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Wayne Habat is Collinwood Home Musician of Year

Wayne Habat will be honored on Sunday, Oct. 15 at the Collinwood Slovenian Home, 15810 Holmes Ave., Cleveland at the 2006 Annual Music Festival, which takes place from 1 to 11 p.m.

Participating bands that Sunday will be Jeff Pecon, Joe Fedorchak, Ken Zalar & The Captains Crew, Don Wojtila & Chris Hibbs, Gene Fedorchak, Eric Noltkamper, Phil Srnic, Jerry Suhar, Johnny Vadnal, Jake Zagar, Corkey Godek, Joe Novak, The River, and many more.

Free admission.

Habat was born into musical tradition. Son of Eddie "Hambone" and Diane Habat (both deceased), He saw light of day on June 21, 1959. Four brothers and one sister round out the family.

With a lively interest in music at an early age, Wayne started drum lessons in 1967 with Jimmy Medves. He attended Euclid City schools. While at Central Middle School, he played in the Stage Band under the direction of Harry Hershey.

His first Slovenian band job was at age 15 with Rich Spilar, Gary Fisher, and Marion Bell, at the Croatian Picnic Pig roast.

Wayne enlisted in the US Army in 1977. After his service stint was over, he mar-

ried Mary Jo Balash in 1982. They are proud parents of five children: Dan, Wayne, Monica, Joanna, and Karen; and dote on their first grandchild Kyleigh.

Wayne has been playing professionally for 32 years, with 40 different bands, among them Frankie Yankovic, Jeff Pecon, Johnny Vadnal, Walter Ostanek, Markic-Zagger, to name just a few. He is well versed in many styles of music: ballroom, jazz, polka, rock, and swing.

He recorded with Eddie Habat, Hank Haller, Bob Kravos, Fred Kuhar, Walter Ostanek, Pub Haus Four, Joey Tomsick, Dan and Mike Wojtila, and Fred Ziwich.

Wayne won two Grammy Awards with Walter Ostanek, and was twice named "Sideman of the Year" by Polka Hall of Fame.

As his day job, Wayne owns and operates an auto-mechanic shop. He opened his first place in 1989.

His honest and reliable service is extolled by many musician friends, who rely on his expertise.

Congratulations, Wayne Habat. May we enjoy your musical talents for years to come.



The Cleveland bus group who traveled to Michigan for the 2006 Baraga Days on Sept. 23-24. The picture was taken in front of one of the last standing churches of Bishop Frederic Baraga, in Eagle Harbor, Michigan.

1st row: Lojska Rutar, Maria Stanisa, Jozi Rus, Ivanka Matic, Marica Lavrisha, Nezka and Viktor Tominec;

2nd row: Toncka Urankar, Milena Dovic, Helena Percic, Majda Grear, Toncka Lamovec, Blazena Rihtar, Mari Celestina.

3rd row: Frank Urankar, Mario Percic, Marija Kocjan, Pepca Jurkovic, Stefan Marolt, Maria Petelin, Paula Dolinar.

4th row: Lojska Sever, Cvetka Benedejcic, Ivanka and Ivan Turk, Janez Sever, Edy Dolinar.

5th row: Maria Ribic, Ivan Rus, Milan Rihtar, Ivanka Pretnar.

6th row: Milena Stropnik, Rezka Smuk, Ivanka Stupica, Ivanka Rozman, Ani Nemeč, Maria Kljun.

Back row: Vida Dovjak, Lovro Rozman, Maria Lunder, Nena Cerer, France Sever, Ana Jurkovic (not in picture.)



Wayne Habat

Alpine Night

St. Mary (Coll.) parish Alpine Nite will be held on Friday, Oct. 6 in the parish community center. Doors open at 6, short program and dance begins at 7 p.m.

Kitchen will be open for schnitzel dinners, sandwiches and other assorted foods.

Ansambel Spev from Stajerska region of Slovenia will play music.

Tables or individual tickets may be reserved by calling Elizabeth Zalik at (440) 537-1941. Tickets are \$10.

The 'Golden' Complaint

Two patients limp into two different medical clinics with the same complaint.

Both have trouble walking and need a hip replacement.

The FIRST patient is examined within the hour, is X-rayed the same day and has a time booked for surgery the following week.

The SECOND sees his family doctor after waiting a week for an appointment, waits 12 weeks to see a spe-

cialist, who orders an X-ray, which isn't read for a week. Two weeks later the specialist gets the report; and finally the surgery is scheduled for six months later.

Why the different treatment for the two patients?

The first is a Golden Retriever.

The second is a Goldenager. (Senior Citizen).

--Philip Hrvatin

Newspaper Schedule

During October, November, and December, the Ameriška Domovina (American Home) will continue to publish three times a month.

In October, the remaining two issues of American Home will be printed on Oct. 12, and 19.

In November the American Home will be printed on Nov. 2, 9, and 16.

In December the American Home will be printed on Dec. 7, 14, and 21.



Technically, the coin that we call a penny does not exist. At the U.S. Mint, it's officially called a "cent."

Great and glorious events which dazzle the beholder are represented by politicians as the outcome of grand designs, whereas they are usually products of temperaments and passions. --Bob Mills

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Most Rev. Robert J. Baker, S.T.D., Bishop of Charleston, SC, center, with Father Dan M. Havron O.F.M., left, of Easton, PA, and proud and happy mother, Mrs. Frances M. Havron of North Augusta, SC.

Heaven on Earth

by RUDY FLIS

It's been a beautiful Fall day this past Sunday and a good day to putter around the house and catch up on projects put off all summer when it seemed there was so much time with the long, hot days that ran into late evening. I remember this happening before, and often, at least once a year for the past umpteen years, and probably will happen again until I am called from this life to heaven, I hope.

I've heard heaven is a perfect place of eternal happiness, which means – what? I am happy when my wife, Therese, makes strawberry short cake for me. Will there be strawberry short cake in heaven where I can consume this dessert of heavenly flavor for an eternity along with potica, klobase, strudel, zelodec, and the many Slovenian foods my mom cooked and baked that sustained life in me as I grew and developed into a young man? Therese took over from my mom and without missing a heart-beat I continued to eat tasty, delicious foods and desserts, as I continued to grow (too much at times) and I witnessed our children enjoying good food during their growth period, just as I did long ago. These things happen when living in

a country so blessed as we are.

Life seems to repeat as we plod along, sometime in joy and sometime in sorrow. Repeat will happen on Oct. 14, a joyous time for our entire family, as our youngest daughter, Monica, marries the young man of her dreams, Ray. Monica will have her three sisters in her bridal party, one of our granddaughters, and her two close girl friends. And, guess who will walk Monica down the aisle? One who gave up all natural color hair during the raising of Monica for old age gray. One who was told the fib, "Monica will keep you young as you raise her," by a well meaning friend trying to console a forty-plus-year-old parent with a brand spanking new daughter.

If there be any grief in the raising of a child, Mom bears the brunt of it, and Therese did. Monica worked five years in a nursing home and amazed me with her love of the aged patients. Monica says, "I like older people, I was raised by older people." Sweet kid. I love that Therese and I will walk her down the aisle, as her three brothers block the doors so Ray can't leave the premises without Monica. Thank you, Lord, for all our blessings.

Old aunts used to come up to me at weddings, poking me in the ribs and cackling, "You're next."

They stopped when I did the same thing to them at funerals.
--Ray Mlakar

Beauty is only a light switch away.



The Cleveland Diocesan Union of Holy Name Societies celebrated their 75th anniversary with a convention and bishop's award at the Croatian Lodge in Eastlake, Ohio on Friday, Sept. 22, with a Polka Mass. Main celebrant was Bishop A. Edward Pevec, shown right, with musical accompaniment by Joey Tomsick (left) and fellow musicians Phil Hrvatin, Jim Penko, and Denny Bucar. Over 360 persons attended the Mass, awards presentation and dinner-dance. (Photo by PHIL HRVATIN)

St. Clair Pensioners Club news

Yes, it's that time of year when the days are getting shorter, the air feels a little more brisk and the leaves start turning gold and brown.

The St. Clair Pensioners Club is looking forward to going to Casino Windsor, Canada. The date is set for Wed., Oct. 18 at 7 a.m. and will depart the Slovenian National Home at 7:15 a.m. The cost is \$18.00 and the bonus is \$15.00. We will have a rest stop en route and before leaving Canada we will stop at the Duty Free Shop.

To enter Canada, please

have your original birth certificate with raised seal, or a passport, plus driver's license or a state issued I.D.

If you are going on the trip, please make your check

payable to the St. Clair Pensioners Club and mail promptly to Jeanette Ruminiski, 25801 Zeman Avenue, Euclid, OH 44132 – phone (216) 261-1667. At this time we still have some seats available. So if you are interested, do not hesitate to send in your reservation. Also, indicate whether you will board the bus at the Orr Arena in Euclid, or Slove-

nian National Home. For a day of fun and camaraderie come along and join your friends.

PLEASE NOTE: If you know of someone who is interested in joining our club, they will be most welcome.

Our next meeting is Thursday, Oct. 19.

--Sylvia Plymesser

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John Hanson, First President of U.S.

John Hanson was a true patriot and deserves more recognition. Thank God that Washington resisted being named king. But Washington had an ego and enjoyed being referred to as His Excellency. But the Hanson family contributed very much to the start of our nation. Can anyone name another member of the Washington family that did anything for the Republic?

In fact, George's descendants were supporters of the Confederacy and were slave holders until it was made illegal. I don't mean to dump on George, but there were very many other very capable people who made the early Republic work and deserve attention.

Hanson was critical to the period of transition from a loose affiliation of colonies who struggled to run a war to the first truly national government. We owe him and his family a great deal.

He was the heir of one of the greatest family traditions in the colonies and became the patriarch of a long line of American patriots - his great-grandfather died at Lutzen beside the great King Gustavus Aldophus of Sweden; his grandfather was one of the founders of New Sweden along the Delaware River in Maryland; one of his nephews was the military secretary to George Washington; another was a signer

of which were influential in the development of political philosophy of the great leaders of the Reformation. It was based upon these legal and theological studies that the young planter - his farm, Mulberry Grove was just across the Potomac from Mount Vernon - began to espouse the cause of the patriots.

In 1775 he was elected to the Provincial Legislature of Maryland. Then in 1777, he became a member of Congress where he distinguished himself as a brilliant administrator. Thus, he was elected president in 1781. Was John Hanson the first president of the United States?

The new country was actually formed on March 1, 1781 with the adoption of The Articles of Confederation. This document was actually proposed on June 11, 1776, but not agreed upon by Congress until Nov. 15, 1777. Maryland refused to sign this document until Virginia and New York ceded their western lands (Maryland was afraid that these states would gain too much power in the new government from such large amounts of land). Once the signing took place in 1781, a President was needed to run the country. John Hanson was chosen unanimously by Congress (which included George Washington). In fact, all the other potential candidates refused to run against him, as he was a major player in the Revolution and an extremely influential member of Congress.

As the first President, Hanson had quite the shoes to fill. No one had ever been President and the role was poorly defined. His actions in office would set precedent for all future Presidents. He took office just as the Revolutionary War ended. Almost immediately, the troops demanded to be paid. As would be expected after any long war, there were no funds to meet the salaries. As a result, the soldiers threatened to overthrow the new government and put Washington on the throne as a monarch. All the members of Congress ran for their lives, leaving Hanson running the government. He somehow managed to calm the troops and hold the country together. If he had failed, the government would have fallen almost immediately and everyone would have been bowing to King Washington.

Hanson, as President, ordered all foreign troops off American soil, as well as the removal of all foreign flags. This was quite a feat, considering the fact that so many European countries



In response to last issue's article on the First President of the US, I believe it was John Hanson. Thought readers might like the attached picture of the museum honoring all 51 U.S. Presidents. The museum is located on the Southwest corner of the intersection of US Route 6 and Ohio Route 234 in Hartsgrove, Ohio. The pictures below the sign are of the first eight Presidents: 1. - John Hanson; 2. - Elias Boudinot; 3. - Thomas Mifflin; 4. - Richard Henry Lee (Lighthorse Henry, the father of Robert Edward Lee); 5. - John Hancock; 6. - Nathaniel Gorham; 7. - Arthur St. Clair; and 8. - Cyrus Griffin.

(Photo and text by Genial Gene Kogovsek.)

had a stake in the United States since the days following Columbus. Hanson established the Great Seal of the United States, which all Presidents have since been required to use on all official documents. President Hanson also established the first Treasury Department, the first Secretary of War, and the first Foreign Affairs Department. Lastly, he declared that the fourth Thursday of every November was to be Thanksgiving Day, which is still true today.

The Articles of Confederation only allowed a President to serve a one-year term during any three-year period, so Hanson actually accomplished quite a lot in such little time. He served in that office from November 5, 1781 until November 3, 1782. He was the first president to serve a full term after the full ratification of the Articles of Confederation - and like so many of the Southern and New England Founders, he was strongly opposed to the Constitution when it was first discussed. He remained a confirmed anti-federalist until his untimely death.

Six other presidents were elected after him - Elias Boudinot (1783), Thomas Mifflin (1784), Richard Henry Lee (1785), Nathan Gorman (1786), Arthur St. Clair (1787), and Cyrus Griffin (1788) - all prior to Washington taking office.

Why don't we ever hear about the first seven Presidents of the United States? It is quite simple - the Articles of Confederation didn't work well. The individual states had too much power and

nothing could be agreed upon. A new doctrine needed to be written - something we know as the Constitution.

George Washington was definitely not the first President of the United States. He was the first President of the United States under the Constitution we follow today.

And the first seven Presidents are forgotten in history.

Thanks to John P. Vidmar, Ph.D., Senior Vice President, Public Sector & Healthcare Services Research, Chicago, IL for this information.

All the president is, is a glorified public relations man who spends his time flattering, kissing, and kicking people to get them to do what they are supposed to do anyway.
--Harry Truman



A portrait of John Hanson by John Hesselius, around 1765 to 1770.

of the Declaration; still another was a signer of the Constitution; yet another was Governor of Maryland during the Revolution; and still another was a member of the first Congress; two sons were killed in action with the Continental Army; a grandson served as a member of Congress under the new Constitution; and another grandson was a Maryland Senator. Thus, even if Hanson had not served as President himself, he would have greatly contributed to the life of the nation through his ancestry and progeny.

As a youngster he began a self-guided reading of classics and rather quickly became an acknowledged expert in the juridicalism of Anselm and the practical philosophy of Seneca - both



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St. Vitus Alumni Spotlights Honorees

by AGNES KOPORC

'Tis that time of year again. Seems that I just wrote about the highlights of last year's event and here we are again. New year, new honorees. And another meeting.

A bit of a nudge to your memory bank.

The alumni will meet in the Slovenian Room of St. Vitus Village the first Thursday in October, the 5th at 7 p.m. to discuss details of the upcoming social event of the year, 2006 Honoree Day, on **Sunday, Oct. 29.**

Even if you have never come to a meeting, mosey on down, meet some of the folks of the alumni: Perhaps even help with preparations the day before, Saturday, Oct. 29, about 9:30 a.m. until approx. noon, when a delicious luncheon is served as part of the reward. You may even enjoy it.

Before I give you a short bio of our three special honorees, the reservations are already coming in, so do not tarry, get on the phone, call Ray Gobec 440-285-2359. Also, if you have any questions, President Dan Reiger will be happy to answer them (216) 391-5428, or even yours truly at (216) 268-5412. Cost of tickets are \$20.00 each which includes a lovely formal dinner setting in a "Class" (pun) environment, a delectable cuisine prepared by the Mistress of Culinary Arts herself, Julie Zalar and her crew. Need I say more?

Now to introduce our 2006 "Chosen Ones." They are (in alphabetical order)...

Ms. Joanne Arhar.

Lovely, charming daughter of well-known St. Vitus parishioners Edward and Anne Arhar, sister of Christine, Margaret, Edward and John.

Her grandparents, John and Anne Hocevar and "uncles" John and Joseph Hocevar all played in integral part in the development of our St. Vitus Parish in one way or another.

Joanne graduated from St. Vitus Elementary School in 1964, St. Augustine High School in 1968, and then went on to Case Western Reserve University where she earned her bachelor's degree in American Studies. She received her Doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Cincinnati. Then she attended Cleveland State University to become certified as a school administrator.

After 12 years of teaching high school English at Normandy High School in Parma, she moved on to Akron as the Assistant Principal of St. Vincent-St. Mary High

School.

Joanne left Akron to work in Washington, D.C. at the American Association of School Superintendents. As part of her work she traveled extensively throughout the U.S. She liked Colorado so much she decided to move there to be a middle school administrator. She came back to Ohio to get her doctorate. Then she went to the University of South Florida in Tampa where she began her career as a college professor teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in teacher and administrator education. In 1994 a position opened at Kent State University, Joanne moved back to the Cleveland area to teach in the College of Education and to coordinate the middle childhood education program. For the past two years she has been the Associate Dean and Director of Teacher Education in the College of Education, Health and Human Services at Kent State.

As an educator and educational researcher, Joanne has written several books, numerous articles and chapters. She has won several national research awards for her work on interdisciplinary teaming in the middle grades. Her work is focused on preparing teachers to be researchers of their own classrooms so they can improve student learning and share their results with other educators and the public.

It is "indeed" an honor to be honoring this talented "young" lady. So, come down and meet her in person, and by all means, ask for her autograph.

Marcelline Mills – the epitome of a dedicated volunteer.

Fondly known as "Marcie" to her friends, she was born in Cleveland, Ohio on April 24 1929.

The eldest daughter of five, she was born to Joseph and Jean Jernejcic during the "Big Depression."

Marcie was a St. Vitus graduate of 1943 and Jane Adams High School in 1947.

Her first job was at the then, very popular, well known, Richman Bros. Company located "close to home" on East 55th St.

The Richman Bros. Co., manufacturer of men's suits and accessories was established in 1879 and was known to be the "World's Greatest Clothing Factory," giving jobs to many, near and far. In those days, almost everyone was employed by Richman Bros. In fact, the building still stands today, a monument.

The year 1947 was a magical year for Marcie. A handsome young man from Oberlin, Ohio was introduced to her and sparks flew. His name was Robert Mills, and what a lovely couple they made (used to see them in St. Vitus Church). Two years later on June 18, 1949 they were pronounced "Man and Wife" by the late Father Francis M. Baraga.

They are proud parents of five: Bonnie, Robert Jr., Diane, Geraldine, and Stephen, all very active members of the St. Vitus parish. They can boast of

eight grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

Marcie returned to the work world in 1964. She was employed at KipCraft, Inc., until retirement in 1989. Schoolbelles by KipCraft, was a full service school uniform supplier used mostly by Catholic schools at that time.

A charter member of the Catholic War Veterans Auxiliary since 1950, she has held most of the offices throughout the years. She is an active member of the C.O.F. Maximilian Court #2268 as Court Reporter and Trustee. She holds the office of secretary of the St. Clair Pensioners, and is a member of the St. Vitus Alumni, Friends of the Slovenian National Home, and Slovenian Woman's Union Lodge #25.

As a weekly volunteer at the Veterans Administration Hospital, along with her husband, Bob (5 hours per Sunday), they help set up the chapel for Mass and assist patients who need help navigating the various areas at the VA. She has been honored for the giving of herself for over 27 years with service totaling over 6,143 hours. That is quite a feat. Really worthy of recognition. Congratulations, Marie, our volunteer personality.

You will be able to meet this dedicated person... if you attend.

Josephine M. Perpar, posthumously.

Born to Joseph and Josephine (Bambic) Perpar at 5805 Prosser Ave., on Aug. 4, 1921, Josephine M. Perpar

was the eldest of five children. Her grandparents in Slovenia were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perpar, and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Bambic of Cleveland, Ohio.

Her brothers, Joseph, Jr. (wife, Margaret), Edward (Flora) are both deceased. Mathias (Kay) lives in Medina and sister Jean on E. 177 St., in Cleveland. Her nine nieces and nephews, 21 great nieces and nephews and six great grand nieces and nephews have a right to be proud of their aunt Josie.

Josephine graduated from St. Vitus in 1935 and Jane Adams High School in 1939.

Her years of work were at Gabriel Co., Weatherhead, and finally at Gould, until she retired in 1986.

She was Vice President of the St. Vitus Alumni, member of the St. Vitus Altar Society, volunteer at St. Joseph Christian Life Center, member of AMLA #12, St. Clair Pensioners, St. Christine Pensioners, Holy Name Society, Slovenian Women's Union #25, and St. Francis Xavier Mission Circle #150.

Josephine has been widely well known for her crafts, her donations to various organizations of her time, crafts, never accepting payment for her work and material. She was very generous of her time and talents, and will always be appreciated by all. Thank you Josie, "wherever you are." She passed away quietly this past January 24, 2006.

In memory, remember her in prayer.

The words "alumnus" and "alumna" are the Latin words for "foster son" and "foster daughter." Though used in Great Britain to mean "pupil," in America they describe only graduates of a school or college.

St. Mary's Homecoming and Banquet
 St. Mary's (Collinwood) School Alumni will have their 16th Annual Homecoming Mass and Banquet on Sunday, Oct. 15th.
 The Mass is at noon in St. Mary's Church, 15519 Holmes Avenue, Cleveland.
 The banquet will follow in the Church Social Center.
 Banquet tickets may be purchased for \$15 by calling Mary Ziperman at (216) 382-7829.

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Krofe Sale
 St. Vitus Altar Society will sponsor a Krofe Sale on Saturday, Oct. 14 in the auditorium social room.

The Story of Pioneer John Lokar

This is an autobiography of John Lokar from a collection of various notebooks printed in his own hand in English. It has been compiled and pieced together by his great-grandson Matthew Schulz, grandson of Daniella Lokar / Schultz.

(Continued from last week)

I stayed at Eveleth, Minnesota only two days. Frank Dolenc convinced my uncle that I would have a better chance of getting a job at Hibbing in the open pit mines, than at Eveleth in the underground mines due to my age. Minnesota law was that the underground miners must be 21 years old. However, this law was not strictly enforced; they only took your word concerning your age when you were hired. I traveled with Frank Dolenc and his family. They had been visiting relatives for nearly a year and were at this time returning home to Hibbing. I boarded with them whenever I stayed at Hibbing. Frank knew some of the pit bosses and was able to get me a job the next day. I worked there until the pit stopped operation for the winter on October 28th.

On October 29 I decided to go to my uncle in Eveleth. I boarded with Joe Korelc in Chicken Town when I went looking for a job on the No. 4 Service Mine. The captain of the mine said that I looked too young for mine work. I did not show any beard growth at that time. My friend who worked there told the boss that I was a close shaver. The boss laughed and gave me a job.

I started working Nov. 1, 1912, as a brakeman for the motorman who hauled the iron ore from chutes to the shaft where the ore was hoisted to the surface. The pay was \$2.10 for an eight-hour day.

Late 1912 my uncle decided that he had enough of the mine work and returned back home to Austria. I was left there all by myself with no relatives and not knowing the language of the land. I joined two fraternal unions, K.S.K.J. and S.N.P.J. This was giving me some security if I got sick or hurt in the mine, as well as burial expenses in case of death. I also started going to night school so that I could learn some of the English language.

At every boarding house they usually had music and dancing on the weekend. The young boys visited their friends at these houses. The big attraction at the houses were the girls working there. There were very few girls

there in the early days. The boys ordered beer and danced with the girls and amongst themselves.

I first saw Mary at the front of our church. I found out where she was living and the next weekend I went to her boarding house. She was very beautiful and the most popular Slovenian girl in the city. I was boarding with the Buchar family. When they decided to leave the business in early 1913, my first thoughts, naturally were to go to the house where Mary was working and living. It was not very long afterwards that we fell in love.

Our love, however, encountered some difficulty. Her father wanted her to marry a rich man. She had several offers. My fellow boarders, who were supposed to be my friends, were all jealous of me. We hardly had any chance to even talk privately. Her father never actually prohibited me from courting her or was actually unfriendly with me, but he was constantly telling Mary not to be too friendly, or go out with me. If we wanted to go out, we had to make arrangements in advance where we could meet. The so-called friends of mine were always telling Mary how bad I was and that I had another girl. Of course, that was not true.

I worked at the same job until August 5, 1914. During that time I was burnt by a short-circuit in the motor. I was on sick leave for 21 days, from Oct. 22, 1913 until Nov. 11.

When war began in Europe in 1914, the iron ore mines lost orders for ore and the company started to lay off all single men so that workers with families would get some employment. My foreman kept me for several months, despite the order. Finally, on Aug. 5th, he received strict orders to fire all single men.

As there was no way to tell how long the order would last, I decided to spend my savings and go into debt waiting for a job to open, rather than move to another place.

At International Falls was Frank Setnikar, whom I knew. I figured I would try my luck on Aug. 11 and was on my way there. There were two factories, a saw mill and the International Paper Company. I tried to get any job, but they were not hiring new men. After a few days I decided to go to the lumber camps up north. The land was very swampy and there were so many mosquitoes that one had to cover his face with a cloth while working at



John Lokar

night.

One evening at camp we burned green leaves to keep the mosquitoes away. That remedy was no good. The smoke was so thick that we could hardly see anything and nearly suffocated in it.

After one month I thought that I had enough of the suffering and quit the job. I then returned to International Falls.

At International Falls I got a job at the paper company on the outside of the factory. It was only a temporary project. When that was completed on Sept. 10, I was out of work again. As there was no prospect for any job, I was on my way back to the Iron Range on Oct. 9th.

On Oct. 10 I went to Hibbing in an attempt to find employment. I went from mine to mine, but since I was single, they couldn't employ me even if they needed help. I tried all the mines in Hibbing, Chisholm, and all neighboring towns and villages without luck.

On Dec. 3rd, I went back to Eveleth. I did not have much hope, but I wanted to see my girl, Mary. I stayed there until Dec. 14th. On that date Frank Sustarsic, his brother Joe, and myself decided to take a trip toward International Falls. We went to an agency where they hired help for lumber camps. The agency shipped us to Ericksburg, Minnesota on Dec. 26th. We worked for the Bill Mayer Co. He ran a small camp where they cut cedar in the swamp for railroad ties. The winter was very cold. Sometimes the temperature dropped to 60 degrees below zero. Board there was very good, however. The lunches we took along with us into the woods was frozen solid even when we kept it close to the big fire. Before we were able to eat it, we had to toast the bread and roast the meat. In the evening on the way home with a sled and a team of horses, we were usually followed by a pack of coyotes.

(To Be Continued)

'Koline' Dinner at Pristava

The Slovenska Pristava Pensioners Club (SPPC) will hold its annual fall event "Koline" on Sunday, Oct. 8th. It is a traditional Slovenian custom of making homemade rice and blood sausage (krvave klobase and pecenice) at that time of year.

Serving will begin at noon and continue until 3 p.m. The dinner will include sauerkraut, fried potatoes, strudel and coffee.

The proceeds will go to many good causes, such as the beatification of Bishop Baraga, financial support for both Slovenian Saturday Schools of St. Mary and St. Vitus parishes, plus other numerous causes and community projects.

So, come and enjoy a delicious homemade meal in a beautiful autumn atmosphere at Slovenska Pristava.

--Frank Urankar

Journey Thru Slovenia

A Journey Through Slovenia will be held at St. Mary's in Collinwood. In conjunction with its 100th Anniversary Year, St. Mary's Parish will be celebrating its Slovenian roots with a Slovenian Regional Heritage Day.

Reserve Sunday, Oct. 22

for a journey through the seven regions of Slovenia with exhibits, food sampling, music, and a full kitchen menu of typical regional dishes and pastries. The celebration begins in the Parish Center after the 10 a.m. Slovenian Mass. All are invited.



M/M Peter Rome celebrate 50th

Peter J. and Mary Jo Rom, formerly of East 67th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, now residing in Twinsburg, Ohio, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on October 6, 2006. They were married at St. George Catholic Church in Cleveland, Ohio in 1956.

Peter is a semi-retired air compressor distributor and President of AAA Compressor Rental and Supply. Mary Jo is a member of the Twinsburg "Knitwitters" and

also enjoys making ceramics. Together they enjoy traveling to Florida, emptying slot machines in Michigan, and spending time with family and friends.

The couple have two children: Mark, of Aurora (wife Karen) and Sandra Steiner of South Euclid (husband, David), and four grandchildren - Julie Rom, Sarah Steiner, Katie Steiner and Candice Rom.

No political party has exclusive patent rights on prosperity.
--Franklin Roosevelt



Front row, left to right, are Bill Raddell and Tom Raddell. Back row, left to right, Cecilia Dolgan, Tony Petkovsek, Wayne Tomsic, Chairman of the Festival, and Ray Somich.

Favorite Sausage Winners

The results are in for the 3rd Annual Slovenian Sausage Festival, where people who attended voted for their favorite sausage-maker.

The winner of the People's Choice contest is **Raddell's Sausage Co.**, at East 152nd Street and Rt. 90, in North Collinwood neighborhood, with runner-up winner Maple Heights Catering of Maple Heights.

Five judges also selected the Best in Festival sausage, in a taste-test. The judges were in sync with the public, as the highest total points were awarded to Raddell's Sausage, and the runner-up award to Maple Heights Catering. The judges were Breda Ribic and Bob Dolgan of Willoughby Hills, Joan Caimi of Kirtland, Ken Anderson of Detroit, Mich., and Joe Fedorchak of Youngstown.

Four sausage companies competed including last year's winner Miro's Meats of Eastlake, and Azman and Son Meat Market of Cleveland, the oldest establish-

ment of Slovenian sausage makers in the Cleveland area.

A wonderful crowd of 1,100 people enjoyed the warm weather and the spacious facilities at Slovenska Pristava in Harpersfield. Aside from the Slovenian sausages, Festival-goers had a choice of sampling many sausage specialties and side dishes as prepared by the four sausage companies.

The entertainment was supplied by several energizing musical groups, including the Happy Timers, Pristava Musicians, Rob DeBlander and the Jammers, Joe Grkman and Grkmania, Eddie Rodick, and Frank Moravcik. Members of the Polka Hall of Fame and friends supplied the volunteer crew throughout the 8-hour music and food fest.

The Sausage Festival benefited the National Cleveland Style Polka Hall of Fame and Museum, based in Euclid, Ohio.

—Cecilia Dolgan

Coming Events

Friday, Oct. 6

3rd Annual Alpine Evening at St. Mary's (Coll.) Guest Ansambel Spev from Slovenia. Doors open 6 p.m. Admission \$10.

Friday, Oct. 6

Dance at West Park Slovenian Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, 7:30 to 11:15 p.m. Music by Bob Kravos.

Sunday, Oct. 8

St. Joseph Lodge #146 KSKJlife matching funds roast beef dinner 12 - 6 p.m. to benefit Assumption of Mary Parish, Brook Park, OH. \$7 adults, \$4 children. Tickets at rectory (216) 267-0630.

Sunday, Oct. 8

Slovenska Pristava Pensioners Club annual fall "Koline" (krvave klobase and pecenice). Dinner includes one big rice or blood sausage and one link of fresh garlic sausage with sauerkraut, fried potatoes, strudel, coffee, dinner. Noon to 3 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 13

Dance at West Park Slovenian Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, 7:30 to 11:15 p.m. Music by Eric Noltkamper.

Saturday, Oct. 14

St. Lawrence School & Friends Reunion Dinner-Dance. Mass 5:30 in St. Lawrence Church by Bishop A. Edward Pevec. Nash opens at 6:30. Donation \$15. Music by Joe Novak. Reservations call (440) 243-0312.

Sunday, Oct. 15

St. Mary's (Coll) School Alumni dinner in new parish center.

Sunday, Oct. 15

Collinwood Slovenian Home Music-fest honoring Wayne and Mark Habat from 1 to 7. Free admission.

Friday, Oct. 20

Dance at West Park Slovenian Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, 7:30 to 11:15 p.m. Music by Wayne Tomsic.

Saturday, Oct. 21

Stajerski-Prekmurski Klub Martinovanje, 6:30 p.m. Dinner Dance, Slovenian National Home, St. Clair. Veseli Godci. (216) 531-4817 or (440) 256-6716.

Sunday, Oct. 22

Annual meeting of Slovenska Pristava.

Sunday, Oct. 22

St. Mary's Slovenian Regional Heritage Day in Parish Center, Holmes Ave. A journey through 7 regions of Slovenia. Exhibits, food sampling, full dinner menu with regional dishes and pastries. Begins 11 a.m. Free admission.

Friday, Oct. 27

Dance at West Park Slovenian Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, 7:30 to 11:15 p.m. Music by J T O Joey Tomsick.

Sunday, Oct. 29

Slovenian National Home Co., 3563 E. 80th St., Newburgh, Annual Clambake catered by Maple Hts., Cathering from 2 to 4 p.m. Music 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. Donation \$25.

Sunday, Oct. 29

St. Vitus Alumni Honoree Day, 12 noon Mass, Dinner, Celebration. Reservations call Ray Gobec 440 285-2359.

Sunday, Oct. 29

St. Mary (Holmes Ave.) Slovenian School hosts *palčinka* breakfast from 8:30 to 12 noon in Parish Center. Egg, sausage and crepe breakfast is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Everyone is cordially invited.

Friday, Nov. 3

Dance at West Park Slovenian Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, 7:30 to 11:15 p.m. Music by Frank Moravcik.

Saturday, Nov. 4

St. Vitus Slovenian Language School fundraiser for 2007 trip to Slovenia. "Reverse Social" with dinner and Chinese raffle. For tickets call (440) 256-1546.

Sunday, Nov. 5

Zarja Singing Society celebrates 90th Anniversary at Slovenian Society Home in Euclid, Ohio.

Sunday, Nov. 5

St. Mary's (Coll.) Parish celebrates 100th Anniversary with 11 a.m. Mass, followed by 1 p.m. banquet. Music by Veseli Godci. Adults: \$40; children: \$20. NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Friday, Nov. 10

Dance at West Park Slovenian Home, 4583 W. 130 St., Cleveland, 7:30 to 11:15 p.m. Music by Eric Noltkamper.

Saturday, Nov. 11

Belokranjski Klub Dinner Dance at Slovenian National Home, St. Clair Ave.

Sunday, Nov. 12

Concert, Slovenian Junior Chorus at Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., Euclid, OH.

Sunday, Nov. 12

Newburgh Slovenian Home, 3563 E. 80th St., Cleveland Veterans Day Dance 2 - 6 p.m. Music by Wayne Tomsic.

Saturday, Nov. 18

Slovenian National Home Co., 3563 E. 80th St., Cleveland, Night at Races. \$8 in-

cludes food, beer, door prizes. Doors open 7 p.m. Race time 8 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 19

St. Mary (Coll.) Turkey Festival and Raffle.

Wednesday, Nov. 22

Jam Session at Slovenian National Home, St. Clair Ave., Cleveland.

Thursday, Nov. 23

Tony Petkovsek Thanksgiving Polka Festival at Cleveland Marriott hotel in downtown Cleveland featuring Stan Blout Band, Fred Ziwich, Mike Schneider Band, Don Wojtila with Chris Hibbs, Eddie Rodick Orchestra and Wojtila-Rodick 'Reunion' at midnight. \$12 advance; \$15 at door.

Friday, Nov. 24

Petkovsek Polka Party at Cleveland Marriott hotel in downtown Cleveland featuring The Wolf Band, Hank Haller Ensemble, Joey Tomsick Orchestra, The Big Friday Night Jam-Jam, Kres Slovenian folk Dancers at 8:30; Veseli Godci (9 p.m.), Ed Klanecnik and Friends, and Mike Schjneider Band.

Saturday, Nov. 25

Polka Hall of Fame Awards Show XVIII at Euclid High Auditorium, 711 E. 222 St., Euclid. Admission \$15.

After the show: Marriott Hotel, 6 p.m. Polka Mass with Bishop A. Edward Pevec and Jeff Pecon Orchestra; 8:30 All Star-Winners; 9 p.m. Ken Zalar Captains Crew; 10 p.m. Bob Kravos Boys in Band. Admission \$12.

Sunday, Nov. 26

Friends of Slovenian National Home, St. Clair, Holiday Brunch. (216) 361-5115.

Wednesday, Dec. 6

Slovenian National Home Co., 3563 E. 80th St., Cleveland, 50-50 Raffle, 7 p.m. Donation \$10. Music by Joe Novak from 7 - 10 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27

Pristavska noč (Veseli Godci), Slovenian National Home, St. Clair.

Feb. 2, 3, 4

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FRANCES RAVNIKAR

Frances Ravnikar (nee Slabic), passed away at the age of 88, in Commack, N.Y., on Sept. 8, 2006. She was born in Sp. Jarse, Slovenia on April 8, 1918.

Beloved wife of the late John. Cherished mother of Maria Zupancic of Commack, N.Y., Veronica Sicilian of Boston, Mass., Lydia Rodriguez of Northport, N.Y., John, Jr., of Commack, N.Y., and the late Frances Pappas. Adored grandmother of Stanley, Andre, Stephen, Ingrid, Frances, Marjeta, Gregory, David, Christopher, Alica, and Vikki. Loving great-grandmother of Cayla, Olivia, Natalia, Katie, Simona and Alexander.

Mrs. Ravnikar was a singer with the church choir and at concerts. She loved cooking, baking, and sewing.

Friends were received on Sunday and Monday, 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Commack Abbey, Inc., Commack, N.Y.

Mass of Christian Burial was on Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 10 a.m. at Christ The King R.C. Church, Commack, N.Y. Interment in St. Charles Cemetery, Farmingdale, NY.

Family suggests donations in her memory to Parkinson's Foundation.

GERALDINE GLOBOKAR

Geraldine "Gerri" F. Globokar (nee Zuzek) age 75; loving wife of 49 years to Albert J.; dear mother of Michael and David (Lisa) daughter of Albin and Frances Zuzek (both deceased); cousin of Donald (Sue) Johnson.

Friends were received at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152nd St., Friday, Sept. 22 from 4-8 p.m. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Mary Church (Holmes Ave.).

STANLEY SIMRAYH

Stanley Simrayh, age 74, died Wednesday, Sept. 27. He was the dearly beloved husband of Michaela (nee Arko); beloved father of Magdalena Ana (Joseph) Razpotnik, Herman Michael (Suzy) Simrayh, Stanley Anthony (Bonni) Simrayh and Bernadette Elizabeth (Max) Petrovic; devoted grandfather of Monika, Joseph, Christian, Stanley, Nikolaj, Lydia, Damian, Tatianna and Adam; loving brother of Marija Strnad, Ana Dvorsak, Elza Zupcvc, Erika Klinc and the late Leopold and Joseph Simrayh.

Mr. Simrayh was nine year president of the Slovenian American Radio Club & Radio Hour, member of the Slovenian Cultural Center and Balinarski Klub (Bocci Ball Club), representative of St. Mary Slovenian Catholic Mission to the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Funeral Mass was held at St. Mary Slovenian Catholic Mission Church, Lemont, IL. Interment in Resurrection Cemetery, Justice, IL.

Arrangements entrusted to Zefran Funeral Directors, Chicago, IL.

MARY TOMC

Mary Tomc (nee Modic) age 88. Beloved wife of William (deceased); loving mother of Jerome (Agnes), Richard (Joan), Barbara Kilker, Mary Ann Ciprano and Michael (Linda); grandmother of nine; great grandmother of four; sister of Josephine Petrovic.

Friends were received at Zele Funeral Home, 452 E. 152 St., Thursday, Sept. 21 from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m., where services were held Friday at 9:15 a.m. and at St. Paul Church (Chardon Rd.) at 10 a.m. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

Donations in her memory to The Hospice of the Western Reserve, 300 E. 185 St., Cleveland, OH 44119.

ANDREW CASHEN

Andrew Cashen, age 82, a long-time resident of Madison, Ohio.

Beloved son of the late Andy and Mary Cajhen; dear brother of Frank (Margaret) Cajhen; uncle of Frank A. Cajhen, Mary Jo (Kenneth) Schimann; great uncle of Alyssa and Erica; friend and long-time companion to Sue Ann.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Contributions in his memory may be made to any

Slovenian organization, the Slovenian Home for the Aged in Cleveland, or to Hospice of the Western Reserve, 5786 Heisley Rd., Mentor 44060.

MARY FRANCES KUMP

Mary Frances (Kocin) Kump was born in the Collinwood section of Cleveland on February 15, 1924. She died in Garden Grove, California on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006.

Mary is survived by her husband, Joseph A. Kump; her four children: Joseph G. Kump, Diana Serafin, Laura Holt, and Linda Garner. She has seven grandchildren: John and Jason Serafin, Robert Garner, and Brittney, Candice and Nicole Holt. Mary has two great grandchildren: Skyler and John A. Serafin.

There will be a Memorial Mass at St. Mary's Church (Coll.) at a later date to be announced soon.

BRANIMIRA BERLEC

Branimira "Mira" Berlec (nee Omahen), age 80 of South Euclid, Ohio, beloved wife of Ivan; loving mother of Sr. Maria O.S.U., Vida Berlec, Ivan Jr., Martha (Gary) Garewal and Dorothy (Raymond) Lucko; cherished grandmother of Amanda and Michael Lukco and David Garewal; dear sister of Milan Omahen.

Family suggests memorial contributions in her name to St. Gregory the Great Church, or the American Red Cross.

Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 5 at St. Gregory the Great Church. Interment All Souls Cemetery.

Family received friends at The Dan Cosic Funeral Home, 28890 Chardon Rd., Willoughby Hills on Wednesday, Oct. 4 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

In Memory

Thanks to Mrs. Mary Ann Selan of Perry, OH who renewed her subscription and added a \$25.00 donation in memory of the 13th anniversary of both her husband, Michael Selan, and mother, Jennie Femc.

In Memory

Thanks to Paul Florjancic of Euclid, OH who renewed his subscription and added a \$25.00 donation in memory of Lois Florjancic.

In Memory

Thanks to Dr. Daniel P. Siewiorek of Pittsburgh, PA who renewed his subscription and added a \$25.00 donation in memory of his parents, Frank and Lena Siewiorek.

Saint Vitus Village Talk

The Slovenian-American Heritage Foundation invites all to attend the fourth talk in our 2006 Lecture Series. The foundation is extremely pleased that Stane Kuhar and Paul Kosir will present a discussion on the concept, development and construction of St. Vitus Village.

The program, which is free and open to the public, will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Lower Hall of the Slovenian Society Home, 20713 Recher Ave., in Euclid, Ohio. A coffee and strudel social will follow the lecture.

St. Vitus Village is one of the newest institutions in the Cleveland Slovenian Community. Opened in 2001, the independent senior living facility provides a safe new residence for St. Vitus parishioners and the wider

community. This beautiful new building also serves as a catalyst for the revitalization of the St. Clair neighborhood of Cleveland. In their presentation, Stane Kuhar will review the initial concepts, planning and development of this challenging project. Paul Kosir, the general contractor for the building, will discuss the implementation and construction process.

Stane Kuhar is the Finance Director of St. Vitus Church where he is responsible for the temporal affairs of the parish. In this role, he coordinates volunteer activities, fund-raising and long term planning for the parish. Paul Kosir is president of Pako, Inc., a precision manufacturing company of aircraft equipment located in Mentor, Ohio.

Generous Donation

Many thanks to Nada Roberts of Bradenton, FL who renewed her subscription and added a \$100 donation!

Donation

Thanks to Bernie Krasovec of Pueblo, Colorado who renewed her subscription and added a \$25.00 donation.

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Thanks to Vi Rupena of Willoughby Hills who renewed her subscription and added a \$15 donation. She writes, "Keep up the good work!"

Donation

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Mirko Vombergar of Euclid, OH who renewed their subscription and added a \$10.00 donation.

Large Donation

Thanks to I. Hilary Rolih of Syossett, NY who renewed his subscription and added a \$100.00 donation!

In Memory

Thanks to John Perovsek of Euclid, OH who donated \$100.00 to the American Home in memory of Ivan and Agnes ((Nezka) Perovsek.

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(Photo by TONY GRDINA)

by AGGIE KOPORC

Can it be 67 years out of St. Vitus? Wow, and we "look" so good (ahem). Well, half of us cannot "see" too well, and if anything moves, we are happy about that.

Really now, who cares "how we look?" The big thing is being able or at least "try" to get together, and no matter what, the Class of '39 does a good job of it.

To think we have been friends since the first grade. That's at least 75 years of friendship. How many can boast that?

This year we decided to go back to our roots. We met in the St. Vitus Village Slovenian Room, just across from "what was once" St. Vitus School. And it really made a hit with all in attendance.

We were able to socialize, talk to one another on another level. What a great and memorable afternoon.

Of course, I being on the committee and Tony Grdina along with his lovely wife, Betty, were first to arrive. Opening the door to the Village, we just followed our noses. Ummm, smelled so-o-o-good, to our meeting room.

Chef Linda Plečnik and her assistant Stephanie Zamen were cooking up a storm. They did a great job.

The tables were perfectly adorned with "real" china (so very nice), hors-d'oeuvres places for the taking, even grape juice" was there for those wishing to partake in something a bit more daring (ahem). Good for the soul, they say.

Slowly they arrived, The Logars... Jim and Millie, along with Lil Krzywicki with Flo Jaksic, Ray and Betty Kuhel. Ray is our comedian," and we can al-

ways be sure he comes prepared with a joke or two, and he did. Very funny, really very funny. Thanks Ray for the laughs. You always make our day.

Went to see if anyone else was coming. Sure enough, there was Mary (Repar) Gerbetz from Cuyahoga Falls with her two daughters Bernie and Ann (lovely young ladies), followed by Josie (Makse) Lesko with her also lovely daughter Linette Davis. In fact, Rudy Sterk was so impressed with how "young" our classmates looked (he was eyeing the daughters...) and I gave him the impression they were part of our class. Ha, ha, who was I kidding?

Matt Perpar and his lovely wife, Kay, moved from Florida back to the best location in the nation. They were enjoying the surroundings saying they were glad to be back home.

It was great seeing Ann (Cimperman) and hubby, Tony Strazar, both always smiling. They don't go dancing any longer, but still love the music. Lovely couple.

Great to see Klarie Turk, husband of Mimi. Mimi Turk was one of the "original" committee members when we had our first reunion, the 25th in 1964. She is gone, but not forgotten.

Missed at this gathering were Fran Spech and her husband, Dr. Tony. Bill and Josephine Gabriel, Rich Sterle who now resides at the Slovene Home for the Aged, The Bill Sterlings, Mary Stazar, the Vahcic's, and a few others who reside out of state, namely Joe and Helen Vidmar. Marian (Mocnik) and Phil Croak, Ed Tomazin, and a few others I cannot recall.

Last to arrive was none other than our own Bishop

Ed Pevec. Such a kind and gentle man. Makes his rounds to every table. Blessed the food – and the feast was on.

Everything from "soup to strudel," etc., ummm good... was served... well digested.

After a short "welcome" by yours truly, Tony Baznik read a letter that was sent to him in 1946 by then "Lefty" Pevec. Great letter to a serviceman. It contained several typed pages, single spaced at that. Wonderful.

Former Judge still attorney Edmund Turk, wife Susie, Ed Kotar and Marie were talking up a storm. When E. Turk remembered he had a surprise video to show the class, it was of a trip we took about 15 years ago.

We had gone to Atwood Lodge for dinner and then took a ride on the ferry around Atwood Lake. So very nostalgic, seeing so

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many of our mates that have passed on to their reward.

How "young" we were. We had music by Tony Baznik, which included a wonderful sing-along, really brought a few tears to our eyes.

Special get well wishes to Ray Gobec, Treasurer of St. Vitus Alumni, after having knee replacement surgery about a month ago and is now in his latter days of recuperation. He has been 'practicing' his polka dance steps for the past few weeks. Maybe the waltz would be a bit easier on the footwork, don't you think? Anyway, our Alumni Buddies wish you a speedy and complete recovery.

Great News: Ed Arhar, husband of alumni member Annie and "dear ole Dad" of our 2006 honoree JoAnne Arhar, is now recuperating AT HOME, after being in the Cleveland Clinic for most of the year, a period of eight months. Keep the health improvement going. Our prayers and best wishes.

Also on the Not Well List are staunch members of the St. Vitus Alumni Tony Pozelnik and sister Albina. Keep them in your prayers. Thinking of you with wishes for better health to come.

Another "gentle reminder" to come to the alumni meeting on Thursday, Oct. 5th at 7 p.m.

The day ended all too soon. Many were not there. Each year we lose one or more. And each year it is more difficult for some to come. But by hook or crook, we all TRY for the next one. Until we meet again, z Bogum.

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Right Answer to Old QUIZ

by James V. Debevec II

What TV series won more Emmys than any other series in TV history?

Here are some of the answers we have received: "Gunsmoke," "Frazier," "Happy Days," "West Wing," "Bonanza," "I Love Lucy," and "Mash," but they are not correct.

We thought we'd fool everyone because the answer was a daytime show called, "Sesame Street." Submitting the right answer were **Joe Burya** of Euclid, **Marie Dular** of Cleveland, **Anne Lawson** of Kentucky, **Sandy Green** of KSKJ fame, and **Stan Zakelj** of Broadview Heights, Ohio. Mary Tyler Moore Show got 29 Emmys, and Frasier received 37, but Sesame Street was awarded 109 Emmys, more than any other television series.

Most people liked the hint of children and monster cookie given in the last issue of American Home.

Next quiz:
By what other name was Fenwick Babbit known? John C. Turek is not eligible to enter as he played the part in a movie.

Send answers to James' Quiz ah@buckeyeweb.com or mail to Jim, American Home, 6117 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, OH 44103.

Pet Blessing

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This and that from Emilee

by EMILEE



Emilee Jenko

chicken with all the trimmings catered by Sophie Mazi and Linda Plečnik. Raffles were also held. No, I wasn't a winner, but many lovely selections were given away in the Chinese auction.

The Lojske Dolina, an independent group had a meeting and dinner at SWH with John and Jan Telich, Joe and Anne Zgonc and a few members in attendance. Chuck Zgonc at the helm with the able assistance of Matt Zabukovec.

An ex-Cleveland who now resides in Green Valley, Arizona sent me pecans. She tells me that they grow quite extensively in Arizona. John and Josie Krane were owners of a tavern on St. Clair Avenue, you probably know them. John has passed away, but Josie remained in Arizona. Josie, thank you for the treat. Very much appreciated.

A little late, but nevertheless very meaningful... the 51st wedding anniversary of John and Helen Kozlevchar on August 20th. Two lovely people and so active in all Slovenian cultural affairs. Many, many more years ahead. LUV YA.

Our St. Clair Pensioners Picnic in the Park was well attended, 70 to be exact. Many thanks to Steffi Dalic, all the way from Madison, Ohio for baking the delicious *flancete*. They were absolutely out of this world, just like mother used to make. Some prizes were raffled

off... as usual - no cigar. A variety of pastry was supplied by the Pensioners. Thanks to everyone for all the help.

Just heard that Pauline Benzie from Orange, California passed away. My deepest sympathies to all the family of the Nagode clan. Rest in peace.

The pancake breakfast at St. Christine's was very filling. It was very ample for such a small price. Lodge #6 and #40 of AMLA were the hosts. The kitchen crew did themselves proud. It was great.

The Slovenian Women's Union Festival was on Oct. 1st at SNPJ Farm in Kirtland, Ohio. Mass was with Bishop A. Edward Pevec. Music by Joey Tomsick. Chinese auction and plenty of good Slovenian food.

Haven't seen Ed and Fran Karnak for some time. Hope all is okay. Keep in touch.

Sept. 28 - Happy Birthday to Fran Churney, the polka honey of Dale Bucar's Sunday show on WELW radio. Many happy returns from all your fans. Zivio.

Don't forget to vote on Nov. 7.

October birthdays: Agnes Kronitz, Mary Jo Rom, Fr. John Kumse (St. Mary's Church), Judie Vegh, David Vegh, Gus and Chris Frangos. Wedding Anniversary wishes to Tony and Chris Mihelich. Best wishes to all these wonderful individuals.

The reverse raffle held at Slovenian National Home on St. Clair was very exciting. Two of my friends were the holders of winning tickets. They are two great guys: Joseph Hocevar and Danny Reiger. Dinner was catered by Julie Zalar. Hosts were the board of the SNH. Very well put together. My dinner guests were Terri Hocevar, Susan Schumacher, Jim and Bert Pavlik.

New parents...Ken and Jackie Ranallo, grandparents are Pat and Rich Zele. Twin boys, Vincent and Cameron. Best wishes to these adorable twin angels.

Friday, Sept. 15 I stopped at St. Mary's Church in Collinwood for krofe, but I was

too late. They said, "Come back Saturday morning." But I did meet a very personable lady Mrs. Ann Kosir. She was so nice and apologetic. I'll be back another day for some goodies.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Paul and Andy Rasper on the passing of wife and mom, Eleanor. She was in and out of the hospital the past few months. The arrangements were by Zak Funeral Home on St. Clair Avenue. Mass was with Fr. Ron at St. Andrews Church on East 52nd and Superior Ave. Rest in peace, Eleanor. The luncheon was held at Sterle's and many people attended. Much togetherness was shown.

Condolences to Julie Zalar and family on the passing of mother and grandmother, Agnes Jerin. Zele Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. She is among the angels. God bless.

What a pleasant afternoon I had as the guest of Dan Reiger at the steak and chicken roast given by the St. Vitus Catholic War Vets held at the Eagles Lodge on Euclid Avenue. Many prizes were raffled off, but the height of the day was the balinca tournament. Much fun. We were all pretty bad, I mean bad, but fun was had by all. The dinner was catered and very tasty. the camaraderie was fantastic. Thanks, guys, for a wonderful day with friends and good fellowship.

Congratulations to Joey Samsa, recipient of the

WELW birthday club winner on Sept. 19. He receives luncheon for four at the Hilltop on E. 260th St., and Dairy Queen Whip, and his name in lights at the Security Storage facility billboard seen off Route 2. Happy Birthday.

Childhood friends of mine meet once a month at the SWH to enjoy their fab fish fry. We reminisce about the old times at the La Salle Theater on East 185 St. Those were the days... What do you say ladies? The gals are Bea Tanko, Faye (Fayzee) Zahurancik, and Lil Desanter. How about the sweet shop next door to the theater where we met all the good looking boys? Ooh, la-la.

AMLA will hold a clam-bake at SNPJ on Oct. 7 catered by Maple Heights. On Oct. 21 the lodges together (8, 9, and 38) will sponsor a goulash polenta dinner at Holmes Avenue Slovenian Home. Mmmm, sounds so good.

On Nov. 5th Lodge #6 will celebrate their 95th anniversary at the Croatian Lodge Party Center. It is a Sunday afternoon starting at 1 p.m. Congratulations.

So much for now...

Till we meet again, I will leave you with this thought:

By your hands we are fed; by your words we are led.

We thank you for your many gifts and pray that we will always be blessed.

God bless all.

Love ya,
Emilee



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- 3 tabs. sugar
- 1 egg
- 4 apples peeled and thinly sliced. (Macs, Romes, Jonathans)

Mix dry ingredients. Beat egg and add milk. Make a well in the dry ingredients. Add liquid and mix until just moistened. Fold in apples. Drop batter by spoonfuls into hot deep fat. Fry, turning once until golden brown. Drain on towels and when cool sprinkle with powdered sugar. Enjoy!!

—Emilee Jenko
Euclid, Ohio

Zucchini Bread Pudding

My friend Sally Koepke found this recipe and it's a different presentation for zucchini. It's a bit of work and about a million calories, but once you taste it, you'll agree that it's worth making.

Ingredients:

- 2 medium zucchini, sliced ¼" thin
- ½ C corn (fresh or frozen)
- 2 T olive oil
- ½ C chopped roasted red pepper*
- 1 T minced garlic
- 1 T minced fresh basil
- 1 T snipped fresh parsley
- 1 T chopped fresh sage
- 5 C bread cubes (Italian or sourdough)
- 4 oz. shredded Swiss cheese
- 3 T chopped toasted pecans
- 2 C Half-n-Half
- 5 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 t salt and ¼ t pepper

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a 2-quart casserole (I use the Corning Ware soufflé bowl). Cook zucchini and corn in oil in a large pan. Stir in peppers, garlic and herbs. Cook 2 minutes more. Stir in bread. Place half of this mixture in the pan, sprinkle with half the cheese, and repeat layers. Sprinkle top with pecans. In a medium bowl, mix cream, eggs, salt and pepper. Carefully pour over the mixture, and bake, uncovered for 35 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

* You can either buy them in a jar, or roast them yourself. If you want to roast them yourself, put the peppers on a cookie sheet that you've sprayed with Pam, and put it into a 400-degree oven, turning occasionally, for about an hour. Let them cool slightly and peel and seed (the peels should be blackened and should slip off easily under water). You can store any extra in a jar, covered with olive oil.

—Kim Ann Kaifesh
Our Family and Friends Recipes

Ansambel Spev Plays for 3rd Alpine Evening

We invite all lovers of the Slovenian polka, waltz, and folk song to the 3rd Alpine Evening being sponsored by St. Mary's Parish on Friday, Oct. 6 in the Parish Hall. Guest musicians for the evening will be *Ansambel Spev* from Slovenia.

Never heard of this band? You surely will, as *Ansambel Spev* was voted the most promising Slovenian band of 2005. They began as three, then four, and are now a group of five young men, ages 25 to 31, from the Štajerska region. Some of the men knew each other from earlier years singing in the mixed chorus *Svoboda* (Freedom) in Šoštanj. The band first performed in Switzerland in September, 2002. Their name literally translates to melodic, lyrical "Song."

Their first album titled, "*Klic ruševca*" (Call of the Blackcock) had been released in 2004. Their song "*V klasju skrit je čas žanjic*," evokes the times of harvest maidens in the wheat fields, was chosen as the #1 song of the year 2005 by listeners of Radio Slovenia.

With their many awards at music festivals throughout

Slovenia, they are already among the top-ranked bands. Besides festival awards such as Best Debut group, Favorite Band, 1st place juried awards, Best Lyrics, People's Choice award, and First Place Overall, they have won the Šifrer award for Best Vocal Harmony. A crowd favorite is their medley of Lojze Slak songs.

They recently released their new album "*Reci, da boš moja*" (Say That You'll Be Mine) which includes a rendition of the famous Slak romantic waltz "*Ne prižigaj luči*" (Don't Turn the Light On) with the legendary zither-artist Miha Dovžan.

You can learn more about the group and even listen to MP3 snippets of music (click "naša glasba") at their Slovenian website www.ansambel-spev.com.

The band is coming to America at the invitation of Pittsburgh's Slovenian radio program. We are looking forward to their only Cleveland performance at St. Mary's on Holmes Avenue in the Collinwood neighborhood of Cleveland.

The Alpine Evenings have become quite popular among previous attendees, for this is

where happy, spirited people, good music, authentic Slovenian cooking, and good "spirits" combine. Get a group of friends together and join in the fun. In keeping with the Alpine theme, don't forget to don your best edelweiss-decorated garb, lederhosen, and Alpine mountain hats.

The only reserved seating will be for complete tables of 10 persons. Call Elizabeth Žalik at 440-537-1941. All other seating will be sold only at the door, first-come, first served. Admission \$10.

Doors open at 6 p.m. A short performance at 7 p.m. will be followed by music for dancing. The kitchen will feature Weiner schnitzel, dumplings and sandwiches among other Alpine dishes and desserts for sale. A selection of beers and wines from Slovenia and other Alpine countries will be offered at the bar. The hall is handicapped accessible. Security will be provided in the parking lots. All are heartily invited to join the fun of the Alpine Evening with *Ansambel Spev*. Yodel-hee-huu.

—Sylvia

Journey of Hope Luncheon

The annual "Journey of Hope" luncheon will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Windows on the River in the Flats.

The group provides financial support to adult cancer patients and their families.

For more information, please call (216) 262-0612.

—Kim Ann Kaifesh
Chairman

Palčinka Breakfast

St. Mary (Holmes Ave.) Slovenian School will host a *palčinka* breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Parish Center.

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— Vesti iz Slovenije —

Sestanek obrambnih ministrov držav-članic NATO pretekli teden v Portorožu – Tudi obrambni sekretar ZDA Donald Rumsfeld

Obrambni ministri 26 držav-članic zveze NATO so se zbrali v Portorožu, poglavitna točka na sporedu pa je bil Afganistan in odločitev NATA, da bo zveza prevzela neposredno poveljstvo NATO-vih sil v tej državi, tudi nad ameriškimi vojaki, ki jih je trenutno kakih 10.000. Vojaška zveza išče od svojih članic dodatnih 2.500 vojakov, a jih še ni mogla dobiti, le Poljska je obljubila 1.000 vojakov več. Ameriško delegacijo na sestanku je vodil obrambni sekretar Donald Rumsfeld, ki sicer doma doživlja številne kritike in zahteve, naj odstopi oziroma naj ga predsednik Bush odstavi, kar pa Bush odklanja.

Sestanek v Portorožu je bil kot priprava za sestanek na vrhu voditeljev Nato držav, ki bo potekal v zadnjem delu novembra v latvijski prestolnici Riga. Slovenija ima majhen kontingent vojakov v Afganistanu, to v sklopu svojega članstva v NATU, ni pa še utrpela nobenih izgub zaradi te navzočnosti.

Mejni spori med Slovenijo in Hrvaško ne pojenjujejo – Prvič uporabljene posebne slovenske policijske enote ob meji

Ko so konec avgusta z območja po maloobmejnem prehodu Hotiza med Slovenijo in Hrvaško prišle informacije, da hrvaški delavci gradijo cesto, ki naj bi ogrozila slovensko ozemlje posebej pri vasi Mirišče, je slovenska vlada na območje poslala posebne enote slovenske policije, da so hrvaški poseg ustavile. V Hotizo sta nato prišla tako premier Janez Janša in hrvaški kolega Ivo Sanader. Dosegla sta dogovor, s katerim sta se obe strani zavezali, da bosta skupaj nasipe ob Muri obnovili. Ta dogovor pa ni držal več kot nekaj dni, ko so ga hrvaški policisti kršili.

Slovenska reakcija je bila odločna. Na sporno območje so spet prišli slovenski po-

licisti, ki so z bagrom prekopale sporno cesto in Hrvatom preprečili, da bi se še približevali vasi Mirišče. Hrvaška vlada je odgovorila s protestnim pismom slovenski, vendar do kakšnega trajnega kompromisa obe strani nista prišli.

Po drugi strani je Hrvaška itak pod določenim zunanjim pritiskom. Ko je Evropska unija pretekli teden odobrila priključitev EU Romuniji in Bolgariji – sicer pod poostrenimi pogoji – je tudi izjavila, da s tem bo po vsej verjetnosti za daljšo dobo sprejemanje novih članic zamrznjeno. To pomeni, da bo morala Hrvaška čakati dlje za članstvo v EU, kar je sicer ena prednostnih želja te države in njene vlade. Dejstvo je tudi, da ima Hrvaška mejne spore tudi s svojimi drugimi sosedi.

Slovenska borza v zadnjem četrtletju ena najbolj močnih – Tudi slovenska valuta

Poročilo v ponedeljkovem *Wall Street Journalu* kaže, da je bila slovenska borza zelo napredovala v tretjem letošnjem četrtletju, ki obsega mesece julij, avgust in september. V tem času je borza po indeksu Dow Jones napredovala za dobro šestino, torej kar 16,33 točke, s tem je bila tretja na celotnem seznamu držav, hitreje sta bili le Filipine in Mehika, borza v ZDA je šla višje "le" za 4,28 točke. Tudi slovenska valuta je postala močnejša na komparativnem indeksu, kar za 13,42 točke.

NSi gleda na prihajajoče lokalne volitve – te bodo 22. oktobra – z optimizmom

Sredi septembra so se člani in privrženci vladne stranke Nove Slovenije (NSi) zbrali ob Velenjskem jezeru na četrtem taboru stranke. Srečanje, ki se ga je po ocenah organizatorjev udeležilo okoli 5 tisoč ljudi, je minilo v znamenju pogovorov s predstavniki NSi na lokalni ravni in optimizma do lokalnih volitev. Optimističen v je bil še posebej strankin predsednik Andrej Bajuk.

Iz Clevelanda in okolice

Alpski večer—

Ta bo v petek zvečer v dvorani pri Mariji Vnebovzeti. Gostoval bo ansambel "Spev" iz Slovenije. Vrata bodo odprta ob 6h zv., nastop se bo pričel ob 7h. Vstopnice dobite pri vhodu.

Martinovanje—

Letošnje že tradicionalno martinovanje, ki ga prireja Štajersko-Prekmurski klub, bo v soboto, 21. oktobra, v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clairju, s pričetkom ob 6.30 zv. Za ples in zabavo bo igral ansambel Veseli godci. Za vstopnice (\$25) in več informacij: Tonica na 440-256-6716 ali Mimi na 216-531-4817.

"Koline" to nedeljo—

Pristavski upokojenci še enkrat vabijo na svoje "Koline", ki bodo to nedeljo, 8. novembra, na Slovenski pristavi. Serviralo se bo samo od 12. ure do tretje ure popoldan. Vsi ste lepo vabljeni!

Še ena "stoletnica" blizu—

V nedeljo, 5. novembra, bo fara Marija Vnebovzeta praznovala stoletnico ustanovitve. Slovesna sv. maša bo ob 11. uri, sledil ji bo banket in ples v farni dvorani. Vstopnice za banket so po \$40 za odrasle in po \$20 za otroke pod dvanajstim letom. Potrebne so rezervacije (216-761-7740).

Zahvala—

Ga. Tinka C. Vombergar: "Najlepša hvala vsem, ki ste me obiskali za časa mojega bivanja v Euclid bolnici, kjer sem imela dve operaciji. Posebna zahvala č.g. Jožetu Božnarju, ki mi je prinesel duhovno tolažbo, in mojim otrokom (dr. Mirko, Lojzka in Irenčka), ki so mi bili v stalno pomoč v moji bolezni, ter vsem sorodnikom in znancem, ki ste me obiskali. Bog plačaj vsem!"

Krofi in rezanci—

Oltarno društva fare sv. Vida ima prodajo krofov in rezancev v soboto, 14. oktobra, ob običajnem času v društveni sobi. Pridite!

St. Vitus Village—

V torek, 17. oktobra, bosta g. Stane Kuhar in g. Pavel Košir govorila o ustanovitvi in poteku projekta St. Vitus Village. To bo v sklopu predavanj Slovenian American Heritage Foundation in sicer v torek, 17. oktobra, v spodnji dvorani Slovenskega društvenega doma na Rechev Ave. v Euclidu. Javnost vabljen in vstopnine ni.

Zajtrk Slov. šole—

Slovenska šola pri Mariji Vnebovzeti vabi vse na zajtrk s palačinkami, ki bo v nedeljo, 29. oktobra, v župnijski dvorani ob 8.30 do 12. opoldan. Vse lepo vabljeni.

V podporo listu—

Bernie Krasovec, Pueblo, Colo., je daroval \$25 v pomoč listu. Ga. Mary Ann Selan je prav tako darovala \$25, v spomin na moža Michaela ob 13. obletnici njegove smrti, in spomin na mamo Jennie Femc. Hvala obema za podporo!

Novi grobovi

Stanley Krevh st.

Umrli je 71 let stari Stanley Krevh ml. iz Wickliffa, mož Anne, roj. Voje, oče Stanleya ml., Anne Parker in Erika, 11-krat stari oče, brat Franka, Adolpha, Sanike Kordez ter že pok. Augusta in Milana. Pogreb je bil 2. oktobra v oskrbi Cosicevega zavoda s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Viljema.

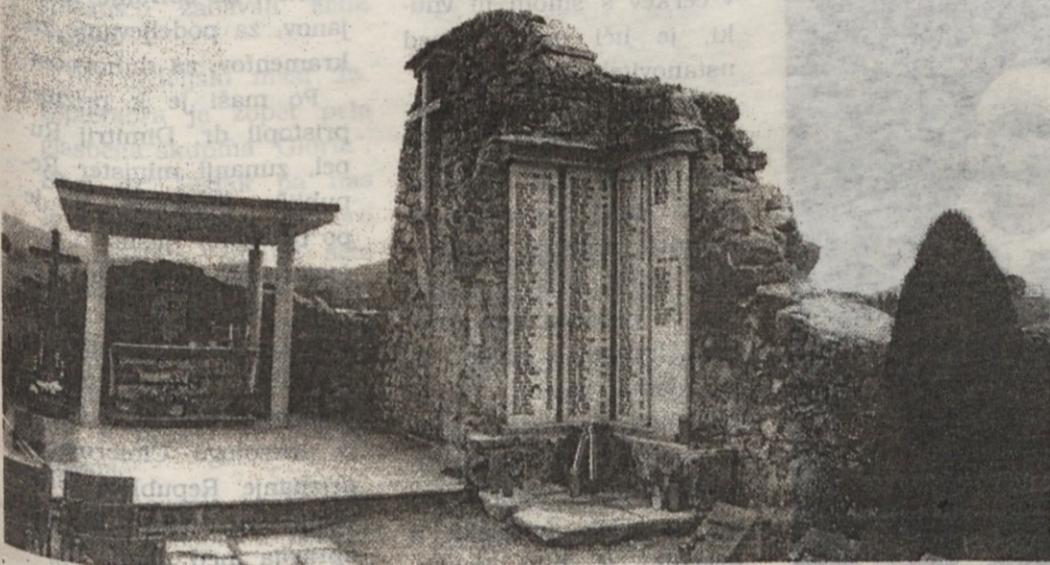
Andrew Cashen

Umrli je 82 let stari Andrew Cashen, dolga leta živ več v Madisonu, sin že pok. Andyja in Mary, brat Franka, stric. Pogreb je bil v privatni, družinski. Družina pa priporoča darove v pokojnikov spomin kateri koli slovensko ameriški organizacije, ki je darovalcu blizu, ali pa Slovene Home for the Aged Foundation, 18621 Neff Rd., Cleveland, OH 44119 oz. Hospice of the Western Reserve, 5786 Heisley Rd., Mentor, OH 44060. Pokojni je tekom mnogo let zvesto podpiral številne slovenske organizacije.

Julia Zivkovich

Dne 29. septembra je umrla 86 let stara Julia "Judy" Zivkovich iz Euclida, rojena Femec, žena Edwarda, mati Judith Bisbee in Edwarda ml., 5-krat stari mati, sestra Albine Mitskovich in že pok. Mary Noda, članica AMLA št. 45, podr. št. 32 SZZ in več farnih organizacij pri sv. Kristini. Pogreb je bil 2. oktobra v oskrbi Brickmanovega zavoda na Euclid Ave. s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Kristine in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

(DALJE na str. 15)



SPOMINSKO ZNAMENJE PRI MOZLJU – V času italijanske okupacije 1941-1943 in izvajanje komunistične revolucije, ki je vodila partizansko odporiško gibanje v Sloveniji, so na območju Ljubljanske pokrajine delovali tudi odredi Jugoslovanske vojske v domovini (JVvD). V nedeljo, 24. septembra, je Društvo za zamolčane grobove v Sloveniji – pododbor Grčarice imela spominsko slovesnost za septembra 1943 pobitimi pripadniki in somišljeniki Jugoslovanske vojske v domovini in to pri kapelici v Mozlju. Kapelica je obnovljena kot spominsko znamenje, registrirano kot spominsko znamenje Republike Slovenije. Na spomeniku v kapelici, kjer je bilo likvidiranih še neznano število pripadnikov JVvD in somišljenikov, je zapisanih do 200 imen tam pobitih Slovencev.

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Praznovanje samo se je spreverglo v pravi festival, ki je trajal tri dni (22., 23. in 24. septembra). Za naše skromno število faranov je bilo to praznovanje pravo razkošje.

Že v petek, 22. septembra, je naša faranka, operna pevka Rosalie Olinski, pripravila koncert znanih opernih arij, duetov in kvartetov. Komentator g. Joseh Sherman je pred vsako zapeto arijo opisal njeno umestnost v operi, iz katere je bila vzeta.

Ansambel "Opera on the Hudson", ki je skupina devetih poklicnih opernih pevcev, nam je pripravila veličasten in nepozaben večer s programom Verdijevih, Wagnerjevih, Dvoržakovih del, zapeli so še iz del Čajkovskega, Offenbacha, Giordana in Bizeta.

Bili smo srečni, saj je večina teh pevcev še v najlepših življenjskih letih

in tako pri najboljših močeh. Zato so bili glasovi doneči, ubrani, čisti in trdni. Izvajanje je navdušilo tudi nepoznavalce opere tako, da so se po vsaki izvedbi aplavzi dobesedno usipali kot plazovi.

Med drugimi smo poleg nežnih duetov iz Dvoržakove "Rusalke" in Čajkovskega "Pikove dame" doživljali tudi silo toreadorja v Bizetovi operi "Carmen".

Naj omenim še, da smo bili zaradi majhnosti cerkve pevcem tako blizu, da smo bili deležni vse glasovne energije, ki je ne bi bili v nobeni dvorani. Tem pevcem je Bog res dal izredne glasove. Na koncu so nam zapeli še zborovski napev "Va pensiero" iz Verdijeve opere Nabucco. Pri tej točki je po svoje "pomagala" tudi vsa publika.

Pri koncertu so bili prisotni duhovniki: Milan

Dimič iz Connecticuta, Alojzij Hribšek s Floride, frančiškanski p. Marjan Čudan iz Ljubljane-Vič, in še koprski škof dr. Jurij Bizjak, ki je sicer bil naš slaynostni, posebni gost.

Navzoči so bili tudi predstavniki slovenske države: Samo Žbogar, veleposlanik Slovenije v ZDA, Alenka Suhadolnik, gen. konzul RSlovenije v New Yorku, Matjaž Kovačič, ki je bil prvi konzul Slovenije v New Yorku po neodvisnosti, in ataše Republike Slovenije pri Organizaciji združenih narodov v New Yorku Roman Kirn.

Po končanem koncertu pa še ni bilo konec praznovanja. Preselili smo se v cerkveno dvorano, ki jo je krasila lična razstava naših likovnih umetnikov, ki živijo in delajo v New Yorku in okolici. Poleg že uveljavljenih: Groma, Zupančiča in Vodlana so tu razstavljali še mlajši: Bibi Lenček, Matej Branc in Metka Zupančič.

V nekem značilno newyorškem vzdušju si poleg slovenščine slišal v dvorani še angleščino, španščino in ruščino. Tako so tudi prijatelji in svojci pevcev počastili našo cerkev.

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Dr. Vendelinu Špendovu za 85-letnico

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srce Vam Slomška pozdravlja.

Dobri Pastir
prinaša Vam mir,
vsak dan Vas z nebes blagoslavlja.

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z molitvic venček Vam spleta.
Naj ljubi Vas Bog
varuje nadlog
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in koštruni



KOPRSKI ŠKOF DR. JURIJ BIZJAK OB PRAZNOVANJU 90-LETNICE SLOVENSKE ŽUPNIJE SV. CIRILA V NEW YORKU – Na fotografiji so od leve proti desni v prvi vrsti: Anki (Babnik) Moeller, Olga (Burger) Clifton, Sandi (Zupan) Grafmuller, Marjana Burger; v naslednji vrsti: David Zupan, Mija Branč, škof dr. Jurij Bizjak, Marija Zupan; v zadnji vrsti: Mojca Branč, Andrej Branč, Ivan Kamin, Michael Zupan in Jonathan Zupan.

poldne 23. septembra se je darovala jubilejna maša. Slavnostno mašo je vodil koprski škof dr. Jurij Bizjak. Visok in slog se je v procesiji duhovnikov in narodnih noš približal oltarju. Pred oltarjem ga je v imenu faranov v angleščini pozdravila ga. Rose Rupnik. Stara gospa, ki je prišla v cerkev s sinom in vnuki, je hči enega izmed ustanoviteljev župnije.

Vokalna skupina "Gloria" iz Ljubljane-Viča je pela s kora. S p. Čudnom je za našo slovesnost ta skupina posebej prišla v New York. S svojim petjem je prinesla nekaj novega, liturgično glasbo, ki je nismo vajeni. Ta je bila bolj razgibana, živa, s poudarki na ritmo in sinkopiranje. Napevi so se mi zdeli ameriški, a besedilo je bilo slovensko.

Nadvse zanimiva in pomembna je bila pridiga škofa Bizjaka. Začel je z mislijo, koliko obredov se je v devetdesetih letih zvrstilo v tej naši cerkvi. Koliko je bilo tu božičev, adventov in drugih praznikov. Kaj vse je fara,

kako pomembno sporazumevanje. Nihče od nas ni sam. Še puščavniki živijo z angeli in svetniki. Zato se ljudje zbiramo, da občujemo.

Cerkev je prostor za filozofska razglabljanja pa tudi za laične stvari, je prostor za utrjevanje tradicije, obnavljanja prijateljstev, za zbiranje kristjanov, za podeljevanje zakramentov, za duhovnost.

Po maši je k prižnici pristopil dr. Dimitrij Ruppel, zunanji minister Republike Slovenije, ki je po izraženih mislih o pomenu naše cerkve in njenega delovanja v "prestonici sveta" skupaj s konzulko Alenko Suhadolnikovo podelil našemu p. Krizologu Cimermanu priznanje Republike Slovenije za delo, ki ga opravlja med nami. To v obliki diplome.

Po teh slavnostih smo se preselili v blok oddaljeno ukrajinsko dvorano, kjer smo imeli kosilo in se družili, klepetali in plesali. Za dobro voljo so nas z glasbo, zborovskim petjem in s kako

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Dr. JOŽE GOLE – DEVETDESETLETNIK

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Pred tremi leti je v *Ameriški domovini* (14. avg. 2003), sedaj že pokojni Rev. Janez Lavrih, popisal življenjsko pot biseromašnika dr. Goleta. Ta slavljencec je 21. septembra dopolnil 90 let. Naj povemo nekaj utrinkov iz njegovega življenja.

Rojen kot osmi od devetih otrok v vasi Podgorica blizu Dobrnica na Dolenjskem, je bil krščen pri istem kamnu kot nekoč škof-misijonar Friderik Baraga. Pet let se je šolal v domačem kraju in zaradi izredne nadarjenosti so ga kljub očetovi nejevolji poslali v Škofove zavode. Tam se je preživljal z instrukcijami pa bil vsa leta odličnjak in naredil maturo z odliko.

Začutil je, da ga Bog kliče v svojo službo, vstopil je v semenišče in obiskoval teološko fakulteto. Zanimali so ga klasični jeziki in tudi francoščina. Z znanjem tega jezika je bil v šolskem letu 1939/40 sprejet kot študent na Sorbonni v Parizu. A ko so Nemci zasedli Francijo, je moral zapustiti Pariz.

Po petletnem študiju je bil posvečen in imel novo mašo pri Sv. Petru v Ljubljani, julija 1943. Njegova rojstna župnija

bisernomašnik



dr. Jože Gole
Bogu hvala za vse

je bila namreč tedaj na partizanskem "osvobodjenem ozemlju" in novomašnik je bil opozorjen, naj ne pride domov, ker bi bil v smrtni nevarnosti.

Njegova starša sta se nekaj dni pred novo mašo odpravila v svoj vinograd s košem, motiko in grabljami, zvečer pa skrivoma in peš po gozdovih hodila do Ljubljane. Do stražnice na mejnem bloku sta prišla opolnoči na dan nove maše, vsa blatna, utrujena.

Dr. Gole ju je pričakal tam. (Medtem so mu prijatelji peli podoknico in se čudili, da se ne prikaže pri oknu stanovanja.) – Po novi maši je g. Gole vodil karitativno pisarno, pomagal beguncem z Gorenjske in Štajerske, brezdomcem in vsem, ki so zaradi vojne in revolucije bili pomoči potrebni.

V soboto 5. maja 1945 se je na nasvet g. Lavriha g. Gole pridružil skupini gen. Rupnika (21 ljudi) in so se odpeljali čez Korensko sedlo – Beljak – v Grosseg nad Millstattskim jezerom. (Podrobno opisuje to pot dr. Kociper v knjigi "Kar sem živel".) Tam je dr. Gole večkrat ministriral angleškemu vojaškemu kuratu, sporazumevala sta se v francoščini.

Življenje v Grossegu ni bilo mirno, ker so prihajale žalostne vesti, končno tudi vest o predaji domobrancev. Nekega dne so Angleži naročili beguncem v Grossegu, naj pridejo po živilske karte. A ko so prišli tja, so jih pod stražo naložili na kamione in jih odpeljali v taborišče Spittal (po dr. Lavrihu 9. jul.).

Tam so jih zaprli v barako št. 13. Bilo je

300 zbranih, med njimi tudi dr. Hacin, ki je svetoval g. Goletu: "Reši se!"

Ko so jih posamič puščali iz barake na stranišče, se je g. Goletu posrečilo, da se je zvalil na tla in zlelel pod barako. Ob pol 3h ponoči so prišli kamioni in odpeljali vse, ki so bili v baraki. G. Goleta je naslednji dan skoro čudežno rešili tisti vojaški kurat, ki mu je g. Gole prej ministriral, in ga odpeljal iz taborišča. Preskrbel mu je dovoljenje, da sme ostati v župnišču v Obermillstattu.

Sredi poletja ga je dekan, ki je bil župnik v Obermillstattu, naprosil, češ naj mu vrne uslugo in odnese v Graz važno sporočilo nekim sestram. Zaradi varnosti pred angleško komisijo, je hodil g. Gole le po stranskih poteh in je šele po enajstih dneh prišel v Graz, seveda lačen in izčrpan, da se je na vratih samostana zgrudil.

Sestre so mu skušale pomagati, čeprav niso vedele, kdo je. V nahrbtniku so nato našle dekanovo pismo. In ker so odkrile, da je g. Gole duhovnik, so ga poslale na okrevanje v svoj dom za stare ljudi v Maria Trost. Tam je za silo okrevljal, a takoj razmišljal, kako bi nadaljeval študij.

Na univerzi v Grazu se je mogel vpisati le kot izreden kandidat za doktorat (šele po dveh letih je dobil iz Ljubljane potrdilo, da je končal študij za diplomu in je nato postal reden kandidat za doktorat).

Nekaj časa je moral delati pri odstranjevanju ruševin. V večernih urah je hodil v knjižnico, a ni smel vzeti knjig s seboj. Šele čez čas je uspel, da je s podkupnino šestih cigaret smel vzeti s seboj eno knjigo, ki jo je moral vrniti do 7h zjutraj. Tako je vsako drugo noč študiral, podnevi pa hodil na univerzo in delal.

Ob težkem študiju in pičli prehrani je vmes zbolel za jetiko. Po posredovanju dekana medicinske fakultete (ki je hodil h dr. Goletovi maši pri nekih sestrah) je bil poslan v zdravilišče, kjer se je zdravil šest mesecev. Ko je okrevljal in zapustil zdravilišče, se je

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"Baragovi dnevi 2006" v Calumetu lepo uspeli

CLEVELAND, O. – V petek, 22. septembra, smo se ob osmi uri zvečer odpeljali na dolgo pot z avtobusom v Baragovo deželo, kakor sicer kličejo severni del Michigana. Ga. Ivanka Matič je organizirala to potovanje skrbno in v vseh ozirih profesionalno.

Naš cilj je bil Calumet, Michigan, kamor smo prispeli v soboto popoldan. Po kratkem počitku v hotelu, smo se ob štirih podali v cerkev sv. Pavla. Tam je daroval sv. mašo naš rojak, prevzvišeni kardinal Alojzij Ambrožič iz Toronta. Vsi smo ga bili zelo veseli; škoda samo, da je moral še isti večer nazaj v Kanado. Razočarani smo pa bili, da ni bilo nobenega zastopnika iz Slovenije.

Po sv. maši so nam lepo postregli v cerkveni dvorani, nato smo uživali v gledališču nastop mlade Indijanke, flautistke Jessice Dakota, in pa slovenske pevske skupine iz mesta Duluth.

Štirje avtobusi so pripeljali romarje iz Clevelanda, Chicage, Kanade in Dulutha, več pa jih je prišlo s svojimi avtomobili.

V nedeljo zjutraj smo se odpeljali v Eagle Harbor in si ogledali edino še stoječo cerkev, ki jo je postavil škof Baraga: "Holy Redeemer".

Ob eni uri pop. smo se podali v cerkev Presvetega Srca Jezusovega, kjer je sv. mašo daroval upokojeni škof Garland, naš stari znanec. Novi marquetteški škof Alex Sample ni bil navzoč, ker je na študiju v Rimu. Sv. mašo so poživili Kolumbovi vitezi in narodne noše. Večina teh noš je bilo iz Clevelanda, posebno jih je bilo belokranjskih.

Po maši je bil sestanek Baragove zveze in banket v dvorani tamkajšnje univerze. Zvedeli smo, da

postopek za proglasitev škofa Barage blaženim lepo napreduje. Če bodo v Rimu odobrili čudež, ki ga pripisujejo Baragi, bo škof Baraga že drugo leto posvečen blaženim. Vsi govorniki so nam priporočali, da molimo, da bi se to res zgodilo.

V ponedeljek zjutraj smo na poti v Marquette videli še Baragov spomenik v L'Anse, se ustavili v marquetteški stolnici, kjer je škof Baraga pokopan. Tam so nam v spodnji dvorani pripravili dobro malico za na pot, za kar je predvsem poskrbela skrbna tajnica Baragove zveze Elizabeth Delene.

Na poti domov smo se ustavili še pri Indian River, kjer stojita ogromen križ in lepa kapela, kar so postavili ameriški vojni veterani, ki so se srečno vrnili domov v 2. svetovni vojni. "The Cross in the Woods" je res nekaj posebnega.

Na avtobusu smo bili ves čas veselo razpoloženi. Prepevali smo in molili, še posebno za vse, ki so se nam priporočili, in pa tudi za vse naše bolnike.

V Cleveland smo se vrnili v ponedeljek pozno ponoči vsi zdravi in veseli. Hvala Bogu škofu Baragi za tako lepo doživetje, ge. Matičevi pa z veseljem obljubljam, da se bomo drugo leto zopet pridružili njej, ko bo vodila potovanje na Baragove dni in takrat v mesto Saulte Ste. Marie.

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Dr. JOŽE GOLE – 90-LETNIK

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z vso močjo vrgel v študij in dosegel doktorat na ugledni graški univerzi.

Še več! Povabljen je bil, da predava tam en del sv. pisma. – In če posežemo tu malo naprej: tudi po odhodu v Ameriko je dolga leta vzdrževal stike z bibličisti na tej teološki šoli. Petkrat so ga povabili, da je šel z njimi študijsko v Sveto deželo. Tam se je naučil tudi precej arabščine. In ob 50-letnici pridobljenega doktorata se ga je graška univerza spomnila z lepim uradnim pismom, podpisanim od rektorja in dekana.

Ko je predaval v Grazu, sta prišla tja provincialatrov samostana Srca Jezusovega iz Hales Corners, Wis., in predstavnik

Marquette univerze v Milwaukeeju in ga povabila, da bi prevzel predavanja na njihovih šolah. Dr. Gole je to sprejel in podpisal pogodbo za eno leto. Na jezuitski univerzi je predaval vsega pet let, fundamentalno.

16. januarja 1950 je dr. Gole odplul iz Bremena, Nemčija, namenjen v Kalifornijo via Panamskega prekopa, a dejansko je priplul le do New Orleansa, od tam pa z vlakom v San Francisco. V jeseni je začel s predavanji v Sacred Heart Monastery v Hales Corners, a ker je predaval v latinščini, ga ni nihče razumel. Zato je prenehal, prevzel kaplansko službo na neki fari in se učil angleščine. Za Božič je imel prvo pridigo v angleškem jezi-

ku. In tako je potem v letnem semestru 1951 začel predavati po angleško.

Kot so zapisal o dr. Goletu patri tega samostana ob njegovi 40-letnici mašništva, je predaval filozofijo, metafiziko, govorništvu, sveto pismo, skoro vse teološke predmete. Na tej teološki šoli, na jugovzhodnem delu Milwaukeeja, je učil do svojega pokoja, potem pa bil instruktor za pozne poklice, čeprav je "profesor emeritus".

Ni čuda, da so patri ob 40-letnici dr. Goletu dali častno članstvo svojega reda. – Njihova šola ga je v času njegovega poučevanja poslala v Francijo kot svojega zastopnika, da je predaval na zboru evropskih teologov, seveda v francoščini!

Pri vsem svojem strokovnem in karitativnem delu pa dr. Gole ni nikdar pozabil slovenske skupnosti v Milwaukeeju. Pri slovenski fari sv. Janeza je vsako nedeljo maševal in pridigal vsa leta do odhoda patrov frančiškanov, 44 let! In preko 30 let je vedno maševal in pridigal ob vsaki slovesnosti v Triglavskem parku, slovenski pristavi. Tudi letos! – Njegove radodarnosti so deležni misijonarji po vsem svetu, saj ima z mnogimi osebni stik.

Kdo bi mogel prešteti, koliko zakramentov je podelil ljudem v času svojega duhovništva, koliko parov je poročil, koliko otrok krstil, predvsem pa koliko bolnikom je lajšal trpljenje s svojimi obiski po domovih, bolnišnicah in domovih za ostarele ter jim prinašal duhovno tolažbo? Mnogo rojakov je spremljal na njihovi zadnji poti in za pokojne še vedno daruje svete maše.

Zelo ga je prizadelo, ko se je moral pred nekaj leti odpovedati avtu in je sedaj navezan na vožnje drugih.

Ne smemo pozabiti, da je dr. Gole "kaplan" za Kolumbove viteze in da že dolga leta pomaga tudi pri skavtih.

V dolgem življenju dr. Goletu boleznijo niso prizanašale. Prestal je več operacij, razne boleznijo ga nadlegujejo zadnja leta. Vendar ne toži, le v molitvi najde tolažbo in pomoč.

PAVLE BORŠTNIK

KOMENTAR

KAKO DOLGO ŠE?!

PERRY, O. – V nasprotju s pričakovanji nekaterih, zlasti v politični emigraciji, ni zamenjava političnega vodstva v domovini prinesla nobene "pretresljive" spremembe v dnevnem življenju in politiki. Tudi ne v vprašanjih, ki so za Slovence po svetu, tiste, ki so domovino zapustili leta 1945, najbolj kritična. Grobovi v Kočevskem Rogu ostajajo slej ko prej nepoznani in ob tragičnem teharskem taborišču še vedno "utriplje" celjsko smetišče ...

Do neke mere je bila morda oživiljena debata o dogodkih, s katerih posledicami je soočena današnja slovenska družba, toda tudi ta debata ni pripeljala do kakšnega vidnega preobrata v mišljenju povprečnega slovenskega človeka. To mišljenje je še vedno pod vplivom in učinkom nekdanjega komunističnega režima in preveva slovenski vsakdan z nesporno doslednostjo, tako, da so povsem upravičena vprašanja: kako dolgo še? in kdaj se bo slovenski človek otresel te miselnosti ali, morda bolje, strahu pred drugačno miselnostjo, ki je zdaj politično sicer dovoljeno in bi bila še kako dobrodošla, če naj res kdaj pride do nekega "bratskega pomirjenja" našega rodu.

Slišijo se tudi glasovi, da še vedno trajajoča debata "za in proti" v vprašanjih medvojnega in povojnega dogajanja, v resnici podaljšuje to miselnost in onemogoča tisto toliko zaželjeno "narodno spravo". To je morda res, vsaj na videz, in v tem je tudi morda en odgovor, zakaj sedanja vlada te stvari odriva in jih postavlja na tkim. "back burners", kot pravijo Američani.

Toda podrobnejše preučevanje tega zadržanja pripelje do brezdvomnih ugotovitev, da je namreč glavni namen tega prigovarjanja "opustimo to debato" doseči, da bi nekdanja opozicija, kritično prizadeta in usodno zaznamovana z dogodki in kasnejšo uradno "sodbo" o teh dogodkih, opustila svoje zdaj omogočene pozabe in svoja kritična opazovanja.

Spoštovani gospod dr. Gole! Naj Vas Bog blagoslavlja ter poplača vse Vaše delo in prizadevanja z boljšim zdravjem!

Iskreno želimo in molimo, da bi bili še dolgo med nami! Prijatelji

Kot nekdanj, ko se je drznila upreti nastopajoči komunistični zaroti in je bila zato ožigosana s pečatom "narodne izdaje", tako tudi zdaj, ko skuša pred narodom razkriti svoja stališča in zločine, ki so bili zagrešeni nadenjo, sliši pozive, naj s to debato preneha, češ da si s tem nakopava odgovornost za še vedno trajajočo razpoko v slovenskem narodu, razpoko, ki jo je treba zaceliti.

Drugače povedano: "takrat" bi se opozicija ne smela upirati komunističnemu nasilju in "danes" naj o tem molči. Obakrat naj bi to bilo v najboljših interesih slovenskega naroda. Če že govorimo o teh stvareh, pravijo, "nekateri", jih prepustimo sodbi zgodovinarjev, strokovnjakov, in ne dopuščajmo neobzdrane javne razprave, ki ne vodi nikamor ...

Dober primer, kam to vodi, je nedavno objavljeni intervju, ki ga je za časopis *Dnevnik* opravil Ervin Hladnik Milharčič, nekdanji dopisnik ljubljanskega *Dela* v New Yorku in kasneje, do nedavnega, urednik *Sobotne priloge* istega časopisa.

Milharčič je govoril z dr. Petrom Vodopivcem, zgodovinarjem in sodelavcem Instituta za novejšo zgodovino v Ljubljani.

Obama se pozna, da sta doraščala v komunistični "preteklosti" in da sta torej – za namene tega razmišljanja – zelo primerna za presojo, v koliko nekdanja "miselnost" še danes obvladuje slovensko javno mnenje, pa celo mnenje zgodovinarjev, strokovnjakov.

Objava tega intervjuja človeku, ki ne živi sredi vsakdanjega slovenskega dogajanja, nudi zanesljivo podobo bistvenih potez tega dogajanja ter mu tako omogoča treznejšo presojo trenutnega slovenskega "vsakdana".

V uvodnih pripombah izvemo, da je dr. Vodo-

(DALJE na str. 15)

V NAZNANILO IN ZAHVALO



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KAKO DOLGO ŠE?

(NADALJEVANJE S STR. 14)

Vodopivec nedavno objavil novo knjigo o slovenski zgodovini "Od Pohlinove revolucije do samostojne države", in da je ta knjiga napisana "brez očitnih ideoloških ali političnih predznakov". Konec navedbe.

Vodopivčev pregled naše zgodovine naj bi torej bil ideološko prebarvan, nekritičen ali celo polemičen. O upravičenosti teh navedb se bo moralo vsakdo pač sam prepričati. Sam knjige še nisem dobil v roke, ustavljam bi se rad le pri dveh načelnih navedbah, ki v enem pogovoru z avtorjem, in ki po svoje dopolnjujeta moje uvodne navedbe o sedanji politični debati v Sloveniji.

"Po letu 1945," zastavlja Milharčič eno svojih vprašanj, "so nas učili, da se se je prebivalstvo (Slovenije) uprlo (okupatorjem); upor so vodili komunisti, partizanska vojska pa je zmagala v drugi svetovni vojni. Kaj je v tej sliki narobe?"

"Nič," odgovarja zgodovinar Vodopivec. "Treba jo je samo dopolniti in problematizirati. Meščanske stranke pač niso razumele, ali pa so preprosto spregledale, da je med ljudmi vladala močna odporniška volja. Ta pripravljenost na odpor je komunistom, ki jih je bilo leta 1941 manj kot tisoč, omogočila, da so se povzpeli na čelo gibanja, ki so ga organizacijsko podredili in povezali

z uporniškimi gibanjem v drugih delih Jugoslavije. S tem so ustvarili položaj, ki jim je omogočil, da so iz vojne izšli kot zmagovalci. Tega ni mogoče zanikati."

Vodopivčeva razlaga razvoja v Jugoslaviji in Sloveniji je tako simplistična in okleščena vseh dvomljivih ali kritičnih atributov, da me nekako spominja na krožnik slastnega "golaža", ki ga je nekdo zlil v cedilo in potem vse skupaj opral; izgubile so vse začimbe, vsa tista "omaka", ki je v resnici predstavljala "golaž"; ostalo pa je v cedilu meso, torej golaž sam... Zgodovinar je navedel osnovna "dejstva", storil pa je to "brez očitnih ideoloških ali političnih predznakov".

V istem smislu vidi Vodopivec tudi politične cilje komunistov med vojno. "Zgodovinske interpretacije," pravi, "se prično razhajati pri vprašanju: kako so komunisti vodili partizansko gibanje." Sam odgovarja: "Na zelo pragmatičen in nasilen način." Tu gre spet za "oprano golaž", leporečje, ki naj zabriše tragično resnico, saj zamolči tisoč umorov, predno je kdorkoli posegel za orožje, da se z njim obrani "upornikov".

Zanimiva je tudi njegova navedba, kako se je "to" zgodilo. Namreč upor proti upornikom. "Tradicionalni strankarski voditelji," pravi Vodopivec, "so se odločili počakati z aktivnim odporom in zato paralelnega odporniškega gibanja niso organizirali."

Dejstvo je, seveda, da je komunistična Osvobodilna fronta v enem svojih prvih "dekretov" pod smrtno kaznijo prepovedala ustanavljanje kakršnegakoli osvobodilnega

† Stane Simrayh

CHICAGO, Ill. - V sredo, 27. septembra, je umrl 74 let stari Stane Simrayh. Zanj žalujejo žena Mihaela, roj. Arko, otroci Magdalena Ana (Joseph) Razpotnik, Herman M. (Suzy), Stanley A. (Bonni) in Bernadette, E. (Max) Petrovic, 9-krat stari oče, brat Marije Strnad, Ane Dvorak, Elze Zupevc, Erike Kline ter že pok. Leopolda in Josepha, devet let predsednik Slovenian American Radio Club in Radio Hour, član Slovenskega kulturnega centra v Lemontu in Balincarskega kluba, predstavnik slovenske katoliške misije Marije Pomagaj nadškofiji Chicago. Pogrebna sv. maša je bila v cerkvi Marije Pomagaj v Lemontu s pokopom na pokopališču Resurrection v Justice, Ill. Pogreb je bil v oskrbi Žefranovega zavoda v Chicagu, Ill.

gibanja izven njene neposredne kontrole. In z vrsto neizzvanih zločinskih umorov, je dokazala, da ima trden namen vsak prestopek v tem smislu, v resnici kaznovati s smrtjo. Vprašajte Fanouša Emerja.

(SE NADALJUJE)

Novi grobovi

(nadaljevanje s str. 11)

Branimira Berlec

Umrla je 80 let stara Branimira Berlec iz S. Euclida, rojena Omahen, žena Ivana, mati sr. Marije O.S.U., Vide Berlec, Ivana ml., Marthe Garewal in Dorothy Lucko, 3-krat stara mati, sestra Milana. Pogreb je danes, 5. oktobra, v oskrbi Cosicevega zavoda s sv. mašo v cerkvi sv. Gregorija Velikega in pokopom na Vernih duš pokopališču.

Oltarno društvo sv. Vida se zahvaljuje

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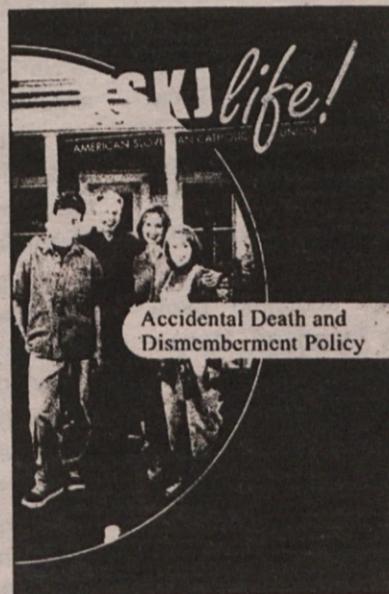
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Oktober je znan tudi po oktobrski revoluciji leta 1917 v Rusiji, po kateri so prišli na oblast komunisti in velja za začetek komunističnega terorja, ki je po mnogih državah sveta trajal tja do 90. let prejšnjega stoletja, ko se je končno zrušil. Danes so uradne komunistične države samo še Kitajska, Severna Koreja in Kuba (pa Vietnam, op. ur. AD).

Druga imena za mesec oktober so še: vinotok, kozoprsk, desetnik, sredojesen, vinščak, vinec, repar, repnik, moštnik, bendimjek, trgovec.

Oktober je posvečen molitvi rožnega venca, zato je prva nedelja v oktobru (1.) imenovana rožnovenska, spomin rožnovenske Matere božje, pa praznujemo 7. oktobra. Papež Janez Pavel II. je trem tradicionalnim delom rožnega venca dodal še sveti del, v katerem premišljujemo dogodke iz Jezusovega življenja.

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Oltarna društva in Slomškov krožek iz Clevelanda so tudi letos ostali zvesti svoji več kot polstoletni tradiciji in poromali v Lemont 12. in 13. avgusta. Tudi letos so se držali svojega ustaljenega romarskega reda, ki obsega v soboto spoved, molitev križevega pota in večerno romarsko mašo s petimi litanijami Matere božje, v nedeljo pa jutranjo romarsko mašo, molitev serfinskega rožnega venca in kronanje kipa fatimske Marije v dolini rožnega venca, obisk groba škofa Rožmana in molitve na pokopališču ter dopoldansko romarsko mašo s petimi litanijami Matere božje, popoldne pa še v cerkvi slovo od lemontske Marije in odhod. Letos je Marijo kronala Tončka Urankar.

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Zadnjo nedeljo v avgustu (27.) je bil vsakoletni medeni piknik, ki je združen z žrebanjem srečk, ki smo jih razposlali že skoraj dva meseca prej.



NOVI VELEPOSŁANIK REPUBLIKE SLOVENIJE dr. IVAN REBERNIK PRI PAPEŽU BENEDIKTU XVI.

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Letošnje poletje nam je "podkurilo" s kar precejšnjo vročino, zato je bila večina romarskih maš v cerkvi namesto pri lurški votlini. V cerkvi je bila tudi maša 27. avgusta, saj smo poleg medenega piknika praznovali tudi 80-letnico kronanja Marijine podobe v Lemontu.

Za to slovesnost je bil povabljen p. Silvin Kranjc, ki je rektor brezjanske bazilike, matere ameriških Brezij v Lemontu. Pridružil se mu je tudi brezjanski zakristan br. Bonaventura Obran. Že pred prihodom v Lemont sta nekaj dni preživela pri p. Krizologu v New Yorku, ostala pa sta tudi še nekaj dni po medenem pikniku.

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