cleveland.

Mrs. Furlich died Dec. 24 at St. John West Shore Hospital in Westlake.

Born Oct. 8, 1911 in Yugoslavia, she lived there until moving to Cleveland 60 years ago.

She was a member of the Croatian Fraternal Union.

Survivors are her sons, Albert of Avon, Edward of Cleveland, and Michael and Charles, both of Dallas; daughter, Barbara Kristoff of San Diego; 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and brother, Stefan Dolinar of Croatia.

Her husband, Nicholas and parents, Andrew and Dora, also are deceased.

Friends called at Brickman & Sons Funeral Home, 21900 Euclid Avenue, Euclid. The Rev. John Kumse officiated at services. Burial in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon Township.

The family suggests contributions to St. Augustine Church, 2486 W. 14th St., Cleveland 44113.

JOSEPH MOSTAR

Joseph Mostar (78); brother of Mary Stampfel, Tony Mostar (dec.), and Angela Spehek (dec.); uncle of Raymond Stampfel, Ronald Spehek, James Mostar, Helen Jacoby, Carol Hancharik (Fla.), and Beverly Kuret (Texas).

Family received friends Wednesday at Zak Funeral Home, 6016 St. Clair Ave.

Funeral Thursday with a 9:00 chapel service followed by a 9:30 a.m. Mass in St. Vitus Church. Interment in Calvary Cemetery.

FRANCES KOLENC

Frances Kolenc (nee Selan), 82, passed away in her home on Monday, January 3rd after a long illness.

Frances was born in Cleveland. She was a member of SNPJ 614, Slovenian Women's Union No. 50, and the Euclid Pensioners.

Frances was the widow of Mario who died in 1966; the mother of Sandra and Carol (Mrs. Richard) Mayher; grandmother of Rick and Randy; sister of Josephine Vogrig and the following deceased: Elsie Raizis, Tony Selan, and Edward Selan.

Friends may call at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152nd St., Thursday, Jan. 5 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m., where services will be Friday at 9:15 a.m. and at Holy Cross Church at 10 a.m. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

LUDWIG PONIKVAR

Ludwig Ponikvar, 72, died on Saturday, December 28th after a brief illness in Manor Care Nursing Home.

Ludwig was born in

Yugoslavia. He was retired from Republic Steel where he was employed as a welder.

Ludwig was the son of Jennie (nee Zalar) and Joseph (both deceased); the brother of Joseph (dec.), Louis (dec.), Antoinette Nosan and Sophie Krašovic; uncle of four.

Private funeral services were held. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements by Zele Funeral Home.

FRED E. MOCNIK

Services for Fred E. Mocnik, 72, of Willoughby Hills, Ohio, a retired letter carrier, were held at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 30 at Calvary Assembly of God, 28870 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills.

Mr. Mocnik died Monday, Dec. 26 at Richmond Heights General Hospital.

Born July 21, 1922 in Cleveland, he lived in Cleveland before moving to Willoughby Hills 35 years ago.

He was a member of Euclid Veterans Club and Euclid Pensioners Club.

He was a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service for 31 years, retiring in 1986.

Survivors are his wife, Lois A. (Belcher); sons, Fred (Renee) of Willoughby, Robert (Elaine) of Chester Township, Frank (Ann) of Willoughby Hills, Joe (Debbie) of Eastlake and William of Willoughby; daughter, Laurie (Michael) Domingo of Willoughby; sister, Viola Mocnik; and grandchildren: Jessica, Michelle and Stephanie.

Friends were received at The Dan Cosic Funeral Home, 28890 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills. Burial was in All Souls Cemetery.

If you have enough push, you don't have to worry about the pull.

SOPHIE F. JAPEL

Services for Sophie F. (Brodnik) Japel, 82, of Cleveland, a retired sewing machine operator, were held at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 29 at St. Jerome Catholic Church, 15000 Lake Shore Blvd., in Cleveland.

Mrs. Japel died Dec. 26 at University Hospital in Cleveland.

Born Oct. 23, 1912 in Cleveland, she lived in the Collinwood neighborhood of Cleveland for 53 years.

She was a member of Slovenian Homes Union of

America, American Slovenian Club in Fairport Harbor, St. Jerome's Ministry of Praise where she was involved with the "Seniors," and the Altar and Rosary Society. She was also a member of United Auto Workers Local No. 1045.

She retired in 1984 from General Motors Fisher Body Coit Road plant after 33 years as a sewing machine operator.

Survivors are her sons, Richard J. (Vicki Gibson) of Perry, Dennis R. (Sally K.) of Wickliffe; grandchildren, Lynne M. (Rob) Zgodinski, Rick A., Michael D., Michelle

D., and Marc D.; grandchildren, Evan and Tara; sister Mary Figurski; and brother Anthony.

A sister: Jennie Marolt, and brothers John, Louie and Joe, are deceased.

Friends were received Wednesday, Dec. 28 at The Dan Cosic Funeral Home, 28890 Chardon Road in Willoughby Hills. Burial in All Souls Cemetery in Chardon Township.

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—William Hazlitt

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Christmas love: the family

by Sister Mary Ellen
Brinovec, OSU
Family Ministry

Have you seen Tim Allen in *Santa Clause*? If you have, I hope that this will represent some of your thoughts or perhaps give you cause to reflect on the film, and if you haven't, I hope that it is on your Christmas agenda.

The film begins in the typical '90s style. Tim is entertaining his son for Christmas Eve. Mom drops him off with the usual set of reminders for both dad and son. After a failed dinner and a trip to Denny's (on Christmas Eve!) they bed down for the evening. Thus begins a fairy tale (with several trips to the North Pole) which is equal to the Brothers' Grimm. What I found so enchanting about the story is not its departure from reality, but the love and acceptance that lead Tim into a not too typical life experience.

Without giving anything away to those of you who haven't experienced *Santa Clause* as yet, I can safely say that the meaning of Christmas found its way into the film quite unexpectedly. It was a delight to see that both Tim and his wife could forget themselves and sacrifice for their son. It was also very heart-warming to see the little boy of about eight be so concerned and understanding of his parents. And what does this have to do with the true meaning of Christmas?

Christmas, I believe, is the festival of family love. This is true whether your family numbers 50 or one because the secret of Christmas joy is allowing the love incarnate, Emmanuel, God-with-us, into our hearts and our lives. And this is the challenge and the gift.

The challenge of that kind of love incarnate is its self-giving. It is love meant to be given away, unconditionally, to those whom God has put into our lives to love. For most of us those people are within our

families. Here is the place that we are called upon to spread God's life and love so generously, and to help others to believe in themselves, have hope in the future, and love us in return. And herein lies the gift of bringing Emmanuel to others, that we are loved in return!

May this Christmas season fill you with the surprise of Christmas love. May this draw you closer to those with whom you share your life. May it be the opportunity to reflect on God-with-us! And may it provide you many opportunities to share with others all you have received.

From St. Mary's (Collinwood) church bulletin.

Greetings

Ameriška Domovina editor Dr. Rudolph M. Šušel received a beautiful New Year's greeting card from Milan Kučan, President of the Republic of Slovenia.



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Friday, January 13

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., 8-12 with Casuals.

Sunday, Jan. 15

Dance from 4-8 at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., with Freddie Zwick.

Friday, Jan. 20

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., from 8-12 featuring Eddie Grech.

Friday, Jan. 27

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., from 8-12 featuring Orcades.

Friday, Feb. 3

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., featuring Eddie Grech from 8-12.

Friday, Feb. 10

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 W. 130 St., from 8-12 featuring Ron Stark.

Sunday, Feb. 12

Dance at West Park Slovene Home, 4583 4-8 p.m. featuring Freddie Zwick.

Sunday, Feb. 19

St. Vitus Slovenian School Kosilo (annual fund-raising dinner) served in the St. Vitus school auditorium, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 26

Holmes Ave. Pensioners Club Dinner Dance at Collinwood Slovenian Home, 15810 Holmes Ave. Music by Lenny Andexler Orchestra. Donation \$12.00. For tickets call 943-3784 or 531-2088.

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6 / Slovene Delegation to Speak at Public Forum

Ambassadors Allan Wendt (U.S.) and Ernest Petrič (Slovenia), Minister for the Economy Davorin Kračun

7:30 p.m., Friday, January 13, 1995
Slovenian Workmen's Home
15335 Waterloo Road, Cleveland
Admission is free and open to the public

The Slovenian American Heritage Foundation announces a special public forum to be held on Friday, January 13, at 7:30 p.m., at the Slovenian Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Road in Cleveland. The forum will feature representatives of the Slovene delegation attending the White House Trade Conference in Cleveland.

Scheduled to appear at the public forum are United States Ambassador to Slovenia, Allan Wendt, Slovenia's Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Ernest Petrič, and the Minister for Economic Development of Slovenia's government, Davorin Kračun. Mr. Kračun will lead the Slovene delegation to the White House conference, which will be held at the Stouffer Tower City Plaza Hotel on January 12-13.

Each of the guests will present his view on economic and political developments in Slovenia, with a special focus on trade relations with the United States. The delegation members will also answer questions from those in attendance. This evening will provide an excellent opportunity to hear first hand how Slovenia is developing as a free market economy and how the United States is assisting the process.

Slovenia is one of fourteen Central and East European countries invited to participate in the White House Conference on Trade and Investment in Central and Eastern Europe. President Bill Clinton and Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown Jr. also are expected to attend. The sessions of the conference itself are not open to the general public.



Nicholas Ronald Randlett makes debut

Jeffrey Ronald Randlett and Jožica Champa Randlett proudly announce the birth of their son Nicholas Ronald Randlett.

Following Thanksgiving weekend and family get-together, Nicholas was born on Sunday morning, November 27th, 1994 at Crittenton Hospital, Rochester Hills, Michigan. He weighed 8 lbs., 4 ozs., and was 21 inches long.

Grandmother for the third time is Amalija Champa of Richmond Heights, Ohio. Nicholas joins cousins Andrew Champa, 3-1/2 and Zachary Champa, two-years-old. Grandparents for the first time are M. Ronald and Lillian Randlett of Cuba, Missouri.

Paternal Great-Grandparents are Elaine Randlett and Andrew and Rose D'Angelo, all of Laconia, New Hampshire.

In Memory

I am enclosing a check for \$35.00; \$25.00 for the paper and \$10.00 in memory of John and Jennie Dolenc.

Jean Sterling

Write Tofant!

This is for my subscription to the American Home. My brother gives it to me as a Christmas gift every year for the past four years. However, he is now ailing in a convalescent home. His address is: Wm. Tofant, 17814 Neff Rd., Cleveland, OH 44119. Get-Well cards will be greatly welcome.

Rose Godich
Bradenton, Fla.

Tomsick plays at Governor's Ball

The Inauguration of Governor George V. Voinovich of Ohio will take place on Monday, January 9 in Columbus. Inauguration Day includes three events: the Inaugural Ceremony, the "Salute to Ohio's Diversity" Inaugural Luncheon, and the Governor's Inaugural Ball.

WELW (1330-AM) radio personality Tony Petkovsek will emcee the ethnic-diversified luncheon.

The Governor's Inaugural Ball will be held at the Greater Columbus Convention Center beginning at 8 p.m. The Joey Tomsick Orchestra, a well-known Cleveland-style polka band, and Timmy and the Tuxedos of Cleveland, will provide the evening's entertainment.

Anthony Rotolo, the residence administrator, "Mrs. Frangesh was a member of St. Vitus Parish and enjoyed the entertainment provided by the children of St. Vitus during many Christmas visits to the Slovene Home for the Aged."

We were deeply touched by this gift and feel that this warmth and generosity makes our efforts worthwhile.

—The Teachers of St. Vitus Slovenian School



The Frank Belaj Haberdashery was located at 6205 St. Clair Avenue. Owner Frank Belaj immigrated to the U.S.A. in 1905 from Sodražice, Velike Lašče, Slovenia. After opening a store in Newburgh, he moved to the St. Clair area.

Mr. Belaj married Mary Modic and a lovely daughter, Olga Mary Belaj Conway was born. Her son is Tom Conway. After operating the men's and boy's clothing store for over half a century, Mr. Belaj retired in 1959. With his health failing, he expired in the Slovene Home for the Aged on the afternoon of February 23, 1965. The early Slovenian pioneer was buried in Lakeview Cemetery on Feb. 26, 1965.

Pictured left to right are John Mocnik, tailor, Frank Belaj, owner, and two unidentified employees. (Picture circa 1910.)

St. Vitus Slovenian School at SHA



St. Vitus Slovenian School Christmas visit to Slovene Home for the Aged on Dec. 17, 1994.

On Saturday, December 17th, the students of St. Vitus Slovenian School visited the Slovene Home for the Aged to sing for the residents. Several generations of Slovenians were bridged when the residents joined us in singing Slovenian Christmas carols.

On this occasion, our school received a surprise gift from the Home on behalf of the recently deceased Mrs. Anna Frangesh. As stated by Dr.

Holmes Avenue Pensioners News

On Wednesday, Dec. 14 the Annual Christmas Party for the Holmes Avenue Pensioners took place on the second floor of the Collinwood Slovenian Home on Holmes Ave. In attendance were over 300 members and guests. Present were Father Victor Tomc, Father Victor Cimperman and Father John Kumse. Prayers before our meal was served were said by Father Tomc. A delicious meal was prepared by Julie Zalar (cook) and her staff. Music for dancing was by the Button Box Buddies.

Many thanks to Jennie Schultz, Mary Okicki, Mary Blatnik for their help in the checkroom. The kitchen band directed by Gus Petelinkar, played.

Thanks to Santa Claus who passed out carnations to the ladies who were present and those over 80-90 years old: Honey Kramer, Mary Habat. Also remembered was Millie Novak (deceased) who was so generous to the club with her donations of noodles. A reverse raffle was held thanks to Emilee Kersman and her helpers. A Slovenian doll was again donated by Ruth Kolenc who has given a doll for many years to the club. Our sincere thanks to Ruth. The winner of

Big 'Thank You'

The Board of Directors of the St. Clair Slovenian National Home would like to extend a big Thank You to everyone who came to the Fund-Raiser Raffle-Pre-New Year's Eve celebration which was held on Wednesday, December 28th. It was most gratifying to see such a large number of people in attendance. It pleased us to see a lot of new faces among the crowd along with our regular patrons.

Our monthly raffle is held on the last Wednesday of each month. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost of admission ticket is \$10.00 (admits two). Delicious refreshments are served and live music is also provided for either your listening or dancing pleasure. Do not worry about parking, as security parking is provided.

We also added a new feature for those people who live in the immediate neighborhood. If you do not drive or do not care to drive at night, please call Geri Hopkins at 361-5115 and arrangements will be made to pick you up and take you back home.

It would be greatly appreciated to see our future monthly raffles increase in size and therefore we urge you to attend. It is through your continued financial support that we will keep our St. Clair Slovenian National Home "alive and well."

The Board of Directors would like to express thanks to everyone for their financial support this past year and would like to wish everyone a Healthy and Happy New Year.

—Sylvia Plymesser

the doll was Alice Ourednik.

Many thanks to Matt Zabukovec for his fine job in putting the Christmas party together, as well as to all his helpers. Thanks to Jennie Tuma for being there to give me a hand with my writing when I was unable to attend. Thanks again, Jennie.

This is my last article for the Holmes Ave. Pensioners and my thanks to James and Madeline for putting the Pensioners News in the American Home newspaper.

Happy, belated Merry Christmas and Healthy New Year for 1995. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, January 11th at 12:30 p.m.

—Ann Stefancic

In Support

Enclosed is a (\$25.00) donation in support of the American Home newspaper. Enjoy the articles very much.

Frank and Vida Zak
Euclid, Ohio

Enjoys paper

Enclosed is a check for \$25.00 for the 1995 subscription. We enjoy the newspaper very much.

Frances Ogoreuc
Euclid, Ohio

Generous donations

The following people made generous donations to the Ameriška Domovina:

Holmes Ave. Pensioners — \$70.00

Mr. Joe Zuzak of the R & D Sausage Co. donated \$50.00 to the Ameriška Domovina.

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St. Anne Lodge No. 150 KSKJ donated \$25.00 to the Ameriška Domovina.

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In Memory

Enclosed is a check for \$35.00 which covers the annual subscription; the balance is a donation of \$10.00 in memory of my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cermely.

Mary Cermely
Rocky River, Ohio

Donates \$25

Thanks to Frank Kacar of Euclid, Ohio who donated \$25.00 to the American Home.

In Memory

Enclosed is a check for Ameriška Domovina subscription plus a \$10.00 donation in memory of my husband, Louis Arko.

Mrs. Erna Arko
Euclid, Ohio

The less you open your heart to others, the more your heart suffers.



VESTI IZ SLOVENIJE

Papež Janez Pavel II. bo prvič obiskal Slovenijo leta 1996 in sicer za dva dni Škof Janez Jenko umrl 24. decembra

Prva številka tedenika »Družina« v novem letu poroča o seji Slovenske škofovske konference, ki je bila 19. decembra: »Na tej seji so z veseljem sprejeli uradno sporočilo z vatikanskega državnega tajništva, da bo papež Janez Pavel II. prišel na obisk v Slovenijo leta 1996 za dva dni, soboto in nedeljo. Dokončni datum bodo kmalu sporočili. Po novem letu se bo začela duhovna priprava na papežev obisk v Sloveniji. Organizacijski odbor za pripravo papeževega obiska bodo škofje imenovali na svoji prihodnji seji.«

Ista številka *Družine* obširno poroča tudi o smrti 24. decembra popoldne 84 let starega koprskega škofa Janeza Jenka: »V soboto, 24. decembra, ob 14. uri je v izolski bolnišnici nepričakovano umrl koprski škof v pokoju dr. Janez Jenko. V začetku tedna je odšel na operacijo žolčnih kamnov. Operacija je uspela, bolnikovo pooperativno stanje je bilo normalno, v soboto pa mu je ne-nadoma odpovedalo srce. Previden in pripravljen na smrt je umrl na rokah koprskega škofa msgr. Metoda Piriha, ki je s sodelavci ravno tedaj prišel na obisk.« Maša zadušnica in pogreb sta bila 28. decembra v koprski stolnici. (Homilija škofa Pirih na str. 8.)

O pogrebu škofa Jenka je *Slovenec* 29. decembra poročal takole: »V koprski stolni cerkvi sv. Nazarija so se včeraj popoldne številni verniki zadnjič poslovili od nekdanjega koprskega škofa dr. Janeza Jenka. Sveti mašo je vodil ljubljanski škof in slovenski metropolit dr. Alojzij Šuštar ob asistenci šestih nadškofov, osmih škofov in več kot dvestotih duhovnikov iz Italije, Avstrije, Hrvaške in Slovenije. Pred koncem maše so prebrali številne sožalne brzjavke, med njimi tudi brzjavki zagrebškega nadškofa kardinala Franja Kuharića in beograjskega nadškofa dr. Franca Perka.

Škofa dr. Janeza Jenka so pokopali v grobnico za glavnim oltarjem v neposredni bližini prvega koprskega škofa in zavetnika sv. Nazarija. Krsta je položena kot vse duhovniške krste, in sicer tako, da pokojnik gleda proti ljudem v cerkvi. Od pokojnega se je velika množica ljudi zadnjič poslovila tudi s kropljenjem za oltarjem. Koprska stolnica je bila pretesna za vse, ki so se že zeleni pokloniti pokojnemu škofu, čeprav je to največja cerkev v Sloveniji.

LDS in ZL nameravata tesneje sodelovati — Levičarski stranki za novo vladno koalicijsko pogodbo — Dr. Peter Vencelj ni sprejemljiv kot zunanjji minister dr. Janezu Drnovšku

Pretekli četrtek je *Slovenec* poročal o skupnem sestanku poslanskih skupin LDS in ZL, torej dveh od treh strank v trostrankarski koalicijski vladi. Poslanci obeh strank so se očitno zelo dobro razumeli, presodili so leto 1994 kot usepšno, predlagali pa pripravo nove, tokrat »enotne« koalicijske pogodbe. To pomeni, da naj bi v slučaju take pogodbe imela ZL popolnoma enakopraven položaj, kar pod sedanjem vsaj formalno glezano nima.

Dalje: »Sodelovanje med LDS in ZL je bilo več kot zgledno, kar se je, kljub nekaterim nesoglasjem pri obravnavi zakona o lokalni samoupravi, pokazalo pri obravnavi paketa zakonov s področja sodstva, pri paketu gospodarskih zakonov ter zakona o pravni krvic. Dogovori s poslansko skupino SKD pa so po sporu med Lojetom Peterletom in dr. Janezom Drnovškom, ki se pogovarjata le še prek javnih pisem, skorajda zamrli.« Predsednik poslanske skupine LDS Tone Anderlič je na tiskovni konferenci dejal, naj bi se pogovori o še odprtih vprašanjih med SKD na eni in LDS in ZL na drugi strani nadaljevali v letu 1995, ki bo, je dodal, usodno za nadaljevanje trostrankarske koalicije. Miran Potrč, predsednik poslanske skupine ZL pa je rekel, da je zaradi zpletov s SKD treba ali podpisati novo koalicijsko pogodbo ali vsaj sprejeti aneks sedanji. Vsekakor, je pripomnil, če so teme, o katerih ni mogoče najti soglasja, naj bi o le-teh sploh ne govorili. Taka »tema« bi gotovo bila, na primer, stališče do popravi krvic. Ker soglasja med ZL in LDS ter SKD o tej temi ni, naj bi je - po Potrču - sploh ne obravnavali. Dejansko bi to pomenilo, da bi ne bilo nič storjeno glede poprave krvic.

Potem kot je premier dr. Janez Drnovšek predlagal za novo slovensko zunanjo ministrico Mojco Drčar-Murkovo, so Slovenski krščanski demokrati predlagala za kandidata za to mesto dr. Petra Venclja, sedanjega državnega sekretarja v zunanjem ministrstvu za Slovence po svetu. Seveda ni bilo misliti, da bi Drnovšek to kandidaturo sprejel in je v pismu SKD stranko svoj odklon dr. Venclja potrdil. Po formalno še veljavni koalicijski pogodbi med SKD in LDS, pripada mesto zunanjega ministra SKD.



Foto kaže novega ljubljanskega župana dr. Dimitrija Rupla in dosedanjega župana Jožeta Strgarja. Na konstitutivni seji novega mestnega sveta, ki je bila 22. decembra, je bilo zbranih vseh 45 svetnikov. Že ta in naslednje seje pa so potrdile, da se bodo zapleti pri vodenju mesta nadaljevali tudi pod novim županom, ki ne razpolaga z njemu naklonjeno večino v svetu.

Iz Clevelandia in okolice

Članski sestanek —

Dramatsko društvo Lilija ima članski sestanek v ponedeljek, 9. januarja, ob 8. uri zvezcer, v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue.

ZapisEGA —

Novembra lani ponovno izvoljeni guverner George V. Voinovich bo pričel svojo drugo štiriletno mandatno dobo na ponedeljek. Slovenosti bodo v Columbusu začenši ob 11.30 dop. v Ohio Theatre, 55 East State Str. Ob 1.30 bo obed v konvencijskem centru na 400 North High Street. Tema obeda je mnogokulturnost ohijskega prebivalstva, nastopili bo več etničnih skupin, program bo povezoval Tony Petkovsek. Vstopnice: \$20. V ponedeljek zvečer bo ples (\$50 na osebo), igral bo Joey Tom-sick orkester. Za več informacije, pokličite »Inaugural Committee« na 614-228-1999.

Novi grobovi

Frances Kolenc

Dne 3. januarja je na svojem domu umrla 82 let stará Frances Kolenc, rojena Selan v Clevelandu, vdova po l. 1966 umrlem možu Mario-tu, mati Sandre in Carol Mayher, 2-krat stará mati, sestra Josephine Vogrig ter že pok. Elsie Raizis, Tonya in Edwarda, članica SŽZ št. 50, SNPJ št. 614 in Kluba upokojencev v Euclidu. Pogreb bo jutri, 6. januarja, iz Želetovega zavoda na E. 152 St. dop. ob 9.15, v cerkev Sv. Križa ob 10h in od tam na Kalvarijo. Ure kropljene bodo danes pop. od 2. do 4. in zv. od 7. do 9.

Charles A. Baznik

Umrl je 95 let stari Charles A. Baznik, oče Blanche Jones in dr. Charlesa ml., 8-krat stari oče, 7-krat prastari oče, brat Edwarda ter že pok. msgr. Louisa, Matthewa, Josepha, Johna, Angele, Rose Jansa in Alice Zorc, 12-krat stric. Pogreb je bil 2. januarja iz Zak zavoda na 6016 St. Clair Ave. s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Vida in pokopom na Kalvarije pokopališču.

Ludwig Ponikvar

Umrl je 72 let stari Ludwig Ponikvar, brat Antoinette Nossan, Sophie Krasovic ter že pok. Josepha in Louisa, 4-krat stric. Privaten pogreb je bil v oskrbi Želetovega zavoda.

Frances Fabian

Umrla je Frances Fabian, rojena Lunder, sestra Agnes, Josephine Janchar ter že pok. Josepha, Raymonda, Edwarda in Johna. Privaten pogreb je bil 24. decembra v oskrbi Zak zavoda s pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

(dalje na str. 10)

Javni forum —

Prihodnji četrtek in petek bo v Clevelandu mednarodna konferenca, na kateri bo sodelovala tudi delegacija iz Slovenije. Slovenian American Heritage Foundation sponzorira javni forum v petek, 13. jan., ob 7.30 zv. v SDD na Waterloo Rd. Člani slovenske delegacije bodo govorili o Sloveniji. Javnost vabljena, vstopnine ni. Dopis na str. 8.

V Rožmanov sklad —

Študentov v oskrbi Mohorjevih domov so se z darom spomnili: \$80 g. ga. Janez Gorčan; g. ga. Frank Dejak \$20 v spomin na Marijo Boh; za pokojno Ano Lah so darovali po \$10 ga. Frances Kosem, ga. Paula Adamič in g. Janez Pičman; v spomin Marije Derling pa so darovali \$10 g. Janez Pičman in g. ga. Frank Pustotnik iz Geneve, O. Vsem darovalcem se lepo zahvaljuje pov. J. Prosen.

Krofi —

Oltarno društvo pri Sv. Vidu bo imelo prodajo krofov v soboto, 14. januarja, od 8. zj. dalje, v društveni sobi šolskega avditorija.

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V spomin pokojnih —

Ga. Frančiška Vidergar, Toronto, Kan., je darovala \$50 v podporo našemu listu, v spomin pokojne sestre Marije Mrva.

G. Lojze Jarem, Euclid, O., pa je daroval \$25, v spomin dr. Franca Blatnika ob 17. obletnici njegove smrti 23. decembra.

Obema darovalcema naša najlepša hvala.

Božični darovi —

Mnogi rojaki in ustanove so naš tiskovni sklad obogateli z denarnimi darovi: B. Svetlič, Baltimore, Md., \$25; Mary Zimperman, Euclid, O., \$50; društvo sv. Ane št. 150 KSKJ, \$25; R & D Sausage, Joe Žužek, lastnik, Cleveland, O., \$50; Frank in Vida Zak, Cleveland, O., \$25; Progresivne Slovenke Amerike, \$100; g. Frank Kacar, Euclid, \$25; ga. Marija Žnidaršič, \$15; g. John in ga. Rose Larish, Rochester, NY, \$25; društvo Cleveland št. 9 ADZ, \$30; Klub upokojencev na Holmes Ave., Cleveland, \$70; dr. John Kastelic, M.D., Akron, O., \$50; Slovensko ameriški Primorski klub, Cleveland, \$50; Slovenska Pristava, \$50; Tabor DSPB, \$50; ga. Mary Princ, Cleveland, \$25. Najlepša hvala vsem!

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Homilija na pogrebu škofa dr. Janeza Jenka

Predragi bratje in sestre!

Vse sobrate v škofovski službi, duhovnike, redovnike, redovnice, diakone, bogoslovce, semeničnike, sorodnike rajnega škofa, predstavnike oblasti in vas, dragi verniki iz škofije in od drugod, prisrčno pozdravljam. Gospodu Francu, bratu rajnega škofa, in vsem sorodnikom izražam globoko sožalje.

Ob koncu mednarodnega leta družine se je izteklo zemeljsko življenje našega škofa Janeza Jenka, zato razmišljajmo, kako je bil v svojem skoraj 85-letnem življenju povezan z različnimi družinami.

Ko se je 5. maja 1910 rodil na Jami v župniji Mavčiče na Gorenjskem, je kot deseti otrok postal član svoje domače - Petrove družine. Vsi so ga z veseljem sprejeli, zlasti še, ker je pred njim prijokalo na svet devet sester. Kakšen dan po rojstvu je postal s svetim krstom član župnijske družine. Svojevrstno družino je ustvarjal s svojimi sošolci in sošolkami doma, potem na Bledu pri svojem stricu, župniku Janezu Oblaku. Član nove družine je postal, ko je vstopil v Zavod sv. Stanislava v Šentvidu nad Ljubljano leta 1921, in pozneje, ko je na Teološki fakulteti v Ljubljani v letih 1929-1934 odlično študiral teologijo.

Z mašniškim posvečenjem, ki mu ga je 8. julija 1934 podelil ljubljanski škof Gregorij Rožman, je postal član duhovniške družine. Duhovništvo je poslanstvo in služenje. Kristus ga je po predstojnikih postal najprej za kratek čas za kaplana v Kostanjevico na Dolenjskem in že isto leto za vzgojitelja v Zavod v Šentvid. Leta 1940 je odšel v Beograd in tam je 24 let ustvarjal svojevrstno družino kot katehet na gimnaziji, kot urednik Blagovesti in kot generalni vikar beografske nadškofije. Za vse to mu sedanji beografski nadškof in metropolit Franc Perko, ki se ni mogel udeležiti pogreba, izraža iskreno zahvalo.

Svojevrstno družinsko izkustvo rajnega škofa je bilo tudi, ko je leta 1946 prestal 3 meseca zapora. Leta 1964 ga je papež Pavel VI. poslal v našo škofijsko družino na Primorsko. S škofovskim posvečenjem pred dobrimi tridesetimi leti (6. 9. 1964 v Logu pri Vipavi) je postal naš prvi učitelj in voditelj, z ureditvijo koprsko škofije v povečanih mejah leta 1977 pa njen prvi in najvišji pastir.

Po vzoru Jezusa Dobrega pastirja si je prizadeval spoznati vse duhovnike svoje škofije in čim več vernikov. Vsak mesec nas je v škofijskem listu spodbujal, kakšni moramo biti. Skrbel je za čistost in pravovernost cerkvenega nauka. Petkrat je po svoji pastirski službi obšel vso škofijo in se je na pastoralnih obiskih srečeval ne le z duhovniki, ampak tudi z birmanci, z mladino, s starši in botri ter z vsem Božjim ljudstvom. Njegova srčna želja je bila, da bi se moralno življenje na Primorskem z ureditvijo škofije Koper - za to pa ima rajni škof velike zasluge - dvignilo in okreplilo. Škof Janez je bil možat, pokončen, pošten, delaven, urejen in iskren človek, sinovsko vdan sv. očetu in globoko povezan z Bogom. Bil je na dveh koncilskih zasedanjih II. vatikanskega cerkvenega zbora in na treh sinodah. Ko je odložil odgovornost škofovske službe, je tudi zadnjih sedem let ostal na škofiji in je bil prav z nami, s katerimi je skupaj preživel ta leta, družinsko povezan. Vsak dan smo bili skupaj pri maši, skupaj smo molili in skupaj smo se zbirali k družinski mizi.

Slovenska vladna delegacija pride v Cleveland za konferenco pod sponzorstvom Bele hiše

Javni forum v SDD na Waterloo Rd. 13. januar

CLEVELAND, O. - Prihodno sredo zvečer pride v Cleveland skoro 20-članska delegacija iz Sloveniji, ki ji bo načeloval minister za ekonomsko odnose in razvoj Davorin Krčun. Slovenija je pač ena od 14 držav iz Srednje in Vzhodne Evrope, ki je bila povabljena k sodelovanju na »Conference on Trade and Investment in Central and Eastern Europe«. Konferenco sponzorira Bela hiša in bo 12. in 13. januarja v Stouffer Tower City Plaza hotelu. Sodelovalo bo nekaj sto vodilnih poslovnežev iz najbolj močnih ameriških podjetij, v slovenski delegaciji bodo pa direktorji nekaterih močnejših slovenskih podjetij.

Na konferenco bo prišel in imel govor predsednik Bill Clinton, konferenco samo bo pa vodil trgovinski tajnik v Clintonovi vladi Ronald Brown, ki bo tudi govoril.

V slovenski delegaciji bodo med drugimi dr. Ivo Banič, državni sekretar za industrijo, ga. Vojka Ravbar, tajnica za mednarodno trgovanje, in Marjan Smonig, podsekretar za trgovinske odnose. V Clevelandu se bosta delegacijami pripravila kot člana veleposlanik dr. Ernest Petrič in častni konzul dr. Karl B. Bonatti. Dalje, ameriška vlada je povabilo ameriške veleposlanike v državah, zastopanih na konferenci, naj se le-te tudi udeležujejo. Tako bo v Clevelandu še ameriški veleposlanik v Sloveniji Allan Wendt.

Med državami, povabljenimi na konferenco, so iz bivše Jugoslavije še Hrvaška, Bosna in Hercegovina in Makedonija, slednja pa je zaradi znanega zapleta z Grčijo glede državnega imena označena kot »bivša jugoslovanska republika Makedonija«. Poudariti velja, da med povabljenimi državami ni »nova« Jugoslavija oz. Srbija-Črna gora.

Po plenarni seji konference, tu bo glavni govornik seveda predsednik Clinton, bo delitev na osem sekcij. Vsaka teh bo obravnavala posamezno pango, pomembno za razvoj sode-

lujočih držav, s poudarkom na povečanje trgovanja med ZDA in njimi obojesmerno ter spodbujanje ameriškega investiranja v te države. Med pogrami so npr. kmetijstvo, gradbeništvo, telekomunikacije, energija itd.

Javni forum

s slovensko delegacijo

V petek, 13. januarja, bo v Slovenskem delavskem domu na 15335 Waterloo Rd. javni forum, na katerem bodo o

Sloveniji in tamkajšnjih razmerah govorili člani slovenske delegacije, navzoča bosta tudi veleposlanika Petrič in Wendt. Po krajših govorih bodo možna tudi vprašanja. Večer bo imel še družabni značaj. Tako bo možno srečati se s starimi znanci kot sta npr. dr. Petrič in g. Wendt.

SAHF, ki med drugim organizira letno srečanje s škofom Pevcem (gl. prvo angleško stran danes), lepo vabi slovensko javnost, da se javnega foruma udeleži. Vstopnine seveda ni in ste vsi dobrodošli.

Dr. Rudolph M. Susel

DROBTINICE, SLADKE IN ŽALTAVE

CLEVELAND, O. - Pregovor pravi: ne vpijte preglašno v sreči in tudi ne v nesreči, ker vse mine. Mimo so božični prazniki in razstopilo se je 365 dni leta 1994.

Silvestro. Zjutraj se nas je v velikem številu zbral tudi v naši cerkvi Marije Vnebovzetje in se Bogu zahvalilo za srečno preživeto leto — zvečer pa hajdi na veselo silvestrovjanje. Čakal sem, da me bo eden ali drugi povabil s seboj, saj tudi jaz bi rad v veseli družbi zaključil staro in vesel pričakal leto 1995. Pri nas doma se je reklo: kakšen boš zadnji dan v letu in prvi dan v novem letu, takšen boš celo leto — vesel in še drugim v veselje, ali pa cemerikav, da te bosta zemlja in sonce žalostna. No, tako smo pri nas ostali vsi doma, silvestrovjanje je minilo brez naju ne da bi komu kaj škodovalo.

Prve dni v zadnjem tednu pred silvestrovjem je vremenska napoved napovedovala kar pravo katastrofo z viharjem in snežnimi zameti. Nekaterim ženam je bilo žal (ne denarja!) časa in truda, ki so ga porabile z opletanjem po trgovinah za nakup nove obleke, možakarje (mene bi tudi) pa je grizla skrb, kako bo, če bodo ceste poledenele in veter vrtinčil sneg, da ne boš videl dveh metrov pred seboj — babnice pa bodo le tišale: »gremo!«. V dvorani vem, da bo lepo, ko se bomo v parih vrteli, a kaj bo zunaj, če z avtom zaplešeš polko ali pa večja skupina avtomobilov skupaj zapleše belo

kranjsko kolo.

Dobri svetnik sv. Elija, zadolžen pred Bogom, da skrbi za dogajanja v vsemirju, daje svojim podložnikom naročila, kje in kdaj naj zemljo nama kajo, ogrevajo, in kdaj naj namano spuste vetrove z dežjem ali snegom. Tega svetnika Elija jaz ne najdem v koledarju in ne v litanijah vseh svetnikov; mogoče je, da so ga cerkveni možje brcnili ven — prav kakor so v Ljubljani Peterleta in Janšo iz vlade. Hvala tebi, Elija, ker si za dva dni zimsko neurje preložil in pustil nam lepo vreme.

Moji rojaki, oni, ki so silvestrovali v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue, že tretji dan pripovedujejo, kako lepo so se zabavali in v meni skomine delajo. Hvalimo Boga sicer, ki nam da tako dobro kapljico, a boljša od one ni bila, ki se je pila na ženitovanju v Kani Galileji.

V Kani Galileji? Ja, tam. Drugo nedeljo po božiču boste v cerkvi slišali evangelij, ki pove, da se je pilo toliko, da je vina zmanjkalo. Še so bili nekateri gostje žejni. Verjetno so veliko jedli jagnjetine in perutnine v omaki žgoče paprike. Pravi evangelij (ne jaz), da sta na ženitovanju bila tudi Jezus in njegova mati Marija. Da je starešino spravil iz velike zadrge zaradi pomanjkanja pičače, je Jezus vodo v 6 kamnitih vrčih spremenil v vino.

Meni se zdi, da vrčev, kozarcev in litrov niso poznali. So kar po domače, po kranjsko vino z zajemalko (šefarco) zajemali, in nič za to, če se je pocedilo po bradi. Tam in takrat domov grede zapletanje nog in vrtenja v glavi ni delalo problema. Avtomobilov ni bilo, cesta, kakršna je že bila, je bila vsa tvoja, si lahko pešačil, če pa si imel oslička in nisi mogel na njem sedeti, lepo za rep si se ga prikel in te je (parametnejši od tebe) privlekel domov. Ni bilo predpisov brzine, ni bilo hudega, če sta se v gneči oslička ritnila. Ni bilo tovarn kaj prida, si imel mačka, združil si ga lahko več dni.

V času blagostanja na naših zabavah, na silvestrovjanju, pa je človek kakor v pajčevino ujet. So pa predpisi, kakršnih v Kani Galileji ni bilo. Na včerni zabavi, pri najlepšem razpoloženju, že tam pri deveti (daije na str. 9)

V teh letih je še več premolil za celotno škofijsko družino ter zanjo daroval svojo bolezen in druge starostne tegobe.

Bratje in sestre! Škof Janez je trdno veroval, da se bo vera spremenila v blaženo gledanje in trd življenjski boj v zmago. Tudi mi verujemo, da se njegovo življenje ni končalo in da se njegovo delo ni izgubilo. Vera nam pravi, da je ločitev od naših rajnih le začasna; ko so pretrgane telesne vezi, ostane med nami in njimi skrivnostna duhovna povezava. Apostol Pavel pravi: »Če namreč živimo, živimo za Gospoda, če pa umiramo, umiramo za Gospoda« (Rim 14,8). Ob Lazarjevi smrti je pokazal Jezus sočutje do Marte in Marije, hkrati pa zatrdiril: »Jaz sem vstajenje in življenje. Kdor vame veruje, bo živel, tudi če umrije« (Jn 11,25). Jezus je s tako gotovostjo razglasil posmrtno življenje in rekel, da je življenje močnejše od smrti in da je smrt kot kratko spanje in prehod v lepši svet.

Naj Bog dá nam vsem takó močno vero, kakor jo je imel škof Janez, da bomo počasi začutili bližino in veličino Njegovega bivanja! msgr. Metod Pirih, koprski škof

(Slovenec, 29. dec. 1994)

Škof Janez Jenko je bil tudi mnogim nam osebno znan. Pred leti je obiskal ZDA na povabilo Primorskega kluba. V kolikor sem obveščen, je edini povojni škof iz Slovenije, ki je maševal na Orlovem vrhu, kar je zelo motilo takratno konzulko Z. Klemen.

— Urednik

Dr. Jože Bernik izstopil kot odbornik Slovenske izseljenske matice

18. novembra 1994

Dr. Mirko Jurak, predsednik Slov. izseljenske matice
Spoštovani g. predsednik!

Sporočam Vam, da s tem pismom odstopam kot član izvršnega odbora Slovenske izseljenske matice.

Glavni razlog za moj odstop je moje že dolgo nestrinjanje s smerjo in načinom delovanja operativnega vodstva SIM. Prepričan sem, da SIM ne gre v pravo smer. Kombinacija selektivnih prosvetnih, kulturnih in pevskih programov je sama po sebi sicer koristna, vendar ni perspektivna. Celotno delovanje SIM je priložnostno in ne temelji na skrbno raziskanih in ugotovljenih generacijskih potrebah slovenskih izseljencev.

V skoraj štirih letih mojega članstva v IO, SIM operativno vodstvo (predsednik, podpredsednik in tajnik) nikdar ni naločila časa, da bi ob svojih okroglih mizah in drugih prireditvah sklical vsako leto, če ne pa vsaj enkrat na dve leti, dobro pripravljen delovno-programski sestanek; na tem bi se zunanj strokovnjaki, strokovni uslužbenci SIM in člani IO poglobili v analizo preteklega dela in na svojih dognanjih skušali pripraviti izhodišča za bodoče delo. Ker to ni bilo storjeno, SIM še vedno vozi po istih programskeh kolovozih, ki so bili narejeni že v časih pred slovensko pomladjo. Bojim se, da tako SIM vedno bolj postaja irrelevantna za bodočnost slovenskega izseljenstva.

Tajništvo SIM, ki je plačana funkcija, je v vsem tem času bilo vedno problematično. Naj omenim samo nekaj stvari. Še vedno je tajnost, kako je bojtroval sestavi sedanjega IO, dasi je bil vidno iniciator vsega tega sedanji tajnik. Ker pred prvim občnim zborom, od tega bo že skoraj 4 leta, ni bilo poskrbljeno za regeneracijo članstva SIM, so sedanji »člani« SIM v Sloveniji (med katerimi je bila večina tesno povezana z nekdanjim nedemokratičnim režimom) tudi izvolili nov, to je, sedanji odbor.

Tako so isti ljudje iz neslavne preteklosti odločali o sestavi novega odbora. Vse to je seveda dalo in daje SIM sedanji

politični prizvod njenemu delovanju. To se utegne ponoviti pri naslednjem občnem zboru, če ta seveda bo. Enega vmesnega sploh ni bilo, brez utemeljenega razloga ali razlage, kot da bi bila taka malomarnost samoumevna.

Dalje, vsa ta leta ni bilo mogoče doseči, da bi bili datumi za seje IO določeni vnaprej tako, da bi člani mogli načrtovati svojo udeležbo. Tako je udeležba na sejah, ki so skliceane z zelo kratkim rokom, za mnoge člane IO, zlasti za tiste od zunaj, skoraj nemogiča. Dostava vabil na seje, gradiva in zapisnika prejšnje seje je vedno bila slabo organizirana.

Za dejstvo, da v štirih letih ni bilo mogoče sestaviti Sveta, kot to predvideva statut, ni nobenega razloga.

In končno, na nobenega mojih dopisov, ki sem jih naločil na IO, nisem — razen v prvih mesecih mojega članstva — dobil pismenega odgovora. Če SIM hoče biti organizacija mednarodnih razsežnosti, potem bi bilo pričakovati, da sprejme normalne poslovne norme za tako organizacijo, med drugim tudi to, da odgovarja na pisma članov IO in da jih o svojem delovanju redno informira.

Povod za moj odstop pa mi je dal dogodek, ki odseva splošno razpoloženje mnogih krovov, ki v današnjem slovenskem demokratičnem državnem okviru nastopajo kot demokrati ene ali druge vrste, prihajajo pa iz dolgoletnega popolnoma nedemokratičnega režima. Na svoji tiskovni konferenci je predsednik ene od treh vladnih koaličkih strank dejal, da bi bilo koristno, če bi se nekateri starci gospodje (izseljenci) iz Argentine in Amerike vrnili tja, od koder so prišli. To pa zato, ker se ta politik ni strinjal z mišljencem katerega od teh »starih ljudi«.

Vsakdo ima sicer v demokraciji pravico svobodno govoriti, nihče pa nima pravice Slovencev poditi iz rodne domovine. To je seveda revnizem v pravem pomenu besede. Upam, da se časi, ko so režimski mentorji tega gospoda izgananjali Slovence ne samo iz domovine temveč tudi iz tega sveta, ne začenjajo враčati.

Doslej še nisem videl, da bi kdo v SIM protestiral proti takemu govorjenju. S svojim odstopom protestiram proti izjavam omenjenega slovenskega politika in proti molku vodstva SIM.

Z odličnim spoštovanjem

Dr. Jože Bernik
Ponatis iz Slob. Slovenije,
18. dec. 1994

STUDIA SLOVENICA

CLEVELAND, O. - Podpisani sem par dni pred božičnimi prazniki prejel pismo od direktorja ustanove Studia Slovenica, dr. Janeža Arneža, v katerem pošilja vsem znancem in prijateljem praznična voščila za srečno, zdravo in uspehov polno leto 1995. Sledi del dr. Arneževega pisma:

G. Karel Ceglar, Hamilton, Ontario, Kanada pripravlja nov kontejner s publikacijami in to za mesec april. Dejal mi je, da bo veliko praznega prostora in me povabil, naj se mu pridružim. Ob tej priliki Vas lepo prosim, če bi povedali rojakom Slovencem, če so voljni odstopiti slovenske tiske (časopise, revije, razmnoževine, vabila, programe, zapiski, zapisnike itd.), naj vse omenjeno po možnosti dostavijo v Baragov Dom (v Clevelandu). Skusal bom dobiti prijatelje, ki bi to prepeljali v Hamilton.

Sedaj je verjetno to zadnja prilika, da pride to gradivo v Slovenijo in da ostane shranjeno kot slovenska kulturna dediščina. Ameriške Domovine zadnjih treh let sploh nimam, prav tako ne Amerikanskega Slovencev. Rad bi imel tudi časopise drugih podpornih jednot. Lepo prosim za Vašo naklonjenost in pomoč.

To je konec dr. Arneževega pisanja. Jaz bi še dodal: kdor ima kaj gori omenjenih tiskovin, le-te lahko dostavi tudi v župnišče sv. Vida ali Marije Vnebovzete v Clevelandu. Prosil bi, da bi tiskovine lepo vložili v zaboje oz. »cartons« ter napisali, kaj ti vsebujejo in še ime tistega, ki gradivo poklanja.

Kot omenja dr. Arnež, verjetno je to res zadnja možnost, da se tovrstno gradivo ohrani za bodoče rodove v Sloveniji. Zato, poglejte po domovih in ugotovite, kaj imate od tiskovin in drugega gradiva (zapisnikov itd.), ki bi ga mogli pokloniti arhivu Studia Slovenica v Sloveniji. Lep pozdrav!

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Posnetek je iz koroškega lista »Naš tednik« že 25. novembra lani. Župnik Zaletel je bil nekaj let po drugi vojni tudi v ZDA in se ga mnogi rojaki spominjajo. Posnetek je bil napravljen 13. 11. 1994.

ŠE EN PREŠEREN

Ob 290-letnici smrti Janeza Krstnika Prešerna

LEMONT, Ill. - Franceta menda vsi poznamo. Tudi če kdo nikoli v življenju ni vtrknil nosu v knjigo, si težko predstavljam Slovence, ki ne bi vedel vsaj za ime našega največjega pesnika.

Kdo pa pozna Janeza Krstnika Prešerna, ki ga Franci Petrič v Družini (39/94) imenuje »Moža žlahtnega duha, kneza razuma«? Lani 28. septembra je minilo 290 let, kar je ta sicer nikoli pozabljeni, pa vendar

DROBTINICE...

(nadaljevanje s str. 8)

uri te žena opozori: avto imaš, samo na jezik še jemlji kapljice. Ali ni sreča, ker avto imaš, priporočajo pa šoferjem Coca Cola in 7 Up. Domov na široki cesti zopet pazi na brzino, na luči in znake, ki ti dopovedujejo, kaj smeš in kaj ne smeš. Pa avto in ljudi, ki ti prisedajo, imej dobro zavarovane. Še jesti ne smeš vsevprek, saj lahko se ti kaj v želodcu po kotih oprime in drugi dan ne moreš na obvezno delo...

Rojak srednjih let mi je pravil, samo za nekaj milj prehitre vožnje ga je policaj ustavil. Pisal je »ticket« ko drvi mimo dolgolasec. »Zakaj njega ne ustaviš, ko vozi morda več kakor 80 milj na uro?« Policaj mirno reče: »On je norec in jaz norcev ne lovim.«

Za drugo leto (če ne bom umrl bom še živ) bom šel na silvestrovanje kam v Kano Galilejo. Vse bo bolj sproščeno in po domače in pili bodo pristna vina, kakršnih je tukaj pri nas v steklenicah z lepimi nalepkami. V trgovini je na izbiro sto vrst vina, kje pa raste sto vrst vinskih trt?

Z dobro voljo sem pričel novo leto, z dobro voljo »naklepal« drobtinice, od žene pa že prvi dan v letu sem bil kregan, ko sva se pripravljala k maši: »Ne bodi tak, lase si malo 'poštimatej'«, mi je rekla. Ni lahko, če človek glavnik ima, las pa ne.

J. P.

zaradi ideoološke nestrpnosti po vojski krivično zapostavljeni mož umrl v Ljubljani, star komaj 49 let.

Trda je bila po prvi vojski borba Slovencev za lastno univerzo, saj je šla kar se da v nos Beogradu. Ni čudno: Srbi so se po razpadu avstroogrške monarhije prišeli med zmagovalce (koliko je bila zmaga res njihova zasluga, je zdaj drugo vprašanje) in čeprav so Slovenci in Hrvati ob ustanovitvi Jugoslavije prostovoljno pristopili v novo državo, ni Beograd nanjo nikoli drugače gledal, kot na Veliko Srbijo, v kateri mora biti vse podrejeno srbskim interesom. Meja na Karavankah in Julijskih Alpah je bila zanje meja Srbije, Slovenija pa vojni plen, ki ga je treba kar se da izkoristiti, kar so tudi uspešno počeli tja do leta 1991. V ljubljanski univerzi so videli samo oviro tem svojim težnjam.

Iz istega razloga je Beograd zmetal pod noge tudi vsa razpoložljiva polena ob ustanavljanju Slovenske Akademije znanosti in umetnosti. Že to je bilo dovolj hudo, da niso mogli blizu Hrvatom, saj je njihovo Akademijo v Zagrebu ustanovil že v prejnjem stoletju podjetni djakovski škof Josip Juraj Strossmayer, ki je bil kljub nemškemu imenu zave-

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(nadaljevanje s str. 9)

den Hrvat. Zdaj pa še Akademija v Ljubljani. Pa je tudi ta kljub temu prišla na dan. Le malo jih pa ve, da je ta Akademija v bistvu nadaljevanje tiste, ki se je imenovala Academia Operosorum in jo je ustanovil v Ljubljani prav mož, ki je umrl pred 290 leti.

Kot France je bil tudi JANEZ KRSTNIK PREŠEREN sin tiste rodovitne ravnine med gorenjskim Stolom in očakom Triglavom, iz katere izhajajo možje imen kot so: Anton Tomaž Linhart, Matija Čop, Anton Janša, Tomo Zupan, Fran Saleški Finžgar, Janez Jalen, Anton Bonaventura Jeglič, Anton Vovk.

Rojen je bil 9. junija 1956 v Hrašah pri Lescah. Na jezuitski gimnaziji v Ljubljani je imel najboljše ocene. Nadaljeval je študije na jezuitski univerzi na Dunaju in se izpopolnjeval še pri benediktincih v Salzburgu. Tam je postal kanonik, vodil metropolitansko knjižnico in opravljal diplomatske službe na različnih dvorih.

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Leta 1692 je postal stolni prošt v Ljubljani. Že naslednje leto je skupaj z Janezom Gregorjem Dolničarjem, Ivanom Stefanom Florjančičem in Markom Grbecem ustanovil znanstveno društvo Academia Operosorum, ki je prva leta delovala bolj na tihem, v javnosti pa je stopila leta 1701.

Prešeren je postal njen prvi in dosmrtni predsednik. S svojimi zvezami je akademiji pre-

skrbel mednarodno priznanje. Na začetku je imela 23 članov, od teh 12 pravnikov, 6 teologov in 5 zdravnikov. Do leta 1712 je bilo sprejetih še 25 novih članov. Nekateri so bili tudi od drugod: iz Trsta, Gorice, z Dunaja. Član akademije je postal tudi Hrvat Pavao Ritter-Vitezović in celo Giovanni Mario Crescimbeni, predsednik rimske Arcadie, po kateri se je ljubljanska Academia Operosorum zgledovala.

Akademija je prenehala okrog leta 1725. Vzrok je bilo več. Verjetno se je le preveč naslanjala na tanko plast domačega aristokratskega in meščanskega izobraženstva, pa tudi ljubosumnost jezuitov, ki so v glavnem imeli v rokah vse višje šolstvo, nihče od njih pa ni postal član Akademije, je dala svoje.

Prešeren je pisal v latinščini pravna in govorniško-pesniška dela. Nekatera so izšla tudi v tisku.

Slovenska Akademija znanosti in umetnosti, idejna naslednica Akademije, ki ji je bil Prešeren prvi predsednik, nima več težav s člani, saj je danes med Slovenci dosti izobražencev vseh vrst, ki zaslužijo naslov akademika. Celo v svinčenih časih sta postala akademika dva duhovnika: Finžgar in Trstenjak. Rehabilitirali so duhovnike-akademike, ki jih je povojni komunizem vrgel iz Akademije (Lukman, Ušeničnik). Tudi slovenski bibličist Krašovec je bil po letu 1991 izvoljen za njenega člana.

Janezu Krstniku Prešernu so ob obletnici smrti oddolžili v rojstni župniji Lescah z razstavo leških in radovaljiskih slikarjev, z orgelskim koncertom, ki ga je izvajala Angela Tomanič, s slavnostno akademijo na kateri je govoril profesor Teološke fakultete dr. Marijan Smolik, s slovesno mašo, ki jo je vodil stiški opat dr. Anton Nadrah, in z znamenjem, ki ga je odkril predsednik Akademije dr. France Bernik.

P. Bernardin Sušnik
AVE MARIA, jan. 1995

NOVI GROBOVI

(nadaljevanje s str. 7)

Frances R. Jasko

Umrla je 85 let stara Frances R. Jasko Chester Townshipa, rojena Znidarsic, vdova po Stevenu, mati Raymonda, Evelyn Stone, Stevena, Leonarda, Michaela, Judith Dunn ter že pok. Johna, 26-krat stara mati, 31-krat prastara mati, 2-krat praprastara mati, sestra Louisa in Jean Etchell (sestra in pet bratov je že pok.). Pogreb je bil 3. januarja s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Anselma v Chesterlandu in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Sophie F. Japel

Dne 25. decembra je v University bolnišnici umrla 82 let stara Sophie F. Japel, rojena Brodnik v Clevelandu, vdova po Johnu, mati Richarda in Dennis, 5-krat stara mati, 2-krat prastara mati, sestra Mary Figurski, Anthonyja ter že pok. Jennie Marolt, Johna, Louieja in Josepha, članica American Slovene Club v Fairport Harborju ter več drugih organizacij, zaposlena kot šivilja pri General Motors Fisher Body obratu na Coit Rd. 33 let, do svoje upokojitve l. 1984. Pogreb je bil 29. decembra iz Dan Cosic zavoda na 28890 Chardon Rd. s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Jeroma in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Fred E. Mocnik

Dne 26. decembra je v Richmond Hts. bolnišnici umrl 72 let stari Fred E. Mocnik z Willoughby Hillsa, rojen v Clevelandu, mož Lois (r. Belcher), oče Fred-a, Roberta, Franka, Josepha, Laurie Do-

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duš pokopališču. Darovi v pokopnikov spomin Slovenskemu domu za ostarele, 18621 Neff Rd., Cleveland, OH 44119 bodo s hvaležnostjo sprejeti.

Frank J. Fabian

Umrl je Frank J. Fabian, mož Pauline, roj. Koss, oče Barb Daniels in Fran Herceg, 2-krat stari oče, brat Richarda in Roberta (že pok.). Pogreb je bil 24. decembra.

Louis Virant ml.

Dne 24. decembra je v Ashabuli, O., umrl Louis Virant ml., oče Roberta in Richarda, 5-krat stari oče, 6-krat prastari oče, brat Alice Redmond, Anne Intihar in Franka. Pogreb je bil 28. decembra s pokopom v Genevi, Ohio.

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Mirko Košir
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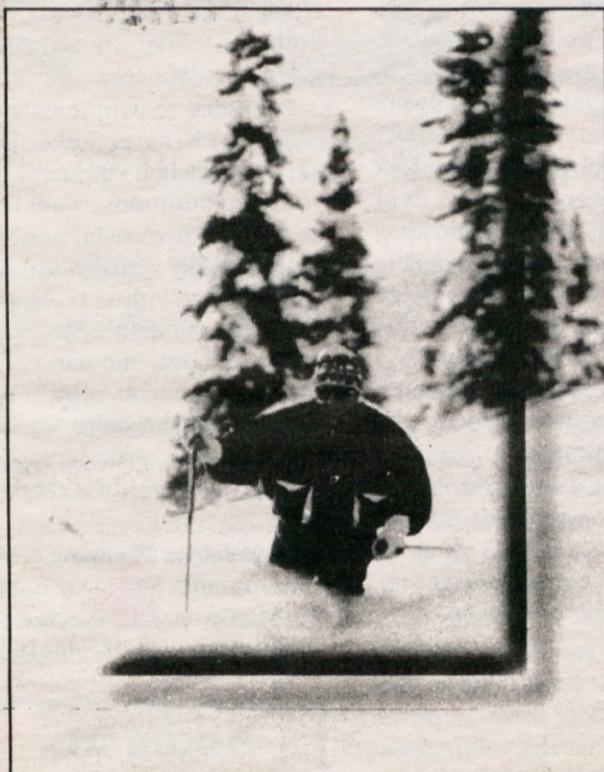
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Cetrti SlovenSki Weekend in Veleslalom v Ski Windham



Zakaj Windham?

Ker je to najbljžje veče smučišče dve uri in pol vožnje iz New York City-ja s 33 progami, ki se raztezajo na dveh vrhovih. Opremljeno je s sedmimi smučarskimi napravami, od tega je ena sedežnica na štiri osebe (hi-speed quad), ki vas pripelje na vrh v petih minutah. Proge so zasnežene z naravnim in umetnim snegom. Ski Windham je naklonjen Slovencem, saj je bil Dinko Bertoncelj 11 let direktor smučarske šole. Tudi danes je kar nekaj Slovencev v smučarski šoli in v patroli na smučiščih. Prvi slovenski veleslalom je bil tu leta 1992.

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PETEK 27. januarja

Prihod in namestitve v **Windham Arms Hotelu**. Registracija v pisarni stavbe, razdelitev sob, kart, stevilk in kuponov za večerjo in tekmo. Po osmi uri zvečer se bomo zbrali v hotelski restavraciji.

SOBOTA 28. januarja

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| 7.30- | Zbirališče, registracija, razdelitev kart in stevilk v Ski Windham, Legends Lounge , 3. nadstropje. |
| 9.00: | |
| 10.00: | Veleslalom registracija za tiste, ki se še niso prijavili: cena \$10 (gotovina). Stevilko dobite na štartnem mestu. |
| 10.15: | Nesmučarji: Za prevoz do "Nastar finish" bo poskrbljeno pri Group Sales , Ski Windham Lodge, prvo nadstropje. (priporočamo dobro obutev) |
| 10.30: | Četrti slovenski veleslalom na "Lower wheelchair", sedežnice: A, B, C, F. |
| 17.00: | Maša v cerkvi Sv. Terezije na Main Street, nekaj korakov od hotela. |
| 18.00: | Srečanje smučarjev in nesmučarjev v Ski Windham Ski Lodge, v drugem nadstropju. |
| 19.00: | Večerja, objava rezultatov, podelitev pokalov in medalj ter žrebanje nagrad v restavraciji "Renaissance", na tretjem nadstropju. |

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| 21.00: | Družabni večer s plesom in petjem v Legends Lounge na 3. nadstropju. Vodila ga bo Marija Ahačič-Pollack iz Toronto. Na kitaro bo igral Fr. Milan Dimič iz Fairfielda, na harmoniko pa G. Karl Klesin iz New Yorka. |
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NEDELJA 29. januarja

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| 8.00: | Nedeljska maša v cerkvi sv. Terezije, ki jo bosta opravila Fr. Doyle in Fr. Milan Dimič iz fare Sv. Križa, Fairfield, CT. |
| 9.00: | Na veselo smučanje med slovenskimi prijatelji. |

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Pravni soustanovitelj MZA z advokatom Albinom Lipoldom, ki je z božičnim voščilom daroval za naše misijonarje \$300 in omenil, kako njegovi trije sinovi lepo napredujejo v šolah in drugače, inženir Jože Želle je doživel smrt brata Rudija pozimi v avtu, na potu domov v snežnem viharju, ko se je vračal iz fare sv. Vida. Nekaj minut pred tem je bil Rudi ves dobre volje po malo preje prestani operaciji. Naš dolgoletni odbornik Želle živi v Clevelandu.

Sodelavec Niko Tomc iz Jupiter, Florida, omenja, ka-

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Sodelavka Mary Pirjevec

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Iz St. Clouda, Minn., piše hčerka Mary Lustek, prej iz Eveletha, da je mama na ledu padla in si zlomila kolek, da ne more pisati in je božična voščila ona zanjo podpisala in desetek priložila.

Cela vrsta jih omenja, da so zdravstveno v težavah, kot Paula Vrečar in njena sestra Mary Kette iz Bessemer, Pa., Maria Mlinar iz Chagrin Falls, O., Jože Levstik iz Minneapolisa, Karolina Kucher iz Cleveland, Julia Tomšič iz New Yorka, Barbara in Stanko Mrak iz Gary, Ind., Franc Šeškar težko hodi v Monakovem, Nemčija, Rev. Jože Snoj iz Etiwande, Kalif., je skoraj čisto slep odšel v domovino in je

pisal iz župnije v Mostah, Angela Gospodarič v San Francisco, Jože Schimitsch iz New Yorka in več drugih, ki prosijo za molitve za zdravje, a želijo ostati neimenovani.

Na zdravljenje v Pariz je prišel

Franc Buh z Madagaskarja. V Clevelandu je umrla naša sodelavka Mary Boh, mati gospa Marije Petelin, in že med letom bivši lazarist in kitajski misijonar Rupar.

V misijonih sta zelo oslabeli s. Conradina Resnik v Bombarju, Indija, in s. Benigna Alojzija Šteh v Južni Afriki. V Sloveniji pa so pokopali lazarišta Alojzija Mlakarja, bivšega kitajskega misijonarja, ki je doživel 94 let.

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MZA Milwaukee, Wisconsin,

je imela 18. decembra prodajo peciva, o kateri kratko sporoča predsednica Mary Coffelt: »Hvala Bogu naprej za lepo vreme, da je prišlo na prireditev toliko ljudi, da so vse pecivo pokupili. Prisrčna hvala našim gospodinjam, ki so spekle in darovale pecivo, in še prav posebej vsem tistim, ki so ga prodajale. Te so gospo Matilda Simčič, Zofi Rifelj, Tončka Cimermančič, Elsie Galun, Josephine Zahn in Olga Longley.

Poslala sem v Cleveland blagajniku Maroltu ček za pecivo \$1491. Ga. Lorraine Wojtecki pa je darovala posebej \$200, da je bilo skupaj v čeku \$1694.

Prosim, da od tega pošljete nekaj našemu novomašniku Charlesu Oloo. (Poslali mu bomo ček za \$100, op. pis.).

Tako smo letos zaključili delo in upam, da bomo v letu 1995, če nam Bog da zdravje, zopet lahko pomagali našim misijonarjem. Sprejmite lepe misijonske pozdrave od vseh misijonskih priateljev iz Milwaukeja.

Mary Coffelt«

Nekaj dni preje ga. Coffelt sporoča: »Ga. Valentina Škof mi je izročila \$200 za misijone. Pred kratkim ji je umrl mož in zapustil 4 otroke. Kar verjeti nisem mogla, ker bo sama denar rabila. Hodi v službo in je darovala z dobrim namenom za vse najbolj potrebne.«

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