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50th ANNIVERSARY MUSIC—MAKERS



BR. 16 "KITCHEN BAND"

First Row: Stephanie Golob, Gladys Buck, Marge Prebil, Ann Lustig

Second Row: Mary Stone, Martina Martin, Frances Konar, Jean Franko, Mary Brebreck, Phyllis Perko, Joe Franko—Concertina

Third Row: Edna Winters, Elsie Starcevich, Emma Kralj, Violet Somin, Ann Ksiazek, Helen Pastirik. Not pictured: Lena Kafka

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OCT. 8, 1978 ILLINOIS—INDIANA STATE CONVENTION 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF BR. 24, LA SALLE, ILL.

Program of the day:

9 a.m. Reception and coffee served, St. Roch's Gym Hall, 6th and Crosat St.
10:30 a.m. State Convention
12 noon Holy Mass at St. Roch's Church
1:00 p.m. Banquet Dinner and Program
For reservations call Co-Chairladies: Mary Gramc, (815)223-6137 or Emma Shimkus, 223-1590.

ANNE VUCKO
State President

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN SEPTEMBER

NATIONAL OFFICER:

Sept. 1 — Barbara Rosandich, Nat'l Auditor, Ely, Minn.

BRANCH PRESIDENTS:

Sept. 7 — Freda Michelitch, Br. 103, Washington, D.C.

Sept. 17 — Stavia Dobersek, Br. 12, Milwaukee, Wis.

Sept. 26 — Mary Lou Steenbergen, Br. 92, Crested Butte, Colo.

SECRETARIES:

Sept. 2 — Joanne Ponikvar, Br. 54, Warren, Ohio

Sept. 8 — Helen Skoff, Br. 46, St. Louis, Mo.

Sept. 10 — Mary Dezman, Br. 12, Milwaukee, Wisc.

Sept. 10 — Louise Puchreiter, Br. 83, Crosby, Minn.

Sept. 16 — Mary Satkovich, Br. 97, Cairnbrook, Pa.

Sept. 26 — Josephine Turk, Br. 7, Indianapolis, Ind.

Sept. 30 — Minka Chrnart, Br. 77, N.S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

Sept. 25 — Wanita Helmer, Br. 24, LaSalle, Ill.

Sept. 27 — Pauline Turnbull, Br. 19, Eveleth, Minn.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY

colorado state convention sunday, October 22, 1978 Hostesses are members of Br. 3, PUEBLO, COLORADO

The State Convention will be held with a Mass at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Church, 211 E. Mesa Ave. Then, on to the Minnequa Club for Brunch.

A sincere welcome is extended to all the members and their friends.

FRANCES SIMONICH,
State President

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DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPT. 10 — SLOVENIAN PICNIC Br. 22 Bradley, Ill.

SEPT. 10 — PICNIC, Br. 43, Milwaukee, Wis. at Arcadian Park.

SEPT. 11 — CARD PARTY, Br. 1, Sheboygan, Wis.

SEPT. 17 — 50th ANNIVERSARY, MASS & BANQUET, Br. 20 Joliet, Ill.

SEPT. 24 — OHIO-MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION, Br. 55, Girard, Ohio hostesses.

OCT. 1 — SLOVENIAN JAMFEST, Br. 79 Enumclaw, Wash.

OCT. 8 — 50th ANNIVERSARY & STATE CONVENTION, Br. 24, LaSalle, Ill.

OCT. 12 — RUMMAGE SALE, Br. 42, Maple Hgts., Ohio.

OCT. 22 — GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY, Br. 25, Cleveland, Ohio

OCT. 28 — DEBUTANTE COTILLION BALL, Cleveland, Ohio

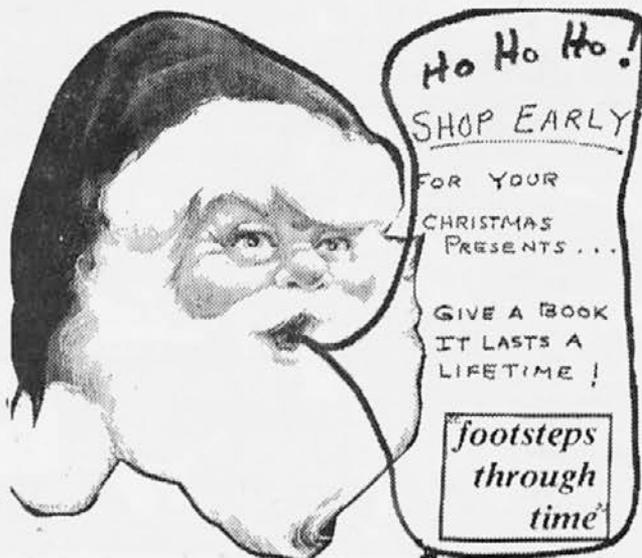
OCT. 29 — 50th ANNIVERSARY & STATE CONVENTION, Br. 17, West Allis, Wis.

OCT. 29 — 50th ANNIVERSARY, Br. 26, Pittsburg, Pa.,

NOV. 9 — PENNY SOCIAL, Br. 2, Chicago, Ill.

NOV. 12 CARD PARTY, Br. 43, Milwaukee, Wis.

NOV. 13—14 BAKE SALE, Br. 32, Euclid, Ohio



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"HERITAGE IN ACTION" CAMPAIGN APPEAL

In checking our family's Thesaurus, I found that **Heritage** means **birthright**. Having a feeling and concern for one's nationality is a goal of our organization via membership in Zveza. Commendable are the mothers, daughters and grandchildren who have accepted their birthright and are members of long standing.

The loss of birthright is evident in our work with the beneficiaries of our deceased members. The non-member survivors far outweigh the member survivors.

The saying: "It's easier said than done" — is very true. But to keep Zveza alive in some future years, each one of us must enroll one or two members.

From Spokane, Washington, Maureen Micklich wrote:

"I am very interested in joining the Slovenian Women's Union. And in learning where/how I may purchase greeting cards, song books, how to find out about the scholarship fund, where is the nearest branch (from Spokane WA), where/when are state conventions. I'd like to be involved. Thank you for your help."

What a joy it was to receive her letter. Zveza needs more such surprises. In the current membership campaign do become involved and keep your and my Heritage in Action.

Olga Ancel, National Secretary

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE//Mary Bostian

With September we start another season of pleasant weather and nice get-togethers. We will be back to our activities and our membership campaign. We just must do our very best to replace all who have passed on; we must build up our membership. Are you all watching the totals of our membership? I'm sure you will agree it is not good enough. If all of us would try hard to keep our family memberships up, I know it could be done. Many members have others in the family that could be a part of us. There are daughters and granddaughters who could join and other relatives. Don't only sign them in for the campaign, but to stay! They will be the future strength of the organization and give us good ideas and new friendships.

I am also pleading with officers to help your branch to succeed and stay strong. If all members and officers cooperate with each other, we shall do great things together. Especially remember your secretary's work — and help her by paying your dues and aiding her in all your branch activities. Many of you mail in your dues — do this on time and it will be a big help.

1978 has been a busy year for many branches celebrating various anniversaries, Mother's Day parties and whatever. Now we will come to the fall State Convention season. I want to congratulate all branches for their good work and wish you all great success for the future.

Ladies, don't give up! We must go forward, cooperation in every way is the key.

Our branches celebrating 50th anniversaries this year in-

cluded Br. 25 who also had an outstanding party for their Mother of the Year, Mrs. Mary Otonicar. Mrs. Otonicar was honored also by the 23rd Ward Councilman of our city, John Milokovich and the pastor of St. Vitus, Father Pevec, came to the party to congratulate her. She was thrilled and she still keeps on the same as ever, doing her work, with a big smile and always with a sunny disposition. She helps wherever she can. I guess many of us envy her for her stamina and energy at her advanced age. She is still an officer of Br. 25, now as Vice-President, altho she was secretary for decades. Our heartiest wishes to Mrs. Otonicar and God's blessing for many years to come.

On Sept. 24th, Br. 55 of Girard will hostess the Ohio-Michigan State Convention which will be a special treat for us from Cleveland. We are looking forward to coming to Girard. It was nice of secretary, Mary Macek to offer the large pavillion as the site of this event. President, Veronica Dolsak is lining up the committees. We thank Br. 55 for their kindness. State President, Sophie Magayna, will preside at the Convention in Girard. See you all there.

My best wishes to all State Presidents who are preparing their meetings for October. There is much interest in them and great anticipation. Best of luck.

May God bless you all and take care of you. Special wishes to our ill and prayers for the departed. A happy birthday wish for September. To our Founder, Marie Priland, best wishes as always.

BR. 20 GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SET

In the late twenties and through the thirties, the majority of Zveza branches were founded by idealistic women. Without any remuneration, these women traveled and by personal contact and motivation sought to unite Slovenian Womanhood to become an involved and informed part of life.

Fifty years ago June 11 the late Mrs. Bara Kramer of San Francisco, California came to Joliet and with Mrs. Josephine Erjavec organized the Joliet branch. Of the fourteen original members Mrs. Erjavec and Mrs. Mary Kunstek will be especially honored when the branch celebrates its Golden Anniversary Sunday, September 17.

The day will begin with a 12:30 Mass at St. Joseph Church followed by a dinner at St. Joseph park hall, Theodore and Raynor. Of the over three hundred who joined within the first year of the branch's existence, thirty-three living members will also be honored.

They are the Mesdames Mary Ambrozich, Anna Ancel, Barbara Ancel, Theresa Ancel, Mary Bostjancic, Frances Bottari, Frances Bozich, Dorothy Chepuran, Mary Govednik, Frances Gregorich, Anna Horvat, Anna Jerisha, Frances Kalcic, Mary Kolar, Johanna Krall, Anna Kunich, Margaret Muha, Mary Maichin, Josephine Muster, Mary Mutz, Mary Nemanich, Ann Papesh, Theresa Pasich,

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FROM THE EDITOR...

With this issue, we begin a new look for ZARJA, as all the type has been set electronically according to various sizes and styles. We hope it will be more pleasant for our readers. The new system that complements the new type is a departure from the old, and we ask your indulgence while it is being perfected.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF BRANCH NO. 16, SOUTH CHICAGO



Ann Lustig at the display table



Gladys Buck, Secretary; Marge Prebil, President; Phyllis Perko, Recording Secretary; Helen Gornik, Vice President and Agnes Cherne, Charter Member

Photos by the Edwal Studio of Lansing and LaGrange.



Mary Stone and Marge Prebil

Sunday, April 30, 1978 will be remembered for a long time by our members who celebrated the 50th Year of Branch No. 16 with a highly successful affair at the Villa Cosenza with a hall filled to capacity with 400 persons — the biggest and most successful event ever sponsored by our branch.

The day began with a Concelebrated Mass at 11:30 a.m. at St. George's Church, 96th Ewing Avenue. Concelebrants were Rev. Claude Okorn, Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Leonard Bogolin, Pastor of St. George's Church and Deacon Dan Ragonese. Marge Prebil and Helen Gornick did the readings before the Gospel and Offertory Gifts were presented by our Charter Member, Agnes Cherne and President, Marge Prebil. The newly formed choir under the direction of Rev. Vendelin Spendov sang a beautiful Mass with many compliments received from the congregation.

A banquet was held at the Villa Cosenza at 1:00 p.m. followed by a short program. Marge Prebil, President of Branch No. 16 welcomed the group and read an ode to Branch No. 16 that was written and composed by our 1978 Mother-of-the-Year, Pauline Klobucar. Ann Lustig, Mistress of Ceremonies introduced the following speakers: Rev. Claude Okorn, Spiritual Director of S.W.U., Rev. Leonard Bogolin, Pastor and Rev. Vendelin Spendov, Associate Pastor, and Olga Ancel, National Secretary of the S.W.U. Edward J. Kucic, National President of K.S.K.J. was scheduled to speak, however, he along with several other members had to leave early in order to attend an Illinois Federation Meeting in Lemont.

For the candle lighting service, Helen Gornick read the ritual for the Past, Phyllis Perko read the Present and Ann Lustig's Grandson, Dale Schewer, read the Future ritual.

A skit "Half and Pol" was presented by Marge Prebil and Mary Stone portraying a phone conversation between two members — it was enjoyed by all. The Branch No. 16 Kitchen Band made its debut on this occasion after many months of rehearsals with Martina Martin directing the group and Jean Franko and Joe Franko providing the accompaniment on the piano and concertina.

A beautiful gold souvenir book made up of ads from our local business people, lodges, members and memoriams was distributed to attendees as well as a gold flower commemorating the event.

Marge and Sylvia Spretnjak displayed a unique exhibit depicting the highlights of Branch No. 16 down through the years. This was indeed a work of art requiring many hours of research work plus assembling the material with souvenirs of Slovenia in a most attractive manner. This same display was exhibited at the Heritage Day on Sunday, June 11th at Joliet Illinois and visitors found the material very interesting.

Of the original 15 charter members, Agnes Cherne is the only remaining member and we were very happy that she was able to celebrate this great occasion with us. Gifts were presented to her by our branch as well as by Olga Ancel on behalf of the Home Office. Gifts were also presented to 50 year members, Mary Borota and Frances Hoffner, and to Katie Triller who has 52 years with the S.W.U.

Members from the following neighboring branches joined us in celebrating our 50th Anniversary — Branch No. 2, Chicago; No. 12, Milwaukee; No. 17, West Allis, Wis.; No. 20 Joliet; No. 24 LaSalle; No. 43 Milwaukee and No. 95, South Chicago. Agnes Vranicar and Husband, John travelled the farthest to be with us on that day — they flew in from Edgewater, Florida. Veronica Cacija of Cassopolis, Michigan who attended with her daughters, Dorothy Boryc and Antoinette Frizzell and granddaughter, Pamela Paulk, gave us the good news that she was enrolling them in our branch — it is news such as this that gives us hope for the future of our organization — we extend a very warm welcome to all of you.

Much credit for the success of this beautiful and outstanding affair must be given to Ann Lustig, Ways Means Chairman and her Committee who attended many meetings prior to the event and worked tirelessly on Sunday, April 30th to tend to all last minute details. Ann's committee was composed of Mary Brebreck, Mary Crnokrak, Mary Ann Glaser, Helen Gornick, Phyllis Perko, Millie Skul, Evelia Sosnowski, Julie Vrlich, Marge Prebil and Gladys Buck.

As I mentioned earlier it was a day that left us with many beautiful memories and has given us inspiration to start our 51st year with enthusiasm to strive for a greater and stronger Branch No. 16.

GLADYS K. BUCK, Secretary

From the desk of

OLGA ANCEL

NATIONAL SECRETARY

In accordance with the approved minutes of the 1976 National Convention held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a "Convention \$500 Project" has commenced. The booklets have been sent to all branches. The proceeds are to cover the "minimum of four per diems" per each delegate. "Any excess of that amount gained by the selling of the Convention Project booklets is to be retained by the Branch Treasury for their own use."

With each package, a copy of the book "Footsteps through Time" by our Heritage Officer, Irene Odorizzi, was mailed. We hope each of you will be a good saleswoman and help to promote this book as well as our other Zveza publications.

"Be a good saleswoman of your heritage in whatever you do!"

This is one of the primary goals and objectives of our organization — to promote and be proud of our nationality, church, community, family. With the positive approach, we can do worlds of good!

SLOVENIANS CELEBRATED HERITAGE AT MAY 20 BICENTENNIAL PARK FESTIVAL

One month before our June 11th Midwest Heritage Day, the Slovenian community was well-represented at the first Heritage Festival at Will-Joliet Bicentennial Park, May 20.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church and the Slovenian Women's Union celebrated their heritage through a cultural display, performances by two groups of Slovenian dancers; and two choral groups—St. Joseph's Church Choir and students of St. Joseph Slovenian School and the Ken Juricic Orchestra.

The Rev. David Stalzer encouraged this participation because "We at the parish certainly feel that our culture is worthwhile to preserve and share with the Joliet community."

The heritage booth which featured T-shirts, cookbooks, songbooks, records and other miscellaneous items was manned by Jonita Ruth and Marie Malnerick. In charge of the cultural display was Mary Ivanich and Steve Malnerick.

Our food booth which featured Slovenian Smokies, Hot Dogs, Potica and Apple Strudel was under the capable hands of Olga Ancel, Mary Anzele, Theresa Marentic, Annette Markum, Donna Louks and Millie Pucel.

All Slovenians were dressed in our Slovenian costumes while working in our specific booths.

Bakery donations from Margaret Stalzer, Josephine Kral and Mary Jeretina were greatly appreciated.

We must not forget our willing workers, Joe Erjavec, Fred Ruth and Joe Lesnik. To everyone who helped in any way by singing, dancing, coordinating booths or you, the visitor "Thanks A Million".

Some money was realized at this affair, and it was shared with St. Joseph Church.

SEPTEMBER, 1978



Rev. Claude Okorn, Spiritual Advisor of Chicago, Ill., Rev. Vendelin Spendov, Associate Pastor of St. George's Church and Mrs. Olga Ancel, National Secretary



Left to Right: Violet Somin, Mary Stone, Frances Konar, Martina Martin, Phyllis Perko and Stephanie Golob.

*You are cordially invited
to attend the*

Golden Anniversary

of the Slovenian Women's Union Br. 20

Joliet, Illinois

on Sunday, the seventeenth of September

Nineteen hundred and seventy-eight

Mass at St. Joseph's Church, twelve thirty

p.m.

Dinner at St. Joseph's Park, two p.m.

Dinner Tickets seven dollars

R. S. V. P., September 1, 1978

LOVE FOR THE CHURCH

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus says about herself the following: Since my longing of martyrdom was powerful and unsettling, I turned to the Epistles of St. Paul in the hope of finally finding an answer. By chance the twelfth and thirteenth chapters of the first Epistle to the Corinthians caught my attention and in the first section I read that not everyone can be an apostle, prophet or teacher; that the church is composed of variety of members and that the eye cannot be a hand. Even with such an answer revealed before me, I was not satisfied and did not find peace.

I persevered in the reading and did not let my mind wander until I found this encouraging theme: Set your desire on greater gifts, And I will now show you the way which surpasses all others. For the Apostle insists that the greater gifts are nothing at all without love and that this same love is surely the best path leading directly to God. At length I had found peace of mind.

When I looked upon the mystical body of the Church, I recognized myself in none of the members which St. Paul described, and what is more, I desired to distinguish myself more favorably within the whole body. Love appeared to me to be the hinge for my vocation. Indeed I knew that the Church had a body composed of various members, but in this body the necessary and more noble member was not lacking; I knew that the Church as a heart appeared to be aflame with love. I knew that one love drove the members of the Church to action, that if this love were extinguished, the apostles would have proclaimed the Gospel no longer, the martyrs would have shed their blood no more. I saw and realized that love sets off the bounds of all vocations, that love is everything, that this same love embraces every time and every place. In one word, that love is everlasting.

Then nearly ecstatic with the supreme joy in my soul I proclaimed: O Jesus my love, at last I found my calling; my call is love. Certainly I have found my proper place in the Church and you gave me that very place, my God. In the heart of the Church, my mother, I will be love and thus I will be all things, as my desire finds its direction.

ACTIVITIES

No. 1, SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

Our branch is cordially invited to attend the 50th anniversary of Br. 17 and the 18th Wisconsin Regional Convention which will be held in West Allis on Sunday October 29th at St. Marys Auditorium. We hope to have a good representation from here. Please make plans to attend — contact Anne Modiz, dial 452-0365 or Margaret Fischer, dial 457-3931 for information.

Don't forget your obligation and take care of your dues for this year.

Try and bring a new member along to our October 15 h meeting.

Just a few reminders for September. Our card party will be held September 6th at 7:30 P.M. in the Church Hall, do try and come — bring your friends.

The meeting date is on the 17th at 2 p.m. a social will follow. We are looking for new members, plan on bringing a prospective member.

Our belated sympathy to Caroline Hoelle and her family.

Another reminder: on dues ladies who are in arrears, we would appreciate you taking care of this matter.

Best wishes and good health. A speedy recovery to the sick and best of everything.

MARGARET FISCHER, Reporter

NO. 2, CHICAGO, ILL.

On June 11th, Frances Zibert, Millie Paisoli, Anna Zorko, Stella Longosz and I participated in Heritage Day in Joliet; Frances and Millie making strudel dough and the other 3 (with the assist of a Branch No. 20 member) peeled and sliced apples, enough to make 31 strudels, which were promptly sold while still warm. I would say our

venture was of interest to many attending the occasion. Hermine Dicke spent a good part of the day repeating the recipe to interested spectators. Another of our fine members, Jennie Kitz and her sister-in-law, Vi Pyzik, helped by making "Pink tea" that was served to the guests. Thank you all for helping; we from Branch No. 2 sure enjoyed ourselves.

Vacations took some of our members away from Zveza Day in Lemont; I was one of them. I had an opportunity to travel to California with my daughter and her family and because their vacation did not co-incide with our event, I had to miss it. Therefore, my information comes from our good members who were there.

The day was beautiful and brought out many. Our kitchen was manned by: S. Melissa, A. Mladic, E. Scieszka, I. Gibas, Nancy and Valerie Melissa; with Gene Scieszka and Vic Mladic quenching everyone's thirst. Elsewhere our help was: S. Gorka, Lil Putzell A. Zorko, Jean Zubek, M. Potter and son, A. Scieszka, Anna Mae Washko and A. Hozzian. Cakes were donated by: M. Jagar, S. Melissa, A. Mladic, Mrs. Pavlin, Liz Zefran; poticas by: Frances Kozel, E. Melissa, Fran Kuca and Jo Barc. Lil Putzell donated 5 lbs. of sugar. Our thank-you to each and everyone who donated their time and efforts to make this a success.

We have some sick members to recommend to your prayers. Fr. Claude Okorn is hospitalized, as is Angeline Oblak; also Angie Koziarz after a car accident. She will have to return for surgery later this month. Good luck and speedy recovery to all. Mary Tomazin is residing at Alvernia Manor now.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Anna Stevens, who passed away this month; she was a long-time member.

We shall look for you all to come to the next meeting Sept. 14 as we have

many important things to discuss. See you then.

MARY MULLER

NO. 6, BARBERTON, OHIO

Our last meeting was for Mother's Day. Our Mother of the Year, Mrs. Mirtich, looked lovely. The help of the Slovene Center Manager, Frank Spetich, enabled us to have our meeting on the 1st Sunday so our ladies could come in larger numbers. We like to be with our families on our Day. We had a little party afterwards and as usual, some of the ladies brought good pastries.

We had a nice guest, Mrs. Mary Lauter has been in the hospital in May and again in July. Get well, please. Mrs. Mary Spetich is in a rest home and Mrs. Mary Zakrajsek is now with her daughter, Jennie and doing rather well. We are hoping to get some new members. Let's try our best.

Our deepest sympathy to Frank Smole and family on the loss of his wife and mother of his children. Let us pray for her and may God in His love, bless and keep her.

Special notice! Starting with our October meeting, we will meet on the 1st Sunday at the Slovene Center at 2 o'clock. Please mark the new date so you will not forget. I'm hoping that more ladies can attend.

We missed many of you and were happy to see a large crowd at the May meeting. Take care and God bless you and keep you safe. Our prayers to our sick. Please call me — I have no way of knowing if any member is sick or if there is any other news. My number is 745-7501 — please call after 4:15.

MITZI SWAGGARD

ZARJA—THE DAWN

Hello, ladies. Vacation time is over and it's time to back to work. Hope you all had nice vacations, good health, and happiness. The gardens are producing good things to eat, except the weeds grow faster than anything else!

Our meeting will be on the third Sunday, Sept. 17th at 2 p.m. Welcome back everyone. Before we know it, we will be into the winter months again and the year will be ended. We have so many things coming up for the rest of the year.

The first big event is the State Convention on Sept. 24th in Girard, Ohio at the Slovenian Home. Our hostesses will be members of Br. 55, Veronica Dolsak, President. We are planning on a bus for that day. Please plan to join us and we'll make final plans at the meeting.

Some of the ladies have been confined to the hospital and we want to wish them complete recovery, Mary Laurich of Radford Dr., Phyllis Chermelj and

my aunt, Angela Strmole. May God give you all complete good health and we hope to see you all soon.

Our sympathies to the Perusek family on the loss of brother, Stanley. To our members Elsie Zalar, Albina Savel and Marie Dolinar (of Br. 50), we express our deepest sympathies. The Perusek family was very well known in the Collinwood area years ago.

Happy birthday to all of you who are celebrating and to all our sick ladies, we want to tell you we remember you in our prayers.

SOPHIE MAGAYNA

REPORTERS NOTE! In order to keep our production schedule on time, we ask that you observe the deadline for sending material to ZARJA, each month on the first. Thank you. Remember, the next deadline is Oct. 1st for the November issue.

EDITOR

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

ON UNTIL MARCH 1, 1979!

The theme,
"Heritage in Action"

First Prize:

*Round Trip Fare to
Convention City,
Duluth, Minn.
In May, 1979*

Secure a new member
t o d a y !

AMERICAN STUDENTS ENJOYING UNIQUE SLOVENIAN STUDY PROGRAM

Parents wishing to give their children a rich and rounded-out education would do well to follow the example set this year by those who sent their youngsters to the St. Mohor Society special summer Slovenian studies program in Celovec, Carinthia (Austria). As reports are coming in about the exciting educational experiences these young people have had, it becomes apparent that this is the best way we can instill in our children the beauty and meaning of our language, customs and culture - by placing them right in the midst of the land, among the people who live it each day, and in excellent academic surroundings.

Under the sponsorship of the League of Slovenian Americans in New York, the program was announced last winter by its chief American co-ordinator Mr. Leo Klauz. It being the first of its kind ever attempted for families living in the United States and Canada, there was much apprehension and worry - would the American students be able to understand and grasp the meaning of this kind of program? Would the administrators be able to handle the physical aspects of housing, feeding, entertaining, etc. such a group? Would the educational program be too difficult, too easy? What should be included and what excluded from the academic standpoint? What excursions should be considered? Who would supervise? How would costs be absorbed?

Suffice it to say, all these questions were answered by dedicated and qualified people who took this task and professionally attacked it with the best spirit of co-operation.

In other words, all America had to do was provide the students! Celovec did the rest!

To make the deadline for this issue, I can only report that to this date, the program has been a complete success. From the standpoint of the students, they are having an adventurous, fulfilling and happy time. The administrators are confident and hopeful that the end will be as good as the beginning, thus assuring a continuation of the program next summer.

Our students are expected home with a basic of not advanced knowledge of the Slovenian language, instruction on singing and choral music, familiarity with the major literature and drama of Slovenian artists and a visual knowledge of the geography. Besides this, are the invaluable personal associations and friendships they have made with other young people, teachers and friends in Slovenian Carinthia.

Undoubtedly, there are more enrichments that their experiences will provide -- enough for a lifetime of memories. And, these youngsters will always know who they are and from where they have come!

A debt of gratitude to L.I.G.A., the coordinators, teacher, Sisters and Priests of the Slomškov Dijaski Dom and all who have supported the program. It was a well-conceived program and well-executed. We think it is a timely and worthwhile. Its final success lies withing the hearts of the 75 students who will cherish its memory forever - and become better citizens of the world and better Slovenians because of it.

CORINNE LESKOVAR

May meeting was very well-attended which was very appropriate for the Mother of the Year celebration. It was in honor of Mathilda Russ. Stavia presented her with a gift and mounted memento of the occasion, showing her picture and short write up.

The meeting started with Frances Plesko leading us in Slovenian prayer. Chris Bojance was the only officer missing and we were sad to hear that she was not well. Hope she soon is able to join us again as we do miss her. Pray for her as well as any others you may know.

Theresa Sukys, whom we can always count on, took down the Minutes.

The various reports were given and discussions followed. It seemed a shame that no one was able to go to the Heritage Day event in Joliet. Hope that next year fares better. The trip to South Chicago for Br. 16th's 50th anniversary replaced it, and we all had a very enjoyable day there. The food and entertainment was all very, very good. These anniversaries are getting "better and better!"

Milwaukee's Ethnic Village project was also discussed with hopes that it turns out well as an "all Slovenian" project at the Museum.

The members were all anxious to get to the beautifully decorated tables so we adjourned the meeting, but not before prayers were said for our two deceased members, Louise Cmiklos and Frances Kos who were buried one day apart. Our sympathy goes out to their families and friends.

We also sang happy birthday to Mrs. Pipan, Margaret Kratchnik and Rose Alpner who generously donated to our feast for the day which turned out to be a regular meal complete with wine.

There were so many door prizes donated that just about everyone went home with something and we still took time to play our favorite game as no one cared how late it got.

June meeting was also well-attended in spite of the bus strike and we were happy to see so many loyal members. But, we also missed quite a few of the regulars, including our Vice-President, Agnes Morrow and Chris Bojance. So, once again, Theresa Sukys filled in. Thank you.

Mrs. Plesko opened with Slovenian prayers and reports were given. An invitation letter was read informing us all of Br. 17's 50th Anniversary to be held in conjunction with the State Convention on Sunday, Oct. 29th in

MARIE PRISLAND:

Capsules

A POTPOURRI OF FACTS

Diet:— It takes more calories to eat a piece of celery than the celery has in it to begin with. Nutritionally, the fuel value of a herring is more than that of a flank steak. The average person ingests about a ton of food and drink one year.

Body:— A sneeze can travel as fast as 100 miles per hour. A person breathes seven quarts of air every minute. It takes 17 muscles to smile, 41 to frown. In a 72-year life-span, the average human heart beats more than three billion times.

Art:— In his last years, French artist Pierre Renoir was so crippled with arthritis that he had to have brushes tied to his hand to paint. Currier and Ives published more than 7,000 prints. Some of these prints are rare today and very expensive, they originally sold at prices of just 8 cents to two dollars.

Presidents:— James Garfield could write Latin with one hand and Greek with the other, simultaneously. George Washington's face was badly scarred by smallpox. William Taft weighed 332 pounds. Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and James Monroe all died on July 4th. Martin Van Buren was the first President to be born a citizen of the United States. John Tyler had 15 children.

Nature:— A mole can dig a tunnel 33 feet long in one night. A porcupine has some 36,000 quills. A horse can sleep standing up. Sheep will not drink from running water. Fastest fish in the sea is sailfish; its top speed is 68 meters per hour.

Money:— During the early 1920's, at the height of inflation in the German Republic, one American dollar was equal to 4 trillion German marks. America once issued a five cent bill. The United States paid France less than three cents an acre for the Louisiana Purchase lands, and to Russia about two cents an acre for Alaska.

Counting dollars:— It will take every second 8 days to count a million dollars and every second 30 years to count a billion dollars.

Telephone:— On 13th and 14th of July 1977, the time of the great blackout in New York City, 80 million phone calls were handled in the metropolitan area during the 24-hour period. That is the greatest number of telephone calls ever handled in any U.S. city in one day.

Advertising:— The average American is exposed to about 300 advertisements of all kinds every day.

Business:— A persistent salesman had been calling a plant manager for several days before finally getting him on the phone. He asked for an appointment.

"Make a date with my secretary" said the busy manager.

"I did make a date with her," said the salesman, "and we had a wonderful time. But I still want to see you!"

West Allis at St. Mary's Auditorium. The dinner tickets are \$7.00 and must be purchased not later than Oct. 19th. I do have tickets so please contact me in plenty of time to avoid disappointment as it will be worth it for all, I'm sure.

Remember, we're looking for new members, young, middle aged and yes, even Socials, as they all contribute to our expansion and enjoyment. Where are all our immigrant stories? So many

of you promised them but to this date, none has come from our group! Talk to your parents and grandparents and try to get results!

The meeting ended with prayer in English led by Stavia Dobersek. Prizes were again donated and by the usual donors, Stavia, Mary Starich, Julia Pesec, Marie Brekan and Frances Seston. Thanks, ladies. The tables were set by Jo Wilhelm and Mary Starich.

A VISIT TO OUR MEMBERS IN THE NORTHWESTERN STATES
by Rose Scoff, Regional Vice-President

Due to circumstances of the National President, Mary Bostian not being able to take a trip to Washington and Oregon branches, it was the decision of the National Board of S.W.U. to invite me as the Regional Director to visit these states. Therefore, on Saturday, July 15th, it was my pleasure to meet with several members at the Lake Sawyer picnic grounds in Black Diamond, Washington.

Mary Mihelich, charter member and president of Br. 79, Enumclaw, with her daughter and son-in-law, took me to the Sacred Heart Church on Sunday for the 9 a.m. Mass which was a perfect meeting place for our group. I met other officers, members and their friends and went afterward for brunch. Regret to learn that Mary Mihelich lost a relative that necessitated a trip to Canada for the funeral and returned late Saturday night.

In the afternoon, we proceeded to the VFW hall for the Washington-Oregon lodge celebration of another fraternal society. We had the opportunity of meeting more of the SWU members there also the representative of Br. 45, Portland, Ore., Mrs. Wilma Franciskovich. Their president, Mary Rosa was unable to attend.

Thanks to member Tillie Kurnick for her efforts to make it a pleasant trip for me. To her active friend and member, Mary Barquist, for her hospitality, to Mary Mihelich for the beautiful corsage of Slovenian carnations and rozenkraut from her garden and the lovely crocheted flowers; to the ladies of the



Regional Vice-President for the West and Northwest, Rose Scoff, visited the state of Washington in July and conveyed the best wishes of all the membership to our loyal and diligent ladies. She is seen here in the center with Anna Faulk, charter member, and Mary Mihelich, Pres. of Br. 79.

SNPJ lodge for their gift to me, a corsage of carnations which was presented to me during the program' to Jerry Steinbrenner, master of ceremonies who so graciously gave me the time to speak in behalf of the Slovenian Women's Union. It was a pleasure to meet all of you.

To the officers, members and friends of our S.W.U. branches in the northwest, special thanks for extending me your fine hospitality in every way.

"Happy Birthday" was sung for Jo Wilhelm and Mrs. Urankar during the lunch, as we were anxious to play "our game".

More happy times will be coming; hope to see you all.

MARY DEZMAN

NO. 13, SAN FRANCISCO, CA.

Our news is of a very happy nature with the marriage of our former junior member Shirley Sterbenk to Frank Cooper on October 16th, 1977. This day was a happy day for her mother and father, Amelia and Joseph Sterbenk as they celebrated their 29th Wedding Anniversary on the same day. Shirley was one of our earliest junior members and has been a member of Branch No. 13 for 19 years. Mary Slanec, one of our most active presidents (now deceased), was Shirley's great aunt. The marriage was performed by Father John Mihovilovich at the Church of the Nativity. Needless to say, the family is a close knit and happy one. Shirley transferred to the Senior division of Zveza and joined her mother who also is a member. Shirley's husband, Frank, is the Director for the National Mental Health Association for thirteen Western States and they will reside in Sacramento, California to be close to his work. Pride certainly is one emotion

all can feel for Shirley and to her we wish a life long, healthy, happy married life. For Amelia and Joseph certainly it proves life can reap a wonderful harvest when one's child can become such a sweet and charming girl. Best wishes to all!

(see Photo on p. 16)

Now for a little sad news: Mary Turich, our member for 38 years, passed away May 1, 1978. Mary lived to be 90 years of age in the pleasant company of her daughter and son-in-law, Catherine and Edward Noonan in Sebastopol. The loss will be felt by her 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren as well as her devoted daughter and son-in-law. No greater kindness can be shown than to care for one's own parents and needless to say Catherine was there when needed. May God grant Mary eternal rest and afford her family peace of mind in a job well done.

Our Zveza day in October is well on its way to be planned with Rose Scoff Chairman of the day. Many plans are in the offing and a happy eventful day is promised so do come and be one of the happy DOERS.

Good health, happiness and most of all good thoughts to all. Only happy work will buy hours of contentment.

FRAN E. CHIODO, Reporter

NO. 14, EUCLID, OHIO

Our June meeting was only attended by about ten members therefore, the planning for our picnic was postponed until our August meeting since we weren't having meeting in July.

A few of our members are planning to go to Cary, Ohio on August 15th by bus which Mary Dolsak chartered to make the trip for the day.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Klanchar who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary recently. May they have many more happy and healthy years together.

Get well wishes to all our ill members and especially to: Slava Milavec, Mary Kastelic, Mary Sadar, Margaret Baron (who is now recuperating at her daughter's home), Lillian Dolsanter who recently had an operation, Olga Ozanich who had cataracts removed, Dianne Minnick daughter of Jennie Fitzthum and Frances Hocevar who is now in Manor Care in Willoughby, Ohio. Hope they all will be feeling better soon.

Our deepest sympathies to our charter member, Mary Dolsak on the loss of her father, Frank Rupert, (husband of our founder, Frances Rupert) who died recently. May he rest in peace.

With deepest regret we mourn the death of our member, Mary Yenc. Mary

passed away suddenly after recuperating so nicely from her recent heart attack. Our deepest sympathies to her family and friends. May God grant her eternal peace.

Congratulation to S.W.U. Twirlettes Baton Group of Euclid, Ohio who won Best of Parade Award at the July 4th Eastlake, Ohio parade and for taking second prize in the Willoughby Hills Homecoming Days Parade on July 22, 1978. These girls really are doing a great job.

A reminder to our members to check their dues books and bring them up to date.

Hope everyone had an enjoyable summer.

ANTOINETTE ZABUKOVEC,
Reporter

NO. 15, CLEVELAND, OHIO

A light breakfast followed our annual Mass for the living and deceased members on Mother's Day. The Mass with our beautiful Slovenian prayers and hymns was celebrated by Father Varga. We also had door prizes and a fifty-fifty split award.

Our next meeting will be in September — there was a summer meeting in August.

Get well wishes to all our members and happy birthdays to those of you celebrating in July, August and September.

JO—SOPHIE KLUN

NO. 16, SOUTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Our June and July meetings were short and sweet. Anna Lustig gave a final report on our 50th anniversary celebration which was a great success and Helen Gornick reported on our May chicken dinner and Mother-of-the-year celebration, another enjoyable occasion. A thank you note was read from Hermine Dicke in appreciation of our generous gift to the scholarship fund.

President Marge Prebil and Secretary Gladys Buck visited Mary Borota at the Sandra nursing home and presented her with the gift she received as a 50 year member. Mary sends regards to all. Frances Hafner of California sent a thank you note for her gift. Thank you notes were also read from Corinne Leskovar, Jean Franko, Pauline Klobucar and Branch 17 in West Allis, Wisconsin.

A discussion was held on chartering a bus to attend the 50th anniversary of Br.

20 in Joliet, Illinois on Sept. 17 and Br. 17, West Allis, Wisconsin on Oct. 29th. Be prepared to make your reservation at the September meeting.

Our sunshine prizes went to Helen Pastirik, Mary Priesol and Helen Gornick.

Birthdays were celebrated at our June and July meeting by Ann Ksiazek, Mary Maricich, Marge Spretnjak, Mary Cholak and Marge Prebil. Greetings signed by all members present were sent to Anna Buck, Josephine Kral and Mary Skoriija. Get well greetings were sent to Janice Hutchinson, Josephine Maggio, Frances Wine, Julie Vrllich and Marge Vrhovnik.

Marge and Sylvia Spretnjak and Marge Prebil displayed a pictorial history of 50 years of Br. 16's activities at Heritage Day in Joliet, Illinois on June 11. Many of our members also loaned some of their artifacts from Slovenia, including crystal, wooden objects, needlework, dolls and paintings to be displayed. It was very gratifying to note the many visitors who were deeply interested in the exhibit.

Zveza Day in Lemont proved to be one of our most beautiful days of summer. From 11:30 Mass to departure time at 7:00 PM, we spent a most enjoyable day picnicking, attending vespers and visiting with our many friends in attendance. Our branch was very well represented by Mary Brebrick, Gladys Buck, Anna Lustig, Zinka Sesek, Pauline Klobucar, Antonia Krese, Marge Vrhovnik, Mitzie Klobucar, Marge Prebil, Mary Krznaric, Mary Maricich, Marge and Sylvia Spretnjak.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Antonia Dominikovich on the loss of her husband, George, in June.

Marge Prebil was presented with two new grandchildren by daughters Rosemary and Kathy. Stacy Marie Nishimura was born in June and Ryan Thomas Monahan, in July. They are our two newest members. Congratulations to the two mothers and grandma.

MARGE SPRETNJAK, Reporter

NO. 17, WEST ALLIS, WIS.

Our regular September meeting will be held one week later, on Sunday, Sept. 24, 1978 at 2:00 P.M. in the lower church hall. The reason for this change is that on Sunday, Sept. 17, 1978 we have chartered a bus to attend the 50th anniversary of Br. No. 20 in Joliet, Illinois. The regular October meeting will be held as scheduled, the 3rd Sunday of the month, the 15th.

Reminder: We will celebrate our 50th anniversary combined with the Wisconsin Regional Convention on Sunday, October 29, 1978 at St. Marys Hall on So. 60th and W. Madison, West Allis, Wis. At 9:00 A.M. sweets and coffee will be served. The convention meeting will convene at 9:30 A.M. in the auditorium. 11:15 A.M. the officers, members and guests will march in a body to St. Marys Help of Christians church to attend the 11:30 Holy mass. From 12:15 to 1:00 P.M. there will be a cocktail hour and at 1:00 P.M. the dinner banquet followed by a short program. The highlight of the program will be the honoring of our organizer and honorary president of Br. No. 17, Mrs. Josephine Scholsar and the charter members: Josephine Nimmer, Mary Petrich, and Josephine Paucek. We will also be entertained by the Triglav dancers under the direction of Mr. Frank Coffelt. The banquet dinner tickets are limited, so please contact Marie Floryan (327-1444) or myself (327-3871) for reservations. Remember the date!! October 29, 1978.

Debra M. Zeman, daughter of Kenneth and Frances Zeman, granddaughter of Mrs. Frances Potochar, graduated May 19, 1978 from Milwaukee County General Hospital School of Nursing, which is a 3 year Hospital diploma school. Debra was also on the Honor Roll. She accepted the position as RN I at the County Hospital in the Special Surgical Dept. of Neurosurgery. Debbie also was a recipient of the SWU Scholarship Award in 1975. Congratulations and best wishes are extended to you for a bright and happy future.

MARION M. MAROLT

NO. 20, JOLIET, ILL.

When you receive this issue of ZARJA, most of our members who have traveled to far away places will have returned and brought home many fine memories. We hope they come to our meetings and tell us of their experiences.

We have had some ill members this summer, namely: Marie Malnerich who was hospitalized in Naperville, Maria Markun, Alice Kraus, Cindy Blowers, Helen Horvat and Pat Blowers.

We wish belated greetings on their birthdays to our two branch and National Officers, Olga Ancel and Mary Marolt. Many more years is our wish.

Our sympathy to Loretta Barney whose husband passed away recently. May he rest in peace.

Vera Ancel and her husband, Richard, who served in the US Army in Germany, are now home in Joliet. When there, Vera taught English in a German school. They have had many experiences and we are glad to have

them home again. Olga and Ed's younger daughter, Marie, directed a play this summer for the school children at St. Joseph's. It was very well done.

Congratulations to Victoria Ann Hofer our Zveza Scholarship Winner. She is the daughter of Bertha Hofer of Shorewood and granddaughter of our fifty year president, Emma Planinsek. She is also a niece of Irene Odorizzi, our Cultural Officer. All members of the Hofer and Planinsek family are our members for many years past. Good luck to Victoria and best wishes.

We are celebrating our 50th anniversary on Sept. 17th with a Mass and later, a banquet at the hall. All members are asked to come and help us celebrate this important event. Hope to see you all.

It was a nice day when we celebrated Mother's Day. Ann Sternisha was our Mother for the day and year. We appreciated all Ann has done for the branch and as a loyal bowler. A group of members and her relatives come to celebrate this memorable day with us.

Her relatives were introduced, namely: John and Judy Sternisha, son and daughter-in-law, Peggy Sternisha, daughter-in-law, Chick and Alice Valek, son-in-law and daughter, Pauline, daughter, and grandchildren, Brian and Erica Sternisha and Alice Jean and Becky Valek, and friend, Linda Malone. We all wished Ann many more years of health and happiness.

The president, Emma Planinsek pinned a corsage on her, and a program followed with the Slovenian folk dancers directed by Marie Ancel and singing directed by Lil Cepon and Johanna Markun. They did very well.

It was announced that the following will spend this summer in Slovenia. They are Mary Ivanich, Justine Kostelec, Sophie Matkovich, Theresa Rudman, and Frances Kodrich. We wish them all a very nice trip and a happy return.

Secretary of Br. 20, Agnes Lovati read the preamble and resolution from Senator George Sangmeister honoring Ann Sternisha. The beautiful Mother's Day celebration was also described by Olga Ancel who chauffeured the members to this celebration with Ella Planinsek, Mary Ivanich and Agnes Lovati. Mrs. Lovati reported the program for Heritage Day which was to take place a month later and the special Heritage Mass at our church on June 10th as the grand opening celebration of the Slovenian Heritage Day with Bishop Vonesh presiding. All members were asked to wear their Slovenian costumes and the junior members, too.

The flags were to be carried by the juniors.

We also discussed the lovely celebration of Br. 16 when they had their 50th Anniversary in April. Many of our members attended and Olga Ancel was the guest speaker.

We enrolled 12 new members in this campaign. Luncheon after the meeting was taken care of by Florence Ancel, Olga Ancel, Emma Nosse, Frances Bottari, Marg Stalzer, Dorothy Koncar and Emma Planinsek.

Since Br. 22, Bradley has already had their celebration that this writer could not attend, I attended their Polka Mass with Fr. Perkovich and the group from Minnesota. The Music was also later played in the hall, featuring Joe Cvek and the orchestra. My family, including husband, Joe daughter, Jonita Ruth and her husband, Fred and two daughters, and mother Mrs. Ruth, attended the wonderful celebration and enjoyed it very much. There were a few others there from Joliet, also that evening, the dance was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The branch ladies especially enjoyed it as it was a Mother's Day party for them.

Two weeks ago, relatives of my husband came to visit us in the US from Šentvid by Stična, Slovenia. They have a huge farm and modern home with all appliances. With the mother, Amalija Trontelj, came a married daughter, Ančka Jamnik who works in the Grosuplje plant where 2200 other workers are under her jurisdiction.

We took them to Chicago to the top of the Sears Tower and other places of interest — also stopping by to see our Editor, Corinne Leskovar and her husband, Lud, in their office. Their daughter, Mimi, a recent graduate from the University of Illinois was also home during our visit.

The visitors left from O'Hare Airport on June 29th and promised to visit us again soon. If not, we shall go to Slovenia to see them!

JOSEPHINE ERJAVEC

NO. 22, BRADLEY, ILL.

At our meeting on June 20th plans were completed for a triple celebration on August 29th.

We were to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our branch and also bestow honors to our Mother-of-the-Year, Mary Rittmanic, and to Anna Jamnik, our charter member, who was celebrating her birthday on that date. Everyone met at Lil & Stan's Restaurant for supper which was followed by a

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We heard the news of the passing of our pastor, Rev. Roman Malovasic on Slovenian Heritage Day. He was ill for a long time, but always pleasant and uncomplaining. He spent much of his time with the young men of our parish. We will miss him very much.

At Fr. Roman's funeral there were 21 priests and three Bishops present and the church was filled to capacity. We can't remember a larger funeral. It is a tribute to the respect our people had for him. May he rest in peace.

We hope that we shall be able to continue with the Slovenian liturgy and singing at our church which is so important to us and so inspiring.

J.E.

meeting at the home of Ann Richards. We always have a good time when we meet but this was expected to especially great.

On September 10th there will be a Slovenian picnic at Leo's Acres (Rittmanic) for all our ethnic group in the Bradley area. There will be a noon mass followed by the usual delicious food, drinks, and activities. The Zveza members will be on the lookout for new members at this time also. With a bit of luck we may succeed.

Libby Kinder and Mollie Starasinich were our gracious hostesses for the meeting. Before the meeting, we all feasted our eyes on the beautiful exotic plants Libby has accumulated and nurtured — a miniature greenhouse to behold.

Our recording secretary, Gabrielle Lustig, was presented with a gift of jewelry for her years of faithful service to our branch.

Those who attended the Heritage Days in Joliet, reported a most wonderful time and were especially impressed by the adeptness and swiftness of the strudel demonstrators, a chore for most of us.

We were very happy to have Mayme Drassler back with us after her winter vacation in Arizona. We will enjoy her company while we can as I'm sure she'll head back for the winter.

Happy birthday and many more to the following: Anna Jamnik and Mollie McIntyre in August; Helen Sebastiani in September.

Food for thought: The Lord some times takes us into troubled waters not to drown us, but to cleanse us. Peace to all!

MARGE PLANTON, reporter

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS' ESSAYS

As you know one of the requirements of the scholarship winners is that each recipient write a brief essay on "What The Slovenian Women's Union Means To Me". We feel that you should have the opportunity to read these fine papers and so we are publishing them as they were submitted to us.

The following winners have been announced who will be

receiving \$500.00 scholarships:

Victoria Ann Hofer of Shorewood, Ill. and Branch No. 20
Stacy Radosevich of Two Harbors, Minn., and Branch No. 33
Linda Schultz of Chicago, Ill., and Branch No. 2
Bernadette Starcevic of Pueblo, Colorado and Branch No. 3
"What the Slovenian Women's Union Means to Me"

VICTORIA ANN HOFER:

I feel that the Slovenian Women's Union has helped me to better understand myself and my Slovenian heritage.

Long before Roots was a very familiar topic of discussion for one's ancestry, I was curious to know about my background.

Always, close at hand, were the relating and teaching of the Slovenian customs.

As a child, I was fascinated by the beautiful and colorful costumes. I was delighted by the fast moving pace of the polka and marvelled at the language.

Having a grandmother, who served as the president of our local branch since 1933, has continuously put me in situations of working at fairs, going to picnics, dancing, singing and having an enjoyable time in the midst of these fun loving but industrious people.

These years have been enjoyable to me, but most of all, they made me appreciate my heritage even more so than the person who can only be told of their background. I have had much first-hand experiences and hopefully if my dream comes true, I will be able to visit the country that has a special spot in my heart, Slovenia.

STACY M. RADOSEVICH:

Being a member of the Slovenian Women's Union is important to me in many ways. As an almost full-blooded Croatian, with strong family ties, I have come to know the traditions and ways of life that are important to the Slavic family.

Traditions are very important to me. There are many which are carried out in my family which will never die. Things like the whole family staying up late to roll out the potica dough and spread the filling, everyone of all ages participating. On holidays and at family parties potica is a must, along with other goodies such as sarma, polenta, strudels and palacinki and of course, Slivovitz. I hope to carry on those same traditions with a family of my own someday.

Basic values such as loyalty, a strong sense of justice, and coming through with help and understanding in times of need without question I find are prominent in our families.

The Union is a way of preserving the Slovenian heritage. It has brought together women having a common bond with a show of companionship and unity. Being part of this has made me even prouder of my Croatian nationality and I hope that by being active in my branch and helping with the National Convention in Duluth in 1979, I can keep alive this Union for years to come.

LINDA SCHULTZ:

If not for the Slovenian Women's Union my Slovenian heritage and culture might have died long ago.

Even at an early age, I began to realize that my past was something that would grow in me and help me become a person with a solid foundation on which I could build a solid future. I saw my grandmother and her peers celebrate different Slovenian days together and gradually realized that it

was the S.W.U. that was most responsible for allowing a proud people to portray their past and prove that they were like me in one respect.

The Slovenian people in this country were, and are, a young and upcoming ethnic group; they have struggled as I am doing. I only hope that with the help of this scholarship I can go on in the world and become as the Union has: united with myself for the purpose of strengthening the Slovenian culture within the freedom framework of a country whose future, like the Union's, rests in the hands of my peers and I.

I also hope I can gain the courage and confidence that the founder, Marie Priland, and the other past leaders have exhibited.

BERNADETTE STARCEVIC:

The Slovenian Women's Union promotes unity among the American women of Slovenian decent by helping, assisting, and working in and with various projects. The principal goal of the Slovenian Women's Union is to create a better appreciation and a more thorough understanding of the Slovenian heritage throughout the country. This is obtained by promoting a vast cultural and educational field of advancement and experience for the Slovenian people throughout each and every country.

One very important feature of the Slovenian Women's Union is the "Zarja", (The Dawn), the union's well-designed Slovenian magazine. This magazine unites all people of Slovenian decent or heritage wherever they may be. The "Zarja" contains valuable information of the past, present and future events that reflect and highlight the lives of the Slovenian people.

The magazine provides a cultural advancement for its readers due to the fact that there is a particular featured section in the "Zarja" entitled, "the Immigrant". This section truly brings out the Slovenian in all of us. All in all, there is a section that everyone in the family will enjoy.

An educational advancement is not only made through the magazine, however, an educational advancement is made possible for young men whose mothers belong to the organization and young women belonging to the Union by applying: for scholarships that are given away annually.

As a recipient of such a scholarship, I am very proud to be able to say that I am a member of such a fine organization, the Slovenian Women's Union of America.

In closing, I would like to extend a very special thanks to the Slovenian Women's Union of America and the Scholarship Committee. Again, thank you for making this opportunity possible.

OHIO—MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION

to be held Sunday, SEPTEMBER 24, 1978

at the SLOVENIAN HOME
IN GIRARD, OHIO

Hostesses: Br. 55, Girard
officers and members.

IT WAS GREAT HERITAGE DAY

The week of June 10 to June 17 was proclaimed "Slovenian Week" in Joliet, Illinois by Mayor Norman Keck.

And so, the Midwest Slovenian Heritage Day festivities began on Saturday June 10 in the splendor of ringing church bells, colorful Slovenian costumes and glorious singing of Slovenian Marian hymns.

Entering St. Joseph's Church for the celebration of the 4 PM Mass were two flag bearers carrying the American and Slovenian flags. Four distinct groups dressed in Slovenian costumes, students from the St. Joseph's Slovenian School; the Young Joliet Slovenian Dancers; the Joliet Slovenian Folk Dancers; members and husbands. These were followed by Mrs. Emma Planinsek, President of Br. 20 and Irene (Planinsek) Odorizzi, National Heritage Chairman, officers and members who joined the procession to worship together. Rev. David Stalzer was the celebrant. His homily reviewed our great Slovenians including Bishop Baraga and Bishop Slomsek. The readings were read by Marie Ancel. The offertory gifts were presented by Agnes Lovati and Mildred Pucel, co-chairman of Heritage Day festivities. The congregation joined the St. Joseph's Church Choir directed by organist Anthony Rozman in singing the melodius Slovenian Marian hymns. This indeed was a happy occasion for us all.

The following day, Sunday June 11, the sun shone in all its glory. "Dobrodošli", "Živijo Slovenci" and "Slovenian Heritage Day" banners greeted all who came to the St. Joseph's Park complex.

Formally the day began at 11:30 AM with the St. Joseph's Park Post 1080 American Legion presenting the colors, the American and Slovenian flags. Anna Mae Lukancic inspired us by her singing of the Star Spangled Banner and Rev. David Stalzer said the invocation.

From 12 noon to 5 PM, educational, informative and entertaining events took place simultaneously. The outdoor band shell, with Rudy Pucel as Master of Ceremonies, was alive with music and dancing. Twenty booths and demonstrations were on display in the main hall. Movies, slides and lectures took place in the Lecture Room, directed by Helen Horvat.

Returning again this year, at 12 noon-12:45 PM on the outdoor band shell was Eddie Arenz's Polka Express live radio show originating from St. Joseph's Park over WTAQ, 1300 LaGrange, Illinois. At 1 PM the Frank Kovacic Orchestra, Chicago, Illinois set the mood for the afternoon polka dancing. Mladi Slovenski Plesalci-Young Slovenian Dancers, Joliet, Illinois directed by Marie Ancel gave the audience a refreshing review of Slovenian dancing. These dancers are in the age group from 10 to 13. At 3 PM the ever-popular Benny Papesh entertained with his Pantomimes ably assisted by his wife, Theresa. From Chicago, Illinois came the professional Slovenian American Radio Club Folk Dancers, directress, Corinne Leskovar. What a performance! Their dress and dance depicted various regions in Slovenia, presenting us an outstanding show. The young and talented John Amon, accordionist and Vinko Rigler, tenor soloist from Chicago, provided versatile entertainment that was well



Clevelanders Mary Vadnal and Hermine Prevsek, left and right, of Branch 50, Cleveland, Ohio visited the Slovenian Heritage Day in Joliet in June and are seen here with Mrs. Josephine Erjavec and daughter, Jonita Ruth, of Br. 20. Mrs. Vadnal also has relatives in Joliet and stayed at Mrs. Bernie Bostjancic's home. They were entertained by their cousins who are all members of Br. 20, namely: Mary Klein, Dorothy Surmon, Dolores Kryzeiak, Helen Strojcin and Mrs. Frank Bostjancic.

As visitors to Joliet, they enjoyed the picnic which will remain unforgettable they say, and also a stop at the Home Office where Mrs. Ruth is a Secretary. "It was a beautiful visit and we'll always remember it with fondest memories!" they said.

received. Continuing the ethnic portion of entertainment with their lively dancing were the Joliet Slovenian Folk Dancers directed by Magda Simrayh. Those who preferred to sing the good old Slovenian bar songs had the opportunity of being accompanied by the wandering accordionists, the renowned orchestra leaders Ron Kramerich, Ken Juricic, Bob Doszak and Ron Zola on the button box.

Olga and Ed Ancel were the coordinators of the Exhibition Hall. Life-size artistic and colorful Slovenian Dancers graced the walls and attractive booths displaced interesting and varied items. This year our exhibitors were: The Button Box Accordion Display, Karpek Accordion Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Copper Tooling, Breda Modic, Branch No. 2, Chicago, Bobbin Lace, Jennie Puhsek, Branch No. 2, Chicago; Slovenian Arts and Crafts, Frances Jasbec, Branch No. 2, Chicago; Exhibit on Slovenian Contributions to America, Dr. Edi Gobec and Mrs. Milena Gobetz, Slovenian Research



The Frankie Kovacic Orchestra of South Chicago on the outdoor bandstand; nearby, on the "patio", dancers enjoyed an afternoon of polkas and waltzes, left, Sue and C.J. Novak, right, Eleanore and John Mestakovich

Center of America, Cleveland, Ohio; Holy Family Society-Frances Kimek; Memorabilia and Slovenian Arts and Crafts, Branch No. 16, South Chicago, Marge and Sylvia Spretnjak; Our Heritage-Imports, Aprons, T-Shirts, and Miscellaneous items; Branch No. 2, Chicago; Kellander Travel Agency, Cleveland, Chicago, and Joliet, Ill.; Bishop Frdrich Baraga-Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gregorich; KSKJ-American Slovenian Catholic Union; Souvenirs, dolls, carnations-Marie Mulnerick; The Music Shop; The Book Store and Art-Mary Foys Lauretig, Branch No. 2, Chicago.

Two very popular demonstrations were; The Art of making Apple Strudel, Frances Zibert, Millie Paisoli, Mary Muller, Anne Zorko, Theresa Muhich, Branch No. 2, Chicago, Ill; We all appreciate the expertise of these fine women. All in all, 30 strudels were made. Were you lucky enough to sample a slice of this warm and delicious strudel? The Pink Tea was also a favorite again this year under the capable supervision of Jennie Kitz and Vi Pyzik, Branch No. 2, Chicago, Ill.

In the Lecture Room, where the atmosphere was quiet and subdued, one became completely absorbed in the Baragaland Movies of Bill Trinko; the Movies of Slovenia with Ray Lemaich of the Kollander Travel Bureau and Slides of Slovenia with Ken Odorizzi as Narrator. Dr. Edi Gobec of Cleveland, Ohio delivered an in-depth lecture on "The Slovenian Contributions to America."

At 4:30 the exhibition booths closed and at 5 PM the Choral Concert began in the Main Hall with Corinne Leskovar as Mistress of Ceremonies. Seating space was at a premium and all who gained admission to this concert were indeed fortunate as the superb program was versatile and pleasing. Our compliments to the choirs and their directors for an outstanding performance. Appearing on stage were the St. Joseph's Church Choir, Joliet-Anthony Rozman, Director; Slovenian Singing Society "Preseren"; St. Joseph's Slovenian School Children's Chorus, Joliet, Lillian Cepon and Ivanka Markun, teachers; "Slovenska Pesem", Dr. P. Vendelin Spendov, Director.

Garden Dancing began at the outdoor pavilion at 7 PM, with the Ken Juricic Polka Orchestra.

Served throughout the day--Dan Sikič and his Barbecued Lamb and Chicken along with Smolich's Slovenian Sausage, Franz Fedo's Beef Sandwiches and Hot Dogs. Slovenian Pastries were available at the Bakery Booth and Refreshments at the Bar pavilion. For added entertainment, various games were played.

It was a major decision for the officers and members of Br. No. 2 to undertake sponsorship for the 2nd year the Midwest Heritage Day festivities, which entails six months of planning and organizing. We extend our deepest gratitude to Irene Odorizzi, from Reston, Virginia, our National Heritage Chairman, for her encouraging assistance; to Corinne Leskovar for her moral support; and to all of our local chairman and their workers who for the SECOND YEAR undertook



Juniors of Br. 20 paused for a moment before their performance of Slovenian folk dances.

the task in formulating and executing their tasks.

Lillian Brulc, Nationally renown Joliet artist designer of the attractive poster, which appeared on the cover of June Zarja. Olga and Ed Ancel, booth coordinators; Mary Marolt, money booth and typing of the detailed program; Barb Smithberg for her refreshing publicity articles; Franz Fedo and his assistants at the food counter; Al Lovati and Gene Klainsek, bar setup; Marie Scheidt, "B" games; Emma Nosse and Ann Sternisha, Bakery; Rudy Pucel, Master of Ceremonies outdoor band stand; Corinne Leskovar, Mistress of Ceremonies Choral Concert; Helen Horvat, Director of Lecture Room; Judy Mravle, piano tuner; Kevin McNamara, slide projector; Joe Metesh, photographer; Dan Sikic and sons barbeque lamb and chicken; Exhibitors for their time, patience and cordiality; Program of the Day booklet-compliments of American Slovenian Home; "The Slovenians" a brochure-compliments of American Slovenian Catholic Union, Kollander World Travel, Inc. and Slovenian Women's Union of America; Radio Station "WTAQ"; All the dance groups; All musical entertainers; Holy Name Juniors — Parking detail; Joe Stukel and his co-workers — maintenance; Joliet Park District — 50 picnic tables; And last but not the least to the Good Lord for blessing us with a warm day and willing workers.

Branch 20 is happy that once more they have given the thousands of people the opportunity to observe and partake of their Slovenian culture and heritage, and that we had the opportunity to display and perform. June 11 was a great day in Slovenian History in Joliet.

We humbly thank all who unselfishly gave of their time and energy and it was great to see you all who joined us from far and near.

Bog Vas Živi!



Honoray Chairman
Rev. David Stalzer,

Agnes Lovati,
Mildred Pucel
Co-Chairman

NO. 24, LASALLE, ILL.

Dear members: Greetings to all. As always, hoping that you are resting after all the activities of school graduations, Holy Communion, etc. Now be prepared for getting together for the big celebration!

We at Br. 24 will be having the 50th anniversary on October 8, the second Sunday of the month. Mark your Calendars! It will be also the Illinois-Indiana State Convention at the same time. At our August meeting, we had planned to discuss this and we are hoping for a nice response from our members.

Mass will be at 12 Noon and dinner will follow at the school hall. We would

like our visiting branches to wear their Slovenian Heritage Costumes — all those who have them. It would be a very nice attraction for our community. The local newspaper editor and photographer will come to take pictures.

Be of good cheer and help us in planning this event. We invite all our members to attend the preparation meetings.

We sadly report the death of our loyal member, and neighbor in DePue, Ill., Mrs. Mary Jermenc, who died at the age of 82 at St. Margaret's Hospital in Spring Valley.

The funeral was held Aug. 4th. A host of relatives and friends attended. To all the family, our deepest sympathy.

Mary was the secretary and treasurer of our sister branch No. 85. We know the members in DePue will miss her greatly. May she rest in peace.

In July our dear president, Mary Gramc lost her brother-in-law unexpectedly. We extend our deepest sympathy. Joseph Siegle of Chicago was a good father, husband and brother. He was a widower a few years, having lost his wife, Ann Gramc Siegle. Also, condolences to our mourning mother, Mrs. Agnes Bartley whose oldest son was buried from St. Roch's in July. Besides his widowed mother, he leaves a sister, Marie, a brother and other relatives in the Meglen families. We remember our deceased in our prayers and may they rest in peace.

MARY MICI PILETIC
ZARJA—THE DAWN

IRENE ODORIZZI:
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THE IMMIGRANT

Caroline from Kočevje

Irene M. Planinsek Odorizzi, 1978.

Looking back through many years on a life of hardship and physical labor, I wonder how I ever managed to live nearly one century, yet on February 14, I will celebrate my 98th birthday and can enjoy what very few people have the opportunity to witness in a lifetime — three daughters, fifteen grandchildren, forty-five great grandchildren and nineteen great-children. How did all this start? My roots go back to 1881, when my parents, Gregor and Mary Oswald gave birth to me, the fourth child, in the town of Kočevje, in the Dolensko section of Slovenia.

When I grew up in Kočevje, its population was only about twelve hundred people, now it is five times that size. Our village could be traced back to the middle ages when a large manor was built in the lovely valley surrounded by the Kočevje Mountains on the east and the taller Kočevje Mountains which reached a height of one thousand meters, on the west. To the north flowed the Krka River and the larger Kolpa River made its way through the south. Kočevje lay nestle between mountains and rivers.

Large animals, especially bears, roamed through the dense forest and provided excellent hunting for the Austrian royalty which frequented the area. A manor was erected and occupied by the Ortenburg family until 1418, when it was taken over by the Counts of Celje, and remained in that family for centuries.

In 1471, Frederick III, Count of Celje, occupied the Manor and founded the city, which surrounded the spacious and elegant home. By the time the Turkish armies had invaded the area, as they did many European countries, the manor had developed into a castle and was encircled by a tall stately wall with four lookout towers. Serving as a fortress, the men of Kočevje fought from within its walls under the leadership of the Count, and the women and children found refuge within the stone walls until the invading Turkish army left the area, unsuccessful.

Through the coming centuries homes and shops were constructed around the castle which occupied the central position in the flourishing city.

In 1847, coal was discovered and mines became operative. A high school was opened in 1872, to continue the basic education already in existence for some time. A large saw mill and lumber business, as well as a local railroad station became operative by 1894, followed by a newspaper and bank.

This was my birthplace, a small farm in the city of Kočevje, close to Črnomelj in the Belo Krajina area.



Caroline Kozina doesn't look at all like she has lived nearly one century. We send this lovely lady our wishes for many more years of health and happiness..

There were five other children in our family, three boys and two girls. We were all expected to work on the farm and accept our share of the responsibility of helping the family survive. For a short time, school became a part of my daily routine. Even though I learned my studies well and enjoyed the lessons, my father paid to have me withdrawn from school at the age of ten. I was expected to work full time on the farm and was denied the opportunity of furthering my education in preparation for the future. After all, my father felt that I knew the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic. Wasn't that enough? Time soon revealed that three years of elementary school was hardly sufficient education for life in the twentieth century.

My life-long ambition was to become a dressmaker and so being withdrawn from school to work on the farm, which I did not like, was a major disappointment to me. But what could I, a young teenage girl do? I must follow my father's wishes, which I did, until I hear about America. Maybe this land of opportunity would fulfill my dream? With this intention, I made plans to leave my native land of Slovenia and at the age of fifteen began my voyage to America.

When I arrived in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1896, there were many people already living together in a Slovenian community. I lived with my sister Mary Kraker and worked in a bakery for \$1.50 a week. After one year, in the United States, I moved to Tower, Minnesota, and within two months on October 2, 1898, at the age of seventeen, was married to Frank Turk. There were many single men who worked as miners on the Mesabi Iron Range and they were in need of lodging so Frank and I decided to take in boarders for \$3.00 a month per man.

Our first two children, Mary and Frank, were born in the city of Tower. After five years we decided to move to Hibbing, Minnesota where our next two daughters, Caroline and Angeline were born. Weather and working conditions didn't agree with Frank and he contracted miner's consumption. The doctor advised him to change his residence so that his health would improve.

In 1908, our family of six planned for a return voyage to Slovenia and we arrived in the month of October. Frank's condition was already weakened and shortly after returning to our native land, he died. Left with four children and no means of support, I went to work in the coal mines near Kočevje and earned enough money for passage back to America. My four children remained with a neighbor because no one else would

care for them. Upon my return to Hibbing, I resided with and worked for Mr. and Mrs. Marko Prebich until a friend assisted me in locating a job cleaning house and scrubbing floors for \$1.50 a day.

It took two years of hard work, mostly on my hands and knees, saving every penny I earned, before I accumulated enough money to send for my two oldest children. The two youngest children had to wait thirteen additional years before coming to America because of World War I.

After being a widow for five years, I met a fine man named John Kozina and we married. A son Albert was born to us. At that time we decided to move to Crosby, Minnesota where we lived for ten years. All the while I continued to clean houses and scrub floors to support my four other children.

We returned to Hibbing once again making it our permanent home. In 1950, my husband Frank died and I was widowed for the second time. Ever since I have lived alone supporting myself until my eighties the only way with which I was familiar, as a housekeeper.

Modern conveniences made housework a little easier through the years, but it was still hard physical work and finally my legs began to weaken and I was no longer able to walk. Since my ninety-fifth year, I have lived in a nursing home and have had many opportunities during my retirement to look back over the past nine decades. My real ambition of becoming a dressmaker was never realized because I was always concerned with earning a living and caring for my family.

People talk about the good old days but I wonder if they realize what it was like for poor immigrants. Work was my entire life. Music which I loved so much and happy times were only a small part of my life because it seems that there was never time to enjoy myself since I was always scrubbing and cleaning. I was lucky if there were a few hours each day to rest.

But even with the sad experiences that I recall, God has blessed me with a few happy moments. One of my greatest joys in life centers around my grandson Frank Turk, who lost his mother at the age of five and became deaf at the age of seven. He came to live with me and I

saw to it that he received a good education. Presently he is a prominent man at Gallaudet College for the Deaf in Washington, D.C. as well as an administrator at Swan Lake Camp for the Deaf in Pengilly, Minnesota.

Another important part of my life was becoming an American citizen. In America even an immigrant without a formal education had a chance to make a decent living, own a home, raise and educate children; but it took hard work, sacrifice and thrift.

Through the years various people have traveled to Slovenia and have visited the city of my birth. When they return, their comments are, "Caroline, you wouldn't recognize Kočevje any more. So much was destroyed during World War II. Frederick's castle is now gone and on the grassy mall in the center of the city, a memorial commemorates the soldiers who fought and died during the war. There is also a modern hotel erected nearby, and a major highway passes from Ljubljana to Rijeka through Kočevje. The town is highly industrialized now."

When I lived there eighty-two years ago, times were hard and farmers were poor. Now everyone makes a good living and there is much more employment available to the people through modern industries. But even with this change of times for the better, I am content and happy to stay in America where I have been able to sustain myself and my family all these years. Even now, I am able to independently maintain myself in a nursing home through my hard work during the early years. Each day, I thank God for everything. My prayers were answered. My mind is still good and clear. My friends come to visit and we play cards together. I have always said and will continue to say until my last breath, God Bless America.

THE END

Note: Many thanks to Zarja reporter, Anne Satovich of Hibbing, for taking the time to interview Mrs. Kozina, who she says is a very humble lady, with a mind as clear as a bell, who tries not to impose on anyone for help.

NO. 26, PITTSBURGH, PA.

With the summer months about over, we the officers, hope all our women enjoyed their vacations and that everyone had good health and pleasurable memories.

To the aged and shut-ins, the best goes out to them and they are remembered in our prayers.

We congratulate Mary and Frank Golatic on their 50th Anniversary. May God bless you both with good health and happiness in the coming year.

Br. 26 will be celebrating their 50th anniversary this year! On Sunday, Oct. 29th, we will begin the festivities with a Polka Mass at St. Mary Assumption Church, officiated by Fr. Demshar followed by dinner and dancing at the Slovenian Auditorium on 57th St. Tickets for the event will be available at our Sept. meeting or contact Mary

Slaney. Only 250 tickets will be sold, and no tickets at the door. Let's all make this a memorable affair.

Our annual luncheon held in May was a great success as always. We thank everyone who attended, donated prizes and helped to serve.

Keep Sept. 19th in mind — that is our first meeting date. Please join us, the officers, and bring in a new member. God bless you all — wherever you may be.

HELEN CESNIK

NO. 32, EUCLID, OHIO

Our final get together in June, before the summer recess, was a picnic instead of a meeting. The weather was very nice and a breeze made it just right. The food was pot luck and punch. Our hostesses with other help did a splendid job of table setting. Talk about food!

The long table couldn't hold it all! Such a variety of good food and pastry — it was just out of this world! Our president had loads of door prizes and this makes it so exciting. We had three items and lucky winners were happy. We had two accordion players, one was Charles Krivec and the other was his friend. They were wonderful. Some ladies danced and others were just enjoying singing along.

Alma Eppick, our president, mentioned that we lost another member, Mary Zele on June 15th. Also, on May 26th, Mary Baraga passed away suddenly. Mary was the mother of Diane Kastelic and grandmother of Patty Kastelic, a Twirlette. May both our members rest in peace and our sympathy to the families and our members.

Other news. Mary D'Amico was honored at Euclid High School with the top C.E.C. Award which means

Character, Endeavor and Citizenship. Patricia Kastelic was also one of the girls getting this award. Karen Cook, graduate from Euclid High has been awarded an Honor Scholarstic Scholarship to the University of Toledo. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Cooke of Euclid and plans to enter the College of Pharmacy this fall. We congratulate them and their parents on these promotions and for having such talent. We are happy with them and wish them future success.

Susan Podboy, our Deb in 1974, graduated from Cleveland State University. She will be a teacher at St. Jerome's school teaching 4th graders. Her sister, Charlene Podboy, also a Deb in 1974 is working for Cuyahoga Savings. Best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Podboy — they are such a good family.

Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Perme announce the marriage of their daughter, Bridget, to Patrick Gallagher on Aug. 12th. The wedding ceremony was at St. William's church. Congratulations from Br. 32.

Julia Zakrajsek became a great grandmother for the 1st time. Congratulations.

Helen Crewell went on a 38 day World Tour with the Fatima Travel Group which carried the Pilgrim Virgin praying for peace. Places: Alaska, Japan, Korea, Egypt, India, Italy, Poland, Hungary, Austria, France, Germany, Israel, Spain, Portugal are some of the countries they visited by charter plane. Their aircraft, a DC 8, had "QUEEN OF THE WORLD" written on it with the praying hands symbol. About 175 people went on the tour with the Fatima Lady statue. We pray that your prayers will be fulfilled, we need peace so badly.

Our member, Mary Cooke and husband, Edmund are proud parents as their son, Thomas E. Cooke married Miss Leslie Ellen Sherman of Euclid of July 15th at St. William's church. Thomas is the grandson of Mrs. Catherine Zalec. It was a big wedding and we wish the young couple health and happiness and congratulations to all. God bless them.

We wish to see a lot of ladies coming to the meetings as we have work planned ahead of us. We will be working on our Bake Sale on Nov. 13th and 14th. Check your dues books and help our secretary.

To all our sick, a speedy recovery. Especially we extend wishes to Corinne Leskovar who had surgery. Thanks to ZARJA we find out all the news.

A reminder. Oct. 10th at 7 p.m. is our
SEPTEMBER, 1978

Mass for Living and Departed Members at St. Christine's church. Let's have a large attendance. We urge you to have an interest in our branch.

A. TEKAVEC
Reporter

NO. 33, DULUTH, MINN.

With Duluth being recently named an "All American City" we are more than ever looking forward to "showing off" our city and offering our hospitality at the National Convention at the Radisson Hotel in May, 1979.

We are hoping to get all data needed from National office so we can really "step up" our plans.

Plans will be made at the August meeting for bus to Minnesota Day to be held in Aurora on Sept. 10.

All members are asked to get recipes in (in person or by mail) so we can get busy on that project. We will have a workshop to put them together as soon as we have enough gathered so be sure to get them in as soon as possible.

Cyrilla Collard, Lucy Somin and Josephine Gregorich are all home from the hospital. We hope all is well with them and all of our other members.

LOIS PELANDER, Reporter

NO. 40, LORAIN, OHIO

As I write this, it's 84 degrees outdoors — but as you read this, it'll be time to start getting the children ready for school after vacation. It's also Labor Day time and this is the last holiday of the summer. I hope you enjoyed your summertime and vacationtime.

Our meeting was well-attended and after a nice lunch served by our birthday girls, Mary Janezic, Helen Kozjan, Ann DeTrillio, Katherine Evanish, Johanna Stiglin, Gertrude Betka and Janice Diedrick, we played cards and enjoyed the good old fashioned game "K".

Many thanks to all who donated prizes.

Our condolences to Mary Mudrock in the death of her brother, Si Baraga. May his soul rest in peace.

To our ill members, Jennie Cerne, Mary Tomazic and Mary Evanish, hurry and get well.

We also hear that Mayme Hoover's husband is ill. Here's hoping better days are around the corner for him.

On a happier note, Angela Kozjan has become a great grandmother for the eighth time. In Kearney, Nebraska, a

son, Christopher Robert was born to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Frost. Grandparents are Edward and Helen Kozjan and this makes Angeline Voytko a great aunt. Best wishes to all on this most happy event.

Still on the sick list is our Mother of the Year, Antonia Gulich. We're all hoping that you will soon be back at the meetings. We miss you!

We had such a nice meeting in July — and so many happy faces, 25 of us in all. We sincerely wish this kind of attendance will be with us each month. So, come on, ladies, mark your calendars and see us on the second Wednesday of the month. Mark it with a big red circle and be there! You'll be more than welcome!

Our able auditors, Rose Cerne, Mary Matos and Beverly Popovic checked both the secretary and treasurer reports and found all in good order. Thank you all for a good job.

Received a lovely card from Jennie Cerne and we all hope that she is on the road to recovery as we wish for Kathy Shullich who is ill and Angeline Tomazine who has broken her knee and is still in a cast. Get well in a big hurry!

Our president, Agnes Jancar is still unable to join us but we keep hoping that soon she'll be able to attend every meeting along with Antonia Gulich. They are sadly missed. Hurry and get better.

We had a lovely lunch served by our birthday girls: Bertha Blazina, Ann Rozanc, Mary Ferlic, Angeline Martin, Mary Kordeleski and Beverly Popovic, after singing a very loud rendition of "Happy Birthday." We enjoyed cards and games, too, and before you knew it, a really enjoyable evening was over.

To all parents, that time has come again for the children to go back to school and I like this little proverb very much:

The best preacher is the heart; the best teacher is time; the best book is the world. the best friend is God. Happy and safe Fall. It's only a prelude to winter.

MARY PLOSZAJ

NO. 41, CLEVELAND, OHIO

TO ALL MEMBERS:

I am writing this article to inform all Branch No. 41 members that since Jane Kaplan is ill, I have been chosen to take care of the secretary duties until election time in December. To Jane Kaplan: I pray you are feeling better and may God give you good health soon. You're remembered in our prayers every day. Get well soon.

I can be contacted at my home at 1002 East 178St., Cleveland, Ohio 44119 : Phone 531-5191. I will try to be a good



MRS. FRANK COOPER

Lovely Bride of Br. 13

Shirley and Frank Cooper were married on October 16th, 1977, the same day as her parents celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary, at the Church of the Nativity, San Francisco, Cal. Officiating at the ceremony was the pastor, Rev. John Mihovilovich.

They are now living in Sacramento where Frank is Director for the National Mental Health Association for the 13 Western States. Shirley is the daughter of Mrs. Joseph Sterbeck and both she and mom, Amelia, are our fine members. Best wishes.



HERITAGE IN ACTION CAMPAIGN First Prize: Trip to S.W.U. National Convention, Duluth, Minn. May, '79

CASH PRIZES FOR ALL WORKERS:

\$1.00 cash for every Class B member enrolled in this campaign; \$.50 for every new Class A member; \$.25 for every new junior member! Our goal in this Campaign is "ONE NEW MEMBER FOR EVERY MEMBER!"

Get your application blank in Zarja or from your branch secretary.

secretary and will welcome all members to call me concerning any lodge questions.

I have contacted quite a few members and was pleased to talk to them personally and they were most cordial. At looking at the records, I have noticed many members haven't changed their beneficiaries. So PLEASE check your policies to make sure they are correct in this matter: it is for your benefit to make sure your policies are up-dated. Also new addresses and phone numbers; I would appreciate phone calls with this information so our records are complete for every member.

We have lost two of our members this past month — Frances Zakrajsek and Mary Perpar: My sympathy to the families and May their souls rest in peace and God have mercy on all our deceased members.

Our next meeting is September 19: Tuesday at 2:00 P.M. at Waterloo Slovenian Workingman's Home. This is the third Tuesday of the month so Please mark your calendar and come so I can meet all the wonderful members of our Branch. I hope you all had a wonderful summer and vacations.

I would like to have some help in getting new members into our lodge so maybe some mothers who belong can get their daughters to join and some friends. Our dues are very reasonable and I'll gladly contact all names given to me so we can make our membership grow a little. I would be most grateful

for any help in this matter.

Hope to see and meet you all on Sept. 19 at our meeting. Let's us help one another. GOD BLESS YOU ALL
VALERIA FORTUNA, Secy.

NO. 42, MAPLE HGTS., OHIO

Hello ladies! Hope you are all fine and had a nice summer. Lou and I are here in Skofija Loka, Slovenija. We did a lot of visiting and sight seeing as far as Dubrovnik, Rome, Celovec (Klagenfurt), Austria. We also spent the full day at the picnic on July 4th. As you all know, Lou's cousin lives there and it's where we are staying. We met a lot of Clevelanders there.

Happy Birthday to all the September celebrants. Get well wishes to our sick ladies and hope you are all better. Don't forget the meeting Sept. 12th at 7:30 p.m.

Our Rummage Sale is Oct. 12th. It will begin at 9 a.m. and last until 4. Are you saving your articles for it? I'll keep in touch, or you let me know. See you at the meeting.

MARY LOU PRHNE

NO. 43, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

The summer season reached the half-way mark and soon fall will be here. I hope all of you had a wonderful summer and enjoyed your vacations wherever you went. With no meetings in July and August, there isn't any important business to report, with the exception of our meeting date. In

September, our meeting date will be the same, the 4th Tuesday or Sept. 26th, but October and thereafter, the meetings will be on the first Thursday of each month. Please remember.

Our Card Party is getting closer and closer. The date is Sunday, Nov. 12th at John's Hall, 35th and Lincoln Ave. Prizes are greatly appreciated.

Mary Martino is back in California visiting her daughter and family. Mary loves California's weather. Ceil Groth is in Indiana spending several days with her niece and family. Vickie Sporis and Chris Strucil are touring the New England states and Canada for two weeks. These gals are always on the "go".

Al and Mitzie Tratnik attended the Eagles National Convention in Spokane, Wash. Martha Dombeck and her sister, Irene Martin, are in Hawaii with friends. Irene said she is going to learn how to do the hula dance and will perform at our next meeting!

Mary Hudaj and Stella Paushe toured Europe and stopped in Germany, France, Italy, Austria and Yugoslavia. They said the trip was wonderful and exciting.

Marcella Misiewicz is on a tour also to Europe and will visit Switzerland, Austria, Yugoslavia, Germany, Italy and Poland. She will be gone for three weeks. We wish all the tourists a safe and happy return home.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our "younger" members

TO YOUR HEALTH!

Arthritis is a condition causing aching and pain in the joints and connective tissue through the body. Arthritis is many diseases and almost everyone, if he lives long enough, will develop some arthritis. It is a chronic disease, like diabetes and heart disease. This means the condition, once started, continues usually for life. It means that whatever damage takes place may remain permanently and tends to get worse if proper treatment is not continued.

Arthritis may start with minor aches and pains. This is one of the first warning signs. Other signs may be pain, tenderness, or swelling in one or more joints. Recurrence of these symptoms, especially when they involve more than one joint, points to arthritis.

The cause of arthritis is not known, but there are effective treatment methods to control the disease and

prevent deformities and crippling.

There are a number of drugs which are effective in reducing inflammation and the pain. Of these, aspirin is the most frequently prescribed. Because people vary in their tolerance for aspirin, it should be taken for arthritis only as prescribed by a physician.

The rest and exercise program that a physician should establish may depend upon the severity of the disease. There will be more rest and less exercise during an acute attack of arthritis and more exercise when the arthritis improves. Heat is also helpful in various forms to relax and help joints move better by decreasing the pain.

There is no scientific evidence that any food or vitamin has the ability to cause or cure arthritis. One exception being, in case of gouty arthritis, that certain foods should be avoided, such as liver, kidneys, and brains.

NEŽKA GABER, R.N.

of Br. 43. Eight of them are home and two in nursing homes, but all in good spirits with sharp minds. Some are not feeling up to par, but do get around. These ten members, all between the ages of 80 to 92 years, are as follows. We wish to congratulate them and wish them well! Feb. Anna Yeray, 81; Anna Srnovrsnik, 88, Mar. Frances Jacobi, 87; Apr. Josephine Kolar, 80; (charter member), May, Edna Hinich, 83 and Angeline Pasler, 92.

Aug. Frances Chapman, 82, Sept. Anna Preloznik, 89, Nov. Elizabeth Dolensek, 82 and Dec. Celia Marolt 85 (charter member). At our Sept. meeting a prayer will be said for the continued good health of the above.

This concludes my report. Don't forget the Sept. 26th meeting. Bring a new member to the meeting with you.

ROSE KRAEMER

NO. 47, GARFIELD HGTS., OHIO

We had our May meeting on the 21st of May. Afterward, we had a party in honor of our Mother of the Year, Jennie Segulin. Thanks to everyone who helped make the party a success.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Mary Culkar who lost her son in March. He died suddenly.

Also our deepest sympathy to Frances Persin. She lost her sister. The same wishes to the family of Mary Kenik.

Another member lost her loved one. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Ann Christofek whose husband passed away in July. May God give their dearly departed eternal rest and may He comfort these left behind to Mourn.

Our next meeting will be on the second Sunday of October.

JENNIE R. PRAZNIK

NO. 50, CLEVELAND, OHIO ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR, LEFT, RIGHT, LEFT, RIGHT, ABOUT FACE!

Yes, it's practice time again for the Marie Prislant Cadets of Br. 50. These lovely ladies come to practice during the summer months at Mary Susnik's place. The Susniks have just the ideal yard for drill team practice.

There are 25 Cadets, our formation work requires 16 marchers at one time and two flag bearers plus the Captain. By having 6 extra Cadets, the team is always ready for substitution in case of any emergency. Each Cadet can fall right in step and take over a position at any time. We have 5 members who are ready to join the Drill Team any time there's a vacancy. How's that for team work?

The Prislant Cadets are always ready to serve their Branch in all ways. They act as Honor Guards during the prayer hour for our deceased members. They also act as honorary pallbearers at funerals and at Mass. During the Installation of Officers and Initiations of new members, they dress up in uniform and attend. Now a new idea has popped up. The Cadets will provide the refreshments and also do a drill performance at the Sept. meeting of Br. 50.

They are looking forward to going to Girard, Ohio on Sept. 24th for the Ohio—Mich. State Convention where they will again do a professional demonstration. Hats off, MARIE PRISLAND CADETS!

FRANSIETZ

NO. 50, CLEVELAND, OHIO

Our Communion Mass and Breakfast, at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in June was well attended, and we were blessed with another beautiful day. The "Cadet" ladies wore their uniforms, and marched in with the banner, which always makes it more impressive. A few Slovenian hymns were sung during the mass by the ladies. Following, a

delicious breakfast was served with Jean Tomsic in charge. At our June meeting a vote was taken to send a donation to the Shrine, for a name plaque to be put up for Br. 50.

GET WELL WISHES: Missing at our "mother" of the year celebration were Frances Seitz and Rose Zelodec who were both ill at this time, and both past "mothers", Ann Stanonik, reported to have had open heart surgery, (and is now doing fine) and Ann Ryavec, who had a bad fall and injured herself (is now getting around slowly). Pauline Klemenc had minor surgery and Jean Tomsic complained about her sore knees.

SINCERE SYMPATHY: to Julia Woda and family, whose son, Russell, passed away in June. He was only 40 yrs. old. Julia is a sister to Mary Cesnik. Also to Helen Sturm and family on the passing of her brother, Joseph Kozar.

MISC. NEWS: Every 3rd Tues, of the month is Ladies' Day at Euclid Square Mall shopping center. In June about 1,000 ladies attended. Seemed like all our members were there plus a few others. Many bargains and prizes are given away, with nice entertainment provided.

Campaign is now on to recruit new members to join. Last year Br. 50 came in first with most new members. Let's see if we can do it again!

ON SALE: Cook books... Song books... Cartoon books, written by Rudy Kokal from Minn., Hand towels and aprons made by Vera Sebenik.

Debutantes Ball coming up on Oct. 28th, at Slovenian National Home. We would like to have a few debs represent Br. 50, so get to work ladies. Daughters, granddaughters, nieces, cousins, aunts, friends could be entered, if eligible.

Notice to cadets, from leader Frances Seitz: When notified, please come to drill practice, so we can "get together".

Wedding Anniversaries: Mr. & Mrs. Charles Erzen (Elberta) 37 yrs. June 14, Mr. Mrs. Louis Petrovic (Mary) 41 yrs. June 19, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Izanec (Ann) 37 yrs. July 16, and Mr. & Mrs. Louis



Jurecic (Mollie) 35 yrs. July 17. The Jurecic's returned from a very enjoyable Hawaiian trip at this time.

7th time grandmother is Ann Fiktus, to a new granddaughter. Frances Seitz also became grandmother, when her daughter, Donna Bishof, gave birth to a baby girl.

Each month Pres. Tercek reads the names of the ladies who bring baked goods, and thanks them. Our ladies are very generous, and the table "groans" each month with delicious home-made goodies. Also "Happy Birthday" is sung to all the ladies who have birthdays for the month.

Thoughts for the day: You know, in every club or organization there are four kinds of "Bones".

1. There are WISHBONES, who spend their time wishing someone else would do the work.
2. There are JAWBONES, who do all the talking, but very little else.
3. Next, there are the KNUCKLEBONES, who knock everything anyone tries to do.
4. And FINALLY, there are the BACKBONES, who get under the load and do the work.

Which one do you belong to?

Your reporter, MAE FABEC

NO. 54, WARREN, OHIO

Our branch will have their first meeting of the fall season at my home on Sept. 19th at 7:30 p.m. — it's at 4010 Greenmont Dr. Please try to attend.

Our family just got back from a lovely vacation at the ocean and we really enjoyed it. Weather was beautiful and very relaxing. Now, back to the old grind of busy activities.

Congratulations to Maria Selak and her husband on the birth of a baby girl, named Andrea Marie. She is going to be a new juvenile member and that makes us very happy. Her mommy, grandma Kregar and aunties are all our members.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Isabelle Rek, our member, on the loss of her husband August. He died last month and several members attended the funeral. Isabelle is a good member and attends most of our meetings. August's parents were early settlers in Warren and my mom and dad Racher lived in an apartment in their home when they got married 56 years ago! (They just enjoyed their anniversary in June and both are doing very well. It's amazing and wonderful!)

Those of you in arrears with dues, please pay up. The treasury needs you! Our member, Helen Kohli from Geneva, Ohio is going to Texas to see her son, John who is working there. We

know you'll have a great time, Helen. Get well wishes to Frank Kaferle, husband of Angela, who has been ill. They live about 50 miles from here as does Helen Kohli, but are all good members. See you in September.

JOANNE PONIKVAR

NO. 57, NILES, OHIO

Our June meeting was well-attended at the home of our president Frances Yerman. It was decided that our July meeting would be a White Elephant Sale..

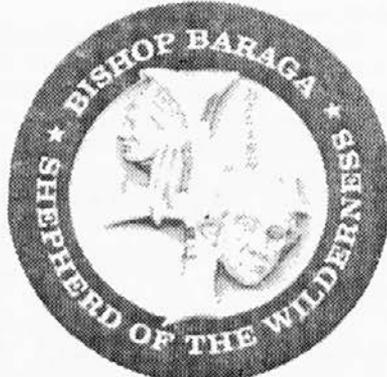
We missed Becky Trogotog who fell and couldn't attend the meeting; and another falling victim was Frances Stanec.

It was a beautiful wedding when Mary Moler's granddaughter was married. We wish the happy couple a life time of happiness.

A very tasty lunch was served by Julia Yakop, Mary Opalka, and Rose Spirko.

Happy Birthday to Amelia Simmons, Esther Logar, Antonia Milaves, and Charlotte Lah.

ANN PEASE, Reporter



Baraga Day a grand success!

The 1978 Baraga Day celebration in Marquette, Michigan, the site of Baraga's missions in America, was held July 29 and 30th as a most successful demonstration of love and devotion to the Slovenian-American Missionary Bishop, Frederic Baraga.

The Solemn Pontifical Mass that highlighted the weekend activities was celebrated by the newly installed Bishop of Marquette, Baraga's 8th successor, Most Rev. Mark L. Schmidt. Concelebrants were Bishops, Hickey of Cleveland, Wycislo of Green Bay, Wisc., Pavish of Lansing, Mich. and Szocka of Gilroy, Mich. Also attending was H.E. Charles A. Salatka, Archbishop of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Groups from the midwestern states and Canada packed St. Peter's Cathedral for the Saturday evening prayer service and Sunday liturgy that was enhanced by the singing of the Cathedral choir. Representing the Archbishop of Ljubljana, Slovenia was the pastor of the Ljubljana Cathedral, Rev. Anton Smrkol and three young priests representing various regions of Slovenia. (On August 20, Baraga Day was also held at the birthplace of Baraga, at Trebnje in Slovenia.)

Named as Baragan of the Year was Rev. Victor Tomc, pastor of St. Mary's church on Holmes Ave. in Cleveland, Ohio. Cleveland was also selected as the site of the 1979 Baraga Day festivities, under the chairmanship of Bishop James Hickey.

Many of our readers are members of the Baraga Association and we heartily recommend your renewal of membership and solicitation of many new members to make the cause for the canonization of Frederic Baraga a sooner reality. The Baraga Association headquarters is at 239 Baraga Ave., Marquette, Mich. 49855.

NO. 59, BURGETTSTOWN, PA.

Dear Ladies: Another summer is over and soon we'll be into fall. Seems like summer doesn't stay with us for very long. Our June 4th meeting was held at yours truly's new home. I enjoyed having the members come for the afternoon. After playing "B", the prizes were given. With the help of my mom, Hilda Montequin and my daughter, Kimberlee, we served sloppy joe sandwiches, jello salads, cake, coffee and kool-aid. We didn't have a meeting in July but on the 11th we enjoyed a covered dish dinner at our community park. We had a nice variety of dishes. I think we all over loaded ourselves and went home too, too, full!

Hilda Gavazzi, and Carol and Lynn Batinich, had an interrupted summer when they spent some time in the hospital. By now, all are feeling fine.

Some of our members spent time traveling. Fannie Sage was really on the go as she went to Ohio, Illinois, Kansas and Missouri. Mary, Elsie, Jennie, Catherine and Josephine Ferbezar and Frances Korosec spent a day in Oil City, Pa. at Fran's daughter's home to celebrate the 70th birthday of Mary Ferbezar on July 16th. Josephine and hubby also spent time at their cabin in the mountains of Tionesta, Pa. Hilda Gavazzi and Monica Lounder spent some time in Tionesta at their cabins, too. Fran Montequin spent the 4th of July in Greenville, Pa. camping with friends. Ann Lounder, Mary Dvorsak and Virginia Bendick enjoyed the sights

in Washington D.C. and Virginia also went to Alexandria, Va. Mary Farulli had a lovely trip to DisneyWorld and Leesburg, Fla. That was Mary's first plane ride. Margaret Yenke went to Kinzoo Dam, Erie and Warren, Pa. Louise Paskitius and family went to Niagara Falls and Va. Beach. Yours truly and family went to Sea World in Ohio and on several camping trips. Took my mom, Hilda Montequin on one camping trip. She also visited her son in Buffalo, N.Y. and spent a day at Niagara Falls. As you can see, our summer was fun-filled. I guess none of us are looking forward to a dreary and snowy winter. But, with a blink of an eye, spring will be nearing and soon another summer will be here. We hope you ladies of other branches enjoyed the summer as we did. Fondly,

ROSEMARY ORENCHUK

NO. 67, BESSEMER, PA.

Our May meeting was a success with over 25 Mothers present. Three mothers celebrated their birthdays with us.

The June meeting was poorly attended with just a few ladies. With all the parties to go to, for graduations, etc. everyone was busy. Our meeting was brief.

Want to let the ladies know that we will have a meeting this month after a summer recess during July and August.

On our sick list is Ann Mediate who is doing fine.

We talked about a trip but so far don't know where it will be. Come with some ideas, ladies. Let us know where you would like to go.

It is with sadness that I report the passing of our charter member, Mrs. Celia Hulina who died on July 16th. She was 79 years of age and a member since 1936 and was our recording secretary for 36 years.

She attended our meetings regularly until a few years ago when, due to illness, she could not come any more. Many of us didn't know about her illness as she was a very quiet person and kept things to herself. She was also a cook at the Croatian club. We will miss her.

She was married to Tony Hulina in 1934 and he preceded her in death in 1963. She was a member of the St. Anthony church and Ladies Altar Society; also, the SNPJ and our branch, No. 67. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Jessie) Morton, two stepdaughters, Mrs. Francis (Anna) Schnieder, a son, Tony Rupert, three stepsons, John, Milton, Edward, four

grandchildren and 13 stepgrandchildren.

She is also preceded in death by her first husband, Anton Rupert who died in 1932 and two stepsons, Joe and Frank. Interment was at St. Anthony cemetery.

We want to thank all the members who attended the funeral. It was so nice to hear they all attended.

To the family, we offer our heartfelt sympathy in this loss. Eternal rest grant unto her, of Lord and may the perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

May God bless everyone with good health and we'll see you in Sept. at the meeting.

MARY PERCIC, Secretary

NO. 73, WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO

Many hearts were saddened recently with the unexpected death of Father Bernard Scarborough, a member of the Franciscan Order. He first began at St. Jude's Parish in Warrensville Heights, Ohio as an assistant, and the last fifteen years or more, was Chaplain at the Warrensville Workhouse and also The Little Sisters of the Poor Nursing Home. Many articles were written in the daily newspapers and magazines when he inaugurated the Matt Talbot Inn for the rehabilitation of alcoholics, because of the wonderful results he accomplished with these men.

Even though he wasn't directly connected with St. Jude's for some years, he still found time to come to the aid of his many friends along with the many other responsibilities mentioned above. He was only sixty years of age at the time of his death, but during those years more than doubled or tripled his age as to the amount of good he did. Our branch collected store coupons and for a time were able to get so much cash

for so many coupons, and we presented this money to Father Berard to help offset his terrific expenses in aiding so many in need. He was so grateful for any little bit of help he got to make the elderly feel wanted, the alcoholics feel needed by their families and friends.

A death is a blow to any family and we offer our sincere condolences to his immediate family, as well as his other two families — those being the elderly and the alcoholics. We shall miss him and mourn him, but know that our dear Lord welcomed him with open arms.

Sorry to report that Bernadette Blatnik and Mary Pobuda were both hospitalized recently, but are now home recuperating. We all wish them a speedy recovery.

We hope that Louise Majersic is feeling much better too, long before this article goes to print, as we do all members who have been on the sick list but we haven't heard about.

Sorry to have to report that our Ann Harvot recently lost her beloved brother, Tony. We offer you Ann and the rest of the family our sincere sympathy.

We are still waiting for news to write about from members, so please get in touch with me or Louise Epley.

Stay well and much happiness —
Reporting Secretary, MILDRED D. ROBERTS



"Let's not forget the flowers, Bud."

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Slovenian Heritage Day sponsored by Branch No. 20 of Joliet, Illinois on June 11th was another successful event. One of the highlights of that day was a demonstration on preparing APPLE STRUDEL by Mrs. Frances Zibert and Mrs. Millie Paisoli of Branch No. 2, Chicago. The interest was unbelievable! The people who watched included elderly women, young women, children and men. They stood fascinated four and five rows deep in front of the display booth and along the kitchen wall — some stood on chairs. All were intensely watching these two women skillfully prepare the dough and stretch it within three to four minutes to about 40 inches wide and 60 to 72 inches long. Thirty-one strudels were made from scratch from 9 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. Two bushels of apples were peeled from 9 until 2 o'clock by Mrs. Anna Zorko, Mrs. Stella Longosz and Mrs. Mary Muller from Branch No. 2 and Mrs. Teresa Muhich of Branch No. 20. Each time a batch came out of the oven, a cheer went up. Strudels were cut in serving pieces and sold in minutes. The super large baking pans held two strudels each shaped in a figure "S". Two pans or four strudels were baking at one time in the large kitchen oven. It was 91 degrees that afternoon in St. Joseph's Park so it was well over 100 in the kitchen, but Frances and Millie worked tirelessly and continuously with only a short coffee break at noon. At the same time they tried to answer the hundreds of questions. Their endurance was phenomenal.

Since there was so much interest displayed at the demonstration a detailed report follows, especially for those of you who could not attend.

Q U O T S & Q U A N S
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P A S T I M E

APPLE STRUDEL—BY
Mrs. Frances Zibert and Mrs. Millie Paisoli



DOUGH:

This is a double recipe which the women made many times then cut it in half after the beating, but before the kneading. This recipe, of course, can easily be cut in half for a single strudel.

- 6 cups Cerasota Flour, unsifted (they prefer this unbleached flour; if not available in your store unbleached Gold Medal Flour is a good substitute).
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 1/2 cups warm water (2 1/4 cups with unbleached Gold Medal Flour)
- 1 teaspoon vinegar
- 3 tablespoons salad oil
- 2 eggs, well beaten (they used a whisk)

In a large bowl measure the flour; add salt. In a small sauce pan heat the water to a little warmer than lukewarm, add the vinegar and oil. Add the liquid mixture to the flour. Beat eggs well and add to flour mixture. With a wooden spoon beat vigorously (and this means very vigorously) for at least 8 minutes until dough leaves sides of bowl (experience will tell when the dough is just right). Divide the dough in two. Knead each on a floured surface until smooth about 5 minutes (the women could tell by the feel when it was just right). Pour 1 tablespoon oil in plastic container (large Cool Whip is fine), roll ball of dough in oil; cover tightly and

set aside in a warm place for at least an hour (a longer time is better for easier stretching). Mrs. Zibert usually makes the dough in the morning and the strudel in the afternoon.

FILLING for one strudel:

- 2/3 cup fine bread crumbs
- 3 pounds thinly sliced apples
- 1/2 cup sugar or to your own taste
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon

Margarine or butter — have about 3/4 cup melted butter ready to use. After dough has set for at least an hour, pour it in the middle of a well floured cloth covering table. Roll dough to about 18 inches. Brush with melted oleo (the women took the edges of the dough folded it over on itself briefly to further spread the oleo). Frances and Millie then reached under the circle, raised it with their hands underneath and began to stretch the dough outwards. Soon it was double in size. It was then laid on the table and skillfully stretched to about 60 to 72 inches and about 40 inches wide in just a few minutes. With a scissor (sharp knife can be used) the thickened outer edge was cut off around the entire dough. Oleo was drizzled over the dough with more added on the overhanging dough as it later came on to the table when rolling. About 2/3 cup of fine bread

crumbs was sprinkled over the entire surface (at home, when time permits the women butter the fine bread crumbs). A thick layer of thinly sliced apples was then laid along one-half of the length of the dough except for a few inches on the two ends. Sugar mixed with cinnamon was sprinkled over the apples as well as the remaining half of dough. The overhanging dough on the long side with apples was folded over the apples topped with a few more apple slices then sprinkled with sugar and cinnamon. The side ends, about 3 or 4 inches, without apples, were then folded over the dough to prevent any oozing of juices from the ends during baking. The strudel was then ready to be rolled. The cloth was gently raised on the long side for rolling until the overhanging on the opposite side came on the table — this was drizzled with melted oleo and the rolling was completed. Rolled in an S shape the strudel was carefully placed in a very well greased pan brushed with melted oleo, then baked in a 400 degree oven for 15 minutes then at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. For nice browning, the strudels were basted with juices in pan about 3 times during baking. If desired, another coat of oleo can be applied after removing from oven. Results: the flakiest, the most delicious strudel!

CHEESE STRUDEL

FILLING:

3 — 15 ounce cartons of Ricotta Cheese (cottage cheese can be used, but doesn't quite have the good flavor)
8 ounce carton sour cream
2 eggs, well beaten
1 1/2 cups sugar (sugar was sprinkled on the filling rather than mixed with the ingredients to prevent the filling from becoming runny).

The filling was spread over half of the dough. Sprinkled with sugar then rolled and baked as for APPLE STRUDEL.

Mr. Gene Klainsek of Joliet, brother-in-law of Branch No. 20's secretary, Mrs. Agnes Lovati, asked the women if they would please make a CHEESE STRUDEL, his favorite. They cheerfully replied: "We would gladly oblige, but do not have the ingredients". A list was immediately made and off Gene rushed to the supermarket. He later asked for ten slices of the CHEESE STRUDEL — the rest sold in a few minutes. The dough, of course, is made just like for APPLE STRUDEL.

Some additional suggestions:

1. Mrs. Zibert and Mrs. Paisoli prefer Jonathan Apples with Winesaps their second choice.
2. Most women make miniature strudels with dough from trimmings. One observer added that she makes Apple Dumplings. Rolls out the dough as for pie crust. Cuts it into about 4 inch squares. Fills the center with apple slices and sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon. The four corners are moistened with water and sealed together over the apples. On an ungreased baking sheet bake at 350° about 40 minutes or until crust is golden brown.
3. Any tears can easily be patched with pieces of stretched dough from edges.

All in all it was a marvelous day. I couldn't believe the enthusiasm of those who watched the strudel demonstration. Irene Odorizzi, Branch No. 20 and others who helped deserve much recognition for their foresight and preparation of the Slovenian Heritage Day. Mrs. Zibert and Mrs. Paisoli deserve a "standing ovation" for their untiring efforts to perform all day in that hot kitchen with all those people watching.

Congratulations to all!
HERMINE



To all S.W.U. Branches!

This is a special plea from the Youth Board. Try to have a special meeting where all the young mothers could attend along with their children. What mother wouldn't feel proud to have her daughter in the Junior Group. We cannot forget our juniors and young adults. They will one day be the backbone of our heritage, to keep the Slovenian Women's Union going on to larger goals.

At the present time, the Juniors have been forgotten. Let's start to help to increase our junior enrollment. Let's set one month aside as MOTHER & JUNIOR NITE MEETING. We must

keep trying to encourage our youth to join. It won't be easy, But, if we keep trying, we will succeed!

Please pay special attention to the youth pages of our ZARJA. Write to the Youth Director and give us your ideas on how to increase the junior and young adult membership. The Youth Board would welcome information from you on what to do to keep our organization growing. Please write and maybe you'll see your ideas in our next ZARJA.

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NO. 79, ENUMCLAW, WASH.

Georgene Pearson was hostess for our June 25th meeting. There were thirteen members present. All were anxious to plan a new event in place of our fall dance. Georgene, Annette Johnson and Fran Potochnik were elected to be chairpersons of the event. It promises to be an afternoon of fun, music and food

with area talent invited to play for part of the afternoon.

We were pleased to have Rose Scoff pay us a visit in July. Pictured at a breakfast in her honor are Mary Mihelich No. 79 pres. and Anna Faulk, one of our Charter members. (see page 7)

Mary Mihelich has scheduled the next meeting, Sept. 17, 1978. Final plans for fall program will be discussed and Christmas dates decided.

May we use this means to announce No. 79's very first:

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DOROTHY SLEIGH, Reporter

SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT

Dear Members and Branches

We wish to again thank you for the excellent financial support of the Scholarship Fund. Without your generosity, the work of the Scholarship Committee would be impossible and many fine Slovenian girls and boys might not have the opportunity to continue their education.

Sincerely,
Scholarship Committee
Hermine Dicke, Sec.

The following contributions were received from January 1 to June 30, 1978:

Lucille Smith, Strabane, Pa., in memory of Albina Novak	\$ 5.00
Edna Winters, Chicago, Ill. in memory of Jean Bukvich	100.00
Branch No. 103, Washington D.C.	40.00
Branch No. 12, Milwaukee, Wis., in memory of the following deceased members:	
Elizabeth Bevsek	7.00
Angela Chaplock	7.00
Anna Grandlich	7.00
Josephine Tramte	7.00
Corinne and Ludwig Leskovar, Chicago, Ill. in memory of David Paisoli	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Pavlovic, Lorain, Ohio in memory of mother, Mary Pavlovic Klinas, former treasurer of Br. No. 40	25.00

Ann Fiktus, Willowick, Ohio in memory of her husband, Mitch Fiktus	5.00
in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John Stimac	5.00
Mrs. Ann Podgorsek, Duluth, Minn., former National Auditor	5.00
Frances Mausser, Euclid, Ohio in memory of Adolph Mausser	10.00
In memory of Johanna Marolt of Branch No. 20, Joliet, Ill.	
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ancel	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Pucel	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lovati	5.00
Rose McHugh, Euclid, Ohio in memory of James Milner	10.00
Mrs. Emma Planinsek, Joliet, Ill. in memory of Caroline Gregory	5.00
Branch No. 16, Chicago, Ill. "On our 50th anniversary to honor the members both living and deceased and for the benefit of the young people who are the future of our organization."	200.00
Dorothyann and Ann Winter, Cleveland, Ohio in memory of Mary Pike	10.00
Mrs. Justine Zakrajsek, Euclid, Ohio in memory of Victor Zakrajsek	10.00
Irene Carter, Chicago, Ill. in memory of her father, Matthew F. Bartola	25.00

Br. 20 Golden Anniversary (Continued)

Helen Pluth, Mary Rozich, Mary Spreitzer, Helen Stojin, Mary Terlep, Antonia Tijan, Frances Ukovich, Mary Vertin, Josephine Zelko and Theresa Zlogar.

The first officers are: president Antonia Struna, vice-president Agnes Skedel, secretary Anna Pluth, treasurer Rose Gorsich, trustees Josephine Erjavec, Louise Riffel and Mary Zupancich. The remaining members were: Josephine Judnich, Mary Kunstek, Catherine Petric, Mary Russ, Mary Setina, Catherine Skoff and Barbara Zelko.

Today's officers are: president Emma Planinsek, vice-president Mildred Pucel, secretary Agnes Lovati, treasurer Mary Marolt, recording secretary and reporter Josephine Erjavec, trustees Frances Stonitch, Emma Nosse, Theresa Marentic, sergeant-at-arms Theresa Muhich and spiritual director Msgr. M.J. Butala.

Throughout its years the branch sponsored singing groups, drill teams, sewing circles, dancing groups and a bowling league. The history book notes that the branch has always been involved in Church and community affairs and has given financial aide to numberless causes including the needy in Slovenia after World War II and our own Scholarship Fund. In addition to the past two Heritage Days in 1977 and 1978, our group sponsored the Polka Mass and dances, picnics, ethnic fairs, dances and bowling tournaments. All this was possible because of the dedication and joy of service of many, many members.

In the past half-century there were a great number of men in the branch's "Life". A special tribute is due them for their unceasing helpfulness and loving sacrifices.

It is hoped that all our members and friends from and near and far will come to help celebrate the Joliet branch's Golden Anniversary.

At Golden Anniversary



National Treasurer, Mary Marolt of Br. 20, Joliet and Helen Arko, a member of Br. 2, Chicago extend their congratulations to pioneer officer and past National Officer, Katie Triller who is still active with Br. 16.





NO.89, OGLESBY, ILL.

On June 10th we had a short business meeting and asked our members to bring new members into our lodge. The DePue Slovenian Women's Union branch was to be invited to the July meeting as our guests. Refreshments were served by Frances Kirbach, Josephine Morrison, Helen Komater, Julia Kulpa. Social hour followed with games and prizes going to the winners.

July 10th was our monthly meeting and we were sorry the members of DePue did not attend. Lena Dawson, our president, said that Oglesby has been chosen as the site for the Midwest Bowling Tournament to be held next March on the 31st and April 1st. That's in 1979! So, start planning to attend.

We are proud to have all members still with us that are over 90 years of age. Celia Hobneck, Mary Dusak, Ann Pirch, Antoinette Muhich and Magdalena Skoporc. We wish them many more years of good health and happiness.

Josephine Argubright is keeping a scrapbook of our lodge activities.

We want to wish all our sick members a speedy recovery.

On the refreshments committee were Ann Antkowiak, Barbara Sitor, Rose Ann Prey and Emma Folty.

Mary Kernz is taking off for Alaska soon. Josephine Argubright went to the Ozarks, Catherine Galock, Peoria County Fair and Horse Races at Arlington Park.

Mary Ann Samuelson (Yours truly) visited the Pabst Blue Ribbon Brewery and beach at Milwaukee which was a disappointing shock as the water was so cold and this on a sultry, hot day contrary to our information that the water was warm for swimming till September. We also spent time at the Cherry Vale Shopping Center at Belvidere, also Rockford and Freeport, Ill. and Arlington Park. We spent some hours at Great America Amusement Park in Gurney, Ill. also.

We hope to have a report on our Slovenian Picnic Aug. 19th in the next Zarja.

GOD BLESS OUR MRS. HOBNECK!

Last year, on Dec. 11, 1977, Mrs. Cecelia Hobneck was the guest of honor at a party held in recognition of her 90th birthday by her daughter, Mrs. Mary Lecog. She makes her home with this daughter and enjoyed meeting many friends at the Open House celebration.

Mrs. Hobneck was born at Dobra Polja, Mala Vas, Slovenia, the same place where Slovenian Missionary Bishop Frederic Baraga was born. She came to this country in 1907. She has six sons and four daughters, 20 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren!

Between raising her family and house duties, she was very active in the lodge since her membership in 1937. Cecelia held office as secretary, reporter and sunshine lady. Her daughter, Julia Kulpa is one of our fine members, too. She also likes to crochet afghans, work with flowers and keeps a vegetable garden that is really abundant, so that she has lots of work canning and preserving her harvest. She also is a good baker and loves company. She has many friends and keeps up a wonderful correspondence with them, receives lots of letters and cards. She enjoys writing poetry and looks forward to reading ZARJA every month. (Notice she's



reading ZARJA on the accompanying photo.)

Cecelia has been ill for the past two years but always has a smile for everyone and never complains. She extends her best wishes and fond "hello" to all our wonderful readers and members.

Her address is Cecelia Hobneck, W. Florence St. Oglesby, Ill. 61348.

Our best wishes to her and many more years of happiness with her beloved family and many friends.

MARY ANN SAMUELSON
Reporter

NO. 92, GUNNISON, COLO.

The August meeting on the 1st was held at the home of Rose Carricato. Nine members were present and one guest, Mary Guerrieri. Josephine Krizmanich, presided at the meeting in the absence of our president, Denise Malensek who was out-of-town. A prayer was said by all after which Margaret Malensek gave the Treasurer's Report. Old business was our card ordering. Fredia had an assortment of cards which were displayed. Our annual picnic was also discussed and it will take place on Sep. 10th at Taylor Park. This will be a pot luck picnic and we hope all can go. It is always so much fun. We will meet at Taylor Park at 5:00 p.m.

We postponed decision on the cards until our president gets back.

New business was the ordering of the book by Irene Odorizzi, "Footsteps Thru Time". Fredia said she would encourage sales of the book.

The rent contribution we have been giving to our hostess of the month will be dispensed and instead this money will stay in the treasury.

Oct. meeting will be on the 3rd at Frances Guerrieri's home. The mystery box was won by yours truly. High prizes went to Margaret and Josephine; low to Myrna and her guest, Mary. We prayed

to close the meeting. Then we enjoyed cake and ice cream in honor of member, Fredia's birthday. Happy Birthday to her and all members.

FERN WHITE

NO. 95, SO. CHICAGO, ILL.

We have completed our final meeting with 27 members in attendance. Our treasurer, Helen Golich was absent, also our recording secretary, Evelyn Driscoll. Mary Perkovich graciously accepted the duties of recording the meeting for which we thank her most sincerely. We hope to see Helen and Evelyn for our fall session, both healthy and ready to go.

As in the past, Evelyn again has accepted our once-a-year money-making project. It will be concluded in November. The books will be \$5 each. Please make every effort to accept the book. The excellent work done by Evelyn during the past many years has shown us clearly that this is a worthwhile project. We hope you will want to participate fully. This is our only money-maker of the year. Let's all be fair-minded and demonstrate our deep interest in our branch and make it one

of the most prosperous projects we have ever had. A letter of thanks was read by Ann Sertich from Corinne and a card of thanks was sent by Mary Perkovich from the Caribbean expressing her thanks for the honor that had been conferred on her as our Woman of the Year. Even on her trip, her thoughts were with us. Also, a letter came from Br. 17, Marie Floryan, Secretary, inviting us to the 50th Anniversary of their branch on Oct. 29th. Perhaps we will have enough members interest in going to warrant the hiring of a bus. The banquet and program will be \$7. Reservations must be in by Oct. 19th.

I am also proud to say that one of our most loyal members, Julia Hansen, has enrolled a new member, Eileen D. Barone. A warm welcome to you, Eileen. Our secretary, Mildred Poropat regrets to report that she had to cancel one of our members, Shirley Duich.

After the meeting, we all sat back and enjoyed the cake donated by Helen Alb; table decorations by yours truly and hostesses, Helen Alb, Helen Price, Mary Niksic and Ann Sertich. Cash donated by Frances Radosevic and

Matilda Grepo (\$3) and Helen Yuratovic (\$2). Thanks to all of you!

Get well wishes to all our members who may be ailing. Special prayers were said at this meeting for all and for the soul of Marge Pavletic who passed on to her eternal reward. She was the sister of Ann Kompare, our National Auditor.

Secretary Millie is making a plea to anybody who would know about one of our members, Rose Kovacevich, who has been confined in a nursing home for many years. She has checked and rechecked at the nursing home but to no avail. Nobody seems to know of her whereabouts. We would certainly appreciate hearing about her.

September birthday celebrants are Matilda Cacich, Anna Tumpich, Mary (Bob) Perkovich, Dragica Vukasovich (Florida), Michalene Pujak, Mary Hecemovich, Mary J. Mudjer, Manda Spehar, Mary (Matesich) Dosen, and Helen Perkovich. Try to attend our September meeting and bring a guest. See you then!

MILDRED JAMES, President

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

✦ MARGARET A. PAVLETIC

The death of Margaret A. Pavletic on June 6th, 1978 was a great loss to our branch. Marge was blessed with a warm and loving husband, a devoted sister, Ann Kompare, who took care of her needs and obligations at our branch. As most of you know, Marge was the victim of cancer which left her physically ill and emotionally distressed. The shock of her death is visibly and profoundly felt by her husband and her sister. The past years have been difficult for both of them, busy with their own burdens, but deeply loyal, devoted and concerned.

I knew Marge for many years, she was one of those rare ladies with a sense of fairness and a grasp of reality that enabled her to retain the respect of all of us. Here was a woman of superlatively high standards, complete integrity and boundless enthusiasm for whatever task she took on hand. She will always be remembered for her charm, her genial personality and her generous instincts. It is with a full heart that the officers and members join me in saying, farewell to a fine lady.

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NO. 35, AURORA, MINN.

Aurora Lodge 35 will be hosting the Minnesota Day on Sunday, Sept. 10th. We are very happy to announce that we will have Nežka Gaber, National Vice-President, present as our special guest. We have a very interesting program planned and a very delicious dinner will be served.

We hope to see you all in Aurora, Minnesota on Sunday, Sept. 10th, 1978!

KATHERINE HANKA
Recording Secretary

To her bereaved husband, her sister, Ann, her family and relatives, may God bless you and keep you in this, your hour of sorrow. Perhaps it will be of some comfort to know how sincerely everyone who knew her shares your grief.

My sincere thanks to the members who prayed with me and who came out in large numbers to pay their respects. I was greatly pleased with your loyal demonstration of sisterhood.

MILDRED JAMES

NO. 100, FONTANA, CAL.

Each month I look forward to seeing the ZARJA to read about the functions and events of our sister branches, the pictures that add interest to an already eye-catching article. Especially do I find a profound interest in the readings dedicated to the lives of our Slovenian immigrants inasmuch as my dear mother was an immigrant who came from the beautiful farms of her homeland to the dirty, ugly coal mines of Pennsylvania. No doubt some changes have been made in the last 60 years of mining, but I'll never forget the tales she told me of her unhappy years spent in the coal country.

The story of Mary Krasovich printed in the June issue left me with a deep impression and utmost respect for women of her fortitude, determination and aim in life. God bless her and all those hearty pioneers who are still with us, likewise those whose journey is over.

The life stories of the immigrants have caused much favorable comments by many of my friends who feel as I do about those brave souls who took a step into the unknown with a prayer in their hearts and a deep trust in God.

There are certain people who are somewhat special; who by their efforts and good deeds just seem to stand out in a light of their own splendor. In all estimations, such is my dear friend, the major domo of Fontana, Josephine Susel. Josie has always been a firm supporter of the Slovenian Rest Home here in our town. She gave many hours to that home every week in one form or another. She made a point that Slovenian music would be kept alive, so every week there would be the traditional songs that are dearly loved.

Now these people are reaping a bonus as our Josie has moved into the rest home herself and can give undivided time of herself and her multifarious talents.

It's truly a fine rest home, beautifully and efficiently managed by a very lovely person named Mary Kibbe. Mary's husband is a "jack of all trades" and very diligent in working for the home. So many rest homes have an unsavory reputation, but our Slovene Home gets my top recommendation in every respect.

With no meetings in the summer, I wish to acknowledge a joyful birthday to all celebrants whose birthdays fell in those months.

ZARJA has been instrumental in conveying many of my personal wishes to my friends of Br. 2. Let it be functional again in relaying my good wishes to Mary Reich, Mary Pirman, Elsie Cizak, Josephine Squok and Stephanie Osterman. Stephanie, be a good girl and pass on those good wishes to "you know who!"

God bless all of you, have healthy and happy days. And be He willing, I'll see you again in October. Respectfully submitted,

EDITH DRAWENEK

NO. 102, WILLARD, WIS.

Members and friends were saddened over the death of our good member, Eleanore Bayuk. Surviving her are her husband, seven children and many other relatives and friends. Eleanore was active in her community and church and was our Mother of the Year a few years back. Her photo was on the cover of ZARJA then.

We thank the ladies for donating to the bake sale in May. Also, hope the plants from our garden sale are growing!

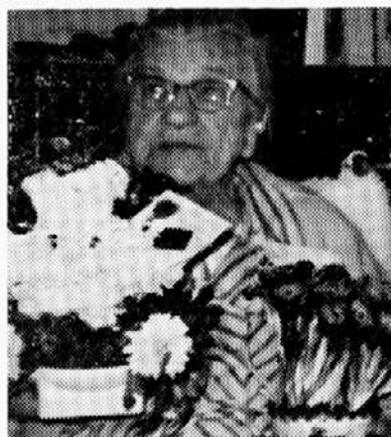
Rose and Frank Pakiz were traveling to Yugoslavia this summer. There were others leaving for trips, too. Hope to hear about them.

ELSIE PERKO

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

to the family of the late FRANK LOKAR of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Lokar was the main speaker at the 1976 National Convention of S.W.U. and we knew him to be one of the staunchest Slovenians in the Pittsburgh area for many years. To his wife and family, our sincere condolences.

In Memoriam V BLAG SPOMIN



Mary (Marija) Fresl, 91, passed away March 27 in St. Mary's Hospital, Duluth, Minn. She was born Sept. 8, 1886 in Lokve, Slovenia.

She had lived in Duluth 59 years and had been a member of Branch 33 for 42 years. She was a member of St. Elizabeth's parish. Members of the Branch served as honorary pall bearers at her funeral mass there.

Mrs. Fresl is survived by three sons and three daughters, four grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. Her daughter, Bessie Kenyon, is a member of our branch.

- 2 — Lillian Duller
- Mary Puklavetz
- Jennie Repoush
- 3 — Mary Kocevar
- 10 — Mary Vukcevic
- 19 — Mary Poznik
- 21 — Josephine Zupan
- 25 — Rose Kausek
- Frances Kodric
- Agnes Matjasic
- 32 — Mary Zele
- 31 — Babara Spanko
- 33 — Verna Homich
- 38 — Jennie Novak
- 43 — Antonette Kosiba
- 55 — Kathryn Futey
- 81 — Catherine Rebrovich
- 95 — Margaret Pavletic
- 102 — Eleanor Bayuk

MARY JERMENC, long-standing officer of Br. 85, DePue, Ill. passed away July 28. She was 82 year of age. Our deepest sympathy to the family and to the sister members of Br. 85.

May they rest in peace!

FINANCIAL REPORT JAN. 1 — JUNE 30, 1970

Our Mother of the Year dinner was a lovely affair. Fifteen ladies and Fr. Tadd attended, held at the Farm House. Fr. Tadd had us all in a merry mood by telling his jokes and anecdotes of his trip to our country and even about some of his visits abroad.

Our Mother of the Year, Pauline Adamic was as beautiful as the flowers she wore. She deserves the honor for all her work. She contributes to our club, her family and friends, a wealth of good will. Congratulations, Pauline and a very happy year as our chosen Mother and on your birthday, too.

The June meeting was held at Jennie Bole's home. Pauline opened the meeting with prayer and Jennie read the minutes of the May meeting. We discussed our dues and finances which Pat Emerson and Donna Medina agreed to take care of. We thank both of you ladies for all the hard work involved. They did a splendid job. There were hours of paper work involved from the very beginning of our branch. Sincerely, our blessings to you both.

We elected Pat Emerson as our Financial Secretary. She accepted graciously. Jennie served a delicious lunch. The kitty prize was won by yours truly, a lovely wall hanging of dried flowers made by Jennie's niece. Thank you, Jennie. We made plans on the motion of Pat Emerson and seconded by Ann Pobanz, to attend Mass on Aug. 13th at St. John Vianney church, then brunch at the Kingsly Inn with Fr. Tadd as our guest. He is now the pastor at our church but expects to be transferred elsewhere this fall and the church may be closed. He will be a great pastor wherever he goes. We shall miss him greatly and our prayers are with him. My family and I personally thank him for the prayers and masses for Joe. We know in our hearts that it is why he's recovering so splendidly.

Words of condolence to Ann and Tony Rauker of Cleveland on the loss of Ann's mother. She was a member of Zveza for many, many years. God grant her eternal peace. God will repay you, Ann, and Tony, for your loving care. Also, sending prayers and condolences to the family of Henrietta Szmania of Gulfport, Fla., a member for years. Remember them at mass and in your prayers. Thank you.

Our meeting Sept. 17th will be at the home of Pauline Adamic at noon sharp, due to the bowling session at 3 p.m. that day. We also agreed to limit refreshments to dessert and coffee to give more time to our business of the day. Please members, send in your recipes to share with others in ZARJA. Also, to sell at our meetings.

God bless and grant each of you a very healthy and happy early fall.

KATHERINE MIHELIC

Branch	Amt.	Adt.	Jun	Branch	Amt.	Adt	Jun.
1	\$ 718.00	176	62	55	238.65	58	25
2	1,226.10	298	110	56	306.60	89	4
3	1,014.60	260	108	57	188.40	49	13
4	19.70	9	0	59	87.95	27	12
5	223.55	70	10	62	69.60	20	0
6	293.70	92	16	63	164.00	58	0
7	261.00	75	20	64	112.90	29	0
8	69.15	29	0	65	105.70	27	18
10	621.25	243	25	66	193.40	46	10
12	402.75	128	61	67	241.40	62	5
13	392.80	103	28	68	237.60	54	16
14	918.55	264	32	70	40.80	12	0
15	546.20	139	2	71	367.40	110	39
16	674.30	160	55	73	383.00	98	61
17	604.65	150	101	74	177.20	25	1
19	264.20	75	6	77	99.90	31	16
20	1,678.00	442	174	79	287.00	37	14
21	365.45	96	32	80	16.25	10	0
22	56.20	14	0	81	113.50	30	1
23	774.30	211	33	83	34.20	12	0
24	325.10	98	20	84	120.00	35	2
25	1,380.55	450	102	85	100.20	31	0
26	652.45	156	50	86	73.15	17	0
27	140.80	32	2	88	96.10	31	0
28	233.70	61	22	89	160.60	54	16
29	49.90	16	0	90	67.20	23	0
30	91.00	16	3	91	187.30	36	5
31	218.30	65	9	92	133.30	28	16
32	809.85	203	61	93	100.90	41	2
33	724.35	163	96	95	718.05	158	7
34	120.30	31	4	96	78.20	41	0
35	167.35	41	15	97	36.80	11	0
37	36.60	13	0	99	16.30	9	0
38	278.45	89	0	100	260.20	53	17
39	159.90	42	5	101	158.70	30	19
40	389.50	101	1	102	133.90	32	2
41	345.80	124	13	103	160.80	23	18
42	201.35	56	9	105	8.40	47	6
43	947.65	202	110	106	86.10	23	0
45	121.80	37	9	Total	\$27,092.75	7180	1911
46	89.50	28	4				
47	392.80	103	34				Total
50	1,557.70	321	78				Social
52	205.95	49	11				295
54	166.00	42	29				

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POROČILA PODRUŽNIC

Meseca maja in julija-augusta je ZARJA bila posebno zanimiva. V maju smo brale življenjepis 52 članic, katerim so podružnice poklonile časten naslov MATI LETA ali ČLANICA LETA. Koliko zgodovine je v teh spisih, koliko truda, dela in duševnega trpljenja so prestale naše matere-pionirke. Bog jih živi!

Zadnji mesec sem bila jako vesela poročil v ZARJI. Zvedele smo, kako so podružnice praznovala MATERIN DAN in kaj imajo na programu v bodoče. To, pa res rada slišim. Nekateri dopisovalke so omenile tudi sedajno člansko kampanjo, ki mi je posebno pri srcu. Berem imena članic, ki nam jih je smrt ugrabila in prav gotova sem, da je umrla imela sorodnico, morda celo hčerko ali vnukinjo, ki bi nadomestovala izgubljeno članico; ali se potrudimo pridobiti te? Imamo lepe družinske slovesnosti ali smo navzoče na kaki drugi skupnosti. Ali ne bi pregledale vrsto prisotnih in našle nove članice Zvezi? Ne pustimo nobene priložnosti! VSAKA ČLANICA — ENO NOVO ČLANICO!

MALA PODRUŽNICA — VELIKO DELO

Tu pa tam prejmem poročilo od kake manjše podružnice, da ne morejo imeti nikake aktivnosti, kar ne verjamem. Vsak je lahko aktiven, če hoče biti. Na svetu je veliko stvari, ki potrebujejo pomoči ali vsaj sodelovanje, če imamo veselje do dela in dobro voljo.

Za vzrok navedem malo podružnico v majhni slovenski naselbini, št. 79 v Enumclaw, Washington. Šteje le 35 članic. Ko so videle potrebo so takoj znale, kje lahko pomagajo. Njih cerkev je zelo potrebovala klavir (piano). Podružnica se je zavzela, da bo pomagala. Zbrale so 500 dolarjev ter jih poklonile cerkvi za nakup klavirja. To gotovo ni bilo delo le 35 članic, temveč so morale iskati pomoč od zunaj. Ker so hotele pomagati so storile dobro delo. To je dokaz, da se lahko nekaj stori, če je dobra volja — kjer te ni je vsak "uržeh" dober.

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Rast slovenskih vlog; Slovenci so že po navadi "Šparovni". Lansko leto so hranilne vloge narastle za 34 odstotkov več. Ljubljanska banka ime dve tretjini vseh slovenskih vlog.

Kulturni dom Ivana Cankarja gradijo v Ljubljani. Pri kopanju za temelj zgradbe so naleteli na obrambni zid nekdanje rimske Emnone, zidan v 14tem stoletju. Po tolikih letih je zid tako trden, da bi morali rabiti dinamit, če bi ga hoteli porušiti. Poskušali bodo zid vključiti v novo zgradbo čeprav bo to povezano z velikimi težavami.

Bohinj — Tam bodo odkrili spomenik "štirim srčnim možem", ki so pred 200 leti prvi stopili vrh gore Triglav.

Kamnik — Tekstilna tovarna Svilanit, ki ima dve tretjini ženskih delavcev je lani izdelala 6 milijonov brisač. Na leto izdelajo do 700.000 kravat, izdelujejo pa tudi rute z narodnimi motivi, za katere je vedno trg, zlasti turisti jih radi kupujejo.

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Murska Sobota — Popraševanje po hrenu je v svetu petkrat večje kot ponudb. Zato so v Pomurju začeli saditi hren. Lani je bilo s hrenom zasajenih že 23 hektarjev, letos bo rasel na 40 hektarjih, do leta 1980 pa že na 100.000 hektarjih. Tretjino pridelanega hrena izvozijo na tuje.

Celje — V prostorih Mestne hranilnice v Celju so ob 140-letnici rojstva Mihaela Vošnjaka, najbolj izrazitega pobudnika ustanovitelja slovenskih hranilnic odkrili njegov doprni kip. V Celju je ustanovil posojilnico leta 1881, (V njegovi vili v Šoštanjju sem leta 1963 bivala 10 dni.)

V Celju so imeli deseti sejem obrti, ki se ga je udeleželo 277 razstavljalcev. Organizatorji so poskušali prikazati tudi nekatere stare obrti, ki jih je nova doba potisnila v pozabo — lončarstvo, keramiko in kovaštvo.

Velenje — Tovarna gospodi opreme GORENJE si je zastavila nalogo v letu 1978 izdelati za 6 milijonov dinarjev izdelkov, kar pomeni 25% povečanje produktivnosti.

Postonjska jama — Tam pričakujejo letos sprejeti 15tega milijonskega obiskovalca. V 60 letih, odkar je Jama odprta, si jo je torej ogledalo nad 14 milijonov ljudi.

Radenci — Njih kislá voda nazaduje. Domači trg je lansko leto popil 2 in pol milijona steklenic manj kot leto poprej. Tudi tuji trgi poročajo manj radenske vode kot so je nekdanj popili.

Slovenski sadjarji — Ki so pred vojno in tudi še nekaj let po njej zalagali z jabolki celo Jugoslavijo, nekaj sadja pa celo izvažali v inozemstvo, sedaj ne pokrijejo niti potreb Slovenije po sadju. Zakaj?

Koper — Tovarna Tomos ki izdelava motorne žage. Letos bodo na trg postavili 22.000 motornih žag. Jugoslavija je vsako leto uvozi do 30.000 motornih žag, zdaj bo domača izdelava to nadomestila.

V Vinici — rojstnem kraju priljubljenega pesnika Otona Župančiča bodo letos slavili stoletnico njegovega rojstva. To bo velika kulturna proslava.

ANGELI VARUHI

Sv. Bernard nam govori o njih takole: Svojim angelom je zate zapovedal, naj te varujejo na vseh tvojih potih. Zahvaljujejo naj se Gospodu za njegovo dobroto, za njegove čudeže v prid človeškim otrokom. Zahvaljujejo naj se in pripovedujejo jed narodi, da je Gospod zanje storil velike reči. Gospod, kaj je človek, da "ZANJ SKRBIŠ, ALI ZAKAJ NANJ MISLIŠ." Svoje srce obračaš k njemu, skrbiš zanj, brigaš se zanj. Končno mu pošlje še svojega Edinca, pošlješ vanj svojega Duha, obljubljaš ju celo, da bo gledal tvoje obličje. In da bi ne bila v nebeskih nikogar brez deleža pri skrbi za nas, pošiljaš zaradi nas v službo tiste blažene duhove, jih določaš za nas varstvo in jim velevaš naj bodo naši vzgojitelji.

Svojim angelom je zate zapovedal, naj te varujejo na vseh tvojih potih. S KAKŠNIM SPOŠTOVANJEM TE MORA NAVDAJATI TA BESEDA, PRINAŠATI V DANOST, V LIVATI ZAUPANJE. Spoštovanje zaradi navzočnosti, vdanost zaradi naklonjenosti, zaupanje zaradi varstva. Prisotni so torej in pri tebi so, ne le s tabo, marveč tudi zate. Prisotni so, da te ščitijo, tukaj so, da ti pomagajo. Kljub temu, da jim je Bog zapovedal, vendarle ne smemo biti nevhvaležni tudi njim, ki njega s toliko ljubeznijo ubogajo in nam pomagajo v tolikšni potrebi.

Bodimo torej vdani, bodimo hvaležni tako odličnim varuhom, vračajmo jim ljubezen, častimo jih kolikor moremo in smemo. Vso svojo ljubezen in vse svoje češčenje pa izkazujmo njemu, od katerega oni in mi prejemamo vse, kar moremo spoštovati in ljubiti, vse, kar nas naredi vredne ljubezni ali spoštovanja.

Zato, bratje, v Bogu prisrčno ljubimo njegove anjele, svoje bodoče sodediče in zdaj naše varuhe in skrbnike, ki nam jih je postavil in določil Oče. Že zdaj smo božji otroci, čeprav se to še ni pokazalo, ker smo še nedoletni otroci pod varuhi in oskrniki, ter se sedaj še nič ne ločimo od služabnikov.

Toda četudi smo še majhni in nam preostaja še tako dolga pa ne samo tako dolga, ampak tudi tako nevarna pot, vendar česa naj bi se bali pod tako odličnimi varuhi? Nihče nas ne more premagati, nihče zapeljati, še manj pa so zmožni nas zapeljati tisti, ki nas varujejo na vseh naših potih. Zvesti so, izkušeni so, močni so: kaj se vznemirjamo? Samo za njimi hodimo, držimo se jih ter ostanimo pod varstvom našega Boga.

DOPISI

PODR.3, PUEBLO, COLORADO

VABILO NA COLORADSKO
DRŽAVNO KONVENCIJO,
22. OKT.

Naše letne državne konvencije so vzor naše zavednosti in predanosti S.Ž.Z. Vse članice in prijatelji lepo vabljeni na poset v nedeljo dne 22. oktobra v Minnequa University Club. Več nas bo zbranih tega dne, toliko lepše bo za vse udeležence, ker se bodo stara prijateljstva potrdila in nova znanstva napravljena. Upamo, da bo z nami tudi naša priljubljena gl. predsednica, Mary Bostian.

Naš Colo. sonček nas te dni močno ogreva, še preveč, tako nas drži kar lepo doma v hiši. Dežja

nimamo dovolj, toda včasih pridrvi s tako silo, da s točo napravi ogromno škodo na strehah in po vrtovih. Škodo ocenjujejo na milijone dolarjev. Menda je del človeške slabosti; včasih preveč, drugič pa ne dovolj, toda dež za soncem mora biti, za veseljem žalost priti.

Dne 30. maja je pretrpela naša čla. Mary Kočevar, ki je dočakala visoko starost 96 let. Vdana v božjo voljo je prenašala dolgo bolezen, saj so ji že več let odpovedale noge. Bodi ji blag spomin. Tako nenadoma sta odšla za večni počitek, 96 letni John Kernc, Mary Tekavec sprejmi moje sožalje in družina. Še se niso solze posušile, ko je prišel glas, da je odšel od nas 93 letni Joseph Kral. Ko smo počasi odhajali od grobov, nam je prišlo

pred oči življenje, ki je bilo težko in večkrat s trnjem posejano. Z božjo pomočjo so odgojili obširne družine. Pokojni so nam zapustili nepozabni spomin in lep vzgled življenja. Sožalje vsem tudi naše podr. št. 3.

V domu onemoglih (Rest home) so naše članice: Antonija Klune, Mary Kristan, Angela Roitz. Hvaležne vam bodo za obisk. V teh otožnih domovih čakajo odrešenja.

V bolnici se zdravijo Mildred Pechek, ki se zdravi doma po operaciji in Frances Chantala, ki ima posledice sladkorne bolezni, ki je povzročila izgubo noge pod kolenom. Sedaj si pomaga z umetno nogo. Agnes Roitz se že 6 tednov zdravi v bolnici zaradi oteklina na nogah. Naj ji Bog okrepi ljubo zdravje.

ZA VAŠE ZDRAVJE!

Vnetje sklepov

Vnetje telesnih sklepov ali artritis, je stanje katero povzroča bolečina v telesnih sklepih in vezeh po celotnem telesu. Artritis je velika bolezen in kdor živi daljšo dobo, bo skoraj sigurno čutil to bolezen in njeno posledice. To je kronična bolezen kot sladkorna bolezen, jo bo verjetno imel do konca svojega življenja. Istotako, katerokoli poškodbo povzroči se ta nadaljuje ali celo poslabša, tako ne iščemo zdravljenja.

Prvi znaki artritisa so lahko samo male bolečine ali občutljivost ali oteklina enega ali več sklepov. Ponavljanje teh pojavov je siguren znak da imamo vnetje sklepov.

Povzročitev artritisa ni točno znan, toda znana so nam sredstva in metoda zdravljenja te bolezni. Dandanes obstoja več zdravil katera so uspešna pri zmanjšanju vnetja in bolečin. Od teh je aspirin največkrat predpisan in najbolj priporočljiv. Ker vsakdo ne more prenesti aspirina, naj se vsakdo obrne na svojega zdravnika, kateregakoli pač nadleguje ta bolezen.

Telesne vaje ali mere počitka, katere predpiše zdravnik pač zavise od resnosti te bolezni. Kadar so vnetje in bolečine najhujše, takrat bo manj gibanja telesa, kot takrat ko te bolečina ponehajo. Vroči obkladki so tudi koristni pri zmanjšanju oteklina in bolečin.

Znanstvena veda še ni odkrila kake povezave med vzroke ali zdravljenja te bolezni in vsakdanje hrane. Edina izjema do sedaj je ta, da pri protinastem artritisu ne smemo uživati jedi kot so jetra, ledvice in možgani.

NEŽKA GABER, R.N.

Naša Jennie Lukanich je bila dvakrat nesrečna; prvič jo je na poti do hčerke ugriznil pes, potem pa je nesrečno padla na obraz ter ranila obe kolena in obraz. Rane se ji počasi zdravijo. Jennie je bila zelo aktivna za našo podr. in s pokojno M. Stravje sta veliko prehodile ko so prodajale tikce za našo blagajno. Njihov doprinos še ni pozabljen in ne bo! Vse omenjene bolnice so imele naporno delo v mladosti, pri vzgoji družine, kakor vse matere.

V Zarji je bila nad vse očarljiva slika Mimi Leskovar. Slika me spominja na njeno pokojno staro mater (grandma) Albina Novak, ki je bila ponosna na vse njene vnuke. Želimo ji vse najboljše v njenih nadaljnjih šolskih letih!

Čestitamo mladi čla. Bernardette Starcevič, ki je prejela šolnino \$500 od SZZ za nadaljne študije na univerzi. Mnogo odličnih uspehov tudi v bodoče!

Hčerka Mary Dolgan, Jennie je bila za 3 tedne na počitnicah v lepi Sloveniji. Čas ji je vse prehitro potekel. Pete in Mamie Pugel sta srečno in zdrava priletela iz obiska domovine. Posetila sta tudi razne dežele Evrope. Bila sta od doma 7 tednov, pa je vse prehitro poteklo. Sedaj bo Mamie opisala svoje lepe dneve, katere je preživela v krasni Slovenski domovini, ki je vsa polna cvetlic in zelenja.

Preds. naše podr. Frances Skul in soprog g. Frank vasujete v sončni Californiji pri sorodnikih ter se veselo slatkata s pomarančnim sokom. Pozdravlja,

ANNA PACHAK

PODR. 10, CLEVELAND, OHIO

V letošnjem letu imamo malo dežja in veliko lepih sončnih dni.

Upam, da naše članice veselo in zadovoljno uživajo svoje letne dopuste in obiske pri svojih znancih in družinah. Res, da nas je ta teden mučila huda vročina, pa smo zaenkrat prestali najhujše, smo dobili malo dežja, zato upamo, da bo v naprej boljše.

Ko se bomo videle na septemberski seji, takrat gotovo ne bo več tako vroče.

Zadnje sejo smo imele 21. maja kot po navadi v Slovenskem domu na Homes Ave. Gospa Antonija Baraga je bila izbrana in počaščena kot mati tega leta v naši podružnici in obenem tudi kot 50 let članica. Iz

Gl. urada je dobila lepo čestitko in darilce. "Bog jo živi in ohrani še mnogo let med nami!" Vedno rada prihaja na sejo, kakor tudi več drugih članic, katere ne rade zamudijo našo družbo.

V marcu in maju smo zopet izgubile 3 članice zadovoljne na zadnji seji, saj smo imele dobro postrežbo in po seji je bila lepa proslava in dober prigrizek. G. Bini Zimerman nas je slikala. Članice so prinesle veliko peciva in pijače. Vsem lepa hvala! Zapele smo tudi vsem tistim, ki so obhajale rojstne dneve v maju in druge v juniju, ker se šele v septembru zopet vidimo.

Za čez poletje nam je želela tudi ga. Ani Markovič vse dobro in da bi se srečne in zdrave vrnile na prihodnjo sejo tretjo nedeljo v septembru.

Lepa hvala ge. Zofi Magajna, naši tajnici in blagajničarki za ves njen trud in delo vse povsod. Ona nam vedno daje korajžo in dobro voljo.

Vsem članicam naše podružnice lep pozdrav. Enako tudi ostalim članicam drugih podružnic.

TEREZIJA FERRACIOLLI,
zapisnikarica

PODR. 13, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Že dolgo se nisem oglasila, toda nisem pozabila. Naša pridna dopisovalka Frances Chiodo vse lepo poroča. Nas veseli, da se je vrnila nazaj k nam, saj je mnogo let pisala v Zarjo. Že poprej in ima odlični talent.

Sestre so se imele izvrstno na izletu v Reno. Ogledale so si eno najlepših in največjih kazin na svetu M.G.M. Priporočam vsakemu, ki potuje v Calif. na počitnice, da si to ogleda. Saj ni mogoče popisati tako bogatijo in sijaja. Že pri vходу hodiš po krasnem tlaku in oko se zazre v neštete lustre, ki v nešteto kristalnih barvah lesketajo v mnogih stenskih ogledalih, da se vse naokoli leskeče kot nanizani biseri davne provljične bajke. Se ti zdi, da si v nebesih obdan od zvezd. Na razpolago so igre vsakovrstne izmišljotine različni jedilni saloni, vijoličnih barv, dalje krasni orkestri in pevci. Stone krasijo slike holivudskih zvezd, galerije in trgovine itd. V enem dnevu si ne moreš ogledati niti polovico ne.

Čestitke naši materi leta Kato Lampe, sestri naše drž. preds. za Calif., Wash. in Oregon, Roze Scoff. Čestitke tudi gospe Irene M. Oderizzi na njenih

izvrstnih člankih od "Immigrant". Posebno mi je ugajala zgodba družine naše Rose Scoff in njenih lepih in talentiranih sester. Res lepa družina!

Večkrat beremo o materi Tereziji iz Kalkute v Indiji. Dne 22. jul. je imela tu v San Francisco univerzi predavanje. Po rojstvu je hrvaškega porekla. Ona je vsepovsod, kjer so najbolj revni in zapuščeni bolniki, da jim streže. L. 1946 je organizirala red usmiljenk, ki danes šteje 1,300 sester in delujejo v 66 državah po celem svetu. Ustanovila je 76 bolnic za gobavce, 28 domov za revne otroke in 32 bolnic za umirajoče. Mati Terezija pravi "krivica se godi revnim, zato ker so revni". Znana je po celem svetu.

Za konec priložim še en par verzov:

Ko bi meglica ne bila,
ki danes mi sanje zakriva;
ko bi solza ne bila,
ki, da danes v očesu mi plava,
tako si pa daleč Ti Slovenija mila,
po Tebi se danes solze mi oči.

POLDICA PODGORNİK

PODR. 14, EUCLID, OHIO

Poletje je za nami in upam, da so bile vaše počitnice zdrave in zabavne in sedaj ko bodo večeri bolj hladni vas lepo vabim na sejo. Po seji imamo tudi zabavo s pokrivanjem števil in upam, da bo D. Collins zopet kazala kaj lepih slik iz Slovenije, ali pa iz Brazilije, ker ona veliko potuje in nas pa zanima videti daljne kraje.

Imamo več bolnih članic: Frances Udovič, Slava Milavec in Mrs. Kastelec v Chardon Rd. Zbolela je tudi Rozi Maurich in na operaciji je bila Lillian Delsater. Želimo vsem, da bi sa zdravje kmalu vrnilo. Jennie Galic se nahaja v Domu ostarelih na Neff Rd. v Clevelandu.

Umrli je Frank Rupert, oče od Mary Dolšak in članica Mary Yenc. Naj oba v miru počivata. Družinam pa naše sožalje.

Seja v mesecu juniju ni bila dobro obiskana zaradi primarnih volitev tega dneva. Več naših članic je zaposlenih na voliščih in nekatere so šle na izlet v Niagara Falls, tudi jaz z njimi.

Čestitke za zlato poroko izrekamo Mr. and Mrs. Frank Novak. Praznovala sta jo v juniju. Živela!

Že dalje časa je bolana Frances Udovič in Olga Oranič je tudi bila na operaciji na očesu. Obema želimo ljubo zdravje. Enako tudi drugim bolnim članicam. Naše

sožalje Pauline Boštjančič, ki ji je umrl brat John Gerl. Enako sožalje družini Lindič, ki so izgubili moža in očeta. Naj v miru počivata!

Prav lepa hvala za darila v blagajno in gotovo pridite na prihodnjo sejo, ki je prvi torek v mesecu.

Pozdrav vsem članicam SŽZ.

MARY ISKRA, Poročevalka

PODR. 20, JOLIET, ILLINOIS

V maju smo imeli lepo sejo na kateri smo počastili častno mater leta, Anna Sternisa. Preds. Emma Planinsek jo je pozdravila in ji pripela lep pušelj (corsage). Naša slavljenka je to čast res zaslužila, saj je vedno pripravljena pomagati in je tudi naša kegljačica dolgo vrsto let. Taj. Agnes Lovati je prečitala čestitke in resolucijo našega državnega senatorja Geo. Sangmeister.

Preds. poroča o obisku naših članic podružnice št. 2 ob priliki njihovega praznovanja materinskega dneva. Od naše podr. so se udeležile Olga Ancel, ku je šofirala, Mary Ivanich, Agnes Lovati in Emma Planinsek.

Tajnica je poročala o pripravah za drugi Dan Slovenske dediščine — Heritage day. Tudi škof Vanesh bo navzoč in članice so naprošene, da pridejo v narodnih nošah. Zberejo se v Zvezinem domu pred cerkvijo in bodo z zastavami korakale v cerkev. Vse so tudi lepo vabljeni, da pomagata pri delu za uspeh tega važnega dneva.

Gl. taj. Olga Ancel poda poročilo o proslavi 50 letnice št. 16 v So. Chicagu. Bilo je sprejetih 12 novih članic.

Za lunch so prinesle; taj. Lovati torto za mater leta, druge so darovale: Mary Ivanich, pineapple fluff, Florence Ancel, potico, Emma Nosse vino, Marg Staltzer pumpkin bars, kavo in pop ter tudi icecream, Dorothy Koncar torto in Emma Planinsek rossetts.

Zabava je bila pod vodstvom študentk šole sv. Jožefa pod vodstvom Lil Čepon in Ivanke Markun. Slov. plesalci so bili pod vodstvom Marie Ancel.

V staro domovino potujejo letos: Mary Ivanich, Justine Kostelec, Sophie Matkovich, Theresa Redman in Theresa Kodric.

Naša letošnja častna mati nam je predstavila sina Johna in njegovo ženo Judy ter sinaho Peggy Sternisa., dalje vnukinjo Erica in vnuka Brian Sternisa, hčerko Alice Valek z možem Chick, Alice Jean V. ter Becky V., vnukinje Linda Malone, prijateljica sina Johna in Pauline S., hčerka. Bilo je veliko prijateljev in sorodnikov, ki so prišli proslavit ta pomembni dan za Anno. Njej in vsej njeni družini želimo zdravja in srečo.

Z možem, hčerko in njenim soprogom smo se tega dne udeležili

ZAČETEK SLAVJA 50 LETNICE v slovenski cerkvi sv. Jurija v So. Chicagu



Podr. št. 16 je slavnostni dan pričela s slovesno sv. mašo, katero je daroval Zvezin duhovni

vođa Fr. Klavdij Okorn v krasni slov. cerkvi v So. Chicagu.

slavlja pri podr. št. 22 v Bradley, Ill. V njihovi lepi cerkvi sv. Jožefa smo prisostvovali Polka maši, katero je daroval Rev. Fr. Perkovich. Igrali in peli so Joe Cvek in njegovi. Bilo je lepo zopet slišati to krasno igranje in petje, ki seže do srca. Po maši smo se udeležili slavlja v njegovi veliki dvorani. Članice so zopet napolnile dvorano. In Joe Cvekov orkester je isti večer zopet igral za ples v dvorani Kolumbovih vitezov. Upam, da še pridejo med nas.

Podpisana je imela pred kratkim obisk iz domovine Slovenije. Prišle so mati Amalija Trontelj doma iz Stične na Dolenskem, kjer imajo ogromno kmetijo s hčerko Anico Jamnik iz Grosuplja. Obe sta zelo prijazne in ljubeznive. Anica je v Grosuplju za tajnico v velikem podjetju, kjer dela 2200 ljudi. Obe z mamo sta bile vesele, da sta enkrat videle našo Ameriko. Tu sta našle mnogo prijateljev, le škoda, da sta morale nazaj že 26. junija. Ustavile sta se tudi pri urednici Zarje, Corinne in Lud Leskovar in si ogledale kje se tiska naša Zarja. Pozdravile so se tudi z Mimi Leskovar in ji čestitale k njenim odličnim študijam. Hvala vsem, ki so bili naklonjeni našim sorodnicam.

Ko boste prejele to številko Zarje, se bodo že vrnilo skoro vse izletnice iz njihovih počitnic.

Upam, da so se vrnilo iz bolnice tudi bolne članice in sicer: Alice Kraus, Maria Markun, Pat Blowers, Helen Horvat in Cyndy Blowers, kakor tudi Marie Malnerich. Upam, da se jim je zdravje za stalno vrnilo.

Naše sožalje čla. Loretta Barney, ki je izgubila soproga Johna.

Naše čestitke za rojstni dan v juliju Olgi Ancel in Mary Marolt. Obema želimo mnogo sreče v življenju, posebno dobrega zdravja.

Dobrodošlico izrekamo hčerki Veri (Ancel) in soprogu Richard Muir, ki sta se po več letih bivanja v Nemčiji vrnila v US. Richard je služil pri ameriškem letalstvu. Sedaj sta pri starših. Vera je učila angleščino v Nemčiji.

Marie, hčerka od Olge Ancel je režiserka pri igri "Hotel Amster", katero predvajajo v St. Joseph Hall na North Chicago cesti. Želim mnogo uspehov v njihovih nastopih.

Čestitke Victoriji Ann Hofer, ki je prejela Zvezino šolnino. Ona je hčerka naše dolgoletne članice Berthe H. in vnukinja naše predsednice 50 let, Emme Planinsek. Ona je nečakinja Irene Odorizzi, pisateljice knjige in člankov "Immigrant". Vsa Hoferjeva in Planinskova družina je pri Zvezi. Najboljše želje nagrajenki in mnogo uspehov pri študijah iz psihiatrične nege.

Našo 50 letnico bomo proslavili dne 17. sept. s sv. mašo in pozneje z banketom. Vse članice od blizu in daleč lepo vabljeni, da nam pomagata proslaviti to lepo obletnico. Se vidimo!

Mali opomin; če ste v zaostanku s članarino, prosim, da obiščete tajnico Agnes Lovati im zadevo uredite, ali pa pridite na sejo. Bomo vesele vas videti.

Pozdrav vsem skupaj.

JOSEPHINE ERJAVEC

GLOBOKO SOŽALJE

Zelo nas je v srce pretresla novica o smrti našega priljubljenega župnika ROMAN MALAVAŠIČ. Bil je bolan dalje časa, vendar nismo pričakovali najhujšega. Pokojni je bil prijazen in se veliko trudil za vzgojo maldine. Ustanovil je Klub za mlade fante Presvetega Srca. Imel je krasni pogreb z 21 duhovniki in tremi škofi. Cerkev je bila polna ljudstva in pogrebni sprevod

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neizmerno dolg. Naj v miru počiva župnik Roman in naj mu sveti večna luč. Zelo ga bomo pogrešali. Upam, da v naši cerkvi bomo nadaljevali s krasnim slovenskim petjem in molitvami.

JOSEPHINE ERJAVEC

PODR. 24, LASALLE, ILLINOIS

Drage vse naše članice in sestre drugih podružnic. Prišel je čas, da oznamim, da bo naša podružnica slavila 50 letnico ustanovitve in dela. Slavje se bo vršilo drugo nedeljo v mesecu oktobru. Prosim vas, da si ta datum podčrtate na koledarju in se pogovorite z vašim odborom koliko vas bo prišlo k Sv. Roku v La Salle. Sv. maša bo ob 12 uri, nato bomo šli preko ceste v dvorano nove šole. Nič stopnic. Upam, da vas bomo lepo postregli in boste vsi zadovoljni.

Hvala vsem, ki mislite na nas in nas vabite na vaše prireditve, saj se z veselimi srcem odzovemo. Vi imate prav lepo na vaših prireditvah, da se lahko učimo od vas.

Naša seja je bila prvo nedeljo v avgustu kot po navadi.

Sporočam, da je v maju umrla naša članica Anna Ravnikar. Bila je pri društvu veliko let. Molimo za njo in za vse naše pokojne.

Hvala št. 89 Oglesby za vabilo na Mother's Day. Bilo je vse odlično.

Lep pozdrav vsem!

MICI MARY PILETIC

PODR. 32, EUCLID, OHIO

V mesecu juniju ni bilo seje, zato smo pa imele piknik v Euclid Club House. Upamo, da ste bile zadovoljne s hrano. Vse je bilo dobro. Članice so res darežljive, ker so toliko dobrot prinesle. Bilo je prav lušno in še pele smo z muzko in harmonikaši.

Srečno pot želimo vsem, ki gredo na razna potovanja, ali na obisk domovine. Poletni dva meseca ne bo

VRLA SLOVENSKA PIONIRKA



MRS. CAROLINE KOZINA, št. 56, Hibbing, Minn. je obhajala svoj Valentinov rojstni dan z veliko torto, s katero jo je počastila njena družina. Čeprav ima za seboj že 97 pomladi, vendar je slavljenska še vedno bistra in čvrsta ter vesele narave. Lepe cvetlice, katere ji je poklonila njena družina, je živ dokaz, da jo zelo ljubijo.

Mrs. Kozina je delala kot gospodinja do svojih 80 let, toda je morala delo opustiti, ker je težko hodila. Sedaj živi v starostnem domu, kjer ima dovolj družabnosti s prijateljicami. Še nekaj let pa bo živela stoletje, kar ji vsi iz srca želimo, ko ji voščimo še mnogo let sreče in zdravja! Njena življenska zgodba je priobčena na str. 13 pod zaglavjem: *Immigrant*.

seje, to je v juliju in avgustu bomo, kot se pravi po angleško: "take it easy"

Izgubile smo dve dobre članice. Dne 26. maja je preminula Mary Baraga in 15. junija je nas zapustila Mary Zele. Obe sta nepričakovano zaspale v Bogu, ki jima naj da večni mir in pokoj. Naše sožalje družinam.

Če Bog da se vidimo dne 20. septembra. Prosim, da berete članek v angleščini, kako lepo naša dobra članica piše o potovanju skupine za mir. Molimo za mir. Z Bogom,

A. TEKAVEC

PODR. 40, LORAIN, OHIO

Ko bo ta kopis prišel v naše domove, se bomo že bližali jeseni. Pri naši podružnici gre vse prav lepo naprej in se članice prav lepo zanimajo za naše mesečne seje. V velikem številu pridejo na seje in darujejo v korist blagajne. Žal v članstvu ne moremo kaj prida napredovati

Tukaj okoli cerkve ali narodnega doma, se naši ljudje večinoma selijo ven v okolico, tako da so tukaj sedaj skoraj sami Portoročani, ki pa prav nič ne gledajo na čistočo, kakor so naši ljudje vedno gledali na snažnost. Težko je nam živeti blizu njih. Jaz že 63 let živim v tej hiši, imam lep vrt. Seveda jaz ne morem dosti delati, pa mi moje 2 hčerke in en sin vse lepo uredijo. Naj še omenim, da obe moje hčerke znati pisati in brati slovensko in tudi moj starejši sin, ki je že 40 let od doma, je delal za government kot fotograf v Marylandu, pa si še zmeraj dopisujeva v slovenskem jeziku.

Ko preišlujem nazaj, koliko se je spremenilo v teku našega življenja. Pred 65 leti še ni bilo nobene mašine in tako smo se k poroki vozili s konji. Po šapah še ni bilo elektrike, tako da so morali naši moški dosti trpeti. Delali so po 12 ur in prejeli \$28 za dva tedna trdega dela. Res je bilo vse bolj poceni, toda vseeno smo trpeli revščino in pomanjkanje z družinami.

Najlepši pozdrav vsem uradnicam in članicam, bolnim pa ljubega zdravja.

AGNES JANCAR

PRIDRUŽITE SE...

Naša dediščina je najlepše kar smo prejeli in še prejemo od naših prednikov in teče iz roda v rod. Hvalevredno je zanimanje za našo narodno preteklost, zato se moramo vsi potruditi, da ohranimo vrednote slovenske kulturne in narodne dediščine v Ameriki. Vedno smo veseli, kadar nas kdo preseneti s pohvalo Zvezinemu delu, ki se trudi na vsej črtili, da ohranja slovenstvo med nami.

Potrudimo se, da v tej kampanji pridobimo nove članice in mi vsi skupno nadaljujemo naše delo za ohranitev naših svetih izročil.

OLGA ANCEI, gl. tajnica

SEPTEMBER, 1978

KAMPANJA SLOVENSKE DEDIŠČINE

do 31. marca, 1979!

SIX MONTH FINANCIAL REPORT

FINANCIAL REPORT January 1 to June 30, 1978
 Finančno Poročilo 1, januar do 30. junija 1978

Income - Dohodki

Assessments	\$27,092.75
Bond interest	19,513.29
Stock dividends	375.00
Interest bank certificate and savings	547.09
Rental income	990.00
Taxes withheld	83.05
Miscellaneous	9.20

\$48,610.38

Department of Insurance	50.00
FICA	563.94
Unemployment tax	83.12
Electricity, gas and water	1,462.33
Real estate tax	592.15
Advertising, printing and stationery	1,329.49
Postage and telephone	633.40
Maintenance	346.17
Bowling, junior and secretarial awards	1,571.75
The Dawn - Zarja	17,321.11
Legal and other professional services	952.83
Illinois Fraternal Congress	20.00
Printing of note folders	98.00
Miscellaneous	186.15

\$49,654.24

Disbursements - Stroski

Death Claims	\$11,700.00
Salaries	9,150.00
Administrative	1,900.00
Traveling expense and per diems of Officers	1,693.80

Loss for the first half of the year \$1,043.86

Balance January 1, 1978 644,716.69
 Balance June 30, 1978 643,672.83

FROM THE JUNIOR DIRECTOR:

The S.W.U. Junior League is all set to start the ball rolling, working towards getting Debutantes for the 5th Cotillion Ball in Cleveland Ohio on Saturday, Oct. 28th, 1978.

At this time, the Junior League is inviting young ladies between the ages of 16 and 21 to become a S.W.U. Debutante. You can belong to any branch or join one of the branches to be presented at this occasion.

Please write to Carol Globokar, Pres. of the S.W.U. Junior League, 19200 Abbey Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44119, Tel. 486-2012.

We are very happy to let you know about our Junior League members, former Debs, on what they are doing at the present time.

SUSAN ZELODEC LEVANDUSKI of Garfield Hgts., Ohio is singing lullabys to Frank Jr. who was born April 24, 1978. The same for KATHY SPELLACY WALLACE whose baby boy is now a year old.

CYNTHIA JAGODNIK, our Junior League member, is doing just great. Cindy was a S.W.U. Scholarship Winner. In college she majored in Theatre & Communications. After graduation she worked in Canton, Ohio at Radio Station WINW and is now Supervisor of Installation Instructor of Personnel on Computer in TV and Radio Stations in different cities in the U.S. for the Paper Work System based in Bellingham, Wash. She has just finished working four months in Waco, Texas. Since Cindy is working away from home, her mother, Irene, is a firm supporter of our Junior League

CLEVELAND TWIRLETES IN THE NEWS AGAIN

Once again we are happy to give a full report on what is going on among our Youth Groups in Cleveland, Ohio. Our Baton Twirlers have been very busy people this summer — why? Because their mothers care and help to keep this young group active for all occasions

It's just wonderful to see such enthusiasm among parents and children. Mothers have a meeting once a month at which time ideas are passed around on what should be done for the junior members.

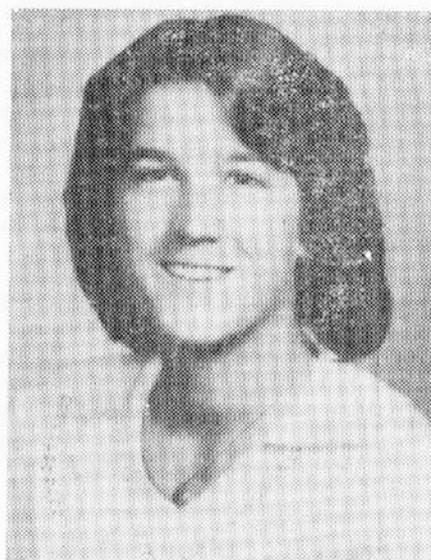
To this date, the juniors have participated in several events:

Memorial Day — Maple Festival in Chardon, Ohio; June 4, Garfield Hgts., Parade winning 1st place trophy; June 29, Euclid, Ohio Parade; July 4, Eastlake Parade, winning a trophy; July 11 — Twirlers' Picnic; August 15, trip to Geauga Lake.

In the month of September, the girls will start their weekly practice under the capable guidance of their new instructor, Joyce Zabukovec and co-instructor, Sheryl Vertacnik.

Mary D'Amico, their former instructor, is now a graduate of Euclid High School where she received high honors. Congratulations, Mary, and best wishes for a successful career in your new field of interest, at the Reliance Electric Co. as clerk and typist. We know this young lady will go far ahead with her pleasant personality that has been so amiably displayed many times as our Eaton Instructor. Mary, the S.W.U. is proud to have you as a loyal member. God bless you and your family.

FRANCES SIETZ, Youth Director



MARY D'AMICO

Recognized at the Honors Assembly for Euclid High School in Euclid, Ohio was Mary D'Amico. She was awarded by her teachers for "Character, Endeavor and Citizenship."

PEN PALS WRITE

Dear Kathy:

Thank you for the nice letter sent to the S.W.U. Pen Pal Club. As this is your second letter, I just had to answer you. I wish more girls and boys would write and give us interesting news about themselves as you did.

Happy to know that you are practicing basketball and know you will do well in this popular sport.

Hope you enjoyed your school picnic. This month you will be back at school as will all our boys and girls. Best wishes to you and lots of fun.

Please write again. Your grateful,
 YOUTH DIRECTOR

ZARJA—THE DAWN

"FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART"

Hi boys and girls,

Although grade school is far behind me, the memories of what I did during those eight years will never be forgotten...especially the out-of-the-ordinary events. For instance...

When I was in first grade, the nuns used to wear the habits that covered their whole head except for the face. All school children talk, and my class was no exception. So, in order to keep us quiet for awhile, Sister would always tell us. "You may think that this white 'thing' stops me from hearing you. But actually, this acts as a radar. I can hear everything you say." Being little first graders, we believed her. Besides, nuns don't lie.

For second grade we had a very old nun. Because of her age, she couldn't talk very loud. So her way of speaking over us talkative students would be to pull out her trusty megaphone and yell out her commands through that. And, when she forgot her megaphone at the convent, she used one of the students as an amplifier. She did this by grabbing the nearest pupil, told the pupil what to say, and then the pupil would, in turn, tell us what to do. It's amazing that though she couldn't speak very loud, she still kept us pretty quiet.

I had my aunt teach me in third grade. To keep us quiet, she would threaten us. However, I never understood what she was saying. She would say things like "come hell or high water" and "woe be to those that I catch talking". I didn't have the faintest idea of what she was talking about after she said those things.

In fourth grade we started learning fractions. It seemed that no matter what our teacher did, one student, Ron, could not understand. My teacher tried to use food as an example. I mean, what kid has difficulty in understanding food?

"Now, Ron, say we have a pie and we cut it into eight pieces," the teacher explains. "Do you understand so far?"

"Yes," says Ron.

"Good. Now say you ate one piece, which we call $1/8$, and your brother ate three pieces, which is $3/8$. Now, adding $1/8$ and $3/8$ together, what do we get?"

"Nothing."

"Nothing?!? How do you explain that?"

"My brother is fat and wouldn't stop at three pieces. He'd finish the whole pie!"

My poor teacher. The only thing Ron

Understood was that his brother ate more than his share.

For fifth grade religion, we had a Sister come in to instruct us. However, I think we taught her more than she taught us. Back then we had little services where we would read things from the Bible. Well, Sister decided to tape one. The first five minutes of the tape went smoothly. After that the students got bored. So, to liven things up, we commenced to slamming our desks, dropping our pencils, and blowing our noses. But the best thing on the tape was when a classmate of mine went out the front of the room to do his reading. Tim grabbed the microphone and said, "Here's big Tim, giving you the update on sports. And now for some scores, the Lions — 8, the Christians — eaten. Sister learned never to bring a tape recorder to class again.

Sixth grade was a time that everyone got into trouble. This one day, during history class, Jeff, my classmate, fell asleep with his face on the book. The teacher called on him and he didn't answer, mainly because Jeff was sound asleep. This teacher, like many teachers, didn't like students falling asleep in his class. The teacher told everyone to be quiet. Then he wrote on the board the following: Jeff, since you found my class so interesting, write out the next chapter in your history book. I don't think Jeff ever fell asleep again.

April Fool's was always a good time to play tricks on the teachers, not to say we didn't play them throughout the year. This one April Fool's Day, in seventh grade we stole all the chalk in the room and hid it before our math teacher came in. During the class, she turned to write a problem on the board. When she found all the chalk missing, she went to a different room to borrow some. While she was gone, we returned the chalk and hid the erasers instead. This still didn't stop the teacher. We just had to do all the problems in our seats rather than at the board.

Eighth grade was the best of all, probably because the Sister we had was such a winner. She'd give us lectures on anything, from high school to puppy love. And during these lectures, the class secretly finished homework assigned by other teachers rather than listen. Anyway, this Sister kept some plants in the back on the window sill, however, she didn't keep them in good

condition. This means that they fell all over the place and didn't look very attractive. Girls were assigned to watering her "weeds", as the class tagged them. One day they were over-watered and there was a puddle on the floor. A boy, whose desk was sitting in this puddle, raised his hand and told Sister that her "weeds" were drowning. Thus, we had a lecture concerning the difference between weeds and plants and the class finished its homework for that day.

Of course, there are more stories than this but I picked out what I thought would be the best from each grade.

And it is because of my going away to school that I will no longer be writing these articles for you. But my friend, Ruthie, will now be writing to you.

Good Luck at School!

Your friend, REGINA II

Dear Regina: We'll miss you a lot! Thanks for all the laughs, the ideas and messages we got in the last 2 1/2 years. Good luck in your college studies.

EDITOR



Congratulations to Marie Ancel and Diane Hrubos, left and right, junior members of Br. 20 who have been busy this summer directing "little theatre" shows at St. Joseph's Hall on Chicago St., Joliet. Diane's original play, HOTEL AMSTER, was the latest production. For the second year, the girls are doing this in their leisure time working with the youngsters of the area.

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